



Saturday, October, 31 st. 2009
James Evans New Orleans Jazz Wizardry

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

Whilst the excellent and very professional concert given by Amy Roberts on the 10th. October was much enjoyed by all those loyal supporters who attended, the number in the appreciative throng were, to say the least, disappointing. What do we have to do, or which band do we have to put on, to get a reasonably sized audience to our well appointed venue ? I'm afraid that I've been moved to put pen to paper again and write a "seasonal editorial" for the December edition of Just Jazz Magazine on the subject of dwindling bums on jazz seats the length and breadth of the land.

Anyway enough of the gloom and doom for now, tonight we are extremely delighted to be able to bring you that relatively young and most fearsome **reeds player, Mr. James Evans** along with a few of his hand picked jazz wizards for an evening of "Evans Jazz Wizardry". For someone who was once described as a "national treasure" by no less a person than the late and great Humphrey Lyttleton, James has certainly come a long way since his first appearance at Dove clutching his school satchel that held amongst other things his designer "Owen Glendower" pyjamas.

Joining James in this top quality band we have the talented and legendary **trumpeter, Mr. Ken Sims**. His early recordings with the Acker Bilk Band, with that earthy New Orleans sound, are still a joy to the ear. Making yet another visit to the hamlet to complete the front line is the notable author and broadcaster, and formidable **trombone player, Mr. Mike Pointon**. A dynamic and sympathetic rhythm section will give more than adequate support to this outstanding front line, comprising as it does the amazing and much in demand **Mr. Tom Kincaid** on the **piano**. Making even Tom look a touch on the mature side (!) he will have alongside him two of the youngest and most competent musicians on the scene today. Making the first of what we hope will be many Dove appearances on the **string bass** is **Tom Wheatley**, son of Martin, the renowned guitar and banjo player. Joining him is

the equally youthful product from the illustrious **Cottrill drum** stable, **Jack**. These two surely represent the future for our music so it is important that they are given every encouragement - we can't afford many more to jump ship, so to speak.

So there we go - just relax, quaff a scoopfull or two of the delightful Hen (extra supplies of the draft nectar have been imported for this evening's and next week's performances) and be transported back once again, assured that it won't get any better than the mystical magic of our ' Wizard fare'.

Our next offering on Saturday, November 21st. sees what has become the annual visit by Ged Hone and his very special " Jazz Friends ". And they really are very special this year, for joining Ged on the front line we must have surely two of the finest exponents of this music playing in the country today. I refer of course to that most fluent and sensitive performer Mr. John Hallam on reeds and Paul Munnery who is known for his forthright fiery delivery on his slide trombone. We have been privileged over many years to have the services of Colin Bowden in the drum chair from whence once again Colin will be demonstrating the amazing skills that have delighted jazz fans all over the globe for almost six decades now. Completing the rhythm section will be the inimitable bass fiddler from the Shrewsbury rice area, Mr. Howard Worthington, and on banjo and guitar he of the Peter Pan looks, that master of the rythmatical, Mr. Ian McCann.

Once again our increasingly appreciated Butcher Burnham special recipe Buxton Pork Pies are available, along with a subtle and extensive choice of complementary flavour enhancing condiments.

Don't forget to support our raffle where your generosity always contributes a great deal to helping us to book the talent that we do ! RTM

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Ged Hone and his Jazz Friends

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