



Saturday, 16th. April 2016

## The New Orleans Z'Hulus

*- it's the font of all knowledge - some would say !*

The attendance at our evening of New Orleans music with Mark Challinor's superbly entertaining Wabash Jazzmen last month probably suffered for its clash with England's Six Nations Match against that old enemy the French to determine whether or not the men of St George would take the Grand Slam for the first time since 2003. All those wise souls though who resisted the temptations of the oval ball were treated to a pleasing and entertaining evening of familiar and some not so well-known tunes associated with the Crescent City.

Of course you will all be very much aware by now that our next Concert by the New Orleans Z'Hulus from Belgium on the 16th April will be a joint venture with the relatively recently formed Chapel Arts. Another innovation - it is being staged at the Chapel-en-le-Frith Town Hall which has a lift for access if required.. A map showing its location as well as the car parking is to be found on the reverse of the 'Bugle.' Tickets for this event can be reserved in advance by giving us a call on 01298 814722 or by ringing Chapel-en-le-Frith Town Hall on 01298 813320 between 9-00am and 12-30pm, Monday to Friday. You will of course also be able to purchase tickets on the night as usual. We are very grateful to the Chapel-en-le Frith Parish Council for their sponsorship of the hire of the Hall for us.

As far as our concert with the 'Hippocampus Jazz Gang' from France on the 18th June is concerned due to the signs of a much higher demand than usual for a pew in the Village Hall, we already have a coach bringing some 20 fans down from Lancaster, we have decided to make tickets available for this performance as well. They can be pre-ordered by ringing 01298 814722. Don't forget your tickets too for the fast approaching Anniversary Festival Celebrations at the beginning of July - also please don't forget to reserve your pitch on the Campsite if you need one. We don't want any of our regulars to be disappointed by leaving it too late to secure their booking!

Tonight's band was originally put together by that internationally famous Belgium drummer Maurice Van Eyck when he was trying to achieve his lifelong ambition in the early 1980's of forming a group of top notch musicians who possessed a deep passion to play that 'Old Style' New Orleans Music of long ago. Over three decades later Maurice has retired to a more sedate life in the South of France but his band continues loyally to keep his ambitions alive. Their quality front line comprises **Dan Vercruysse on trumpet** from Belgium, his fellow countryman **Phillip De Smet on trombone** and **John Defferary on clarinet** who I am told divides his time almost equally between Germany and Great Britain. The rhythm section comprises **Emile Van Pelt** a Dutch **pianist**, **Brian Turnock on the string bass** who is yet another band member who divides his time between the UK and Belgium. The **percussion** will be in the safe hands of **Emile Martyn**, one of the two sons of the internationally renowned drummer Barry, who has also graced the Dove stage in the not too distant past. Emile now resides in London after spending 10 of his early formative years in New Orleans receiving tuition from a few of the best in the business, all under the watchful eye of the late Harold Dejan of Olympia Brass Band Fame who was his Godfather.

Once again we will have the all-important raffle to help keep the ship afloat, an hopefully adequate supply of the quality Butcher Burnham pork pies and of course a bar serving alcoholic refreshment which will include bottled beer but not draught real ale.

We trust that we will have the pleasure of your company too on May 21st when your very own Ragtime Band comprising Jamie Brownfield (trumpet), Mike Pointon (trombone and vocals) John Hallam (reeds) Ian McCann (banjo) Jim Swinnerton (string bass) and Colin Bowden (drums) will give us our monthly dose of exceptional jazz in their own distinctive manner.

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**Our next attraction - Saturday, May 21st. 2016**

### The Ragtime Band

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