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DOORS OPEN 12 NOON – JAZZ 1PM – 3.30PM
18 OCTOBER 2026 – J.B.'S ALL STARS with GUEST VOCALIST GRACE RIGBY





PRESIDENT JULIE'S REPORT

Hi There Jazz Friends

Unfortunately, a few days before the September show, where I announced this, due to a family commitment, Big Kitty had to cancel their long-standing booking with us for 18th October. A shock, which put me in a spin to find a replacement as good or better for the date. After reaching out to some wonderful trad bands, John Braben, leader of Caxton Street Jazz Band (I did try for legendary Caxton Street but not all members were available) agreed to ring around and to put together a similar 7 piece band including female vocalist. I will be forever grateful to John for his assistance and what a line up he has for us! All top- notch musicians and a lovely new face to us is the vocalist – Grace Rigby – who comes with lots of recommendations and praise. (I do hope to have Big Kitty back in 2027.) “Captain’s choice name” of JB’S ALL STARS is fitting and I am sure will bring a fabulous day of entertainment to us so do come along as this may be the only time you will see and hear this group performing together.

In my last report, I reported that our new look web site was LIVE and asked that you take the time to have a look at it – those who have done so have been very complimentary – as I warned, a few glitches to iron out and I want to give praise and thanks to our PR/Media MARG HOEKSTRA – and our ‘Mister Fix It’ web man – Gerald, for attending to any little problems as we were made aware of them.

Among other new features, we do have a special section for SPONSORS to be featured – Caloundra Power Boat Club and John Matthews (our Vice President and talented electrician) were first up and I am delighted to advise that our wonderful Patron, The Hon Jarrod Bleijie MP, Deputy Premier and Member for Kawana along with a string of other positions in the Qld Government, has come on board as a sponsor so please have a look at this section- you will find that there is a link/button to click on, which will take you directly to their web page as well. Thanks heaps Jarrod.

We do welcome your comments and submissions and hope you will enjoy using the new features. As I said previously, with the coverage we can give, it is worth recommending to family or friends for a very nominal annual fee and by adding to our Sponsors we hope to be able to overcome additional expenses, keep our entry fees the same and continue to bring you JAZZ AT ITS BEST.

I would also like to congratulate Jules Verity, who has been a co-presenter with Tony Hennesy on 104.9 Sunday evening Jazz for some years now. Jules advised that Tony has decided to retire from his slot and Jules will now host the show 7–9pm each Sunday evening where I am sure you will hear a variety of great jazz, so do tune in!

My thanks to our wonderful volunteers plus Caloundra Power Boat Club – especially Priscilla, Suzy, Craig, Jesse and Michael for their ongoing assistance. Hope to see you at future shows, nearing end of year with a big bang!

Happy Jazzing

Julie Walker (President)



VICE PRESIDENT JOHN's REPORT

To our members, new members and guests.

GREETINGS to all our Members and Guests.

For those who attended any of the Noosa Jazz Festival from this club, besides Jo and myself, I extend a big thank you for supporting Jazz in general. There were many great performances.

The AJC has sent me a notification that no further discounts will apply for our sending 40 of our members to this convention. This is an extract from their correspondence.

"Hi John. To register for the 80th Convention, people need to go to australianjazzconvention/registrations. All the info is there.

Delegate Early Bird price for the full convention is \$195. (You have already registered). This discounted price is only available until 31st October 2026. After this date, the price will be \$235.00. Musicians registration is \$50. If people intend to attend the Welcome Night and New Year's Eve night, they have to register for those nights as well."

Please register directly if you choose to attend this convention and do it before 31 October to receive the discounted pricing. I am no longer able to arrange Transportation or Accommodation for this Convention for our Members.

Thanks to the Members of other clubs and events that attend our Clubs Performances.

Johnny Jazz



FRONT OF HOUSE REPORT

"Yours in Jazz" Richard

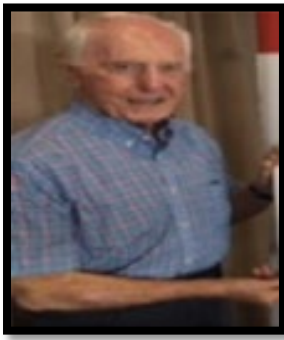
It is a pleasure to advise that during the month of September our club celebrated 25 years of providing jazz to the Sunshine Coast. In 2001 the founding members, headed by Ted O'Connor, who were all local jazz lovers met at a private home in Maroochydore and formed a committee and so our history began. I am proud to confirm that my wife Lyn, a current volunteer, and I were among that group. For interest I have included a photo from that meeting, I am sure some of our current members will remember some of the faces from back then.

As we wind down another successful year it is so gratifying to see how our club has grown and prospered under great leadership and support from our members and guests, do not forget to renew your membership, we also welcome new members.

Keep smiling and be happy.

"Yours in Jazz Richard"





REVIEWS Brian Fane [Life Member]

AUGUST 2026 – THE PAUL HENDON SEXTET – BENNY GOODMAN TRIBUTE SHOW

On Sunday 16 August, we were treated to a wonderful afternoon of swing as the Paul Hendon Sextet presented their Benny Goodman Tribute Show, celebrating the music of the man famously known as the *King of Swing*. The sextet featured Paul Hendon on clarinet and saxophone, Jo Bloomfield on piano, Dave Burrows on guitar, Rodney Ford on drums, Alex Compton on double bass, and Glenn Henrich on vibraphone and baritone saxophone.

Glenn explained the difference between a xylophone and vibraphone. Unlike the xylophone, the vibraphone has aluminium keys and motorised fans inside its resonating tubes, creating its distinctive vibrato effect which added to our appreciation of his mastery of this instrument.

Throughout both sets, each member of the sextet was given the opportunity to shine with individual solos showcasing their skills, including a couple of vocal tracks from Rod. Naturally, there were plenty of Goodman favourites, many given fresh and inventive arrangements. We enjoyed “Don’t Be That Way,” “On the Sunny Side of the Street,” “I’ve Got a Feeling I’m Falling,” “Poor Butterfly,” “I’ll Never Be the Same” and “Jersey Bounce.” There were also some less familiar gems, including “Lisa,” “How Am I to Know” and “The Wang Wang Blues,” which famously featured in the film *The English Patient*.

The second set opened with an audience request from Fred, “Lost in a Masquerade,” before the band launched into another wonderful selection of Goodman classics: “Seven Come Eleven,” “Chicago,” “Body and Soul,” “Alicia’s Blues” — although, sadly, there was no Alicia in the audience! — “Lullaby of the Leaves,” “Under a Blanket of Blue,” “Here’s That Rainy Day,” “Oh! Baby,” “If I Had You,” “East of the Sun,” “Lover Come Back to Me” and “Memories of You ” and what better way to bring the afternoon to a close than with the timeless “Avalon”?

The audience, along with our enthusiastic dancers, clearly loved the opportunity to step back into the Golden Era of Swing. Thank you, Paul Hendon Sextet, for bringing Benny Goodman’s music vividly back to life and a special thank you to Glenn Henrich and Alex Compton who made the journey from Sydney to join us in Queensland. And, of course, thank you to Ben, our audio engineer, who ensured that the musicians sounded their very best and that the audience enjoyed the show with excellent sound quality.

Review by Jules Verity, Club Member



SEPTEMBER 2026 – THE TROMBONE KELLIE GANG

After a 3 plus hour drive from the Northern Rivers The Trombone Kellie Gang could have been excused for a warmup start to their performance. Not this GANG.!!

Bang into it right from the opening “I Ain't Got You”. Pete took over with his “Bad Case of Love” and “Lonely Avenue”. A reminder of the giant Elvis, with “You Ain't Nothing but a Hound Dog” no holding KELLIE. She was into the music with her great gut-wrenching Trombone and vocals. The GANG strutted their music with Fat's “Honeysuckle Rose” and “Goody Goody”.

A great group instrumental “Morning T Jump” had the audience tapping & rocking. Lots of applause.!! A lovely “Nadine” from Peter on guitar and how about that slap bass from Justin. He is the best. Rod the drummer man who also sings a great style did just that with “High Heel Sneakers”.

Kellie always to the forefront kept the Gang swinging & swaying & the audience who were just lappin' up all this non-stop music. Ella's “Basin Street Blues” was given a well-deserved applause. Finish time approaching, so finish with a couple of big ones.

Yep, THE TROMBONE KELLIE GANG did just that “Flip Flop & Fly” and “Fracking Well Trouble” did the trick for the crowd. Do groups ever receive a double applause!! Well, THE TROMBONE KELLIE GANG did receive a well-deserved double.

Thanks KELLIE, PETER, ROD, VONNNIE, JUSTIN

Review by Brian Fane, Life Member



CONGRATULATIONS ON OUR CLUB'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY

To celebrate this wonderful milestone for the month of **NOVEMBER** only bring a friend and if they become a member **ENJOY 50%** off your entry for the next show

CLUB MEMBERSHIP - IMPORTANT NOTICES

NEW MEMBERS JOINING OCTOBER 2026 – You will receive membership through to 31 December 2027!!!

REMINDER TO OUR EXISTING MEMBERS - MEMBERSHIP IS DUE BY 31 DECEMBER 2026

WHEN OUR FIANCIAL YEAR ENDS

STAY INFORMED AND CONNECTED – VISIT THE CLUB'S WEBSITE

Visit our newly upgraded website <https://sunshinecoastjazzclub.net.au> to keep up to date about the Club's activities, details of upcoming shows, and registration and booking information. You will also be able to access our newsletters and band reviews, video archives of past shows, details of our sponsors, and importantly, the Club's key contact details.

We welcome your feedback and this can be provided via the “Contact” page found on the website and completing and submitting the form. We would love to hear from you!

16th August: Happy Prize Winners



20th September: Happy Prize Winners



UPCOMING EVENTS

SUNDAY 15 NOVEMBER 2026 – BOWERY HOT FIVE



SUNDAY 13 DECEMBER 2026 – GALAPAGOS DUCK



SUNDAY 17 JANUARY 2027 – WELL SWUNG DADDIES – 9 PIECE



WE THANK AND VALUE OUR SPONSORS – PLEASE SUPPORT THEM!

