

NEWSLETTER

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Friday 27th September 7:30pm

Dezzie D and the Stingrayz



We welcome this exciting combo for their first appearance at Condong, with their fresh, unique and exciting "resurrection' musical smorgasboard", their onstage presence, energy and powerhouse performance of Rhythm & Blues, Jazz, Jump and Swing – the way it used to be in the dance halls and jazz joints of the 40s and 50s.

Dezzie D and the Stingrayz have performed at many jazz festivals and regularly on the Gold Coast. Check out their Facebook page for videos.



The Early Birds, Our regular band, made up of Jazz Club members and featuring the voice of the lovely Pattie Bogart, will entertain us from 6 pm to 7 pm

For bookings call Condong Bowls Club 02 6672 2238

> Members \$15 Visitors \$20

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July 811 S Bolderman & S Maguire

Unclaimed

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Unclaimed

Happy birthday

To all our members who will have birthdays in September or October.

Book your table now for a celebration on the last Friday of the month.

ATTENTION CLUB MEMBERS

Paul Irwin wishes to invite friends of his late partner, Michael Hoare, to a gathering to celebrate his life on Saturday, October 5th from 12 pm to 2 pm at the Murwillumbah Racecourse.

Drinks and nibblies are on Michael.

President's Report

This is the final Newsletter before the Club's AGM on Thursday 10th October at 6 pm in the Ladies' Lounge at Condong Bowling Club. At the meeting it will fall to me, for the first time, to present the President's Report for the past year, and it's a case of 'all good for the time being'. However, since very few members traditionally attend the AGM I'm taking this opportunity to summarise the good news.

Despite what we have all been experiencing in the way of straightened economic times, the Club has made it through another year of excellent live music on the final Friday of each month without any cause to anticipate its immediate demise. Membership numbers have held steady, with the natural outflow of members slightly overmatched by the addition of new members of an encouragingly younger demographic. Likewise we have, in the main, kept our long-term sponsors while adding several new ones, which suggests that we must be doing something right.

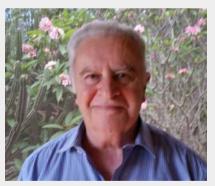
I, along with Club Treasurer Virginia Field, will be adding flesh to those bare bones at the AGM itself, and the Committee genuinely encourage as many as are able to attend and hear some good news for a change. It is also to be hoped that our returning Committee numbers will be supplemented by others able and willing to help with all the administration that goes with putting on such fine acts every month.

This includes the coming months, of course. In September we welcome an act new to Condong, 'Dezzie D and the Stingrayz', who promise a lively night of authentic rhythm and blues with an added twist.

The jazz category winners from this year's Festival of Performing Arts open our October gig, followed by Club favourites John Hoffman, Elizabeth Lord and Sharny Russell, combining their talents to form 'Horn Among the Roses.'

November brings the Club its early Xmas present in the persons of the gifted performers who comprise 'The Session Band'.

Hopefully I'll see you at all three gigs, if not at the AGM. I'll be the one at the top of the table with the wistful smile.



David Field, President

We have a new sponsor A warm welcome to Eric Atchison, Chiropractor.

Our sponsors give generously to help keep this club on its feet. When you need services please check our back page and consider using one of our local jazz supporters.

Welcome to new members Heather & John Masters, and Greg March & Georgina Greenhill

CLUB DETAILS Gigs last Friday of each month or as announced

Condong Bowling Cub McLeod St. Condong Bookings 6672 2238

Entry: Members \$15, Visitors \$20, U/18s \$5, or as otherwise announced for individual gigs.



October 2019 Gig



Friday 25th October at 8 pm

The Horn – John Hoffman on trumpet and flugel. **The Roses** – Sharny Russell on keys and vocal with Elizabeth Lord also vocal.

A reminder of how much talent exists in the Northern Rivers as we welcome back three of our favourites. John Hoffman's superb skills on his horn are woven in behind the entrancing harmonies of Elizabeth and Sharny as they sing many favourites from the Great American Song Book.

A note from your editor

I recently attended a jazz filled evening at the "Kingy" in Kingscliff; Sharny played and sang accompanied by a handsome tenor sax play, Adam Thomas, who I hope to see at Condong one day. Their set was followed by Dan Barnett and his group which included one of our favourites, Wil Sargerson. Sharny and Adam were invited to join them for the last set. She is truly versatile, talented and a pleasure to listen to. She came around to talk to the group I was with and said she is looking forward to playing at Condong again. *Doreen*



Once again we welcome the winners of the Jazz section of the Murwillumbah Festival of the Performing Arts. It is always a pleasure to see and hear these talented young musicians. They will begin the evening at 6:30 pm. Arrive early, I'm sure you won't want to miss these youngsters



Friday 29th November at 8 pm

We welcome back old Club favourites, Peter Uppman on horns, supported by Jo Bloomfield, keys; Mike Hawthorn, trombone; Pat Robbins, drums; and Russell Bayne, guitar for the final gig of the year – our own Christmas in November. It should be a fun filled night, it always is with these guys.

Kick of at 6:30pm with the early birds Members \$15 Vistors \$20.

July Gig - Mojo Webb



Cold feet in Condong if you remained outside, but a perfect opportunity to tap the circulation back into them if you came indoors to welcome back The Mojo Webb Band for the third year in succession, itself a Club record. With Mojo himself alternating between three guitars and a harmonica, ably supported by Coojee Timms on drums and J B Lewis on bass, plus a guest cameo appearance by Club Vice-president Peter Hurcombe and his dancing guitar fingers, we sat back and enjoyed blues the way it should be, from the lonesome pain of the original form all the way to the evergreen BB King. The dancers took to the floor like vacuum cleaners once Mojo sought permission to crank up what he chooses to call 'the craziness dial'. Should there be any doubt regarding the enduring popularity of this outfit, be advised that the sizeable audience remained long after the drawing of the raffle prizes, and the boys weren't allowed off-stage until they'd done an encore. A great night with a great band.





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August Gig – Galapagos Duck

A capacity crowd that remained until the last note was played, a standing ovation and a rousing call for an encore – did we have a good time, or what? The August show from Galapagos Duck proved yet again that this talented quartet of Willie Qua on reeds, percussion and humour, John Conley on bass, Rodney Ford on drums and John Whyte on keyboards continue to uphold the proud tradition of being the first and foremost sound of jazz in Australia.

Dancers (some of whom appeared to be still in their teens) packed the back of the room, older attendees reminisced about the days when they heard the original band in Sydney's famous 'Basement', and the Committee members wilted under the sheer weight of numbers, but it was a night to remember – like all the others for which this legendary outfit is justly famous.





RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

ATTENTION ATTENTION

Tweed Valley Jazz 'n' Blues Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday October 10th starting at 6 pm at the Condong Bowls Club, McLeod Street, Condong. All members are welcome to attend, and it would be nice to see some new faces with new ideas on the committee. If you wish to nominate for a position, please contact Secretary, Marlene Downing on 0428 323 736 before September 12th.

Member Renewals

Pay directly to the Club A/c at Southern Cross Union, BSB 722744 A/c 79807, by mail to Box 5147 South Murwillumbah, or pay at the door when attending a gig.



Tweed Valley Jazz & Blues Inc

Membership Renewal Form 1st July 2019 to 30th June 2020

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Renew your membership and enjoy jazz and blues every month at Condong. We'd like to see your face at the club and on these pages.



Paul, on the right, with Michael

VALE

It is with extreme sadness I wish to inform you of the passing of Michael Hoare. Michael was a founding and also life member of the club, and our monthly gigs wwere held at Greenhills-on-Tweed owned by Michael and his partner, Paul Irwin, from its inception in June in 1996 till October 2010 when the club relocated to our present venue after the boys sold Greenhills.

Michael and Paul went out of their way to support the club and were always available to assist when needed.

My, and the club's thoughts are with Paul at this sad time, he will be lost without his mate of nearly fifty years.

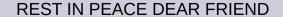
REST IN PEACE DEAR FRIEND

Marlene Downing, Secretary.



VALE

It is with extreme sadness we acknowledge the passing of one of our longstanding members and sponsors, Mr Hugh Burgett. Hugh joined our club in the year it formed, 1996, and was a member at first then decided to become a sponsor to give the club more support. He hardly ever missed coming to gigs and his smiling face will be greatly missed. He was one of nature's gentlemen.



Marlene Downing, Secretary.



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