



## THE ACOUSTIC CALENDAR FOR WESSEX: UPDATE 12/7/17

*This newsletter is an attempt to keep you abreast of the latest developments in the acoustic DIY scene in that part of England vaguely designated 'Wessex' (singarounds, sessions, open mic, etc.)*

Hello People,

The summer breaks are upon us and this is how I deal with them. In the case of the regular annual breaks that I'm aware of, I simply exclude the event from its normal slot on the monthly Calendar. One-off breaks and ones that I've just been told about I also mention in an Update (like the one at Horton Cross, below). The breaks I'm *not* aware of – the unknown unknowns – it's up to you to reveal by ringing the venue before travelling (like the sensible people you are). If you happen to hear of a session that's not happening even though it's listed in the Calendar, it would be very helpful if you would let me know so I can delete it. You would thereby be doing a great service to musiciankind and will be rewarded in Acoustic Heaven.

Tony

### FROM MY INBOX

*"A technical question. Do you write your poetry on your computer or (as I imagine) with a quill pen, on parchment and by candlelight?"* Bryony

I personally use a raven's feather dipped in blood and by the light of a full moon.

### SESSION WITH STEP DANCING

**Queen Camel** (nr. Yeovil): *The Mildmay Arms, High St. BA22 7NJ (Pub: 01935 850456, Steve Cunio: 07811 680534, [info@somerstep.org](mailto:info@somerstep.org) , <http://somerstep.org> )*

*Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2017, 8pm.* Music session with step dancing. "We might dance outside for a bit if the weather is nice. There will be a session. Everyone welcome."

### CANCELLED THIS AUGUST

**Horton Cross** (nr. Ilminster): *The Monks Yard, Horton Cross Farm TA19 9PT (01460 200020, Neil: 01460 54759)*

Normally first Friday of every month, 7.30pm. Acoustic session. Optional mic.  
*Back again on 1<sup>st</sup> September.*

### ALIVE & WELL

**Thornbury** (nr. Bristol): *Christ the King Social Club, 11 Castle Street BS35 1HA*  
([carol.mosses@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:carol.mosses@hotmail.co.uk) )

Third Thursday of the month (not August), 8pm. Music session.

“... still correct... I am the contact, there is rarely anyone to answer the church phone so feel free to change the phone number to my email address. Many thanks.” Carol Mosses

#### REVISED SCHEDULE

**Axminster: Castle Inn, Castle Hill EX13 5NN (01297 35119,**

<https://www.facebook.com/howlopenmicnight/> )

First & third Wednesdays, 8.30pm. *Howl open mic.*

*Now regular, twice monthly.*

#### RIP

**Chagford** (nr. Newton Abbot): *Sandy Park Inn, Sandy Park TQ13 8JW (01647 433267)*

Third Sunday of each month, 8pm. Open mic. Free entry.

*Discontinued (new owners 'looking to do one' but nothing so far).*

**Newton Saint Cyres** (nr. Exeter): *Folk at the Brewery (Hanlon's Half Hours), Hanlons Brewery, Hill Farm, Half Moon Village EX5 5AE (01392 851160, [folk@reynardine.co.uk](mailto:folk@reynardine.co.uk) , [www.reynardine.co.uk](http://www.reynardine.co.uk) )*

Second Tuesday in March, June, September & December, 7.30 for 8pm start. A 'platform folk evening' (half-hour sets + floor spots & a draw).

*Discontinued.*

**Southampton: Fo'c'sle Folk Club, The Richmond Inn** (back room through garden), **108 Portswood Rd, Portswood SO17 2FW** (corner of Portswood Avenue) (**Brian Hooper: 02380 510309, [brian@focsle.org.uk](mailto:brian@focsle.org.uk) , [club@focslefc.org.uk](mailto:club@focslefc.org.uk), <http://www.focsle.org/> )**

Every Friday, 8pm - 11pm (summer break: August & part of September).

*“The Foc's'le has closed for good - no one left to take on the responsibility of organising and running it apparently.” Terry*

#### ACOUSTIC JOKE OF THE MONTH

What do you call a guitar player who only knows two chords?

*A music critic.*

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