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CLUB DIARY

DATES:

- 16 Sept 2010
- Local
- 28 Oct 2010
- Local (venue—
British Legion, not
Shetland Hotel)
- 11 Nov 2010 -
- guest artiste
Robert Black
- 25 Nov 2010
- AGM and guest
artiste Roddy Mat-
thews
- 9 Dec 2010
- Local
- 13 Jan 2011
- Local
- 24 Jan 2011
- Pre Up-Helly-Aa
- 10 Feb 2011
- Local
- 24 Feb 2011
- guest artiste
Graham Geddes
- 10 Mar 2011
- Local
- 24 Mar 2011
- guest artiste Tom
Orr Band
- 25 Mar 2011
- End of Season
Dance

Welcome

Welcome to the latest issue of the Shetland Accordion & Fiddle Club newsletter. This issue will cover the Club 2010-2011 winter season dates along with the guest artistes who will be appearing. Also included is a preview of some of the artists lined up for this year's Festival.

The Club enjoyed a successful season last winter despite the last minute cancellation of the Club night when Robert Black should have appeared in February. (But as you will see we have been lucky enough to have arranged another date for Robert).

Our annual fundraiser, affectionately known as 'The Battle of the Bands' was also cancelled in May and it was agreed to wait until

next year before we hold another. Watch local press in 2011 for details.

The first Club night, a local night, will be 16 September 2010 with the winners of the Shetland Young Fiddler of the Year being the main acts for that evening.

The first Club night after the Festival (28 Oct), will be held in the Lerwick British Legion and has been changed to a local night so that we can accommodate Robert Black's visit on 11 November.

We are also looking forward to welcoming fiddler Roddy Matthews on 25 November 2010. Roddy has appeared in the past with Robert Whitehead's band but is appearing as a solo performer this time. This is also the AGM and it is hoped that we will

have a good turnout of members.

After an absence of several years we're delighted that Graham Geddes will be appearing on 24 February 2011.

The final club night (24 March 2011), which of course includes the Annual Tune Competition results, will be Tom Orr and his band. They will bring the season to a close with our Dance in the Voe hall on Friday 25 March. So get your dancing shoes ready and watch for the advert giving details of tickets in the local press nearer the time.

If you have any suggestions or news you think should be included in the next newsletter please contact any of the Committee.

**CLUB
MEMBERSHIP FOR
2010-2011:
ADULTS: £8
CONCESSIONS: £3**

**SHETLAND
ACCORDION
&
FIDDLE
FESTIVAL
2010
FROM
7 TO 11
OCTOBER
2010**

Festival Reporters Required!

The Shetland Accordion & Fiddle Festival is looking for budding reporters to submit a report on the concert/concerts that they will attend at this year's Festival. In return you will receive 1 free concert/dance tickets for the venue you would like to report about. Please contact a Committee Member if you would like to be considered as a reporter.

Club Membership Renewal

Club memberships for the 2010/2011 season will be due for renewal from September 2010. Memberships will be on sale on the first Club night on 16 September at the Shetland Hotel. Memberships can also be purchased thereafter from the Camera Centre on Commercial Street.. Having a membership

means that you can buy discounted members tickets for the guest artiste nights and get access to tickets before they are available to non-members. (Please note however that Festival membership is payable separately at Festival time. A normal Club membership does not cover the Festival.

Shetland Accordion & Fiddle Festival News

The 2010 Festival is progressing well and we are finalising the arrangements.

The six visiting dance bands this year are: - Burns Brothers Ceilidh Band, Steven Carcary Scottish Dance Band, Gary Donaldson Ceilidh Band, Gary Sutherland Ceilidh Band, Ian Thomson Scottish Dance Band and the

Alistair Wood Scottish Dance Band.

The Committee is also delighted to welcome a lively group from Norway called "Knerten & Co".

Also visiting this year are the "Brothers Zamiskovci" from Northern Slovakia. This will be their first appearance at the Festival although they have performed in Shetland on

many occasions including the Folk Festival and at Up Helly Aa.

There are so many great acts appearing, and we know you will be spoilt for choice.

The committee would like to thank all who attend, including all the local musicians who so willingly give their time.

See you in October!

Accommodation Required

If you have a spare bed and would like to offer accommodation for a musician who is attending the Shetland Accordion and Fiddle Festival please contact Mida Hawick on Tel: 01595 692701. You will get 2 Free tickets for Thursday and Friday concerts at the Festival and free Festival membership.

The Club welcomed a new committee member in November last year, namely Linda Irvine. Linda is an excellent fiddler who plays in her sister Caroline's band Caticloo and also with Da Fustra. Welcome aboard Linda!