



This Saturday, March 21st. 2009

Brian Carrick's Algiers Stompers

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

Reliable sources inform me that I am now almost redundant following on from the huge success of the last concert and raffle in February with The Savannah Jazz Band, conducted entirely in my absence with great efficiency - and to yet another multitude of appreciative ears and eyes. Long may this welcome increased interest in our Club's jazz activities continue !

I am also pleased to report that it does seem to be spreading over to the Festival bookings which are showing a slight increase like for like on last year's figures. As I have mentioned previously, if you are thinking of visiting this prestigious event, in the warm and sunny month of July, it is of considerable help to the Club if you can book as early as possible. The cash flow situation for "The Gathering" does sometimes become a little difficult with us having to lay so much money out before the event. If you've not been before why not give it a whirl in 2009. Almost to a man, the patrons do speak of it in glowing terms. Booking forms are readily available at tonight's Gig or on line.

And so on to this evening's delightful band, The Algiers Stompers, who are making a return visit to Dove after far too long an absence. They are led by one of the most popular characters on the British New Orleans jazz scene today, Mr Brian Carrick. Brian is no stranger to the Community Hall having graced its stage both with tonight's band and with that of the Ken Colyer Trust when we had one of our largest congregations in the history of the Club. The Algiers Stompers were formed in 1996 when Brian was able to realise a long held dream to bring together a band consisting of musicians who had knowledge of, and a genuine feeling for, the wonderful music of New Orleans legend Mr. Kid Thomas Valentine - in fact The Algiers Stompers were named in honour of Kid Thomas's band and became an instant hit with the British jazz fans, and as time went on with those further afield following tours that included

Belgium, Denmark, Germany, Holland, Malta, Sweden, Switzerland, The USA - and Wales.

They do not claim to replicate the music of Kid Thomas as they feel it would be a great impertinence - no one could. They celebrate it though by adopting its driving, melodic, stepping out for pleasure style and its wide ranging dance hall repertoire. Their goal is to warm the hearts and feet of those who caught the Kid Thomas Band in the old days - and those who sincerely wish that they had when Kid Thomas was still visiting Europe in the 80s. Fronting the Stompers also gives Brian an opening for his forceful Emanuel Paul and Andrew Morgan based tenor sax playing as well as his haunting clarinet.

Joining **Brian** and his **famous metal clarinet** on the front line will be **Peter Wright** on **trumpet** and **Chas Hudson** on the **trombone**. A very strong rhythm section will consist of **Gabriele Gad** on **piano/vocals** joined by **Bill Cole** and his **string bass**. The **drum chair** will be filled by **Johnny "JB" Baker**, and on **banjo** will be the band's latest recruit, the Chesterfield based **Bob Rowbotham** who plays in the style of Lawrence Marrero, that able stalwart of the George Lewis Band.

We trust that we shall see you all at our next Jazz Concert on Saturday the 18th April when that internationally acclaimed tailgate trombonist Mr Dave Donohoe, a product of the Manchester jazz dungeons of the 60s, will lead his seven piece band in the production of unbelievable celestial joys for you all to enjoy. Meanwhile don't forget the delights to be experienced on our Web site at www.dovejazzclub.co.uk where there is news and gossip from all parts of the village, if you know where to look. Don't forget to support the raffle and to purchase at least one of our all meat, a real treat, pork pies. I'm just thinking that perhaps that slogan related to dog food though ? Anyway don't forget, a real treat really does await you as always at our Festival

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Our next gig - Saturday April 18th. 2009

Dave Donohoe's Jazz Band

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