

Folk at the



Programme April-December 2020

We meet on the 2nd Friday of each month (except July & August) at the

Foxfield Railway, Caverswall Road Station, Caverswall Road Blythe Bridge, STOKE-ON-TRENT, ST11 9BG

Free parking *** Free WiFi *** Real ale bar Building fully accessible for disabled persons

How to find us

Road: Follow the brown tourist signs for Foxfield Railway off the A50 (Stoke-on-Trent to Derby road) on to the A521 into the village of Blythe Bridge. Turn left into Caverswall Road just after the level crossing by Blythe Bridge station. Foxfield Railway is about ½ mile up the hill on the right.

Bus: 6A bus at 6.35pm from Hanley Bus Station to Blythe Bridge railway station – then it's a half mile walk up Caverswall Road to Foxfield Railway.

Train: East Midlands train from Stoke-on-Trent station at 6.33pm and 7.33pm to Blythe Bridge.

There are no late buses or trains back, but we can arrange lifts with club members.

About Potteries Folk

Folk at the Foxfield is organised by the Newcastle & Potteries Folk Song Club, a not-forprofit voluntary organisation affiliated to Folk 21 and the English Folk Dance & Song Society (EFDSS). We have been organising live folk music events at various venues in North Staffordshire for nearly 60 years, not only presenting top national guest performers, but also providing a platform for local folk performers ("floor singers" as they are known).

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All details in this leaflet were correct to the best of our knowledge at the time of publication (February 2020). However, we reserve the right to make any changes if necessary. Please contact us for the latest details.

Friday 10th April: Judy Cook



Judy Cook, from the USA, lifts the spirits and entertains with splendid traditional ballads and songs from a large and varied Anglo-American repertoire. Her clear and engaging unaccompanied presentation combines with her joy of singing to delight all listeners.

Admission £10 (concessions £9)

Friday 8th May: Brian Peters



Brian Peters is a passionate singer able to tackle big songs. He is a multi-instrumentalist acknowledged as a leading exponent of the anglo concertina and melodeon, as well as being a skilled guitarist – and he has recently added the banjo to his act. Brian adds beautifully-played squeezebox instrumentals to a repertoire full of variety, fire and humour. **Admission £10 (concessions £9)**

Friday 12th June: Martin Carthy



Martin Carthy is widely regarded as one of the finest singers and interpreters of traditional British folk music. He is a highly influential guitarist who has inspired Bob Dylan and Paul Simon. Martin is a former member of both Steeleye Span and the Albion Band.

Admission £12 (concessions £11)

We are closed in July and August for our summer break.

Why not become a club member?

Annual membership of the Newcastle & Potteries Folk Song Club costs just £5. As a member, you will receive £1 off the admission price quoted above every time you visit the club. You will also be able to attend the club's Annual General Meeting, and contribute to decisions on the running of your club.

Friday 11th September: Chris Foster



Chris Foster merits legend status, one of the very best in the second wave of the British folk revival, as important as Martin Carthy, Dick Gaughan and Nic Jones in the way he has modernised and invested traditional songs with inventive guitar arrangements and potent vocal delivery. **Admission £10 (concessions £9)**

Friday 9th October: Quicksilver



Quicksilver are Hilary Spencer (of the top trio Artisan) and Grant Baynham (well known for his performances on BBC1's *That's Life*). Hilary has one of the most staggering voices in British acoustic music, while Grant is a formidable songwriter and talented guitarist as well as being hilariously funny. Admission £10 (concessions £9)

Friday 13th November: Dave Webber & Anni Fentiman



Anni Fentiman has developed a specialist repertoire of songs originating from her native North East, and **Dave Webber** has been writing songs in traditional vein since 1982: many of these are widely sung and have become part of the general song repertoire of singers all over the world. Admission £10 (concessions £9)

Friday 11th December: Robb Johnson



Robb Johnson is now widely recognised as one of the finest songwriters working in the UK today. "His songs are incisive, clever and witty and you can sing them on your way to work." His performance ranges from touching love songs to sharp political material, and he appears at the Tolpuddle Festival each year. **Admission £12 (concessions £11)**