



HARBOROUGH JAZZ

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New Season – All Highlights!

Our 8th season has some FANTASTIC gigs! Opening in September with Australian tenor, flute and clarinettist Casey Greene, then followed in October by New England tenor Benny Sharoni - remember last year's sell out visit by Greg Abate? November brings back vibes player Jim Hart and December sees the return of Trudy Kerr with Geoff Gascoyne. The New Year kicks off with the much-loved Alan Barnes and his quartet – is it really over 4 years since he last appeared at a Harbourough Jazz Gig? In February South African Adam Glasser reappears with his harmonica, whilst March sees a group led by trumpeter Steve Fishwick and guitarist Colin Oxley. April has Dr Len's Jazz Jam – an annual event, which just gets bigger and better. May sees another duo – violinist Chris Garrick in partnership with guitar legend John Etheridge. The season closes with a popular return visit by the Graham Dent Band. As always, this programme represents real value for money.

Provisional Programme for Season 2012-2013

DATE	ARTIST	PROVISIONAL PRICES	
		Members / Guests	Non- Members
9 th September 2012	Casey Green Quintet	£7	£9
14 th October 2012	Benny Sharoni With the Nick Hislam Trio	£10	£12
11 th November 2012	Jim Hart Quartet	£12	£14
9 th December 2012	Trudy Kerr With the Geoff Gascoyne Quartet	£13	£15
13 th January 2013	Alan Barnes Quartet	£13	£15
10 th February 2013	Adam Glasser Quartet	£10	£12
10 th March 2013	Steve Fishwick / Colin Oxley 4	£12	£14
14 th April 2013	Dr Len's Jazz Jam	£6	£8
12 th May 2013	Chris Garrick / John Etheridge Duo	£12	£14
9 th June 2013	Graham Dent Band	£7	£9

Season 2011-2012:

The 2011-12 season was very successful musically and satisfactory financially, allowing the club to remain in good health. Membership remained about the same and attendances were generally good with two or three exceptions. We seem to have got both our Membership Subscription and gig prices about right. Highlights included Scott Hamilton's return visit, along with the sax playing of Greg Abate and Art Themen. The small audience who heard the Wes Montgomery influenced Nigel Price Organ Trio were much impressed, whilst Dorian Ford's tribute to Bill Evans was also well received. Average gig attendance was similar to last season. Whilst local artists draw lower attendances than national names, the Club Committee believes it is important to continue supporting local and regional musicians, a policy reflected in the New Season's programme.

Membership:

Membership levels remain steady. We are pleased to be able to keep the Subscription at the current level of £12 per annum. We would remind you that the "Sub" represents excellent value for money; a Member who brings a Guest to just three gigs will continue to recoup the cost of his/her subscription through the Admission Price Discount Scheme. Fewer Members make use of this benefit than we expect; remember, you save money by bringing a friend! So please continue to support us, and the music we all love. And just as we want Members we also want Non-Members, so if you know someone who is a jazz enthusiasts, please invite them to come. Non-Members are *always* welcome and are needed at Harborough Jazz.

Advance Booking System:

We expect ticket demand to be high, especially on those occasions when national and international stars are playing. We would remind Members to use the Advance Booking System, open exclusively to Members up until **one week before each gig**, after which bookings will also be accepted from Non-Members.

A Loss to British Jazz:

Michael Garrick died less than two weeks after his appearance at Harborough Jazz last Season. For more than 50 years he had been an unsung hero of modern British jazz. Pianist exceptional, composer, big band leader, raconteur and educationalist, he was always ready to listen to and talk with fans. Just remember his deconstruction of *Limehouse Blues*, and seek out his records – all are rewarding listening.

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(NB: Rob's phone may be out of action from about mid August until mid September.)

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