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## Pf.2b Folk Dance Bands

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W.Mids [+West County, Wales] **FOLKLIFE MEMBERS' ONLINE DIRECTORY** [www.folklife-directory.uk](http://www.folklife-directory.uk) Sam Simmons 01684 561378

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**TAMWORTH FOLK AND RAMBLING CLUB** @, Bolehall Manor Club (1st floor function room), Amington Road, Tamworth B77 3LH.

Every Friday, 8.30pm, Sept-July



Every Friday, fairly prompt start at 8.30pm, an informal format on most evenings, and we welcome any visiting performers. You'll get the opportunity to do a 'turn' or two. Regular visitors can apply for Affiliated Membership to Bolehall Manor. Large car park, entrance off main road.

We have feature guest evenings most months, free admission, advertised on our **Diary page**. Floor spots are still available on

these evenings.

**Guests: Friday 11th January, The Veaseys.** Simon and Sally-Ann Veasey, both busy musicians, playing across different genres, sometimes together, sometimes solo, and sometimes with other artists. When playing together, they produce songs that bridge the gap between folk, blues and country.

**Friday 4th October, Daisybell.** Since 2016, making waves on the local and national folk scene, delivering performances of passion, wit and raw emotion at clubs from Coventry to Gateshead, Banbury to Sheffield, releasing an EP and a video, fitting in live radio appearances, and drawing acclaim for their "*Sing Like A Daisybell*" vocal workshops. Appearing at 2017/18 festivals in Warwick, Broadstairs, Moira, Lichfield, Bromyard, Alcester, Bedworth and more. Lauded for their songwriting, harmonies and engaging stage presence, now's a great time to check out their gigs, recordings and social media banter.

**Malcolm Robinson** @Bookingsattfc@aol.com, **Facebook: Tamworth Folk and Rambling Club**, [www.tamworthfolkclub.co.uk](http://www.tamworthfolkclub.co.uk)**BAND ON THE RUM** @

The five-member **Band on the Rum** are acknowledged performers of traditional shanties and other songs of the sea. Usually unaccompanied, the band knows how to belt out stirring shanties or soothe with easy on the ear nautical songs. Occasional humorous or moving songs on other subjects are also in band's repertoire. Individually and as part of other bands, **Band on the Rum** members have been energetic folk and shanty singers for over 30 years. As it is based in the centre of England, Band on the Rum is fortunate in being able to easily travel around the country for bookings and festivals. CDs are available through the **Band on the Rum Facebook Page**.

**Graham Hewitt**, [gn.hewitt66@gmail.com](mailto:gn.hewitt66@gmail.com), [www.bandontherum.co.uk](http://www.bandontherum.co.uk) [www.facebook.com/bandontherum.shanties](http://www.facebook.com/bandontherum.shanties)**MITRE'S WELL** @

Folk music songs and tunes from Stephen Edkins: Vocals, Guitar, Mandola, Banjo, Bass, Bodhrun; Stephen Swoffer: Vocals, Bass, Guitar, Bouzouki, Ukele, Bodhrun; Malcolm Robinson: Whistles, Mandolin, Banjo, Backing Vocals.

**Stephen Edkins**, [sjedkins@aol.com](mailto:sjedkins@aol.com), <https://mitreswell.wordpress.com>,[www.youtube.com/user/TheMitresWell/videos](http://www.youtube.com/user/TheMitresWell/videos)**THE ANKER VALLEY BOYS** @

**Bluegrass, Irish, Folk, Americana.** Whatever the genre we'll guarantee to get your foot tapping! Looking for a band, with caller, to play at a Barn Dance/Hoe Down for your event? Look no further, we can help!

**The Band: Bob**, Vocals, Fiddle, Keyboard, Clarinet, Sax; **Dave**, Vocals, Tenor Guitar, 5 String Banjo, Mandolin; **Steve**, Vocals, Guitar, Bass; **Malcolm**, Tenor Banjo, Mandolin, Whistle, Accordion.

Contact via website form, [www.ankervalleyboys.co.uk](http://www.ankervalleyboys.co.uk) [www.facebook.com/ankervalleyboys](http://www.facebook.com/ankervalleyboys)

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