

PROGRAMME

1) THE OLD COURTHOUSE 246838

12:30 À FIN - is a new project from the chaps behind Folding Stars, reincarnated as a (slightly) pared-back acoustic project refined from their regular acoustic shows. Expect folky original tunes with some expected and some unexpected covers thrown into the mix.

13:15 JOHN MEED & RHYS WILSON – John is a Cambridge based singer songwriter and 'consummate storyteller' (Radio 2), who writes and performs in the folk and acoustic traditions. He has just released his seventh album, 'Never enough' and will be joined by the fine musician Rhys Wilson.

14:00 SHERI KERSHAW BAND – see V8

14:45 BERNARD HOSKIN – see V3

15:30 KELLY & WOOLLEY – Matt and Gary are an acoustic music duo based in East Anglia who combine their own songs with fine uplifting renditions of classic Cajun and Zydeco standards and a liberal measure of folk classics from the British Isles and North America. All can be heard on their excellent new CD 'Miner's Eyes'.

16:15 À FIN – see above

2) BANYERS HOUSE 290530

13:00 3FOLK - Jane Ward (Piano Accordion), Bryan Causton (Mandolin, Bouzouki-Cittern & Guitar) & Simon Cooper (Cello) are 3 very experienced musicians who play instrumental folk music from around the world; the British Isles, Brittany, Eastern Europe, South America, plus self composed tunes.

13:45 KASZAK & AFIFI - have played at major Folk, Blues and acoustic clubs and festivals and perform regularly in Cambridge and Royston. They released their very well received CD 'The Baker's Son' last year and have a host of new songs in their repertoire.

14:30 KELLY & WOOLLEY – see V1

15:15 DAVID SAVAGE – see V4

16:00 KELVIN DAVIES – is a traditional country blues and ragtime performer with an twist of British folk. Keeping the music of the great bluesmen from the 1920's - 1940's alive and strong, by opening new and old ears to a style almost forgotten.

16:45 KASZAK & AFIFI – see above

3) GIN PALACE 247076

13:00 BERNARD HOSKIN - is a songwriter, singer and multi-instrumentalist from Cambridge who plays a mixture of original and traditional songs and covers on 6 & 12 string guitars and mandolin and has played support for many of the big names on the folk scene.

13:45 THE LARKS - are regular pub, club and festival performers who entertain their audiences with their own songs and a wide range of covers using guitars, mandolin, harmonies and sometimes rapping.

14:30 KELVIN DAVIES – see V2

15:15 PASS THE BUCH – see V7

16:00 BETH HEDGES - is a talented young singer songwriter from Hertfordshire who performs covers and pens her own original material including the memorable 'Break Now'.

16:45 THE LARKS – see above

4) OLD BULL INN 242003

13:00 SKY WEST - are a guitar, a doghouse bass, a man on vocals (harmonica, stomp box, percussion and strange noises) and a woman too. You can expect harmonies, blues, ballads, 60s pop classics, and a dash of country - acoustic music for head, hands and feet.

13:45 DAVID SAVAGE - plays mainly traditional English songs and tunes and occasionally music from Irish, Scottish or American cultures and learned most of his songs from listening to other singers, live and recorded. Most of the songs David sings are 'stories' accompanied by the concertina or the Appalachian Dulcimer.

14:30 BLACK SCARR - are an honest and gritty, urban folk/country duo known for their energetic live performances and chemistry. They produce classic, timeless songs, full of stories and modern themes that are personal and everyday, yet still universal.

15:15 JOHN MEED & RHYS WILSON – see V1

16:00 NICHOLSON & RANDELL - make music which has roots in Traditional English Folk, West Coast Rock and Psychedelia, and the noughties Live-coding scene. fRoots described Naomi as possessing "a truly classic English voice – comparable with the very best" and Lea has a recording career spanning more than fifty years.

16:45 SKY WEST – see above

5) THE GREEN MAN 256807 – PULLED OUT FOR 'COMMERCIAL' REASONS AT

VERY SHORT NOTICE. WHAT YOU MISSED:-

13:00 ONE MAN DOWN feature Pat Crilly on guitar, bouzouki and mandolin, Paul Hilder (The Hill Street Blues Band) on lead acoustic guitar & harmonica and Peter Brown (The Bob Villains) on Uke bass. The songs are mostly composed by Pat, based on his travels and experiences.

13:45 PETER CROSSLEY - see V8

14:30 NA-MARA – see V6

15:15 ODETTE MICHELL – see V8

16:00 BLACK SCARR – see V4

16:45 ONE MAN DOWN – see above

6) JOLLY POSTIE 248734

12:30 RED VELVET - perform the songs of the outsiders, the outlaws and the dispossessed that these times demand, along with a selection of jazzy, bluesy songs of the heart.

13:15 NA-MARA – a Herts-based duo described by Folk London as "elegant and skilled musicians", playing traditional style self-penned songs and others from the British Isles and from the Breton, French and Quebecois traditions, plus tunes from the Spanish Celtic regions of Asturias and Galicia.

14:00 ODETTE MICHELL – is an English folk singer and songwriter with a unique take on the acoustic tradition and a voice capable of demonstrating the finer points of both folk and country with genuine craftsmanship, as illustrated on her new EP 'By Way Of Night'.

14:45 CAMBRIDGE & WALKER – see V7

15:30 BOXWOOD CHESSMEN - are four very experienced folk musicians coming together to create a joyous mix of Retro, Americana, Jazz, Folk and whatever else takes their fancy on the day giving rise to a style which has become known to the band as "gloriana".

16:15 RED VELVET

7) CONSERVATIVE CLUB 243242

12:30 BILL TARRAN - is a regular on the local musical circuit with a huge repertoire of songs from the heyday of the UK acoustic scene. He might play some Americana or classics from the 70's, 80's & 90's and he will entertain you.

13:15 CAMBRIDGE & WALKER – share a mutual interest in traditional songs and harmony singing. David sings and plays guitar/guzouki, whilst Jenna has been singing in Cambridge for many years and plays melodeon/piano accordion.

14:00 BETH HEDGES – see V3

14:45 NICHOLSON & RANDELL - see V4

15:30 BILL TARRAN – see above

16:15 PASS THE BUCH - are Chris Walls and Richard Norris a young at heart duo influenced by "Just about every guitarist we have seen play, Songs that move us. Songs that make a crowd sing along with us. Songs that make us laugh."

8) ROYSTON GOLF CLUB 243476

12:45 SHERI KERSHAW BAND - play a range of musical styles broadly covering blues, folk & country combined with beautifully crafted original songs, wonderful vocals and some very fine guitar playing!

13:30 CHRIS BRIMLEY & PAUL ANDERSON - Chris has played folk and rock music for many years, most recently with the Sheri Kershaw Band and he is accompanied by violinist Paul Anderson.

14:15 3FOLK – see V2

15:00 BOXWOOD CHESSMEN – see V6

15:45 PETER CROSSLEY - is a Yorkshire born singer songwriter now based in Hertfordshire, playing his own original material. Currently putting final touches to his Album 'The Richest Man on Earth' featuring 11 new tunes which can be heard in his live performances.

16:30 CHRIS BRIMLEY & PAUL ANDERSON – see above

(Telephone numbers Royston Code 01763)

GALA CONCERT

7-10.30pm at the OLD BULL INN THURSDAY'S BAND

- a spellbinding mix of contemporary songwriting, free-flowing fiddles, three-part harmony and locked down guitars. The songs on their new CD 'All We Have In Common' tell tales from the distant past; are poignant and personal and sometimes break out into wistful laments and exuberant tunes. **PLUS** a host of performers from the afternoon sessions and a surprise appearance or two!

FINALLY, check www.roystonmusicfest.uk for more **FREE** music at **BANYERS HOUSE** and **THE OLD COURTHOUSE** in **MUSICFEST EXTRA** on Sun 30th Sept