



Saturday, 20th. March, 2010

The Wabash Jazzmen

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

Following on from our explosive night on the 20th. February with the Bennett Brothers and the Fantabulous Sheepwash Playboys, not forgetting the enchanting talents of the ever maturing Adrian Cox (all safely booked for future appearances) we are pleased this evening to be able to present on the boards of the Dove stage another hot driving traditional jazz outfit. If there are any cobwebs left in the rafters of the Community Hall then the Wabash Jazzmen will make short work of them.

Based loosely on what some still refer to as the Potteries area The Wabash have gained a formidable reputation in the relatively short space of time since they first came together in 1994. What sets them apart is something almost unique among New Orleans style bands, their drumless lineup.

As you'll hear this absence of drums is more than compensated for by the driving playing of band leader **Mike Challinor** on **banjo** alongside the powerful string bass of **Richard Vernon**. As Tommy Burton's long time sideman it is always a special pleasure to welcome Richard back to Dove.

Featuring on the front line is a man who, if not yet a "national treasure" is at the very least a "northern treasure" of the traditional jazz world, the one and only **Mr. Ged Hone** who will as always be extracting musical magic from his grandfather's Higham **cornet**. Joining Ged on **trombone** is the masterful **Mike Pembroke** who hails from that well known outpost of the Potteries, Stockport.

Last but never least the front line is completed by **Mr. Mike Haylor** on **reeds**, one of the true old salts and a founder member of the indefatigable Bibbington Limeburners. Mike is a man who has proudly demonstrated his prowess at many a Carnival in this neck of the woods (and far beyond) - and who (unlike many) is not afraid to admit it ! Yes - the Limeburners in those days were no temperance movement, representing to music in the view of many what Michael Foot represented to the fashion industry ! Oh what happy and carefree days they were.

Coming up on Saturday April 17th. we look forward to what will surely be another very special Dove night when we present the outstanding Hopkins / McClusky band from Ireland who will be making their first appearance with us. Their impressive line up is further enhanced by a real treat, the appearance of a true "Premier League" trumpet man, Enrico Tomasso. Enrico has been in the Acker Bilk Paramount Jazz Band line up for many years now and has also played with Brian Ferry.

Festival time, including a return of the Wabash, is creeping up all the time, last date for discounted Flyers is less than four weeks away. If by chance an order form leaflet has not yet dropped through your letter box on to your freshly hoovered floor then copies are available on the door. Please be sure not to miss out and also early booking is always appreciated to help with the cash flow. As usual refreshing 'Hen' and fortifying Buxton Pork Pies are available from Linda at the bar !
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Our next attraction - Saturday April 17th, 2010
The Hopkins McClusky Band with Enrico Tomasso
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