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NAILSEA FOLK CLUB ®, Nailsea, North Somerset. **Tithe Barn** [unless stated *Ring of Bells*], 8pm; and
Singers/Musicians nights: 2nd Tuesdays, Grove Sports Centre, 8.30pm, free! • see **ADVERT ON RIGHT**

Sunday 15 Apr, Moore Ross and Rutter, 7.30 pm, Tithe Barn, £12. Contemporary trio, Tom Moore (violin), Archie Churchill-Moss (melodeon) and Jack Rutter (guitar and vocals). Their material is developed from traditional English folk tunes and their own compositions, heavily arranged using elements of folk, jazz, classical and bluegrass. www.mooremossrutter.co.uk

Thursday 19 April, Keith Christmas, 8pm, Ring of Bells, £5 on the door. A man with a stunning pedigree, phenomenal guitar techniques and a passion for storytelling, philosophy and politics, Keith Christmas is someone with true class and style. www.keithchristmas.com

Thursday 10 May, The Harry Browns, 8pm, Ring of Bells. Rousing sea songs and great harmonies. The From the Bristol area, renowned for having fun. In aid for dementia projects at the Barn. £8 on the door.

Sunday 20 May, Jim Causley, 7.30 pm, Tithe Barn, £10. From Devon, a wonderfully rich and powerful voice, nominated for 6 BBC Folk Awards and Spiral Earth 2014 "Singer of the Year". His unique voice and persona has made him one of the most loved musicians on today's folk scene. He sings a mixture of traditional and self penned songs drawing on south west countryside and folklore. "A voice in a million!" www.jimcausley.co.uk

® *David Francis*

For up to date news: www.nailseafolkclub.co.uk; David 01275 540231, nailseafolkclub@hotmail.co.uk

Ticket Info Line: 01275 790915 **Tickets on line from:** www.ticketsource.co.uk/nailsea-folk-club

NAILSEA FOLK CLUB

Tithe Barn, Nailsea, N. Somerset
also Singers+musicians nights:
Grove Sports Centre, 2nd Tues

At Tithe Barn except § *Ring of Bells*

15 Apr	Moore Ross and Rutter
19 Apr	Keith Christmas §
10 May	The Harry Browns §
20 May	Jim Causley

Note our new online ticketing arrangement:

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nailsea-folk-club](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/nailsea-folk-club)

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BATH NEWS

Folklife member [Georgia Lewis](#) (see [WILTSHIRE NEWS](#)) reports:

We're super excited to announce our full tutor line up for [Bath Traditional Music Summer School!](#) Drum roll please ...

... Ed Boyd (Guitar); Karen Tweed (Box/Piano Accordion); Catriona Macdonald (Mixed Instruments); Tom Kimber (Tenor Banjo/Mandolin); Gerry Hegarty (Fiddle); Gabi Maas (Fiddle); Rachel Cross (Fiddle); Claire Watts (Flute/Whistle); Katherine Mann Music (Flute/Whistle); Hills School of Irish Dance (Soft Shoe Irish Dance).

Early bird rates are still available, so book your place now at: <http://bathfolkfestival.org/traditional-music-summer-school>

- For more details of [Summer School](#), & of [Bath Folk Festival](#), Aug 13-17, see also [WORKSHOP DIARY](#) and [FESTIVAL DIARY](#) in this issue.

BATH FOLK YOUTH BAND ®, King Edwards Junior School, North Road, Bath BA2 6JA, 2nd Saturday monthly, please check our 'What's On' Guide to confirm. We always welcome any new members that would like to join us. For more info contact rachel@bathfolkfestival.org

<http://bathfolkclub.org/bath-folk-youth-band>

CHAPEL ARTS IRISH MUSIC SESSION ®, Chapel Arts Cafe (01225 920256), Lower Borough Walls. **Weekly, Wednesdays, 5pm to 7pm.**

There's a new Irish music session in Chapel Arts Cafe. Musicians and singers are all welcome.

Marick Baxter ®, info@bathfolkclub.org
www.facebook.com/ChapelArtsCafeBath

ROYAL OAK IRISH MUSIC SESSION ®, The Royal Oak (01225 481409), Lower Bristol Road, BA2 3BW.

Alternate Wednesdays, 8.30-11pm approx
Marick Baxter ®, info@bathfolkclub.org
www.theroyal oakbath.co.uk/whats-on.php

CHAPEL ARTS ACOUSTIC ®, Chapel Arts Cafe (01225 920256), Lower Borough Walls. **Weekly, Fridays, 5pm to 7pm**

Acoustic artist performances every Friday 5-7pm.

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SPRING CEILIDH, SATURDAY 7TH APRIL

Bath Folk Festival ® event: [Spring Ceilidh, Saturday 7th April](#)

St Mark's Community Centre, St Mark's Road, Bath BA2 4PA

£5 adult, £3 child. Join us for a family-friendly ceilidh led by Pipley Dance and Ceilidh Band, with calling by Patrick Self. Bar from 6:30pm, Dancing from 7:30pm

Proceeds will fund community projects at Bath Folk Festival 2018 so we can bring folk music to more members of our local community.

Tickets: <http://bathfolkfestival.org/ticket/spring-ceilidh/>

Folklife member [Henry Lawrence](#) (treasurer, Bath Folk Festival) adds:

One session not run by us but which is very good is "a Sunday Song" organised by Rob Widner at the Star Pub on the Paragon, Bath. Almost every Sunday (monthly they have a quiz, and occasionally a Dr Who film screening, followed by intense cinematographic analysis, to which there are more folk club participants than nerds).

Also the legendary Avoncliff pub Cross Guns hosts an excellent **Tuesday shanty session**.

And at the above Royal Oak, on Wednesdays, there's an English session organised by Chris Timson (chris@concertina.info) alternating with the Irish session. Pretty much everything played at the English session is in the key of G or D (or their respective minors), and the tempo is maintained as that which the originator used when they started playing the tune.

As a result of these conventions, some of the finest session music I have ever heard has been at Chris' English session!

We welcome reports from all our members.
Thanks to Georgia and Henry.



CHIPPING SODBURY FOLK NIGHT (CSFN) ® produce a monthly ONLINE NEWSLETTER which gives news about the Club and also details of local clubs. Below is the CSFN Newsletter's list of local folk venues.

- **The Sodbury Session** - Terry Helyar runs a lunchtime folk session at The Beaufort Hunt, Chipping Sodbury 1st & 3rd Mondays of the month. It's free entry and the session runs from 12 noon till about 3 pm. Mail: helyarterry@gmail.com
- **Downend Folk Club** have a great guest line-up for the coming months. www.downendfolkclub.co.uk. Also on Facebook and Twitter. You can also sign up to a newsletter.
- **The Dragon Folk Club**, The Bridge Inn, Shortwood BS16 9NG - the club meets for a singers night every Friday from 8.15pm -11 pm Free entry. <http://dragonfolkclub.blogspot.co.uk/>
- **Folk@Frampton Cotterell**, Crossbow House, School Rd, Frampton Cotterell, 2nd Friday of each month. 8pm - 10.30pm. Admission £2. Contact John Allinson: 01454-772420 or allinsonjohn2@gmail.com
- **The Nova Scotia Folk Club**, The Nova Scotia pub in Hotwells every Monday evening from 8pm - 11 pm. Bristol's longest running folk club of over 40 years! [www.novascotiafolkclub.co.uk](http://novascotiafolkclub.co.uk)
- **The Saltcellar Folk Club**, usually takes place at 7.30pm - 11 pm on the first Saturday of each month in the basement (or salt cellar) of Totterdown Baptist Church, Wells Road, Bristol BS4 2AX. Admission is usually £5 on the door. www.saltcellarfolk.org.uk
- **FAF - Folk Around Fishponds**, The Cross Hands,Tavern, 1 Staple Hill Rd, Fishponds BS16 5AA. Upstairs in the function room, on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month. Admission £2. www.folkaroundfishponds.org.uk, www.facebook.com/FolkAroundFishponds
- **Thornbury Folk Session**, The Swan, 17 High Street, Thornbury BS3 2AE. This is a traditional session where musicians play together from where they are sitting. The session takes place upstairs on the 3rd Thursday of the month. Free entry. 8pm - 11 pm. Mail: carol.mosses@hotmail.co.uk
- **The Crown Folk Session**, The Crown Inn, High Street. Staple Hill, Bristol B516 5HP 8pm - 11 pm The second Wednesday of the month. A session in the bar. Free entry. Mail: spencergardner46@icloud.com
- **Bath Acoustic Club** - The Gallery Room at The St. James Wine Vaults, 10 St. James Street, Bath. SA 1 2TW. The 1st Wednesday of the month. Admission free. A great intimate venue that attracts many local talented musicians. The club has been running in Bath for 19 years. After a successful 5 years under the leadership of Hilary Pavey and Chico Holton, Jim Sherry and Jan Newton now run the club. <https://www.facebook.com/Bathacousticclub>

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- **Folk Club**: Jo Cullum 07974 381333 jocullum@hotmail.co.uk Facebook: Chipping Sodbury Folk Night 1st Thursday monthly, 8pm-11pm, admission: £1. The Beaufort Hunt, 72 Broad St, Chipping Sodbury BS37 6AG. www.thebeauforthunt.co.uk
- **Newsletter**: Steve Goodfield, steveg@wantedman.net, Facebook: Steve Goodfield, www.wantedman.net
- **Subscribe to the CSFN Newsletter by emailing Steve as above**



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- To email, every quarter, 350-800 words (heading & contact details not counted)
- You can include your own club, and/or act, festival, etc, as part of your area coverage (up to 1/4 of the total report)
- It can be as simple as, say, your club news, plus a list with details of where the local venues are (guest details not required).
- **You'll get Free Membership: free listings + 3 free FQs per issue.**
- Details ☞ www.folklife.org.uk/team.html Contact us ☞ 'INFO PAGE', p.3

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**CHIPPING SODSBURY FOLK NIGHT ®.**

The Beaufort Hunt, 72 Broad St, Chipping Sodbury, BS37 6AG. **1st Thursdays**, 8pm

Chipping Sodbury Folk Night enjoys some brilliant local performers and musicians. Our **Spotlight** set each month of 4 songs has proved to be very popular. So do our bi-annual Guest Nights.

April 5, we welcome Trevor Morris to the Spotlight Set. Trevor enjoys playing all kinds of folk and country, especially ballads. He plans to entertain us with a mix of well-known folk songs, plus a couple of his own creations. May 3, Spotlight, Andy Nowa.

Entrance is £1 for club funds, (more on Guest Nights), and there are always floor spots available, so come and join us on the first Thursday of each month in The Beaufort Hunt Pub, Chipping Sodbury, or call Jo on 07974 381333 for more info.

We generally book 2 guest nights per year.

Please see our [Facebook](#) page, [*Chipping Sodbury Folk Night*](#), for more details.

® **Jo Cullum**, 07974 381333, jocullum@hotmail.co.uk

• see Facebook: Chipping Sodbury Folk Night



DRAGON FOLK CLUB ®, Bridge Inn, SHORTWOOD, Bristol, BS16 9NG. **Fridays**, 8.15pm, all year.

The Dragon Folk Club has moved, actually back to our former venue, at the Bridge Inn (all other details: day, time, telephone and email remain unchanged).

This friendly FC welcomes singers, musicians, and audience, and meets for a singers night every Friday. Everyone is welcome whether you sing, play or just listen. Entry is free with a raffle being held at the interval.

® **Simon Meeds**

Contact [Colin Owen, 0117 9600273](tel:01179600273)

Email: Simon Meeds, dragonfolk@rosma.co.uk

The Club's official blog is on <http://dragonfolkclub.blogspot.co.uk>

"MID-WEST" REGIONAL RESOURCES ~ ONLINE & RADIO

➔ ® **MR RED's MID WEST** *Cresby Brown* gives comprehensive regional listings for the 'Mid-West', by day, & by county, for clubs, & for sessions.
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**ARMANDALEG MUSIC ® WEBSITE ~ www.armandalegmusic.com**

An independent organisation dedicated to keeping the folk traditions of songwriting alive.

We focus on what's happening in England's Mid-West counties: Gloucestershire, Herefordshire, Oxfordshire, Somerset, Warwickshire, Wiltshire and Worcestershire - including Bath, Bristol, and here and there nearby. Our aim is to help original acoustic and traditional artists to promote their music, and bring it to the ears of an ever-increasing and appreciative audience.

On the site you can listen to live music, find out what's on in the region (links to tickets & more info on each gig), get all the latest news, and check out a comprehensive list of UK folk & acoustic music festivals. And there's a pdf list of Midwest venues.

Contact Mike Weaver via website, twitter @armandalegmusic, www.armandalegmusic.com, also on Facebook

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