



Saturday March 17th. 2018

The High Society Jazz Band

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

As I pen this March edition of the Bugle, settled in my warm and draught free lair, one thing is absolutely certain: it is impossible for the weather to get any worse for our proposed March Concert than that that exists at present. We all know that eventually the temperatures will rise, the bitterly cold high winds will subside and the snow will melt away, hopefully without causing devastating flooding for any of our compatriots who reside on lower contour lines than the inhabitants of Dove. Our expectations are that our forthcoming Concert will enjoy climatic conditions that favour the attendance of our members in reasonable numbers to give their support to the musicians - although as a plus there is a smidgen of evidence that at least the inclement weather does mysteriously increase the sales of Butcher Burnham's exclusive products !

A most appreciative and joyous throng of over eighty people joined us for the visit of the ever popular and dynamic Jazzaholics last month when the weather was far more conducive to travel than it has been for our three previous concerts. Baby Jools and his band delivered a masterclass of mainly New Orleans music in a presentation that was knowledgeably, entertainingly and humorously compèred by one of the country's leading New Orleans trombonists, Mr. Mike Owen - a gentleman who informs me that he is gradually getting into the breeding of coney to supplement his income as a jazz musician ! Mention should also be made of the thoughtfulness of a good many of our audience who brought along much appreciated prizes that are so important for keeping your Club in the black when combined with the real generosity of our kindly audience when it came to putting their hands in their pockets to purchase raffle tickets from our experienced, and dare I say persuasive, sales ladies.

Tonight's Band, The High Society, make their third visit to Dove and will celebrate their 12th year on the British Traditional Jazz Scene in 2018. Their innovative and experienced two man front line

comprises **Peter Boswell** on **cornet and trombone** ably assisted by their head clerical officer **Bruce Carnaffin** on **clarinet, bass clarinet and vocals**. A smooth and seasoned rhythm section will contain **David Bateman** with his **guitar and banjo**, **Gerry Clayton** playing his well-travelled **string double bass** and **Robin Andrews** behind his **percussion kit** which also has a **washboard and harmonica** in its armoury. The rhythm section is somewhat unusual in that each of its members is capable of diversifying from their instrumental talents to the rendition of an occasional vocal. High Society pride themselves on having a hugely varied repertoire, one designed to give an insight into the many different aspects of the jazz spectrum. Close to their home they have two well supported regular afternoon venues, the one offering the potential for "brief encounters" with other jazz lovers at Carnforth Station (and which enjoy occasional contributions from the Station Announcer and the odd train !) on the third Friday of every month plus performances at Bare Village Club in Morecambe on the third Sunday of each month.

The aforementioned Butcher Burnham's Pork Pies continue to curry favourable comment from the many who consume their contents and will of course be on sale on the night - plus our usual barrel of choice real ale will be fettled up in the Club's cellar in the days prior to our Concert in readiness for everyone to savour at its peak. On Saturday the 21st April the the Village Hall will see your very own line up of crowd pleasing All Stars in the form of The Ragtime Band making their welcome return to the Dove Podium. You are all only too well aware of the immense abilities of this group of genial gentlemen who have been long standing loyal and faithful servants of your Club. Needless to say we would be delighted to have you join us for what promises to be yet another stimulating evening of sounds from the Deep South. We are already busily engaged in trying to book quality entertainment in the Jazz mode for the Club for the 2019 Programme. Watch this space!

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Our next attraction - April 21st. 2018

The Ragtime Band

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