

Brisbane Jazz Club

Newsletter
December
2009

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Huge river deck | Fully licensed bar | Meals | Fully air-conditioned | Onsite car-parking | Friendly atmosphere | Bookings - 07 3391 2006

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President's Report

WELL, can you believe it is December already? The year has just flown. It's been quite a busy year at your Jazz Club. We have, as a committee, worked very hard to bring you quality entertainment and a very unique and comfortable venue to come to.

There has been quite a bit of work done with the building and the electrical component is being enhanced now. We are preparing for our full community liquor licence. There are many conditions that must be fulfilled before we can go ahead. CCTV being one that is a big expense and is being installed now. We hope to have everything in place by months end and our new licence in January. This will save us a lot of work applying for extra licensed time.

It does not mean that we will be open longer or more often it is just more efficient.

I don't know if you have noticed the new tables and chairs on the deck, they look great and really enhance the deck even more. It's quite an appealing area and a nice place to sit and chat and have a quiet drink of something and have beautiful jazz wafting out from the club area.

We have a great month coming up in December and the club will be a great place to be. There will be some Christmas shows such as Graeme Norris and his Inswingers with a Christmas Special and Melissa Western with a Boxing Day Special. Our own Mal Wood and his Friend/s will be a night not to miss. I am off to hospital for secret boys operation and will be back on deck soon. My Pick Of The Month is Pugsley Buzzard on Saturday the 6th of December. Don't miss this one. Go to the website and hear his work.

Have a happy and holy Christmas and keep Jesus in your celebrations.

Neil Walsh, President BJC.

THURSDAY 31 DECEMBER

New Years Eve Party

2009

with the
**Andrew Sisters
Showband
and the
Caxton Street
Jazz Band**



[Jazz for all ages]

Open 6pm Band 7pm – 12.30am

**This is a must for your end of year celebration
to swing into 2010!**

2 sensational Jazz acts with dinner for only \$75.00 per person. Book early to reserve your table and join in the wonderful jazz vibes right on the river for the most exciting jazz party in town. See you on the dance floor!

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LOOKING AHEAD TO A JAZZY JANUARY 2010 WITH:

Jo's Boys ~ Mark Lockett [Melbourne] ~ Wizard and Oz ~ Toby Wren and Cows at the Beach ~ Ewan MacKenz ~ Clint Allen and The Frank Zappa Big Band ~ The Loch Easton Quintet ~ Rohan Somasekaran and Angela Fabian

and many more hot and swingin' bands at your home of world class jazz, The Brisbane Jazz Club.



SUNDAY 27 DECEMBER

The Decahedron Big Band

[Big Band for Dancing / Big Band for Listening]

Open 5.30pm Band 6pm – 9pm

Members \$15 Non – Members \$20

Look who's
back!

QUEENSLAND most versatile band returns to the BJC for an awesome show including some Chicago style Dixie hits through to Swing Era Big Band numbers to Mainstream Jazz Hits with the accent on danceable tunes with great well known melodies. Their two vocalists will sing popular standards from the great American Songbook. This will be a night to suit all jazz tastes and a night of fun for all!

SUNDAY 27 DECEMBER

SPECIAL SUNDAY BREAKFAST

Finnen and Offord



[Australasian Blues / Deep Swamp Boogie / Country and Eastern with Asian and Celtic influences]

Open 8.15am Band 8.45am – 11.30am

\$25 – includes a great breakfast [from 8.30am – 10am]

or standard door prices apply without breakfast.

COLIN Offord creates sweeping soundscapes with his Great Island Mouthbow, a harmonic string instrument that he has been developing for almost 30 years. His windpipes, flutes and conch shells take flight over Chris Finnen's driving boogie rhythms and his absolutely awesome Dobro slide guitar playing. Their voices are rich and contrasted, Chris sings in a rough, fluid Blues wail, Colin in a rich baritone of exceptional range, deep harmonic bass to pure falsetto. Their song writing is ripe with ideas, poetry and humour.

Expect a concert of beautiful, original music and songs played by performers who have travelled the world yet seem somehow just right for an intimate breakfast overlooking a sparkling river.

www.colinofford.com

Jazz Singers Jam Night

Christmas Special

TUESDAY 8 DECEMBER

\$10 / \$8 – J Q and BJC Members

What a sensational way to finish the year of our bi – monthly Jazz Singers Jam Nights with too many special guests to mention, a hot and swinging house band and many like minded souls who come and support such a warm and intimate evening of great live Jazz.

Please contact Ingrid James for more info on ingridjames@optusnet.com.au

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Don't forget Jazz Lovers that the Brisbane Jazz Club is still looking for cool and groovy people who can lend a hand in assisting us with the nightly running of our performances. This is a great way to see first hand what a wonderful Jazz Club we have here in Brisbane and to be a part of our special BJC family.

Please contact our Club Secretary – Rita Laurie if you can help.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL - 6 MONTHS FROM JAN TO JUNE 2010

Please note that membership renewals for the last 6 months of the financial year are at a discounted price! 6 Month Renewal forms are available to download from our website: www.brisbanejazzclub.com.au

GETTING JAZZY

WITH...

GRAEME NORRIS

As I child I was... young

The question I'm most often asked is... 'do you wanna check the tyres?'

Three things people might not know about me... I open the batting for the NoMC's cricket club, I like to field in the gully, I bowl inswing.

My worst habit is... playing major 5th's on half diminished chords.

My guiltiest pleasure is... the couch, the TV.

It's a big daggy, but I love... filling out Gettin Jazzy questionnaires.

The strangest place I've been recognized is... a phone box.

My first job was... checkout grocery bag packer.

If I were a superhero, my superpower would be... attracting money.

The first concert I went to was... John Dankworth and Cleo Laine, Perth Concert Hall, 1975.

My first album/cd was... Louis Armstrong's single «What a Wonderful World» when I was seven.

A song that resonates with me is... Bouncin with Bud by Bud Powell.

The musician I'd most like to work with is... Duke Ellington.

My first gig was... a wedding.

The best advice I was given was... don't lose your sense of humour.



SUNDAY 13 DECEMBER

Galapagos Duck



Lunch at the BJC!
Don't miss this one!

[Original Australian Jazz / Funk / Blues / Standards]

Open 12pm Band 1pm – 4pm
Members \$20 Non – Members \$25

Back by popular demand, this fantastic Australian Jazz Band has been touring worldwide to sell out crowds for over 20 years. These guys play it all with their secret Swinging Duck Recipe of cool and swingin' grooves. They are fresh, funny and totally entertaining so book early to enjoy another great Live Jazz concert here at Brisbane's home of Jazz, The Brisbane Jazz Club.

www.galapagosduck.com

Enquiries

Please phone the office on 3391 2006.

All enquires will be answered within 48hrs.

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