

Sunday, July 30 Session: Pub Crawlers + Crustacea Jazz Band



PubCrawlers



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Our July Bands

The Pub Crawlers from Sacramento

The Pubcrawlers is a Sacramento-based band of aging musicians who have been playing together in various incarnations for, well, a bunch of years. You will recognize most of them, if you squint your eyes, from the Wooden Nickel Jass Band. The front line of Dave Johnson, Otis Mourning, and Bob Williams is the most powerful, and possibly even the best, front line of any trad band in the northern hemisphere. Possibly. Pianist Bonnie Otto has bloodied more pianos, per capita, with her enthusiastic stride than a dozen men half her age. Professors Brian Simpson and Alan Parks, in addition to educating future generations of musicians (God save us!), lay out a solid and creative rhythmic bed that gives the front line just enough rope to hang itself. Grab a beer, lower your standards a little, and come listen to the Pubcrawlers let their hair down! Otis Morning (clarinet) played for us with the Midnight Rose Band. You remember that session when Bonnie Otto, piano, showed us her engagement ring? She will be coming also.

Crustacea Jazz Band

Crustacea Jazz Band plays danceable and swinging tunes in the New Orleans jazz style, tunes which were popular between about 1900 and 1935 and whose melodies are often still familiar. Central Coast audiences like and respond to this music first because it is upbeat, happy, humorous and romantic; and second because the creative act is happening right in front of the audience: Right Here, Right NOW! They are a local jazz band playing the music of America. Since 2009 they have performed at over 250 celebrations, parties, and weddings. Their public performances for farmers' markets and festivals always draw an appreciative and enthusiastic crowd. Their players all live in the San Luis Obispo area. The tuba player, Brenna Parker, lives in Los Osos. Bryan Pearson on banjo and guitar, Anne Abler on washboard and violin, and Richard Woodworth on sax all live in Los Osos. Their clarinet and keyboard player, Del Gomes, lives in Arroyo Grande. Their youngest member is Steven Saavedra on washboard; he lives in San Luis Obispo. Steve, Del, Richard, & Annie are all Basin Street Regulars in our session jam sets.

June Sunday Session was Joyous!

One of the most venerated bands in the State visited us in June, the Night Blooming Jazzmen. This band has been entertaining its fans for over 40 years.

The Night Blooming Jazzmen, formed in October 1975 to represent the Society for the Preservation of Dixieland Jazz at the third Sacramento Jubilee. The NBJ was started as an ad-hoc "pick-up band." It was not expected to survive – but the NBJ were so well-received and had so much fun that they stuck together. Since then, they have played thousands of concerts, church services, funerals, house parties, grand openings, jazz clubs, wedding receptions, dances, etc.

At over 90 years old, Chet Yeager continues to lead the band and keep the audience entertained. Chet is a bona fide World War II veteran and has been married to his wife, Eileen, for over 75 years. She was not with him this time, but the band still led the entire audience in a heartfelt rendition of "Happy Birthday to You", which was videotaped and sent to them. You will be able to see NBJM again this year at the Pismo Jazz Jubilee.

At the other end of the age spectrum was our intermission band, "Cool Notes." This band started out as a combo band at Cuesta College in the jazz studies program, but has since morphed into a performing group.

Flutist and vocalist Talia Ortega has turned into a remarkable performer, with classic interpretations of the jazz standards. The piano player, Madison Scott, also has a great vocal style, though very different from Talia. Talia sings very straight-ahead, while Madison's voice is vaguely reminiscent of Billy Holiday. Behind the two women were Tom Brown on drums and Matthew Evans on upright bass. This band has a bright future ahead of it, and we are fortunate to have them at our Sunday sessions during their early years. Special thanks to Cuesta Jazz Director Ron McCarley for forming this group and keeping trad jazz relevant. Certainly this combo embodies the spirit of Cuesta Jazz. We are lucky to have such superb local talent!

June Jam Session: Busting Out All Over

Set 1 included George Smith on trumpet, Rhonda Cardinal on alto sax, Richard Woodworth on tenor sax, Del Gomes & David Farber on clarinet, Paul Buscaino on trombone, Dee Trent on banjo, Frank Coop on guitar, Joel Siegel on bass, Jon Mounts on piano, Anne Abler on violin and washboard and John Nye on drums. Featured songs included "Struttin' With Some BBQ," "Georgia on My Mind" with Sandy on vocals, & "Deed I Do" w/ Richard on vocals. Del was jazz master. Jeff ran sound.

Set 2 included these changes. Jim West played trumpet, David Farber, alto sax, Richard Woodworth, soprano sax, Dean Krikorian tenor sax, Mac Eastham on tuba, Jeff Cardinal on trombone, George Smith and Paul Reid on piano, Ken Heiges on drums, Steven Saavedra washboard, Anne Abler and Joel Siegel, violin. Del was the Jazz Master. Fernie ran sound. Featured songs included "All of Me", with Sandy on vocals, "Who's Sorry Now" with Barbara K. on vocals, "Dinah" with Richard and Paul Reid on vocals, "Yankee Doodle Dandy", with Richard on vocals and Birth of the Blues" with Sandy on vocals.

Set 3 included these changes: Jeff Cardinal on trumpet, Paul Buscaino, trombone, Paul Reid and Richelle Cross on piano, Fernie on drums. Del was the jazz master. David ran sound. Featured songs included "American Patrol", "Undecided" with Sandy on vocals,

New BSR Secretary:

Hot off the press: Sandy Smallwood has volunteered to take over Fran Willey's job as secretary. This is what a volunteer organization is all about, people stepping up when we need it most. Thank you Sandy for your support, truly a "Goody, Goody."

Once again, Fran Willey, thank you for your years of service to BSR and the Jubilee. We hope to see you soon second-row center enjoying all our great music. Oh, and keep bringing those kids from Tevis Jr. High!

Jubilee Corner

We had some exciting developments in July. Les Rose has offered to conduct an improvisation "Master Class" in conjunction with the Dick Williams jam sessions to be conducted on Saturday. The class and jam sessions are most likely going to be held in the Skyroom of the Edgewater and will be offered free of charge. This event will be advertised to the local school band programs.

ONE OF MANY NEW BANDS at THE JUBILEE

We will have a Mariachi band at our festival for the first time ever. They will play two sets on Sunday afternoon. Their second set will be right before the final High Sierra set, which will take place in the South County Regional Center. Brian Casserly from Cornet Chop Suey has agreed to sit in for two or three songs.

We will be having a silent auction, coordinated by Dean Krikorian. Dean is looking for items of general interest and also classic Jubilee and Jazz goods from days of yesteryear. If you have anything you would like to donate, please contact Dean at dkrikorian@yahoo.com. Remember, the BSR is a 501 (c) 3 organization and you can get a tax letter for donating.

We hope to make the transition to the venues in A.G. seamless with the help of our experienced bus drivers. We will be maintaining a parking lot at St. Anthony's this year to insure that we do not run out of parking during the peak hours of our festival. The parking lot at St. Anthony's will be a regular stop on the bus routes.

Our most recent listed below. .

June 20th- Hospitality, Sound
June 27th- Program, Evaluations
July 18th- Regional Center Site Visit .

Yours, Rhonda
Jubilee By the Sea President

Jubilee Badge Sales & Donations

Badge sales are up from this time last year. The committee is happy about that. Donations are doing well also. The \$600 donor level has 2 Thursday night tickets (We Three plus 1). There will not be a 2nd Thursday night party so the Vet's Hall is it. We probably will sell out, so get your Thursday night tickets now. While you are at it, picking up your "Early Bird" badges now to save you money. 3 -Day Badges will be \$15 more at the door than they are now. <http://pismojazz.com/JubileeByTheSea.htm>

We Three and Bob Draga lead the pack in Sponsorships. Next is High Sierra. We have Donor level donations for the oldest band, Night Blooming Jazzmen and one of the younger bands, JC Jazz Crewe. The guest artists such as Brian Holland, Danny Coots, and Carl Sonny Leland are receiving extra support from their fans. Without these donations, the Jubilee cannot exist. We are pleased and humbled by the support of all the attendees and fans from across the country. Thank you. Linda Shorb

Meetings, Meetings, More Meetings

We had two meetings in June: On June 20th, the local sound people got together to look at the Women's Club and discuss how to run sound at the festival; & on June 27th, the entire committee met to discuss the festival program and evaluations. We are making good progress, but there are still many things left to make this one of our best festivals ever.

Speaking of decorations, we are looking for potted plants, real or otherwise that you can use to decorate the Regional Center during the Jubilee. If you can lend us a potted plant, please contact Rhonda jwcardinal@msn.com.

These are the upcoming meetings. All meetings are at 3:00 in the Skyroom of the Edgewater, unless otherwise noted.

July 24th- Meeting with the Arroyo Grande Tourism Board: 1-2 representatives going

August 22nd-TBD

Membership Report

As of June 30, 2017 we have 287 members. Welcome our newest member:

Sammi Bankston

Bring a friend to our Sunday Sessions. Let's increase this number for next month.

John Shorb- Membership Chair

Dance & Jazz Announcements

39 Plus Dance Club Morro Bay Every Wednesday 11:00 - 2:00 pm. Morro Bay Vet's Hall 773-6536 Live music to the sounds of Swinging Bridge. Bring your lunch. Potluck last Wednesday of the month. \$8.00.

39 Plus Dance Club Pismo Beach, 2nd Monday every month. Pismo Vet's Hall 1:00 Lunch available \$7.00 Dancing to live music. Ron McCarley Trio: Sunday, August 13, 4-5:30PM, First Presbyterian Church, SLO,

Snack Bar Closing Early in Summer

We are very grateful that Carlton Gallant took over our snack bar in 2015. Since that time, he and his family have provided us with excellent food and service. In the summer, however, he has other commitments.

Carlton is one of the food vendors for the Grover Beach Concerts in the Park at Ramona Park. So for the next few months, the snack bar will close at 2:00 so that Carlton can get to his other gig. Be sure to get your tasty lunch before the curtain comes down and thank the crew for being there for us!

Charles E. Blair, MD



Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Air Force (retired)



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Prez Says: Connectivity Abounds!

Richelle and I took in the New Orleans Adult Jazz Camp in mid June, our 5th time there. Here's a noteworthy observation, I believe....one that could serve as a catalyst for further consideration.

At one of the bands assembled at the camp I found myself in a 7 piece group with a 15 year old girl drummer. She was very good, perhaps a better musician than I at 75, even though I'm 5 times her age. Expanding on that situation, I couldn't help thinking about how gender, age and race seamlessly blend in to make music. Is there something to learn here? What other human endeavors may be candidates for this blend? Ponder that. It may have merit.

On another matter: I like many, many forms of music, not just trad alone. You may also. I am a member of the San Luis Jazz Federation, an organization that is more attached to modern forms of jazz. I had a brief chat with their President, who was at our June Sunday Session. Obviously he is open to other forms of jazz as well. Check out slojazz.org.

Upcoming 2017 & 2018 Festivals

HOT JAZZ JUBILEE (Sacramento): Aug 25-27, 2017

SOUTHERN OREGON MUSIC FESTIVAL (Medford): Sep 29-Oct 1

SUN VALLEY JAZZ FEST (Idaho): Oct 18-22

PISMO JAZZ JUBILEE by the SEA: Oct 26- 29

ARIZONA CLASSIC JAZZ FESTIVAL (Chandler): Nov 2-5, 2017

SAN DIEGO JAZZ FEST: Nov 22-26

FRESNO MARDI GRAS: Feb 8-11, 2018

SEASIDE (OR) JAZZ FESTIVAL: Feb 22- 25

JAZZ BASH by the BAY (Monterey): March 2- 4

JAZZ AFFAIR (Three Rivers): April 6-8

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HALF PRICE SALE starting NOW

Yearly Membership Costs

- ◆ Youth, not included in "family plan", \$15
- ◆ Single member, \$12.50
- ◆ Couple, \$20
- ◆ Family plan, \$25
- ◆ Silver Membership \$50 per person

Session Costs

- ◆ Members -- \$5.00 ◆ Guests — \$10.00
- ◆ Silver Members — FREE

Membership Chairpersons

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Memberships: purchase/renew at
the Sunday session or mail :

BSR Membership

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Business & Board Meetings

All meetings will begin at 3:00 pm, generally in the *Sky Room* of the Edgewater Inn, Pismo Beach. Meetings are scheduled the 1st Tuesday of the month. Members are welcome at all meetings 🎵

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Sunshine Point of Contact

One of our volunteers, Barbara Ubben, sends sympathy & get well cards to our members/families on behalf of BSR. This month's sunshine goes out to Sandy Smallwood, who, despite her aches & pains, always seems to step up for the team. If you know someone that needs a little support, please contact Barbara at (805) 937-5447.



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BSR Upcoming Events 2017

Aug 27 Royale Garden Jazz Band from LA
Ragbone Saints from SLO

Sept 24 BBQ at Cardinal House Creole
Syncopators and Judith and her Jazz Krewe

Oct 26-29th PISMO JAZZ JUBILEE by the Sea

Venue: Veteran's Memorial Hall
780 Bello Street, Pismo Beach

Times: Jams begin at 11:00 am
Guest Band begins at 1:00 pm