

## ARTISTS

**SHOW OF HANDS** Show of Hands have unequivocally become one of the leading forces in British folk. Steve Knightley and Phil Beer are respectively recognised as one of the UK's best singer songwriters and one of its finest multi instrumentalists. Without frills or fanfares they have carved a unique niche built on a carefully constructed cottage industry and become one of the most in demand bands on the circuit.

**KATHRYN ROBERTS AND SEAN LAKEMAN** have long established themselves as one of the uk folk scene's most rewardingly enduring partnerships. Duos come and duos go... and some nurture and fine tune their art and watch it grow into something totally original, captivating and award-winning. Bonded by an unseen alchemy, Kathryn and Sean have entwined their professional and personal relationship into an enviable class act of imaginative songwriting.

**THE WILSONS** The glorious, powerful vocal harmony, of The Wilson Family of Billingham, has rung out in folk clubs & festivals for nearly 40 years. They sing traditional & traditionally-oriented songs, with deep understanding, joy & good humour. In January 2013, they recorded several songs with the world renowned musician and songwriter, Sting, for his latest album and performance project: "The Last Ship". Sting has said of them: "They're five brothers who have been singing together in harmony for a long time. And they have very, very powerful voices".

**GARY & VERA ASPEY** Gary & Vera perform traditional and contemporary songs with piano accordion, guitars and English concertina accompaniment. Vera also performs Lancashire Clog Dancing. "A privilege and a pleasure to have known Gary and Vera for over 40 years - they are consummate professional entertainers - a joy to see and listen to. Long may they continue". Alan Bell - Director Fylde Folk Festival.

**MARIE LITTLE** This year will be the 50th anniversary of Marie's singing career. Still going strong but not travelling as much and still in demand. A Salford lass now living in the North East (who kindly adopted her!) has a quality repertoire which is always well received by her audiences. Not to be missed!!

**NIAMH BOADLE** Niamh is one of the new generation of performers who've been immersed in the tradition from an early age (in her case not only English folk music, but those of Irish song, music and dance too!) Fatea A multi-instrumentalist and singer who delivers music across a diverse range of material, from traditional folk to her own self-penned compositions, in a variety of styles, while still maintaining a continuity to her sound. *Folk Radio UK*. "A great talent and a fabulous singer" *Mike Harding*.

**SCOLDS BRIDLE** are Sue Bousfield and Liz Moore. With stagecraft well developed and warmth and open friendliness, interchanges and asides allow the audience to be part of a perfectly timed and polished performance. Style, confidence and maturity exude as they introduce their material and once launched their own enjoyment of the songs, captures, enraptures and enthuses all.

**EDDIE & ANDREW GREEN & SUE JENNINGS** were part of the Alan Bell Band for many years together. Their last gig together with Alan was here at the Marine Hall last November, as part of the memorial of the start of World War I in 1918. They wanted to sing Alan's songs today as a tribute to his songwriting. They are joined by Scolds Bridle on stage to celebrate his music.

# A ONE DAY REVIVAL THE FYLDE FOLK FESTIVAL

## CELEBRATING THE LIFE & SONGS OF ALAN BELL



THE MARINE HALL, THE ESPLANADE,  
FLEETWOOD, LANCS. FY7 6HF  
SATURDAY 22nd June 2019 11am to 11pm.

## FREE PROGRAMME



A Tamlyn Music Production



## WELCOME TO THIS VERY SPECIAL DAY A REVIVAL OF THE FYLDE FOLK FESTIVAL A CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE & MUSIC OF ALAN BELL

The idea of reviving the folk festival for one day was first suggested to Alan about eighteen months ago, by a great local supporter of Fylde.

He did not have to think for very long, before saying "Yes". So the idea of reviving Fylde began! We would present three concerts in one day.

Whom to book after all those artists who appeared at Fylde over the years? The artists appearing today, have all been on the bill at Fylde.

We are very grateful to the following who kindly agreed to appear: Show of Hands, Kathryn Roberts & Sean Lakeman, The Wilsons, Stanley Accrington, Gary & Vera, Marie Little, Niamh Boadle, Scolds Bridle, Eddie & Andrew Green & Sue Jennings (*Alan's band*).  
Thistle for running The Gathering at the North Euston on Friday Eve.

Alan was due to celebrate his 85th Birthday on 26th June, so why not combine the Revival with his birthday. Sadly, Alan passed away in April. One of his last wishes was that the Revival Day went ahead.

### **Today is a Celebration of his songs and music.**

This programme is free. However, if you wish to make a contribution to the Fleetwood branch of the RNLI - a charity of which Alan was a great supporter, that would be great.

The Wyre Walk, a pre-cursor of Fylde Folk Festival, was organised by Alan to raise money for the Fleetwood lifeboat.

We hope you all enjoy the day and have a good sing!  
*Christine Bell and Jamie Bell.*

### **THANKS**

To our MCs Pat Ryan, Dave Jones and Steve Heap. To Tony Mitchell Marine Hall Sound and his crew. To our stage crew. To Marine Hall Box Office for ticket sales. To Andy & Gwen the Information Desk. Especial thanks to Carla Farrar for organising the stewards and for all her help.

Mainly thanks to you our audience for coming today.

## FYLDE REVIVAL DAY 22nd JUNE 2019, MARINE HALL, FLEETWOOD PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

**Ticket Prices**  
Full Day Ticket £45

### **Home Grown Uns' Concert 11am-1pm**

£10

MC Pat Ryan

Stanley Accrington

Scolds Bridle

Eddie Green, Andy Green, Sue Jennings with Scolds Bridle performing the songs of Alan Bell

*Sound Check to follow this concert*

### **Entertainers Concert 2.15pm - 5.15pm**

£15

MC Dave Jones

Gary & Vera Aspey

Marie Little

The Wilsons

*Sound Check to follow this concert*

### **The Evening Concert 7.30pm-11.00pm Celebrating the life and music of Alan Bell**

£25

MC Steve Heap

Niamh Boadle.

Kathryn Roberts & Sean Lakeman

*INTERVAL 9.15 - 9.40*

**Show of Hands**

NOTE: Will all patrons please vacate the hall after each concert and take all your belongings with you. Reserving of seats is not permitted.

Artists CDs on Sale in the foyer after each concert.

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