



Saturday, 13 th. February 2016  
**Baby Jools and The Jazzaholics**

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

On the 16th January, the date of our eagerly awaited visit from Annie Hawkin's Funky Butt N'Awlins Jazz Band Dove Holes and much further afield was turned into what a few somewhat possibly misguided people refer to as a 'Winter Wonderland.' I have other unprintable terminology that I use to describe the adverse weather conditions that appear to occur far too often on the infrequent nights that are set aside for New Orleans Jazz to be enjoyed in our Village Hall. These exceedingly inclement conditions understandably greatly affected the number of red ticks in the register. I think that it is fair to say that the 27 people who overcame the snow and ice to warm themselves in the Hall greatly enjoyed the ensemble playing that the band gave us. Of course whilst musicians are used to playing diminished chords it is extremely difficult for them to build up a head of steam to play to a diminished audience! We are extremely grateful to the brave and dedicated seven members of the orchestra along with those who made up our depleted audience for their due diligence. So far this winter as we near the end of January we have only had snow on two evenings! Can you see where I am coming from when I talk about having 'Michael Fishish' nightmares about the winter weather and Dove Jazz Club?

The Festival Flyers for our 2016 Twenty Five Year Anniversary Gathering are available at tonight's Concert, along with Fixture Cards for the 2016 Jazz Programme. The Flyers list all of the events that will take place to mark this momentous occasion as well as containing the booking form to enable you to partake in the 'Celebrations.' It will come as no surprise to you to know that early booking is advised for this once in a lifetime event! Please make sure that you take a few copies of these informative documents home with you for redistribution to possible patrons.

You will of course be aware by now that our Concert on the 16th April, featuring the New Orleans Z'Hulus from Belgium, which is a joint venture with Chapel Arts, will take place at the Chapel-en-le-Frith Town

Hall due to my double booking of the Village Hall. Due to the expected high demand there will have to be tickets for this event. These can be reserved in advance by giving Joan or myself a ring on 01298 814722. Tickets will also be needed for our visit from the French Band 'The Hippocampus Jazz Gang' on the 18th June but details of these arrangements and a map showing the location of the Chapel Town Hall will accompany the March edition of this organ. Needless to say we are greatly looking forward to the two visits from Continental Bands in the next few months!

At long last I appear to have gotten around to mentioning tonight's illustrious group of musical mystrows. The Jazzaholics are of course no strangers to the delights of Dove, its Club and its Festival having trod the boards here on more than one occasion. Whilst not wishing to encourage them to increase their Fee it has to be said that they are prodigiously popular and amongst the very top echelons of New Orleans Bands on the European Jazz Circuit today. We are certain that you will find their musical offerings tonight justifies them being selected to play a part in our 'Special 2016 Festival.' Their formidable front line line-up comprises **Denny Illett** on **trumpet**, **Roger Bird** on **reeds** with **Mike Owen** on **trombone**. The rhythm section will feature that Dove favourite **Jim Swinnerton** on the **string bass**, the internationally renowned **Brian Mellor** on his widely travelled **banjo** and of course the band's likeable leader **Julyan Aldridge** will be in the **drum chair** casting his knowledgeable eye over the members of his crew

Once again we will have the raffle, an adequate supply of tasty real ale, a few of Butcher Burnham's pork pies and of course the usual spot of banter. We trust that we will also have the pleasure of your company on March 19th when the enterprisingly entertaining Wabash Jazzmen will provide us with quality jazz once again in their own inimitable manner. RTM

**Our next attraction - Saturday, March 19th. 2016**  
**The Wabash Jazzmen**

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