

Hamilton Blues Society

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NEWSLETTER

Dates to remember:

- * 11th May: Next Jam Night
- * 3rd June: Rotorua Blues Festival
- * 8th June: **AGM** before Jam Night @ 7pm - **COME !!**
- * 18th June: International Music Day
- * 29th June: Next Showcase at Diggers
- * 13th July: Jam Night
- * 10th August: Jam Night
- * 31st August: Showcase at Diggers
- * 14th September: Jam Night
- * 12th October : Jam Night
- * 28th October: Pirongia Blues Festival
- * 9th November: Jam Night
- * 30th November: Ladies Sing The Blues at Diggers
- * 14th December: Jam Night Christmas Party !!



The concentration of Chris Dunn & Tim Armstrong doing their 'thaing'!!

Blues Jam Night - April 2017

April Jam Night produced some wonderful music from:



Kevin Ballinger & friends
The Conmen - Huw
Tin Shed Rehearsal - Neil
Black Sheep - Stan Reihana
Riffertz - Bobbi Prentice
Magic & 3a.m Blues
Tim Armstrong
Detour (from Morrinsville)



Past Events - Jazz Festival April '17

The 55th annual Tauranga Jazz Festival was over Easter weekend dotted along the waterfront, also known as The Strand, and it was another roaring success!! The Hamilton Blues Society managed to fill Stage #2, (out of 5 stages) with musicians playing from noon to 6pm on two days, featuring the following acts: Saturday: Black Sheep, Dannika & friends, S.O.B. (Sid Attwell), Magic & 3am Blues. Sunday's line-up

was: B-side Band, The Conmen, Out Of The Blue, and Situation Vacant. I think you should all be very proud of our Club being able to provide this much music over two days - it was an epic effort from your Committee to organise it; headed by Huw A.

Blues

Quote:

When you
ain't got
no money,
you got
the Blues...
Howlin' Wolf



T-shirts now available . . .

Finally, after many months of waiting, our new T-shirts are available for purchase!! Difference is these do not have the white sponsorship writing on the back, like previous ones did - we have bought them outright!!

You can get a T-shirt in one of 4 ways:

- * Buy one at full price and it'll set ya back \$25.00
- * Try & win one at raffle time on Jam Nights for: \$2.00 per ticket or \$5.00 for 3 tickets
- * Try & win one at membership draw time on Jam Nights
- * T-shirt + membership deal = \$30.00. i.e. T-shirt = \$25.00 but membership will only cost you \$5.00!!

Membership Benefits:

\$10.00 Membership per year (renewable April) gets you:

- * Discounted house wine and beer at Biddy's & Diggers
- * 10% discount off all your music needs at Shearers
- * 2x chances each Jam Night to win prizes!!
- * Eligibility to play on the stage

THANK YOU: each newsletter we will thank somebody who goes over and above: Kevin Ballinger & Al Ward set up at 3p.m on Blues Jam afternoons and pack down at midnight sometimes—they never want acknowledgement for it either (ha, ha)!!

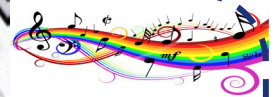
Committee Member Profile: Martina Mahy-Dunn

Martina Mahy-Dunn has been your Treasurer for the past 3 years now, and was lead singer of Purple Fever for almost 2 years. A very late starter to music, Purple Fever has been her one & only band and she is currently 'in-between'...and looking for another one! Martina was born in England but came out to live in Hamilton when she was only 5. She is married to Chris Dunn (but not the musician of the same name in the Club!) and she has a 17 year old daughter called Alix. By day she works part time for an engineering firm, being a



Project Administrator on the Huntly Bypass and also the Whirokino Trestle bridge down in Manawatu. Her other hobbies include: Rock 'n' Roll dancing (30 years), jewellery beading (having a little business called 'Queen Beads'), she is a 'mad-cat-lady' owning two pedigree ex-show cats (a Persian and a Ragdoll), and does genealogy having gone back to 1616 in her family tree. She tirelessly sits on the door every Jam Night, and cheerfully collects your money for raffles, which goes towards updating our equipment and keeping everything ticking along for you to enjoy the Blues. She's a valuable asset to your Committee.

Band Profile: The Conmen



The Conmen originally started 8 years ago and is headed by your current President, Huw Alderman, as lead singer. Members are: Marty Haughie on drums, Trevor Harris on bass, Bruce Stott on harmonica/percussion, Joe Joe Gunn (also known as Jingyu Zhang) on lead guitar, and Amy Lee Gorlicki on saxophone.

After a series of changes this is the present line-up. They are a very international band made up of two Englishmen, a Chinese guy, a South African, and two Kiwis!! "We like to play an eclectic mix of weird standards, odd songs & some Blues". Returning from their triumph at the Tauranga Jazz Festival they look forward to playing for you at the Hamilton Blues Society on the 2nd Thursday of each month...if the old people's homes or the embassies allow them out ...

Artist Profile: Stevie Ray Vaughan

"Stevie" **Ray Vaughan** (October 3, 1954 – **August** 27, 1990) was an American musician, singer, songwriter, and record producer. In **spite** of a short-lived mainstream career spanning **seven** years, he is widely considered one of the most influential guitarists in the history of music, and one of the most important figures in the revival of blues in the 1980s. **AllMusic** describes him as "a rocking **powerhouse** of a guitarist who gave blues a burst of momentum in the '80s, with **influence** still felt long after his tragic **death**. Born and raised in Dallas, Texas, he



began playing guitar at the age of **seven**, inspired by his older brother **Jimmie**. In 1971 he dropped out of high school, and moved to **Austin** the following year. He played gigs with numerous **bands**, earning a spot in **Marc** Benno's band, the **Nightcrawlers**, and later with Denny Freeman in the **Cobras**, with whom he continued to work through late 1977. He then formed his own group, Triple Threat **Revue**, before renaming the band Double Trouble after hiring drummer Chris Layton and bassist **Tommy** Shannon. He gained **fame** after his **show** at the **Montreux Jazz** Festival in 1982, and in 1983 his debut studio album, **Texas Flood**, charted at number 38. The 10-song album was a commercially successful **release** that sold over **half** a million copies. After achieving sobriety in late 1986, he headlined concert **tours** with **Jeff** Beck in 1989 and **Joe Cocker** in 1990 before his death in a **helicopter crash** on August 27, 1990, aged 35.

Now try this Stevie Ray Vaughan word-finder using the highlighted words above:

S R E T P O C I L E H J O E M
 P E A B O N E V E S A R B O C
 I L L A W W O H S E V E N O S
 T E C N E U L F N I T T C F V
 E A R D R H A L F S R K R L A
 I S A S H T T A U E E D A O U
 M E M Z O O M G V R J E S O G
 M R Z M U E U V E R R A H D H
 I A M R S A X E T N I T S U A
 J Y S R E L W A R C T H G I N

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 Kevin Ballinger
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