

# THE MARLOW JAZZ CLUB

FORTHCOMING EVENTS MAY TO JULY 2018

AT THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION HALL

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



"PORTRAIT OF THE M.J.Q." APRIL 2018

## TUESDAY MAY 1<sup>st</sup> FIVE STAR SWING ! WYCOMBE ARTS FESTIVAL GIG !



Once again Marlow Jazz Club have the honour of being asked to stage the jazz gig in the 2018 Wycombe Arts Festival, here at the Royal British Legion Hall: previous years (Gary Potter, Peter King / Simon Spillett) have been a big success with full houses. This year we have the Nationally acclaimed Five Star Swing, a star-studded 10 piece who play the great classics from the Swing Era, including Glenn Miller, Duke Ellington, Artie Shaw and Benny Goodman with vocals, Sinatra style, from leader Chris Smith and also from the Ella Fitzgerald- influenced Simone Smith, who also plays alto sax. Chris was formerly the musical arranger for the BBC Big Band and for Herb Miller's Orchestra (Glenn's brother).

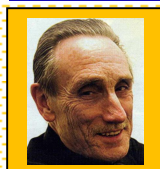
As featured at London's Leicester Square Theatre, and as seen on BBC TV's "Children in Need", Dame Vera Lynn's Charity Ball, & at Blackpool Tower Ballroom.

"Swing and Song of the highest order" *Daily Telegraph*.

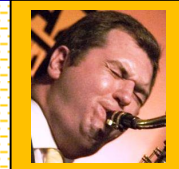
★ "Superb - they swing like crazy!" *Sheila Tracy, BBC Radio 2* ★

**NOTE THIS ONE WILL BE AN 8PM NOT OUR NORMAL 8.30PM START AND AS IT WILL BE POPULAR YOU ARE STRONGLY ADVISED TO RESERVE SEATS OR TABLES IN ADVANCE (BUT PAY ON THE NIGHT £10) - PHONE 01628 486571 TO SAVE A PLACE, (MAY NOT BE MANY AVAILABLE ON THE DOOR). PLEASE SUPPORT THIS TOP EVENT!!**

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



Despite a period of poor health in 2017, Peter King, Europe's top alto, and one of the all-time greats and a true legend of British Jazz, continued to play magnificently. He is now returning to something like full strength, and it will be a real pleasure to see him back at Marlow Jazz Club. He has been a great Club favourite since his first appearance in the late 1970s. He will be in tandem again with a regular favourite – supreme tenor sax star Simon Spillett. Backing by Frank Toms, piano, Elliot Toms drums and Stuart Barker on bass. £10.



We have been asked by the "Love Marlow" team to provide a jazz event for their two week Festival in June. We have decided to put on a Sunday lunchtime gig on June 17<sup>th</sup> at 12.15pm at the Royal British Legion Hall, and it will feature that fine pianist who has "sat in" on many occasions – Alan Lewis plus very special guests Vasilis Xenopoulos (saxes) and vocalist Lucinda Fosker along with Stuart Barker bass and Elliot Toms drums. The big news is that (as part of the Festival) it will be **FREE ADMISSION**, so put this date in your diary now and might be best to phone and reserve a seat. 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.



More details soon but the August gig (7<sup>th</sup>) looks likely to feature the new ten piece band put together by our long standing pianist Frank Toms and featuring some big names such as top trumpet star Steve Waterman. The great name for the band is "CONKERS" "we play old chestnuts". A nice way to celebrate Frank's 42 years with this club. He played our 2nd gig (July 1976) in the back room of the Clayton Arms,

*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.

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