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Change of Venue for Our Monthly Concerts

In the last week of April, the Jazz Club Committee was informed that the Central Leagues Club was going to turn the back of their function room into a billiard area. Two billiard tables will be installed.

It was clear that the reduced space would be too small to accommodate the jazz club audience. It was then necessary to find at short notice, a new venue with suitable facilities including a dance floor. Souths Leagues Club at Merewether were keen to assist us, but they had a prior booking for the last Sunday in May.

Consequently, we have booked the Wallsend Diggers Club for the May gig with Fish Fry with the rest of the gigs for 2023 to be held at Souths Merewether. The first gig at Souths will be on Sunday 25 June with the popular 'Chasing the Moon'. It was not easy to find another venue at short notice particularly as some clubs such as Club Charlestown have also reduced the area they have available for live music.

We hope that all members will give us their support and attend the jazz club functions at Wallsend Diggers in May and then at Souths, Merewether.

Newcastle and Hunter Jazz Club presents:

FISH FRY JUMP JIVE JAZZ



Andrew Wallace: Bass, Ian Dunn: Guitar
Justin Collins: Vocal, Kim Pink: Saxophone,
Laura Sands: Trumpet, Scott Chapman- Drums

SUNDAY, 28 MAY, 2023

Wallsend Diggers Club

Tyrell Street Wallsend

2.00PM - 4.30PM

**ENTRY \$15 JAZZ CLUB
MEMBERS, \$20 GUESTS**

Newcastle and Hunter Jazz Club presents;

Gresford Bus Trip- Sunday 18th June 2023



*Includes Morning Tea at Hunter Wet Lands
Then on to Gresford and the historic Beatty Hotel for a Hot Lunch and
three hours of great jazz with Bob Henderson Jazz Band
[Coffee and cake available at your expense]*

This will be a great day!

Book Early as numbers are limited at the Hotel Beatty

\$60 Members, \$65 Guests

Bus departs Wests Rotunda at 8.45am.

Call Val 4929 6315 to book (Dietary needs catered for)

Pay the Treasurer at one of our concerts or pay by direct debit

*There are also some seats for those who
wish to drive themselves to Gresford*

\$25 members/\$30 Non- Members

Money to be paid by the 29th May.

There are still vacancies for the bus trip to the Hotel Beatty on 18 June. There are also some seats available for those who wish to drive to East Gresford. This is a fundraiser for the Newcastle Jazz Festival. The band will be led by our Patron, Bob Henderson with Paul Furniss, Rachel Hamilton, Craig Goeldner and Will Goeldner. Please give us your support.

FROM VICE-PRESIDENT SHERIDEN

Hello Jazz Lovers

We again present the Vice President's Report this month.

Tickets are now on sale for the 34th Annual Newcastle Jazz Festival. There is a link on our webpage and on our Facebook page. Ticket sales are through the Civic Theatre booking office. A weekend pass is \$130.00 for adults and \$34.40 for people under 19 years, or \$0.75 for an accompanied child under 13 years. There is also a booking fee that is charged by the Civic. We encourage you to bring your friends, children, and grandchildren for a fun weekend of music. If you see our posts on Facebook, please like, and share them so we can let more people know about our Club and events.



There are still a few tickets left for our annual bus trip to The Beatty Hotel at Gresford on Sunday 18 June 2023. We are taking a bus, or if you prefer you can drive yourself. There are 18 tickets left for the bus and 10 for the self-drive option. Music will be provided by the Bob Henderson Jazz Band. Tickets are \$60 for members and \$65 for guests for the bus and \$25 for members and \$30 for guests if you drive yourself. Contact Val Jones to book on 4929 6315. Thank you, Judy Preston, for organising this event again this year for us.

Our April concert with the New Orleans Ramblers was a lot of fun with a good crowd in attendance. The band were joined for the last few songs by Bob Henderson. This was the last concert that Vic Gleeson attended before his relocation to Canberra. I was glad I had the opportunity to share a drink and a chat with him before he went. Nerida was not in attendance, but I wish them both happy travels and a good life in Canberra. We will miss you both.

Our new Committee are working well together to keep our monthly concerts going and to run our annual Jazz Festival. New Committee members Kylie Fischer, Casey Sherry and Marianne Cummings have hit the ground running and are all making a great contribution to our beloved Club. Over the last few months, we have gone from the possibility of not having a club, to moving into 2023 (almost) without a hitch. I'm really grateful to Kylie, Casey, and Marianne for stepping in and for all of the hours of work they are doing. The Club is run by volunteers who are passionate about live jazz in Newcastle. Yay us!

I note that we still do not have a President. If you feel that you want to contribute to the Club in this role, please contact me to discuss it.

Last month I talked about our collaboration with NIMA for the Thursday night Jazz Jam at The Grand Hotel. We are really excited to present some of our best jammers for a fund-raising concert on 9 July at Souths Merewether. We have made some fantastic discoveries over the last 8 months, and I can't wait to share them with you all. We hope you come along and support the Club and our local up and coming musicians who will be backed by the Heather Price House Band. As we are a not-for-profit organisation, fund raising events like this throughout the year assist us to present our annual Jazz Festival and monthly concerts. We thank you, our members, and your guests, for your continued support.

We are currently looking for sponsorship opportunities or financial support for our Club and Festival. If you have any suggestions or contacts for sponsorship and support, feel free to contact me for a chat. We are exploring all avenues to keep our Club going so we can continue to support live jazz in Newcastle and the Hunter.

Finally, I would like to welcome our newest members Dee McShan, Marilyn Hind, Carole Eastham, and Lesley Robinson and returning members Verity Matzoll and Ron and Brenda Poole.

Take care and see you at the jazz.

Sheriden

A vibrant poster for the 34th Annual Newcastle Jazz Festival. The background is a mix of purple, blue, and pink. It features stylized illustrations of a saxophone, a piano, and a trumpet. The text is bold and colorful, providing details about the event.

34TH ANNUAL NEWCASTLE JAZZ Festival
NEWCASTLE CITY HALL
25-27 AUGUST 2023
BOOK ONLINE
bit.ly/tickets-NCH-34thNewcastleJazzFestival

Vale Jack McLaughlin



Jack McLaughlin passed away on Thursday 5 May. He was well known to jazz fans not only in Newcastle but throughout Australia as he was a regular participant in the yearly Australian Jazz Convention. Jack is pictured with his e flat clarinet which accompanied him on his many visits to New Orleans.

Jack was keen to promote jazz to young musicians. The photo below is a good example. It was taken at the Merimbula Jazz festival in 2019. Pictured l-r David Saxon, Max Goeldner, Rachel Hamilton, Will Goeldner, Craig Goeldner, Ella Saxon, Tom Tyler, and Jack Mc Laughlin. David, Rachel, and Craig played with Jack when they first started in jazz. At Merimbula and at the Newcastle Jazz festival, David's daughter, Ella and Rachel and Craig's sons Max and Will played and sang in a band called 'The Smoothie Kings'.

In recent years Jack led the Frenchman Street Jazz Band at the Carrington Place Hotel and later at Earps Distillery. In 1974 Jack was pictured leading the Newcastle New Orleans Band at the Star Hotel, Newcastle (Col Hanson on piano). **A 'Jack McLaughlin Memorial Band' will play at the Newcastle Jazz Festival on Saturday morning, 26 August.**



Newcastle and Hunter Jazz Club presents;

CHASING THE MOON

Sunday, 25th June 2023

South Leagues Club

Llewellyn Street, Merewether

2.00 pm - 4.30 pm

\$15 members, \$20 Guests



Kathy Bluff: Violin/Vocal
Paul Burjan: Saxophone/Flute
John Blenkhorn: Guitar
Garry Steel: Piano Accordion
Merv Sequiera: Double Bass
Mike Quigley: Drums

A mouth-watering mix of hot club and the blues, a dash of folk, lashings of swing and Latin rhythms too. The arrangements of Hot Club classics, French musette, the occasional pop tune plus original tunes provide a framework in which each performer has a chance to shine.

Fundraising - Newcastle Jazz Festival

The costs of staging the Newcastle Jazz Festival have increased over last year's outlays. At this stage we do not have any cash sponsors or grants to assist us.

Therefore, we are holding a couple of fundraising activities to help us cover the costs. Please support the jazz afternoon at the Hotel Beatty and also a Jazz Jam afternoon with the Heather Price Band to be held at South Leagues Club, Merewether on Sunday 9 July. Details in the poster below. The support of musician jammers would be appreciated.

Newcastle and Hunter Jazz Club presents;

JAZZ JAM AFTERNOON FUNDRAISER FOR THE 34TH NEWCASTLE JAZZ FESTIVAL



The Heather Price Band

Jo Cadman, Piano, Dave Thompson, Trumpet,
Heather Price - Double Bass/Vocal, Ben Barnes, Drums.
(pictured above with Amanda Yuill - Trombone-jammer)

Musicians invited to come along and have a jam
with the Heather Price Band.

Sunday, 9 July, 2023

Souths Leagues Club

Llewellyn Street, Merewether

2.00pm - 4.30pm

Entry \$15 - Members and Guests - Jammers - Free

New Orleans Ramblers – Sunday 30 April

Thanks to Sheriden Nelson for taking the pics below at the New Orleans Ramblers gig while I was away.



New Orleans Ramblers - Front: Peter Buckland, Greg Griffiths, Eric Gibbons, back: Will Goeldner, Rachel Hamilton, Guy Thomson.



Bob Henderson Joined the Band for a few tunes.



Brian and Jenny Fallon, Liz Tocque



Great photo of Will and his Mum Rachel



Sheriden's Candid Pic- Sound man John Lock and our treasurer, Casey Sherry



Left: Keen jazz fans- Our Minute Secretary Kylie Fischer and Don Quested

Lucky Door:

Max Blanch, Derek Pola, Jill Gibbons

Raffle:

Maxine Devon, Vivienne Marjenberg, Janet Mundie, Vic Gleeson, Anne Haydon, Jill Bunt, Roslyn McNiven, Jill Gibbons Judy Preston, Irene Green.

Thanks to everyone who supports our raffles.

SYDNEY JAZZ CLUB CELEBRATES 70 YEARS OF CONTINUOUS JAZZ

Congratulations to the Sydney Jazz Club who are celebrating their 70th Anniversary on Saturday 19 August at Club York, 95-99 York Street Sydney from 2pm-5pm. Greg Englert will lead a Louis Armstrong Tribute Big Band consisting of the following musicians:

Greg Englert - trumpet, vocals. **Marcos Radnidge** (young future star) - Trumpet. **Paul Furniss** - Reeds. **Helen Hamlin** - Reeds. **Mark Pinner** - Reeds. **Mitch Lowe** - trombone. **Bradley Newman** - piano. **Cameron Jones** - guitar/banjo. **David Seidel** - bass. **Graham Hilgendorf** - drums.

Cost \$15 SJC members \$30 for non-members. Bookings are essential as tickets are limited.

Payment by Direct Debit- St George Bank – BSB 112879 Account Number 039622683

Please email confirmation of payment to sydneyjazzclub@tpg.com.au

Further Information is on the Sydney Jazz Club Website or phone Ian – 02 9719 3876

Newcastle Jazz Festival - Steve Edmonds Blues Trio- Sunday 27 August.

**Hunter Brown Quintet - Saturday 26 August- Dave Thompson, Trumpet, Jeremy Borthwick – Trombone
Jacob Neale - Piano, Andrew Wallace- Double Bass, Toby Hall- Drums.**

Andrew Dickeson/Peter Locke/Craig Scott Trio - Saturday 26 August

34th Newcastle Jazz Festival - 25, 26, 27 August 2023

Bookings have opened for the 34th Newcastle Jazz Festival and we have already received bookings from Tasmania, Victoria, Queensland and South Australia as well as the ACT and New South Wales Post codes. Patrons will have a wide range of jazz and blues to choose from over the weekend. It will be a great weekend so we hope to see you in the City Hall enjoying the music. Here are some of the bands/performers.



Bruce Mathiske, master guitarist, will be appearing at the festival on Sunday 27 August. Bruce is donating his time to support the festival where he once had his first gig – an event he remembers with great affection.

The Blues Point Vocal Group will be appearing on Saturday afternoon. This group mixes jazz vocal harmony with a walking bass and loads of humour! Blues Point vocal group are Lorraine Silk, Lauren Dawes, George Washingmachine, Dan Barnett, and Craig Scott (one of Australia's finest bass players). The repertoire ranges from jazz standards by Irving Berlin and Gershwin through to the hits of Ray Charles, Stevie



Wonder, Joe Cocker, Queen, and Adele that have been arranged specially for the group by some of Australia's top arrangers, Judy Bailey, Julian Lee, George Brodbeck and Bill Risby.



Nicki Parrott Quartet - Saturday 26 August

Nicki Parrott was born in Newcastle and started her musical training at four with the piano before switching to double bass when she was 15.

Nicki moved to New York in May 1994 and in June 2000 began performing with the legendary guitarist Les Paul. Nicki has performed in several Broadway shows. In 2007 & 2008 she received back-to-back honours for Swing Journal's Best Jazz Vocal Album with Moon River and Fly Me to The Moon, respectively.

At the Newcastle Jazz festival Nicki will be joined by Peter Locke on Piano, Andrew Dickeson on Drums, and the talented Tessie Overmyer on Saxophone.

Reminder- Special Offer of a weekend pass to the Newcastle Jazz Festival for just \$115 for Newcastle Jazz Club Members closes at the end of May.

Jazz Gospel- Sunday Morning 27 August

One of the highlights of the Newcastle Jazz festival has always been the Jazz Gospel on Sunday morning followed by an umbrella parade. Join the Geoff Power Jazz Band and one of Australia's best Gospel singers, Lee Gunness for an uplifting hour. Perhaps you will take up an umbrella and join the parade!





Gregg Arthur Quartet- Tony Bennett Tribute Saturday 26 August

Gregg Arthur is that rare entertainer, travelling all over the world performing the music he loves. He combines sophisticated stage style with superb vocal skill, charm, humour, and charisma. With his training and education firmly based in the tradition of jazz vocals and the great American Songbook, Gregg uses his considerable abilities to interpret jazz classics to deliver discerning jazz audiences with a masterful experience.

At the Newcastle Jazz Festival Gregg will be joined by three of Australia's top jazz musicians – Peter Locke, piano, Craig Scott, double bass and Andrew Dickeson, drums.



Newcastle Army Big Band Sunday 27 August (pic left)

The 17 Piece Dungeon Big Band will play on Friday evening with a set entitled – *'You and the Night and the Music'*.



Saturday 26 August
Left: Cygan Groove-Gypsy Jazz Quartet.
Right: The Bathtub Gin Orchestra
1920s stomp, 1930s swing with a dash

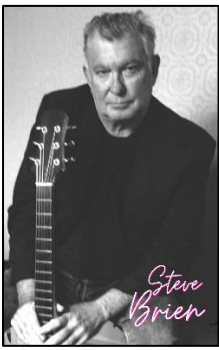


Many people like to move to the music – below are two great dance bands- **The Jive Bombers**- appearing Saturday 26 August- .Readers may recognise the great pianist Don Hopkins (far right). The music ranges from swing, blues, boogie woogie, and Latin. The band has released three CDs.

The pic below right shows **The Swing Kings** -Adam Ferrier, Terence Koo, Sheriden Nelson, D.J Cotton, Jeremy Burrows, Jason Nelson & Rob Coxon- appearing Sunday 27 August. Other bands great for dancing- Swing Company (Friday evening), Geoff Power's Great Gatsby Jazz Orchestra, Rehab Brass Band, Fish Fry. Left: Some of the happy dancers at last year's Newcastle Jazz Festival

Roaring 20s Night-Saturday with 13-piece New Empire Ragtime Dance Orchestra in the Banquet Room





Steve Brien- From Bebop to Broadway- Saturday 26 August

An acclaimed jazz guitarist, Steve Brien established himself in the Sydney jazz scene in the late 1970s, playing with local jazz musicians such as Dale Barlow, James Morrison, and Don Burrows. In 1985 he won an overseas study grant and went to New York City. He returned to Australia in 1987 and toured with the James Morrison Quintet, travelling extensively through Australasia and Europe. In 1992 Brien returned to the US, establishing himself on the Connecticut jazz scene. He returned to Australia in 1998 to join the Faculty of Music, lecturing in guitar, the Sydney Conservatorium. He now lives in Tasmania.



Brilliant young pianist Freddie Stafford will lead his trio on Saturday afternoon.



Traditional/New Orleans Jazz

Those who like Trad/New Orleans Jazz will have a few bands to choose from including **Bill Dudley's New Orleanians** (pic left) who will appear Saturday and Sunday, **The Unity Band** featuring some of Sydney's top musicians- Dan Barnett, George Washingmachine, Brad Child, Stan Valacos, Bradley Newman, and Graham Hilgendorf will play on Saturday as will **The Bridge City Band**. New to the festival is the **Port Hunter Jazz Band** together with Newcastle favourites **The New Orleans Ramblers** and **The Licorice Allsorts**. Jack McLaughlin's former band members will play in the **Jack McLaughlin Jazz Band** on Saturday morning. **Geoff Power's Jazz Band** will play Saturday and Sunday.



Rehab Brass Band Friday

Bob Henderson Quintet : Bob Henderson, Trumpet, Dave MacRae, Piano, Lawrie Thompson, Drums, David Seidel, Double Bass, Joy Yates, Vocal- Saturday

Terence Koo Trio with Brynn Hulls: Friday evening and Sunday. Brynn is an emerging singing talent having played the lead in the musical *Legally Blonde*.

For Something different see:
'Civic String Quartet plays Duke Ellington' - Friday evening.

Half Nelson with vocals from Sheriden Nelson Jason Nelson, Trombone, Carter Smyth, piano, Andrew Wallace, Double Bass, Adam Ferrier, Trumpet, Drums. Friday and Saturday evenings

Heather Price and Dungeon Small Band: Heather Price, Double Bass/Vocal, Rod Barnes, Clarinet, Jo Cadman, Piano, Ben Barnes, Drums.



Returning to the Newcastle Jazz festival due to popular demand, French/Australian chanteuse Emma Hamilton is bringing to life her new show **"From Paris to New Orleans"**. A high energy show featuring French classics songs of Edith Piaf, Charles Aznavour and Charles Trenet, and exploring the French influence on American music from Cajun music through to jazz classics. Don't miss the Emma Hamilton Quintet on Sunday 27 August.

Dedos Curiosos – Acoustic Brazilian Jazz with, Martin Rotolo, Guitar, Neil Simpson, Accordion, Gareth Lewis – Woodwinds, Dennis Walsh – Percussion.

Daryl Aberhart Quartet- Shake the Blues away- Sunday.

**Hunter School of Performing Arts Stage Band
Newcastle University Jazz Orchestra**

**Mousai- Female Jazz Band
Saturday 26 August
Robbie Mann - Stride Piano
Sunday 27 August
Chris Dawson Jazz Band -26 August**

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Half Nelson Jazz Band

Goldfish Bar- Half Nelson quartet- 8-10pm
Saturday 17 June, Saturday 8 July,
Saturday - 12 August

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**NIMA- Tuesday Evening Gigs -
The Underground
Grand Hotel, Newcastle 8pm
Entrv \$27/\$22**

**NEW ORLEANS QUARTET-
CARRINGTON BOWLING CLUB
1ST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH
2PM - 5PM
BOOKING RECOMMENDED**

**Merimbula Jazz Festival
9-12 June 2023**

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