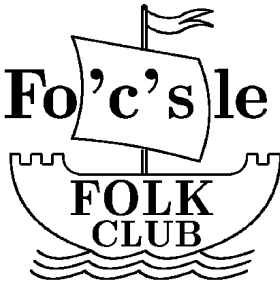


# FO'C'SLE FOLK CLUB

SOUTHAMPTON Fridays 8-11pm



The Club meets at THE RICHMOND INN  
108 Portswood Road, SO17 2FW  
(separate building in back garden)

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## MAY - SEPTEMBER 2009

### MAY

#### 15 Anything Goes

Play, Sing, read a Poem, tell a Story, listen, fetch the beer, anything!

#### 22 Anything Goes

#### 29 Dan McKinnon

From the other Dartmouth in Nova Scotia, **Dan** tours the length of the Canadian Atlantic coast and all over Europe and the United Kingdom singing both traditional and his own songs in his beautiful, rich baritone voice. He has a talent for telling tales of the challenges and beauty of life, identifying with and captivating listeners with his friendly easy style and he's a superb guitarist. Dan has appeared on TV, radio, the stage and in films - a quote from a reviewer says "Before going further with this review, it's only fair to confess I could listen to him sing all day". With a deep love of the music of the sea, he particularly admires Stan Rogers and is lead singer with the international Theatre Show about Stan's life and times. After he's visited a Club or Festival, organisers tend to get nagged to rebook him and if he brings more than one of his several CDs, you'll have trouble choosing.

### JUNE

#### 5 Pete Castle

Born in Kent, **Pete** started playing guitar aged 15 at the height of the 1960s Merseybeat boom and he formed a band, volunteering to sing "until they found a proper singer"! He came across folk music at college in 1965 and was on a semi-pro-high-learning curve from 1970 - floorspots, local bookings, organising folk clubs and a folk festival; then gigs further afield, finally giving up his teaching job and going 'on the road' in 1978. Pete

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## 5 JUNE – Pete Castle continued.....

started releasing albums shortly afterwards and at the suggestion of a club organiser/head teacher in Brighton, he also started working with children in schools, libraries, etc., and has continued ever since. He has toured all over the UK and in America as a folksinger/storyteller/community musician in every kind of venue, appearing on radio, constantly absorbing songs and stories, releasing albums, running folk clubs and getting involved in community productions and then in 1988 his Steel Carpet music label was born. Always giving us a really lovely evening of fine singing (with gentle guitar) of largely English traditional songs (a few self-penned) and sometimes telling stories, **Pete's** reputation quietly grows over the years. An earlier CD '*Mearcstapa*' attracted glowing reviews and airtime (inc R3's 'Late Junction') and there are now 8 more CDs - the latest '*Oyster Girls & Hovelling Boys*' is being well aired on BBC folk stations. Pete also appeared with Keith Kendrick, Roy Harris and Derrick Hale on the well-known album '*The Derby Ram*' and was part of "Popeluc" (Pete and daughter Lucy plus loan Pop from Romania) who played traditional music from Transylvania and Britain. Unfortunately, his CDs are difficult to resist and there are Songbooks, a Storytelling CD and 3 kids' CDs as well as "Popeluc's" albums. Bring your voices.

### 12 Anything Goes (preceded by half-hour AGM at 7.45pm)

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### 19 Anything Goes

### 26 The Clique (Tom Addison, Barry Lister, Dave Lowry & Sean O'Shea)

Distilled from legendary past groups, this smooth blend of four rich voices gives warmth and harmony to the English tradition. **Tom, Barry, Dave and Sean** got together as a group in 2006, ironically in response to excitement generated after they were asked to sing together at the funerals of two dear friends, Martin Bloomer and Cyril Tawney. Dave and Barry were half of "Isca Fayre" in the 1960/70s, Tom was a member of the iconic "Songwainers" in the 1970s and now (with Barry) is in the recently reformed line-up of the same group. Sean and Barry sang in "Hollinmor" in the 1970s. They've all known each other for 40 years while singing in clubs and promoting festivals in the south-west of the UK, but it was 25 years before Tom said one day "We ought to sing together", so they have! They now combine running two clubs (in Exeter and Sidmouth) with performing in clubs and festivals wherever they're invited and they have a Wildgoose CD '*Sounding Now*'. Try not to miss them!

## JULY 2009

### 3 Tom Lewis

Belfast-born Tom spent 25 years in the Royal Navy (mostly underwater) before dropping anchor in British Columbia. Since then, he's travelled everywhere (mostly by road) from Brisbane to Baltimore and from Liverpool to Lunenburg, singing traditional songs of the sea and seashore and writing his own songs emerging from his nautical experiences, underscored by sparse, evocative accordion or ukulele. His dynamic

engaging style carries listeners on a captivating, often hilarious voyage, liberally sprinkled with salty stories! Many remember him as a Portsmouth Shantyman and if you were lucky enough to see 'The Widow's Uniform', he was invited to come over from Canada and perform in it. Holystone your singing gear and come and be gallantly and royally entertained.

## 10 Anything Goes

## 17 Anything Goes

## 24 Jerry Epstein & Ralph Bodington

Always welcome in the UK, **Jerry** has been involved in traditional music for 40 years and is valued for his powerful voice and his consummate mastery of traditional singing. He is also among the best players of the English concertina around and is famed for his vast knowledge of both his native American and British folksongs/music as well as for his singing. He has performed at many folk clubs and festivals in Eastern USA and Canada and has done 10 solo tours of clubs and festivals in England, Scotland and Ireland as well as 3 tours of Australia. **Ralph** is a superb performer of banjo tunes and ballads from the old-time southern mountain tradition and his laid-back, easy style comes straight out of that tradition.

## 31 Anything Goes

**CLUB CLOSED for SUMMER BREAK**

## SEPTEMBER

## 18 Anything Goes

## 25 Jeff Warner

His love of the songs he sings even outshines his talent on concertina and banjo (and spoons and bones)! With warmth and humour, **Jeff** connects 21st century listeners with the music and everyday lives of 19th century people, presenting traditional music from the Outer Banks fishing villages of North Carolina to the lumber camps of the Adirondack Mountains and the whaling ports of New England and his songs have "the stamp of authority and real experience" (*"Tykes News' Yorkshire, England*). Honing his craft before audiences across the US (and latterly around the UK) at festivals, museums, clubs and schools, his songs, rich in history and a sense of place, bring us the latest news from the distant past. The son of Anne and Frank Warner, who were pioneer collectors of songs from rural America, Jeff edits the publication 'Traditional American Folk Songs' and has produced the 2-CD set *'Her Bright Smile Haunts Me Still'* featuring the actual voices of singers born from 1860 to 1900 recorded by his parents on early disk machines. A Folklorist and Community Scholar, he is heavily involved in many folk arts organisations and has toured around America for the Smithsonian Institution.

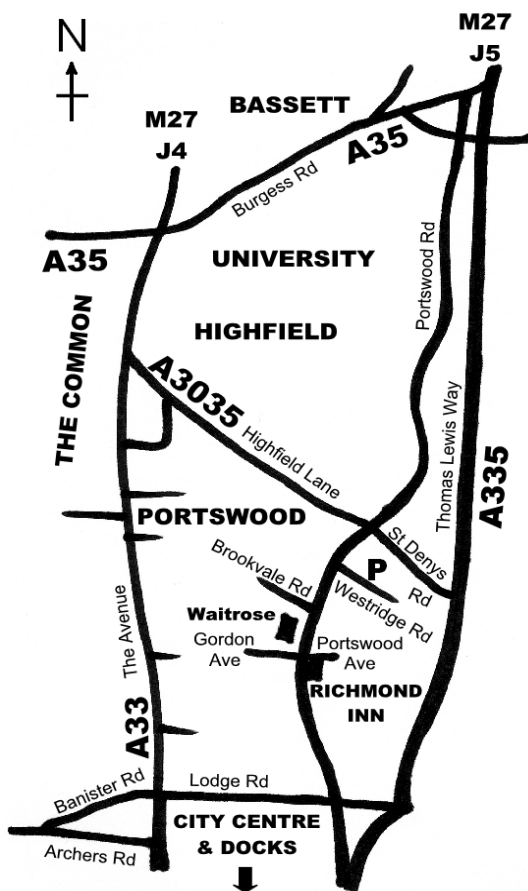
9 Oct **Pete Coe** 23 Oct **Simon Hopper Band**

6 Nov **Bill Whaley & Dave Fletcher**

20 Nov **Steve Turner** 4 Dec **Chris & Siobhan Nelson**

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 £1 concession for Members,  
 Students, Unemployed and  
 Senior Citizens.  
 Under 16 free.

**'ANYTHING GOES' NIGHTS £1**

Membership £5 per year  
 Raffle with quality prizes

**No Smoking**

**PARKING** in nearby side roads  
 or Free-after-6pm Public  
 Carpark in Westridge Road  
 (5 mins walk)



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 always welcome**

