



SOLENT WAVES



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FASH Chat 1 – ‘Eurobal Wessex’

New for 2019! An exciting new series of eurodances are coming to the New Forest starting on 10th February 2019 at Ibsley Village Hall, 4 miles North of Ringwood. The venue is within easy reach of the A31 from Southampton & the West, and the A338 from Salisbury in the North and Bournemouth & Poole to the South!

There will be a Workshop at 7pm followed by the Bal from 8 to 11pm. The evening kicks off with a Workshop covering the basics of French traditional dance, including waltz, schottische, bourrée & mazurka; which are mostly couple dances, with a sprinkling of Breton dances where no partner is needed. Experienced dancers will be on hand to help the less experienced – no need to come as a couple! The Bal will start at 8pm with a guest band to lead you through an evening of fantastic European dances. The workshop will ensure that you can thoroughly enjoy the Bal to follow. There will be a break to get our breath back, but note that there is no bar – so bring your own! Tickets on the door are £8 for adults, £4 for 12-18s and under 12s are free. Our first dance on

Sunday 10th February will be with Confluence folk duo – Gill Redmond on 'cello and Alasdair Paton on accordion – and the workshop will be led by Steve Earwicker.

Our other New Forest dates in 2019 will be Sunday 14th April, Sunday 9th June, Sunday 13th October & Sunday 8th December. Ibsley Village Hall is at Gorley Road, South Gorley, Ringwood, Hampshire, BH24 3NL. There is plenty of parking at the Village Hall, which is just a mile off the A338.

Eurobal Wessex is also running eurodances in the Dorchester area on the alternate months to the New Forest dances. The venue is still to be confirmed, but the planned dates for the Dorchester dances in 2019 will be Friday 11th January, Friday 8th March, Friday 10th May, Friday 13th September & Friday 8th November.

See our Eurobal Wessex facebook page for more details or contact us via email: eurobalwessex@gmail.com or phone 'Gill' 01425 476350.

Stephen Earwicker

FASH Chat 2 – ‘Our Winter/Spring Workshops’

We started the season with two excellent workshops, Lisa Purkiss calling ‘Dances Old & New’ and John Turner with ‘From Playford to Shaw’. Andrew Purkiss played for both. As I write this we are very much looking forward to 9th December and ‘Getting Rhythmic with FolkActive’, at Twyford. This promises to be

great fun with hand drumming, spoons, jig dolls and stepping to try.

2019 kicks off on 20th January at Twyford with Mike Courthold calling ‘Something Borrowed – Squares & Contras with figures from Modern Western Square Dancing’. Mike is well known to us in FASH (and internationally) for his

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www.contactaband.org.uk

*The articles, club lists and
six months event diaries can
be found on the web at
www.fash.org.uk*



clearly called and enjoyable workshops and this one will be no different, though it should be extra interesting as he will be explaining figures such as Do Paso, Pass the Ocean, Spin the Top etc. Andrew Purkiss will be playing.

On the 10th February at Soberton we have Ivan Aitken with Pete & Sue Hall and Mathematical Nightmares and Sets in Order. Ivan is another caller justifiably popular with FASH and the folk dancing world in general and he will be calling dances by Gary Roodman (Mathematical Nightmares) which are very much enjoyed on both sides of the Atlantic and 'Sets In Order' which are from the American Square Dancing magazines published between 1948 & 1985. So, two kinds of dancing and both should be fun to try!

24th February sees the return of The Maddening Crowd for their 8th West Gallery workshop of music and song at Soberton. These workshops are very popular, whether you want to sing or play, so you do need to book your place. Email info@fash.org.uk or phone 01243 531497 to book your place and a copy of the music or to ask for more information. Also see www.maddingcrowd.org.

On the 10th March at Twyford we have Nigel

Close with Pete & Sue Hall and 'A Polychromic Gentleman'. Nigel will be familiar to you as one of our excellent home-grown callers and the Polychromic Gentleman is of course Chris Turner, whose vividly colourful outfits are only matched by his output of very danceable dances. Nigel will be choosing dances from Chris's 'Ramblings of a London Gentleman' series and Pete & Sue will be choosing most of the music as Chris prefers not to specify which tunes should be used. There could be some surprises along the way!

We end the season on 7th April at Soberton with Ray Goodswen and 'Crossing Borders and the Pond' with Andrew Purkiss playing. Ray is another widely known and appreciated caller and he has written some lovely flowing dances. He will call some of those and a selection of others, and the link to the title is that they will come from both sides of the Atlantic and sometimes with a Scottish influence.

There is one more dance after our workshop season ends, on 12th May at Soberton, following the FASH AGM. Karen Ilott will be calling and Pete & Sue Hall playing. The AGM is at 4pm and the dance will be approximately 6pm to 8.30pm.

Lin Rayner

DANCE DIARY

DECEMBER

Monday 8.00-10.00 Beaus of the Park FDC. Mostly Playford. Church of the Resurrection Hall, Penarth Avenue, Drayton, PO6 2AP. Sue Bradshaw 02392 713158 <http://beausdance.weebly.com>
3rd, 10th, 17th, Christmas Party.

Monday 7.30-10.00 Bournemouth (Westhill) FDC. The Annunciation Church Hall, 218 Charminster Road, Bournemouth, BH8 9RW. Liz Neal 01202 572196. www.bournemouthfolkdanceclub.btck.co.uk
3rd, Martin L & Liz N, 10th, David T & Peggy S, 17th, Club callers, 31st, Club callers.

Monday 7.30-10 Eastleigh Folk Dance Club. Railway Institute, Romsey Road, Eastleigh, SO50 9FE. 02380 252248 www.eastleighfolkdance.org
10th, Caller Jennet Lambert.

Monday 10.00-11.00 Gosport & Fareham Interfolk. St. Francis Church Hall, Clayhall Road, Gosport, PO12 2AJ. Tess & David Bloodworth 02392 526489 www.interfolk.co.uk/gfi
3rd, 10th.

Monday 8.00-10.30 Irish Set Dancing. Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Portswood Rd, Southampton, SO17 3SB. Michael & Eileen McCarthy 02380 767340
3rd, 10th, 17th, 31st.

Monday 8.00-10.00 Waterlooville Folk Dance Club. Waterlooville Community Centre, Maurepas Way, PO7 7AY. Jane Tull 02392 258056
3rd, Club callers, 17th, Christmas Party, caller TBA.

Tuesday 2.30-4.15 Isle of Wight Folk Dance Club. Wootton Methodist Church Hall, 88 Station Road, Wootton, PO33 4RE. Club callers. 01983 759970
4th, 11th, 18th,

Tuesday 8.00 Solent CDC. Bedhampton Social Hall, Havant, PO9 3ES. Caller Sue Bradshaw.

02392 713158 <http://solentdance.weebly.com>

4th, 11th, 18th, Christmas Party.

Thursday 8.00-10.00 Chichester FDG Fishbourne Centre, Blackboy Lane, Fishbourne, PO18 8BE. Nigel

Beaton 01243 786916 <http://chifdg.weebly.com>

6th, Christmas Party, caller Sue Bradshaw.

Thursday 7.30 Highcliffe Folk Dance Club, Greystones House, Waterford Road, Highcliffe BH23 5JL.

Jan Harris 01202 427523 janharris16@hotmail.co.uk.

6th, 13th, 20th.

Sat 1 7.30-11.00 Twyford Ceilidh. Twyford Parish Hall, SO21 1QY. Caller Ian Kirby with King's Band. £10 (£5 child), American Supper, BYO drinks. twyfordceilidh@gmail.com to book

6 7.30-10.00 Shawford Parish Hall, Pearson Lane, SO21 2AA. "as many as will", The Best of English Country Dance. Caller Nigel Close. 01962 714220 close@f2s.com

7 7.30 Christmas Ceilidh. Winchester Discovery Centre, Jewry St., SO23 8SB. With Threepenny Bit. Tickets £10 in advance or £12 at the door. Details 01962 873603, or book via their website.

9 10.30-3.30 FASH Workshop. Twyford Parish Hall, SO21 1QY. "Getting Rhythmic with FolkActive". £10, FASH members £7. American Lunch. 01243 531497

11 10.00 Stubbington International Folk Dance Group. Roman Catholic Church Hall, Bells Lane, Stubbington, PO14 2PL. Bob Neal 01329 609589. neal.bob61@gmail.com

13 8.00 Chilworth Contrás. Chilworth Village Hall, SO16 7LD (nearest navigable postcode) with John and Hilary Turner. 02380 360892 www.jhmturner.me.uk/chilworthcontras.htm

Sat 15 3.00-6.00 East Dorset Folk Dance Club. St. Mark's Church Hall, Hinton Wood Avenue, Highcliffe, BH23 5AA. Christmas Party with Club callers. Bring-and-share tea. Alan Moody, 01425 271910.

Sat 15 7.30-11.00 SHOCC Ceilidh. The Hilt (Cuckoo Bushes Hall), Chandlers Ford, SO53 5NP. Caller Aidan Hansell with PolkaWorks. Ian Nichols 07765820919 www.shocc.co.uk

19 8.00 Sams Stepping. Samuel's Rest, Upper Church Road, Shedfield, SO32 2JB. Southern Step Dancing Session. Jo and Simon Harmer 01489 899023. jo@folkactive.org.uk

21 7.30 Kimmeridge Keilidh. The New Hall at The Etches Collection, Kimmeridge BH20 5PE. Caller Sue Perigo with Arish Mel Band. £5 on the door, bring your own drinks & nibbles. Tel. 01929 480737

31 8.00 New Year's Eve Ceilidh, St. Nicholas Church, Belmont Grove, Bedhampton, PO9 3PU. Bring and share supper, £7 plus raffle – all proceeds to Rowans Silver Jubilee Appeal. Sue Bradshaw 02392 713158/07802268475

31 8.30 New Year's Eve Ceilidh. Twyford Parish Hall, SO21 1 QY. Oxford Nags with caller Aidan Hansell. Tickets £14, in advance only via www.dargasondancewinchester.weebly.com.

31 8.00 New Year's Eve Ceilidh, Elizabeth Hall, Raven Road, Hook, RG27 9HH. The Diatonics Ceilidh Band with Emma Wooders. For full details see www.musici.club/ellbee.htm

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9 1.30-3.30 FolkActive Dances with Live Music for the over-50s. Freemantle Community Centre, Randolph Street, Southampton SO15 3HE. Refreshments available. jo@folkactive.org.uk

Sat 12 8.00-11.00 GBH Ceilidh. Godalming Borough Hall, Bridge St., GU7 1HR. Caller Baz Parkes with The Pigeon Swing. £12, £11 in advance. www.musici.club/musici.htm#pigeon

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10 EuroBal Wessex - French, Breton, Euro Dance with Confluence Folk Duo and Workshop led by Steve Earwicker. Workshop at 7pm and Bal from 8pm at Ibsley VH, Gorley Rd. South Gorley, Ringwood BH24 3NL. Tickets £8. Details from 01425 476350 via eurobalwessex@gmail.com

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In January 2018 **as many as will** started with the intention of enjoying the best of past and present English Country Dances with discerning dancers. How has it worked out?

As I write – in early November – we have

had 9 evenings (August was a holiday and March was a victim of the Beast from the East); we have danced 100 dances with just 5 being repeated at a later date. Seventy of them were modern compositions, the rest originated in the

17th to 19th centuries. Just over half were set dances for 2 to 7 couples; longways or circles "for as many as will" formed the remainder.

There has been a strong emphasis on dancing well to fine music. This has required 63 different CDs, played by 42 bands. About half the tunes were in even time (such as reels, marches or polkas), slightly more than a quarter in broken time (jigs etc) and the rest were triple-time.

Virtually every dance worked, some with almost no teaching, some with a lot, most somewhere in between. One important aim was to let dancers concentrate on the music by not calling throughout. This succeeded with nearly every dance for at least the last time through.

What about the enjoyment? You will have to ask the discerning dancers about that; certainly they have kept coming! It has been hugely rewarding for me and well worth the hours of preparation.

The next **amaw** is on 6th December; this and all the first Thursdays from 7th February onward are, as usual, at Shawford Parish Hall. But because Shawford prepares for its biennial pantomime **JANUARY 3rd IS AT A DIFFERENT VENUE**: we will be in the lower room of **TWYFORD PARISH HALL**. Why not come and join us?

Nigel Close

as many as will
the best of english country dance
past and present

SHAWFORD PARISH HALL Pearson Lane SO21 2AA
7.30 – 10 pm £4 Nigel Close 01962 714220
Thursdays **6th December & 7th February BUT**
3rd January (TWYFORD PARISH HALL SO21 1QY)

Sam's Stepping
Southern step dancing pub session
Musicians and dancers welcome

Third Wednesday of the month from 8pm (except August)

 Samuel's Rest, Shedfield SO32 2JB
Jo & Simon Harmer 01489 899023
jo@folkactive.org.uk

We have not heard yet when Garth Notley's Regency dance sessions will restart. Watch these diaries and our website for updates.

New Year's Eve
Ceilidh

31 December 2018, 8:30 - 12:30

Oxford Nags
with caller **Aidan Hansell**

£14

Twyford Parish Hall, SO21 1QY

Tickets, map & parking:
www.dargasondancewinchester.weebly.com

Further info - email Elaine -
dargasondance@gmail.com

Tickets in advance only

Bournemouth
(Westhill)
Folk Dance Club

Spring Dance

Saturday 9th February 2019

Caller: Jane Thomas

Music: Jeroka

St. Marks Church Hall
Wallisdown Road
Talbot Woods BH10 4HY

7.30-10.30 - American Supper

Please ensure food is ready to serve

Entrance £8 in advance,
£9 on the door

Contact Di Darch 01202 896711
www.bournemouthfolkdanceclub.btck.co.uk

EVENTS AT FOLK CLUBS and ART CENTRES

ANVIL ARTS

Churchill Way, Basingstoke, RG21 7QR. (The Haymarket is at RG21 7NW) 01256 844244

www.anvilarts.org.uk

Dec	20	Cara Dillon at The Haymarket
Feb	2	Luke Jackson Trio
	14	Fairport Convention at The Anvil

ASHCROFT ARTS CENTRE

Osborn Road, Fareham 01329 223100

www.ashcroft.org.uk

Dec	20	Phil Beer
Jan	18	Jez Lowe
Feb	16	Jackie Oates Band

BOURNEMOUTH FOLK CLUB

The Shelley Theatre, Beechwood Avenue, BH5 1LX.

Paul Burke paul@bournemouthfolkclub.com

www.bournemouthfolkclub.com

Dec	9	St. Agnes Fountain
Jan	25	Steve Knightley
Feb	23	The Eagelarks

BRUNNY FOLK CLUB

The Royal British Legion, West Borough, Wimborne BH21 1LT. www.brunnyfolk.co.uk

Dec	2	Sheboshka
	16	Christmas Evening including The Warwick Slade Collective
Feb	3	Damian Clarke

FOCSLE MUSIC

The Guide Dog, Bevois Valley, Southampton, SO14 6SF www.focsle.org

Dec	19	Xmas Party, with King John's Mummers (TBC)
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FOREST ARTS CENTRE

Old Milton Road, New Milton, Hampshire BH25 6DS. 01425 612393 www.forest-arts.co.uk

Jan	17	Jez Lowe
Feb	9	Vishtèn

FOREST FOLK

8pm North Boarhunt Social Club, Trampers Lane, N. Boarhunt. 01329 833625 www.forestfolk.co.uk

Dec	3	Singaround
	10	Christmas Ceilidh with Threepenny Bit
	17	Jim Causley
Jan	7	Singaround
	14	The Local Honeys
	21	Steve Knightley
Feb	4	Singaround
	18	Mike McGoldrick, John McCusker & John Doyle

GRAYSHOTT FOLK CLUB

Grayshott Village Hall, Grayshott, GU26 6TZ.

01428 607096 www.grayshottfolkclub.co.uk/

Dec	14	Belshazzar's Feast + The Courtiers
Jan	18	The Bully Wee Band



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North Boarhunt Village Hall
Trampers Lane,
North Boarhunt
PO17 6DD
www.forestfolk.co.uk

Mon 10 December - Christmas Ceilidh with Threepenny Bit (£12)

Mon 17 December - A Causley Christmas with Jim Causley (£14)

Mon 14 January - The Local Honeys (£12)

Mon 21 January - Steve Knightley (£17)

Singarounds first Monday of the month commencing 7.30 pm

tel Charles on 01329 833625,
Janet on 023 9226 4288 or
email info@forestfolk.co.uk
www.forestfolk.co.uk

HAMBLEDON FOLK CLUB

8.30-11 Next to The Vine, Hambledon

02392 632719 www.hambledonfolkclub.com

Dec	12	The Drystones
Jan	9	Moore Moss Rutter
Feb	13	The James Brothers

HANGER FARM ARTS CENTRE

Aikman Lane, West Totton, Southampton, SO40

8FT 02380 667683 www.hangerfarm.co.uk/

Feb	21	Jamie Smith's Mabon
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THE HYDE TAVERN

57 Hyde Street, Winchester, SO23 7DY

www.hydetavern.co.uk/

Dec	14	Ma Polaine's Great Decline
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THE LIGHTS

West Street, Andover 01264 368368

www.thelights.org.uk

Jan	31	Jackie Oates
Feb	22	Tinderbox

MILFORD-ON-SEA FOLK CLUB

Village Community Centre Sea Road, Milford-on-Sea,
SO41 0PH. 01590 643404 milfordfolkclub@gmail.com
www.milfordfolkclub.org.uk/

Dec	1	Christmas Ceilidh with Agglestone Band
	13	Christmas Special
Jan	10	Dom Prag
Feb	14	Lynne Heraud & Pat Turner
	15	Magellan

NONSUCH FOLK CLUB (weekly)

8-11 Bishop's Waltham Social Club 02380 641732
www.nonsuchfolkclub.co.uk

Dec	20	Nonsuch Christmas Party
Jan	3	Welcoming in 2019

RINGWOOD FOLK CLUB (weekly)

The Wathen-Bartlett at The Burley Club, Pound
Lane, Burley, BH24 4EB. 01425 673713
www.ringwoodfolk.org.uk

Dec	18	The Mellstock Band
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TURNER SIMS

University of Southampton SO17 1BJ.
02380 595151 www.turnersims.co.uk

Dec	15	Cara Dillon
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WESSEX ACOUSTIC

The Royal British Legion, Blandford Forum
01202 732239 www.wessex-acoustic.co.uk

Dec	1	Jez Lowe and Bad Pennies + Benny Graham at Shaftsbury Arts Centre
	7	Club Christmas Party – many guests
Jan	18	Gerry Colvin Band
Feb	8	John Richards

WHITCHURCH FOLK CLUB

Whitchurch Parish Hall, RG28 7LQ, or Gill
Nethercott Centre, RG28 7HP. jon@grizzlyfolk.com.
www.grizzlyfolk.com/whitchurch-folk-club.

Dec	18	Belshazzar's Feast (WPH)
Jan	16	Martin Carthy & John Kirkpatrick (WPH)

WHITE LION FOLK CLUB

Wherwell (near Andover). Roly Clarke 07919120159

Dec	20	Singaround
	26	Christmas Extra – 12.00 - 15.00

WINCHESTER DISCOVERY CENTRE

Jewry Street, Winchester
www.hants.gov.uk/wdc.htm

Dec	7	Christmas Ceilidh with Threepenny Bit
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WINCHESTER FOLK CLUB

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Next FASH Events:**Sunday 9th December. Twyford Parish Hall****“Getting Rhythmic with FolkActive****A ‘Do something Different’ day****Sunday 20th January. Twyford Parish Hall****Mike Courthold with Andrew Purkiss****“Mathematical Nightmare & Sets in Order”****Free Christmas Concert****7.30pm Sat 15th December****St Lawrence in the Square****Winchester SO23 9EX**

**with a retiring collection for charity
details at www.maddingcrowd.org**

Our banner advert for FASH events covers only the December and January events; there are two workshops in February which are included in our three month diary on pages 2 to 5, and for much more detail on all these read our second FASH ‘Chat’ this month.

We have included a few New Year’s Eve ceilidhs in the Dance diary this month: the one taking place at Hook appeared on the Musici website where we normally find information on the (fortunately re-established) GBH Ceilidhs. The Ceilidh at Bedhampton is the latest in what has become a regular event, and this year is in aid of another local charity, the Rowans Silver Jubilee Appeal. The Rowans Hospice at Waterlooville is planning a £7.5 million refurbishment, with the first phase commencing early next year.

While on the subject of charities, Ronnie Williamson was delighted to be able to announce, at the end of the concert in Fishbourne on the 9th November, that they had raised £2,240 for Macmillan Cancer Support. To this, Santander Bank have promised to add £500, and at the time, the amount raised from a silent auction for an early Mick Ryan and John Burge recording was not yet known. Ronnie and Sally Argent have already promised to arrange another concert for November 2019.

Many of you may be aware of the Schools’ Ceilidhs that FASH has been running for the past few years at Bishops Waltham. The idea of

involving youngsters in dance with live music has developed through FolkActive, together with local band Jigfoot. Schools’ Ceilidhs have now been held at Portsmouth, Southampton and The Isle of Wight; the most recent event was in the Portsmouth area, held over four days at various schools. To justify their funding, Portsmouth Music Hub required that children playing instruments were involved, so we had the double advantage of children dancing to a live band and children playing alongside experienced musicians while playing for a live and active audience. The music varied, depending on which school was hosting the ceilidh, from recorders through ukuleles to guitars and orchestral instruments. We even had some very young children playing chords on chime bars – potential hand-bell ringers perhaps, as the technique for playing them is exactly the same.

The Music Hub has its own website, www.portsmouthmusichub.org/big-autumn-ceilidh-week, and has posted there many photos from the eight ceilidhs. You will notice a complete lack of sad faces! We are hoping Jo Harmer will provide us with a more detailed report of these four very rewarding days.

There is, of course, more music just outside our county borders: on the 7th December, The Music Institute at Guildford presents Jim Causley in ‘A Causley Christmas’. Jim is also appearing at Forest Folk ten days later, so you have the choice of dates to see his show. In January at Guildford, Tom Edey appears on the 11th, and on the 25th, Daria Kulesh together with Tristan Seume and Marina Osman are on stage. Full details on their website www.musici.club/musici.htm

The closure of Talking Heads in Southampton effectively evicted several of the music sessions that used to meet there. I have heard that the ukulele group is apparently large enough to be

able to migrate to The 1865, although their sessions do not appear on the venue's website as they did on the Talking Heads one.

The English Tunes Session which meets on 2nd Tuesday each month has relocated to The Platform Tavern on the Town Quay, which they hope will become a long-term home.

The Irish Acoustic Session which meets on Sundays, after a 'false start' at The Juniper Berry,

now meet at The Hobbit, on the Bevois Valley Road.

I inherited the list of sessions when I took over maintaining the FASH website, and occasionally I hear that one or other of them no longer meets. If you know of new sessions, or ones that no longer run, I would be very pleased to hear about them. Please contact me via e-mail, details below.

Dave Sutton – editor.

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As well as promoting and supporting folk activities and events in Hampshire, we hold workshops on Sundays at Soberton and Twyford Halls, from 10.30 to 3.30, see www.fash.org.uk for details. FASH members £7.00, non-members £10.00. Tea and coffee available. Please bring a plate of food for an American Bring and Share Lunch. Or bring your own lunch, or try the local pub.

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