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From the President Hello Jazz Lovers



Thank you everyone who attended our October concert with the Port Hunter Jazz Band. Many expressed to me how much they enjoyed the music. We had a good crowd and lots of smiling faces all day. Unfortunately, the lift at Souths was less happy and decided to take a day off that day! Many of you had to negotiate the stairs on the way out and the band and sound people had to carry everything down the stairs. Thank you all for being so patient with this issue. We hope it never happens again!

I caught up with Robyn and Warren Shaw at the concert who were visiting from Hervey Bay. Warren has played in many of the bands often featured by our club including Andy Firth and Swing Company. Waz has been embraced by the music loving community in Hervey Bay and I was heartened to hear that he is still performing often in the local area, where there is clearly a jazz loving audience, with well paid gigs! Music to my ears. I have come to know Robyn and Warren through a few performances that I have done with various outfits over the years. Their energy and love for life is infectious and I was so pleased they came to visit their jazz family in Newcastle on their recent travels to Newcastle for a family event.

On 19th October the Committee held a Planning Meeting to address some pressing issues of the club. You will find some more details about that elsewhere in your newsletter. I thank the Committee for their dedication to our Club and for their enthusiastic contributions to solving some of the issues that we face. One of which is funding, so if you know someone who has shallow pockets and a generous spirit, who also loves jazz, please encourage them to talk to me to see how we may be able to help each other.

As you may know the AGM takes place prior to our concert on 24 November. This can be a tense time as we navigate the prospect of filling all the necessary roles on the executive and the committee. I'm really excited to say (hopefully not prematurely) that we have secured enough nominations to fill all roles. I'm so grateful that those of you who have nominated, are as invested as I am in the continuation of our wonderful Club. It's going to be another exciting year of live jazz here in Newcastle and the Hunter Valley.

Our Christmas party is also soon approaching and while we have had to change the date and location, through no fault of our own, we have now secured a location and date and bookings are now open. You can pay for your tickets via direct deposit or at our November concert. If you pay by direct deposit, please remember to add your name and the reason for your deposit so we can expect you at the event.

Finally I would like to welcome our new members Nicole Pitt and Sheree Piskorz and invite you to come and introduce yourself to me at one of our events. I do so enjoy meeting you all and getting to know a little about you.

I look forward to seeing you all at our November concert which features Tailgate Jam with David Saxon and the incredibly talented Ella Saxon on vocals. They will be joined by Geoff Power, Peter Buckland, Rachel Hamilton, Craig Goeldner and Lawrie Thompson. What a line up. I can't wait.

Take care and I will see you at the jazz.

Sheriden



For more than 20 years our long term members Jo Taylor and Judy Preston have been organising and managing the monthly concert raffles, giving many of our members and guests much pleasure.

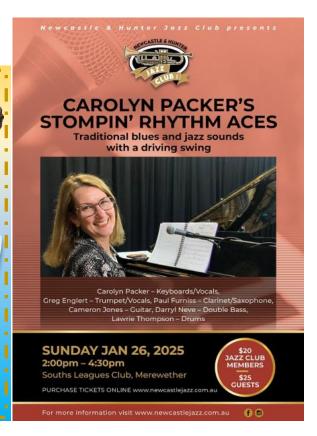
Jo & Judy are stepping down from this duty, and on behalf of everyone, we extend to Jo & Judy our profound thanks for the law sixes and the funds reised in

for the joy given, and the funds raised in support of the club to provide wonderful jazz entertainment for all.

Do you have the skills to sell cars or tickets in beachfront properties in Queensland? We are asking for an NHJC member to take on this role of managing the monthly raffle, ably supported by our volunteers at the concerts selling tickets.

We ask any members who have contacts in the retail community, to please obtain donations of products or services we can include in our raffles.

On page 5, we give tribute to Gary & Connie Maclean who have been donating wine for our raffles for over 15 years.



Newcastle Jazz Festival

Friday 23 to Sunday 25 August 2024















October Monthly Concert PORT HUNTER JAZZ BAND



















A selection of members and guests who enjoyed an afternoon of Dixieland and mainstream jazz.











Lucky Door Winners Hilda Batchelor & Jo Blundell

Raffle Winners

Barry Portus, Beverly Dean, Hilda Batchelor Ian Burl, Elizabeth Hughes, Carolyn James Ken Liddell, Judy Preston, Val Ball

October Monthly Concert **PORT HUNTER JAZZ BAND**





of experience certainly put on a show.



The Port Hunter Jazz Band with their years David Baker Guitar Charlie Pope Piano Steve Walter Trombone



Support our Sponsors

Our club is extremely lucky to have sponsors providing us with goods and services to benefit our members. Maclean Vineyard has been providing bottled wine for our raffles for over 15 years, which helps provide the club with funds to enable us to put on the jazz concerts each month for everyone's pleasure.

Call in and say hello to Gary & Connie Maclean, thank them by purchasing some of their excellent vintage. 320 Wilderness Road, Rothbury NSW

APOLOGY

My apologies to all our members and readers of our newsletter. Last month I goofed up with laying out the newsletter, using the previous month's edition number, and also putting the wrong month. Inside the newsletter, the report on the September concert was wrongly labelled as October. I could plead newness to the job, but that's not really an acceptable excuse, I expect better of myself. Thank you to those who alerted me to the mistakes, please do so again in the future, as I am bound to make more. Jan Hissey



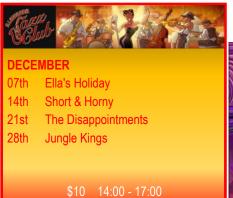
Jazz on a Relaxing Afternoon

Saturday 26th October



What's Happening

For Those Out & About











Collegians Illawarra Leagues Club



DENNIS WALSH BAND Sunday 1st December 2024 2-5 PM PARKVIEW ROOM CENTRAL COAST LEAGUES CLUB



Last Friday
Each Month

CODONG BOWLING CLUB 1 McLeod Street Condong NSW www.tweedvalleyjazzclub.org



Members \$20 Visitors \$25

Everyone is inclosure!

Bookings Essential

Please Phone 0432 914 539

Blackheath Jazz Festival

Friday 22- Sunday 24 November



Fri 6-11PM Sat 11AM-11PM Sun 9AM-6PM
15 Interstate and Local Bands
enquiries Steve Jewell 0407 479 866
Gardners Inn Hotel



11 December: New Orleans Ramblers

08 January Finer Cuts

26 January Bathtub Gin Orchestra

12:30 - 3:30pm Freeway Hotel 115 Reserve Rd, Artarmon NSW

www.sydneyjazzclub.org.au



www.australianjazzconvention.org.au



1:00 - 3:30pm 4th Thursday Each month

November

Tribute Concert Lu Watters Yerba Buena Jazz Band



Majestic Theatre
3 Factory St, Pomona QLD



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Central Coast, Jazz League

Concert 1st Sunday each month 2 - 5pm \$10 entry www.jazzleague.net

New Orleans Quartet- Carrington Bowling Club 1st SATURDAY OF THE MONTH 2РМ - 5РМ **BOOKING RECOMMENDED**

Club Ashfield Jazz **Bridge City Jazz Band and Guests** 7.30pm Fridays



All That Jazz 2NUR FM 103.7 THURSDAYS 9pm- 11pm

Sydney Jazz Club **Monthly Lunchtime Jazz**

The Freeway Hotel 115 Reserve Road Artarmon

Our lunch time jazz concerts, held on the 2nd Wednesday of every month, are designed to allow guests to enjoy live traditional jazz whilst having lunch and refreshments at the club venue. Special concerts are also held as advertised. ALL ARE WELCOME. Admission is \$15 for financial members of the SJC and \$20 for others.

Lunch (where applicable) and refreshments are at guests own costs.

2ND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH THE FREEWAY HOTEL 12.30 - 3.30PM

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Richard Puxty: Monday and Friday 3pm - 6pm Wednesday 12noon -3 pm

Russell Thornton: Wednesdays 8pm-10pm Saturdays 8am-12 noon

You can listen on your radio, online or via a phone ap that you can download.

NIMA Tuesday Evening Gigs. The Underground Grand Hotel, Newcastle 8pm **Entry \$20 NIMA members**

\$25 Guests

ABC Classic Fm- 106.1 You can also listen on line.



With Mal Stanley Saturday & Sunday 5pm Repeated Tuesday & Wednesday 2pm & 9pm

Introducing 'The Dinner Set'! Hungry for some swingin' sounds?

Monica Trapaga shares her favourites from
the ABC Jazz collection - on air every Friday night. 7pm

You can find ABC Jazz on digital radio (DAB+), digital TV (channel 201), or ABC Listen App on your phone, ipad or desktop computer.

Al Davey & the Groovers Freeway Hotel Artarmon st Saturday of Each Month 2pm-5pm Free Underground Parking. Great Bistro. Dance Floor

> \$10 entry includes a house beer or wine.

Bob Henderson Band

Commercial Hotel Morpeth 12 - 3pm 2nd & 4th Sundays

Freeway Hotel Artarmon 2 - 5pm 3rd Saturdays

Hendo's Free Range Jazz **Glendale Markets** 10 - 1pm 2nd & 4th Saturdays



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