

# THE MARLOW JAZZ CLUB

FORTHCOMING EVENTS JUNE TO SEPT 2018

AT THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION HALL

MARLOW SL7 1NT (GO TO HOME PAGE FOR DIRECTIONS)



## TUESDAY JUNE 5<sup>th</sup> KAREN SHARP AND SIMON SPILLETT + THE FRANK TOMS' TRIO



Delighted to have a rare meeting between two of Britain's finest saxophonists and two major award winners, also two big favourites at Marlow Jazz Club. Voted "Top Tenor Sax" in the 2017 British Jazz Awards the lovely Karen will hopefully be bringing her baritone along as well. Now surely deserving the title of Britain's first jazz lady. She will be joined by the very successful (journalist, author, as well as musician) Simon Spillett, devotee of the late and great Tubby Hayes and now widely being spoken of as world class. This should be a bit special! Backing by Frank Toms, piano, Elliot Toms drums and Stuart Barker on bass. £10 admission. Might be advisable to make a seat or table reservation!



Please note: the above date was originally booked as Peter King and Simon Spillett, but sad to report that the legendary Peter has suffered yet another health set-back and has asked to come at a later date. We wish him well.

## SUNDAY JUNE 17<sup>th</sup> LUNCHTIME: A SPECIAL "FREE ADMISSION GIG" FOR THE LOVE MARLOW FESTIVAL AND FEATURING THE AMAZING VASILIS XENOPOULOS.



The Club were asked by the very popular "Love Marlow Festival" if an event could be provided this year, and we think we have come up with a cracker! Another regular favourite, the brilliant young Greek saxophonist Vasilis will be joined by Alan Lewis on piano, Denis Smith on drums and Stuart Barker on bass. Plus, hopefully, a few vocals from the lady who "wowed" the Cheltenham Jazz Festival, Lucinda Fosker. Alan Lewis, originally taught the ropes by our own Frank Toms, has sat in with us on many occasions and has developed into a fine pianist. Nice to give him a full gig for once. The music (at the normal venue, the RBL Hall) kicks off at 12.15pm until approx 2.45pm. No idea how many will show up for this as it's free admission, but just in case it's busy, once again we are happy to accept reservations.

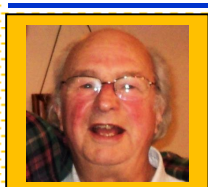
On Sunday July 1<sup>st</sup>, 3.30pm we will be joining with "Music In Marlow" to present a very interesting afternoon concert at Christ Church URC, Oxford Road Marlow featuring two sets: first the traditional guitar sounds of THE DANZON DUO, and then, on the fine Bechstein grand piano, the stride and ragtime skills of NICK GILL with the sax and clarinet of MIKE WILLS. Admission including tea and cakes will be £10. Because of this date we will be changing our usual procedure of having first Tuesday of month at the RBL to Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> details below. Try and support both July gigs.

## TUESDAY JULY 10<sup>th</sup> GILAD ATZMON PLAYS CHARLIE PARKER (+ The Frank Toms Trio)

Without doubt one of the most brilliant (and unpredictable) jazz musicians based in this country featuring powerful alto and tenor saxes plus clarinet. Last year a planned date here had to be altered due to a mystery illness that affected Gilad, but he is in great shape now - one of the busiest jazzmen around, either in solo dates or with his own Orient House Ensemble. This gig could be a bit sensational and Gilad will be featuring music from his original influence "Bird" the great Charlie Parker. Don't miss this: it's £8.



## TUESDAY AUGUST 7<sup>th</sup> FRANK TOMS' NEW TEN PIECE BAND "CONKERS"



Our long serving resident pianist Frank Toms has realised a long time ambition of putting his own 10 piece outfit together and looks to have now delivered the goods: initial rehearsals have been very promising and amongst the top names Frank has lined up are the superb trumpet star Steve Waterman (not seen him at the Club for several years) and the aforementioned Karen Sharp. Explanation for "Conkers" - "We play old chestnuts"! Please support this one especially as a tribute to Frank's 42 years playing piano for Marlow Jazz Club. (£8) 8.30pm start as are all the above except the church gig.

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 11<sup>th</sup> MORE DETAILS SOON, BUT WE ARE DELIGHTED TO HAVE ARRANGED THE LONG OVERDUE RETURN OF EUROPE'S TOP GUITARIST, THE GREAT JIM MULLEN, WHOSE WIFE, THE HIGHLY ACCLAIMED SINGER - ZOË FRANCIS - WILL PROVIDE A FEW VOCALS IN THE SECOND SET

*The BBO Berks Bucks & Oxon Big Band play at the RB Legion Hall on the last Thursday of most months 8.15pm with proceeds to various local charities. 17 fine musicians and 2 vocalists. We also mention jazz at Hedsor Social Club every Thursday (various guests) 8.30pm, and at The Perch, Marlow High Street, on the first Friday of the month 7.30pm*



**MARLOW FM COMMUNITY RADIO STATION.** "Swing That Music" - Jazz & Blues show: Sunday nights 6 - 8pm, often featuring rare jazz concert recordings in the 2<sup>nd</sup> hour or recordings made here at the Club if musicians give their permission. 97.5 on your FM dial. Also on line via the web-site [www.marlowfm.co.uk](http://www.marlowfm.co.uk) which has a facility to "listen again" if you missed the show.

**ENQUIRIES / SUGGESTIONS / RESERVATIONS WELCOMED: [michael@jazzfans.co](mailto:michael@jazzfans.co) or 01628 486571**