



TUESDAY December 27th. 2016

## Harlem Hot Stompers Christmas Party

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First and foremost the organisers of your Club wish to extend to you, their much valued and indeed essential patrons, Sincere Seasonal Greetings and Good Wishes for the year ahead as well as extending to you a most kindly invitation to join us for yet another of our Christmas/New Year concerts in the company of the tried and trusted Harlem Hot Stompers. They follow in the formidable footsteps of Hot Fingers guided by Tom Langham, a bit of 'Local Talent' as Danny Blythe aptly described him. As always on the night they pulled out all the stops to give us a feast of brilliance last month.

Ladies and Gentlemen once again we come to that time of the year when those select, top draw reindeer wander down from Dove's heather clad hilltops following on from a few weeks of dangerously serious rutting to bring themselves into tip top condition for pulling Santa's gift laden Festive Sledge on Christmas Eve. This assumes of course that they are not one of the few unfortunate ones who were singled out to form the secret ingredient in one of Butcher Burnham's Crowd Pleasing Reindeer flavoured Limited Edition Christmas Pork Pies. Unfortunately though despite their deliciousness these are not for sale - due to the seasonal holidays we are unable to provide the customary oven freshness required for the finely tuned palettes of the members of a Dove Jazz audience.

However not to despair - a meritorious and noteworthy alternative of complimentary hot flavoursome savouries and delicious deep filled mince pies should fill the void - not to mention our bumper raffle and choice real ale, speaking of which I must say I enjoyed the odd pint of the flavoursome Jennings's Cumberland that was on offer at our November gathering. For those of you who enjoyed it too I will do my best to try and ensure it is on offer again directly - as they say in Cornwall.

Tonight's entertaining band will comprise a front line

that features **Mike Pembroke** on **trombone**, **Dave Thomas** on **reeds** and **Bill Smith** on **cornet, harmonica and vocals**. They will be supported by a fine rhythm section that contains **Dave Parr** with his **string and brass bass** instruments, **Fred Boggan** in the **drum chair** and their charismatic leader **Ian McCann** strumming his socks off on banjo and guitar.

Unfortunately though, not least in this season of festivities, I also have sad news - the untimely passing of former village resident 65 year old Jock Richardson, alias 'Jolly Jock', on the 29th. of November. This larger than life character with the huge mop of ginger hair will long be remembered by many of you for his exceedingly amusing renditions of vaudeville style comic songs and ditties at several of our Festivals and much further afield. Grateful thanks Jock for your contributions to, and your support of, our Club. All those up on high with you will greatly enjoy your unique, side splitting musical performances.

Don't forget our next Show on Saturday the 21st January when our star for many, many years in the Dove Festival Marquee, Martin Bennett will be bringing a full complement of his Old Green River Band along to the Dove Podium to provide entertainment as only Martin and his cohorts can !

Don't forget too to acquire your own personal copy of Barry's prospectus for the 2017 Season of Jazz Concerts. Copies will be available on the night for you to take away with you for digestion in your own warm and cosy homes. We have given considerable thought into bringing you a varied and exciting mixture of the old and new for your delectation in the New Year. We trust that you will find many tasty morsels amongst our list of quality and entertaining bands and musicians. Please feel free to take additional copies for those friends, neighbours and other acquaintances who may be interested - we are always delighted to welcome 'Dove Virgins' with smiling faces

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