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NEWSHEET
APRIL '83

EDITORIAL:

So what is this then, I can hear you saying, a one-month Newsheet, rather than a Newsletter, surely this is a retrograde step? Well no, it isn't - this is purely a stop-gap measure to allow us breathing space after all the delay on the last issue. Next Month we're back with a normal edition covering MAY/JUNE/JULY & AUGUST, to be published BEFORE May 1st, and after that we have to decide whether to go to 4 or 6 issues a year, rather than 5, to give a regular pattern of Newsletters. The format & direction of the Newsletter will be the major topic of discussion at the Federation's AGM, which will take place just after this is published - a full report next issue.

So what is there in this much-reduced edition - just a calendar for April, Out & About, and a list of the clubs. I'm afraid we can't produce even this for nothing, so we've had to make a nominal charge of 5p, but I hope you'll find that it is still excellent value.

My thanks this month must go especially to Pete Rimmer, Ian Wells & Derek Gifford for their unstinting behind-the-scenes support. The illustration is one of Ian Sutton's I've borrowed from an earlier edition.

Finally, thank you for buying this copy, and I hope you'll buy the next full issue!

Nigel Firth

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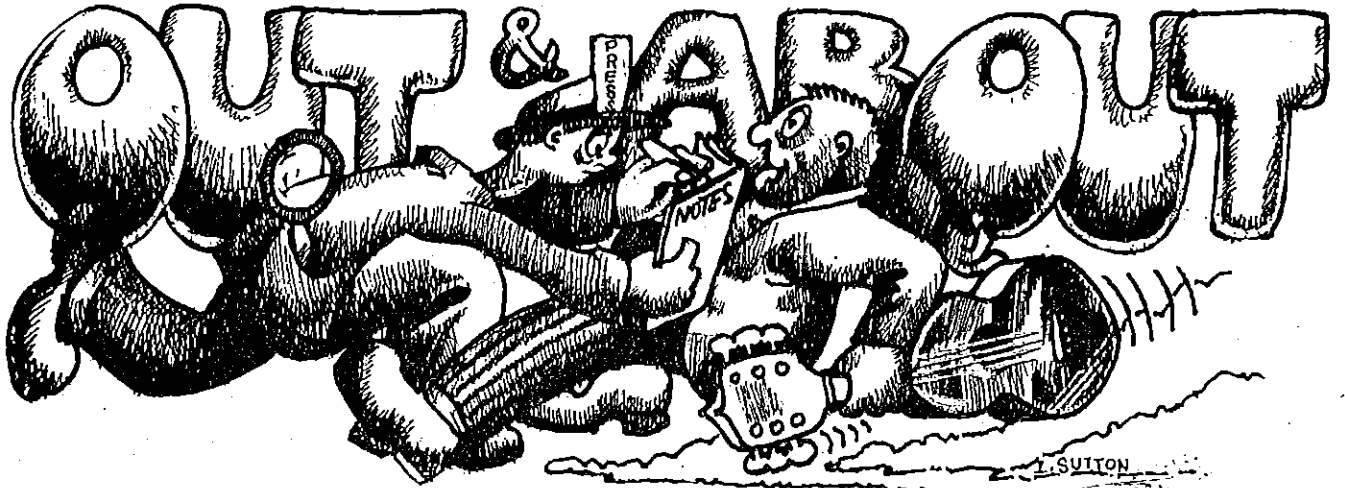
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THE AIM OF THE FEDERATION Shall be the promotion of Folk Music in the North-West by:-

1. The 'block booking' of artists for tours.
2. Joint Publicity of the Member Clubs.
3. The general support of the Member Clubs.
4. The joint organisation of concerts and ceilidhs within our area.
5. The support of Festival Organisers within our area.
6. The organisation of events to attract under 18s to Folk Music.

The Member Clubs

FOLK CLUB	TIME OF START	ADDRESS	ORGANISER	ORGANISER'S PHONE NO.
<u>SUNDAY</u>				
Keithley Green	8.15pm.	Keithley Green Folk Club, Massey St., Burnley.	Dave Cook	0282 57393
Eagle & Child	8.00pm	Eagle & Child, Higher Lane, Whitefield, Manchester	Andy Swarbrick	061 743 4058
Leigh	8.00pm.	The Courts Hotel, Church St. Leigh.	Jacqueline White	0942 678758
Poynton	8.00pm.	Poynton Folk Centre, Park Lane, Poynton.	Erio Brook	0625 872626
Rainford	8.15pm.	Golden Lion Hotel, Rainford.	Bob Leeming	0744 88 3424
Raven (Farndon)	8.30pm.	Raven Hotel, Farndon. Nr. Chester.	Dave Russell	097 883 5746
George & Dragon	8.30pm	George & Dragon, Main St., Billinge	Bornie Forkin	0744 30252
<u>MONDAY</u>				
Leyland Morris	7.30pm.	St. Anne's School, Slater Lane, Leyland.	Mike Cowburn	07744 53096
Preston	8.15pm.	Lamb Hotel, Church St. Preston	Rob Twisse	0254 21594
Knowl Brow	8.30pm.	Knowl Brow, Liverpool Rd., Skelmersdale	Pete Thorp	
The Triton	8.00pm.	The Triton Hotel, Paradise St. Liverpool	Doreen Rickart	051 227 3911 x448 (work)
<u>TUESDAY</u>				
Blackpool	8.00pm.	Kings Arms Hotel, Talbot Rd. Blackpool	Pete Rodger	0253 56290
Silver Birch	8.15pm	Silver Birch Inn, Birohwood Centre (Car Park 4), Warrington	Moina Hirdley	0925 26525
<u>WEDNESDAY</u>				
Folk at the Malt	8.30pm.	Malt Shovels, Stamford St. Altrincham.	Martin Whittaker	061 436 4636
Old Ship	8.30pm	Old Ship, Eastbank St., Southport	Ian Wells	077473 3267
White Swan	8.00pm	White Swan, Green St., Fallowfield, Manchester	Anne Morris	061 881 8294
<u>THURSDAY</u>				
Fleetwood	8.15pm.	Queen's Hotel, Beach Rd. Fleetwood.	Ron Barter	03917 78606
Hooligans	8.30pm.	Llindir Inn, Henllan (Nr. Denbigh)	Howard Hadwin	074 571 2640
Poynton	8.00pm.	Poynton Folk Centre, Park Lane, Poynton	Eric Brock	0625 872626
Wigan	8.15pm.	Park Hotel, Market Square, Wigan. (alternate weeks)	Joan Blackburn	0942 863389
<u>FRIDAY</u>				
Bee	8.30pm.	Bee Hotel, Bodfer St. Rhyl	Dave Costello	0745 32488
Newcastle	8.00pm.	Pack Horse, Station St. Longport, Stoke-on-Trent.	Jason Hill	0782 813401
Roebuck	8.30pm.	Roebuck Hotel, Leyland.	Liz Sudell	0772 732660
Seymour	8.30pm.	Seymour, Seymour Grove, Chorlton-cum-Hardy	Mike Billington	061 881 8729
White Lion	8.30pm.	White Lion, Witton St. Northwich	Sean Boyle	0606 44361
<u>SATURDAY</u>				
Bury	8.00pm.	Trafalgar, Manchester Old Rd, Bury	Sue Clegg	0706 841859
Brewery	8.30pm.	Brewery Arts Centre, 122a Highgate, Kendal (occasionally)	Neil Johnston	0539 25133
Top Locks	8.30pm.	Waterloo Hotel, Waterlook Rd. Runcorn.	Bryn Williams	09282 3256
Kirkham	8.15pm.	St. George's Hotel, Station Rd. Kirkham.	Phil Capper	0772 684537
Tom Hall's	8.00pm	Tom Hall's Tavern, Brunswick St., Liverpool	Geoff Dormand	051 6897928



DON'T FORGET, the eleventh Poynton Folk Festival, that takes place over Easter Weekend, April 1-3. Among the many guests are:

JOHNNY COLLINS, DEAD SEA SURFERS, PAT RYAN, VIN GARBUTT, JOHN JAMES, BERNIE PARRY, THERAPY, SAM. SHERRY, IAN WOODS & CHARLEY YARWOOD.

The programme of events includes Concerts, Ceilidhs, Singarounds, Sessions, Workshops, Dance Displays & Craft Stalls. For more details contact Eric Brock, 0625 875555.

The RAVEN FOLK CLUB in Farndon has moved to a new venue. It is now called the "Rave On" Folk Club, and now meets at the Grosvenor Rowing Club, The Groves, Chester (near the river). I gather that the club is doing well, and only had to move owing to extensive alterations to their existing pub.

THE EAGLE & CHILD Folk Club have now reopened at a new venue, I am told, but I don't yet have details of this. For more information please contact Andy Swarbrick on 061 793 4058.

NEWCASTLE Folk Club have a visit from a 3-piece Friesian Group (no not the cows!) on April 8th when they welcome JARJE.

CONTRARY TO RECENT reports, the Silver Birch Folk Club have NOT moved, and are still at the Silver Birch Inn in the Birchwood Centre, Warrington. Advance notice that on May 10th they have ROARING JELLY as their guests. For more information contact Moira Hindley on 0925 36535.

IF YOU THINK there is any way you can help in producing the Newsletter, please don't hesitate to get in touch. 'Phone me (Nigel Firth) on Wigan 215621.

IT IS NICE to hear of clubs doing well, especially at present, and the White Swan in Fallowfield seems to be an excellent example with attendances of 50-60 every week. The George & Dragon in Billinge is another bright spot in an otherwise drab scene.

PRESTON FOLK CLUB have a special post-St. Georges' Day evening on Monday April 25th featuring the RAN TAN BAND.

ADVANCE NOTICE of another performance of 'The Final Trawl', which is to be at the North Euston Hotel, Fleetwood on Thursday May 26th. Tickets are £1.50 from the club, the Hotel, or 'phone Ron Baxter on Fleetwood (03917) 78606.

ALBION SUNRISE, the occasional folk magazine is about to be published again, and is now to become an annual publication. Among many other features is a comprehensive guide to folk magazines. For more details, contact Owen Jones, 0600 2221.



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CLUB

CALENDAR

DAY & CLUB	DATES IN APRIL				
FRIDAY	1st	8th	15th	22nd	29th
Bee Newcastle Roebuck (a) White Lion	Singers' Night Singers' Night Rob Twisse Singers' Night	Singers' Night Tarje Liz sudell Martin Carthy	Singers' Night Singers' Night Nestor Jones S/N & Russ Belshaw	Singers' Night Vin Garbutt Alan Nowell Don & Sarah Morgan	Singers' Night Singers' Night George Critchloy Singers' Night
SATURDAY	2nd	9th	16th	23rd	30th
Bury Brewery Tom Hall's Tav. Poynton Club Ceilidhs	Ceilidh (b) No club Festival	Tim Laycock Thursday 7.4.83(d) No club Ceilidh (c)	Galennig No club No club	S/N: Francois Rowe Friday 22.4.83(e) High Level Ranters	Guest TBA No club No club
SUNDAY	3rd	10th	17th	24th	MAY 1st
Keithley Green Eagle & Child* Leigh Poynton Rainford Raven * George & Dragon	Singers' Night No Details John Howarth Festival Closed Singers' Night Closed	Singers' Night No Details Westmorland Packet Wassallers Maxi & Mitch Singers' Night Stanley Aoorington	Singers' Night No Details Jolly Jack Roaring Jolly Charlie Watts Richard Digance Bernard Wrigley	Alan Bell Band No Details Martin Carthy Dave Burland Mike Silver Singers' Night Singers' Night	Singers' Night No Details Mystery Evening Guest Night Guest TBA Singers' Night Guest Night
MONDAY	4th	11th	18th	25th	MAY 2nd
Loyland Morris Proston The Triton	Practice Night Singaround Closed	Practice Night Singaround Spinners	Practice Night Singaround Derek Gifford	Practice Night Ran Tam Band ⊕ Singers' Night	Practice Night Singaround Closed
TUESDAY	5th	12th	19th	26th	MAY 3rd
Blackpool Silver Birch	Singers' Night Guest TBA	Singaround Guest TBA	Singaround Guest TBA	Singaround Guest TBA	Singaround Guest TBA
WEDNESDAY	6th	13th	20th	26th	MAY 4th
Folk at the Malt Old Ship White Swan	Singers' Night Singers' Night Jolly Jack	Singers' Night Johnny Silvo Tony Ross	Singers' Night Singers' Night Singers' Night	Singers' Night Galennig Paul Metsers	Singers' Night Singers' Night Diz Dingley & Tony Nyland
THURSDAY	7th	14th	21st	27th	MAY 5th
Fleetwood Hooligans Poynton Wigan	Bright Phoebus Singers' Night Singers/Ceilidh Closed	Alan Bell Band Singers' Night Singers/Ceilidh Singaround	Singers' Night Singers' Night Singers/Ceilidh Closed	Rosie Hardman Singers' Night Singers/Ceilidh Singaround	Charley Yarwood Singers' Night Singers/Ceilidh Closed

NOTES TO ABOVE:

Club Residents are follows:
 White Lion - Sean & Sandy Boyle, Iain & Sarah Bowley, Tony Howard & others
 Keithley Green - Culvert
 Leigh - Trevor & Joan Hunt
 Raven - Volunteers
 George & Dragon - Caught on the Hop, Tain, Ramblers
 Rainford - Derek & Di Book
 Triton - Triton Folk
 Blackpool - Pete Rodger & others
 Old Ship - Bernie Blaney, Buokthorn, Johnny Cope, Neville Grundy
 White Swan - Dave & Helen Howard, Tony Coll, Gary Young, Mike Dixon & others
 Fleetwood - Scold's Bridle & Ross Campbell
 Hooligans - Tintagel
 Wigan - Joan Blackburn

*Note new venue for this club
 (See Out & About)
 N.B. not as listed in clubs list.
 ⊕ See Out & About

- (a) Each night is a hosted Singaround with hosts as noted
- (b) Ceilidh with Bury Ceilidh Band at Elizabethan Suite, Town Hall Bury
- (c) Ceilidh with Uncle Stan's Ram Jam Ceilidh Band & Abalon
- (d) The Albion Band on Thursday April 7th at 8.30 p.m. Tickets £3.50
- (e) Dave Swarbrick & Simon Nicol on Friday April 22nd at 8.30 p.m. Tickets £2.75