



SOLENT WAVES

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Folk on the Fourth Plinth in Trafalgar Square

I'm sure most of you will have heard about sculptor Antony Gormley's project, called *One & Other*, for the empty Fourth Plinth in Trafalgar Square. For 100 days, a different person has been lifted up onto the plinth every hour on the hour, 24 hours a day without a break, to spend their one hour doing whatever they chose. Many thousands of people put their names forward, of whom 2,400 were randomly selected to represent every part of the UK. One of them was folk singer and dancer Rebecca Brown, who was given a 'slot' at 8pm on Saturday, 26th September. She wanted to use her hour to show everyone the warmth, fun and community spirit of the folk world.

As soon as Beci knew she had a place on the plinth, she sent emails buzzing around to gather support. One of them reached Claire Coxwell from Nonsuch Folk Club, who then passed on the news to her friends in Hampshire, which is why I found myself standing in Trafalgar Square two weeks ago with a group of about 50 people, watching as Beci was raised slowly onto the empty plinth. It was already growing dark, but the evening was beautifully warm and the sky was clear with an almost full moon as she set up her music and took possession of the microphone.

We all joined in with the choruses as she sang old favourites such as 'Landlord fill the Flowing Bowl', 'Blooming Heather' and 'Alabama John Cherokee'. The more ambitious

added harmonies and it all sounded fantastic in the clear air with the hum of London's traffic in the background. Passers-by stopped to smile and then joined in too. Beci then switched from singing to calling and we lined up to do Galopede. Our musician gallantly played his violin for many repetitions, right beside the sign warning that musical instruments must not be played in Trafalgar Square!

Two policemen driving round the Square waved their support and gave a friendly blast on their car's siren. As usual when people get together and dance, everyone was smiling and laughing by the time we finally stopped.

Back to singing and Beci gave a heartfelt interpretation of 'A Place Called England'. We all joined in with 'Hard Times of Old England' and a rollicking rendition of 'Rolling Home' completed a warm and wonderful Folk Hour on the Plinth. It felt like a privilege to have been part of a rather special event that can never be repeated. I hope you can now imagine that you were there and feel in some way that you were a part of it too.

If anyone would like to know more about 'One & Other', or to see pictures and videos of the many and varied performances of the 'plinthers', see www.oneandother.co.uk The project itself finished on 14th October, but I expect they will keep the information there for a while so people can see what it was all about.

Daphne Hall

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six months event diaries can
be found on the web at
www.fash.org.uk*



DANCE DIARY

NOVEMBER

- 1 10.30-3.30 FASH Workshop, Soberton Village Hall. Contrás with Henry Morgenstein and Andrew Purkiss. £8, FASH members £6. American Lunch. 01489 892911
- 2 8.00 Waterlooville FDC. Waterlooville Community Centre. Nigel Close. 01329 237131
- 3 8.00 Solent CDC. Bedhampton Social Hall, Havant. Club Callers. 02392 468996
- Sat 7 8–11.30. Twyford Charity Ceilidh. Twyford Parish Hall. £7 adult, £3 child
Bursledon Village Band. American Supper, bring own drinks. 01962 714220
- 7 7.45-11 Shoreham FDC Boundstone Community College, Lancing. Peter Moxom with Footnotes. £7. 01903 208851
- 7 7.30 Hopkele. Portchester Community Centre. An Israeli style ceilidh event with old style live Jewish music. £8. 023 9263 2945 *miknorman@btinternet.com*
- 9 8.00 Waterlooville FDC. Waterlooville Community Centre. Sarah Perry. 01329 237131
- 9 7.30-10 Eastleigh FDC. Railway Institute, Romsey Road. David Tullis. 02380 252248
- 10 8.00 Solent CDC. Bedhampton Social Hall, Havant. Club Callers. 02392 468996
- 12 7.30-10.15 Mainly Playford. St. Peter's Church Hall, Bishops Waltham. 01962 735202
- Sat 14 7.30-11:15 Megabop. Nursling and Rownhams Village Hall, Nursling Street, Soton. Captain Swing and Mike Griffiths. £8. 01425 476350 *petegritton@hotmail.com*
- 16 8.00 Waterlooville FDC. Waterlooville Community Centre. Garry Thomas. 01329 237131
- 17 8.00 Solent CDC. Bedhampton Social Hall, Havant. Club Callers. 02392 468996
- Sat 21 3-6pm South Hampshire Playford Club. St Mark's Church Hall, Hinton Wood Avenue, Highcliffe. Rosemary Hunt. £3. 01425 272336
- 23 8.00 Waterlooville FDC. Waterlooville Community Centre. David Wallace. 01329 237131
- 23 7.30-10 Eastleigh FDC. Railway Institute, Romsey Road. Garry Thomas. 02380 252248
- 24 8.00 Solent CDC. Bedhampton Social Hall, Havant. Club Callers. 02392 468996
- 26 8.00 Chilworth Contrás. Chilworth Village Hall with John and Hilary Turner. 023 8036 0892
- Sat 28 7.30-11. FASH Dance at Twyford Parish Hall. Mixed evening from Playford Old & New to New England contrás. £6 in advance, £7.50 on the door. John Turner with Pete & Sue Hall. 01243 531497
- 29 10.30-3.30 Pulborough Workshop, Pulborough Village Hall. John Portlock, More Gary Roodman. £5 EFDSS, £6 non EFDSS. Bring picnic lunch. 01403 741431
- 30 8.00 Waterlooville FDC. Waterlooville Community Centre. John Hale. 01329 237131

DECEMBER

- 1 8.00 Solent CDC. Bedhampton Social Hall, Havant. Club Callers. 02392 468996
- Sat 5 8–11.30. Twyford Charity Ceilidh. Twyford Parish Hall. £7 adult, £3 child Turk Town Troopers and Nigel Close. American Supper, bring own drinks. 01962 714220
- 5 7.45-11 Shoreham FDC Christmas Dance. Boundstone Community College, Lancing. Barrie Bullimore and the Weston Country Dance Band. £7. 01903 208851
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- 14 8.00 Waterlooville FDC. Waterlooville Community Centre. Christmas Dance, Stoneyridge with Sarah. 01329 237131
- 14 8.00 North Boarhunt Social Club, Trampers Lane. Forest Folk Christmas Ceilidh with the Bursledon Village Band. £10. 01329 833625
- 14 7.30-10 Eastleigh FDC. Railway Institute, Romsey Road. 02380 252248
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F A S H D a n c e

Saturday 28th November

"From Playford to Contrás"

John Turner with Pete and Sue Hall

Twyford Parish Hall 7.30 - 11.00

£7.50 or £6 in advance

Book now: call 01243 531497

Tickets available from any committee member

M27**MEGABOPS**

Bringing Barn Dancing Back with a Bang

Saturday 14th November
 Saturday 12th December
 Saturday 9th January

Captain Swing and Mike Griffiths
 GBH and Gordon Potts
 tbc

Dances at the Nursling and Rownhams Village Hall, Nursling Street, Southampton

7.30 – 11.15pm

Tickets £8 (£1 off concessions, £1 off in advance, £6 students, children half price)

For tickets, details of our venue, concessions and anything else you need to know about the dances, phone

Gill Redmond and Pete Gritton on 01425 476350

petegritton@hotmail.com

<http://homepage.ntlworld.com/trevor.gilson/megabops/>

Dance club survey

During the summer, John Turner on behalf of FASH conducted a small survey of the dance clubs in our area. We weren't sure what to expect or how useful it would be, but we felt that it would be interesting to have a snapshot as to how the dance clubs were doing and see if there were things FASH could do better to assist. Most clubs sent back some answers and if there are any clubs or individuals who care to send in further comments, we would be delighted to receive them. Just drop a note to the editor.

All the clubs seem to have a group of regular attendees and vary in size from 10-40. All welcome visitors which is nice to hear. The majority use recorded music and while this is nice, many if not most people prefer dancing to good quality live music when possible. We suggest that it might be good to see some people at the FASH workshops where we have good quality live music as the norm.

There were some specific suggestions which we will follow up on, but several around the subject of how to encourage new attendees and promote folk activities. Frankly no one has a magic answer to how to get more people involved. From the

feedback we have received we suggest that if you do get any newcomers, you go out of your way to make them very welcome and included in your group, especially learn and use their names. Beware of cliquey groups. Beware of club callers vying with each other to present the most challenging dances. Ensure your callers have done their homework well and are not just trying out a dance without any preparation.

Nudged by the survey, we will be putting up a poster about the clubs in our area (with their contact details) at future FASH events.

One thing we have noticed is how few dance clubs, as against folk singing clubs and display sides, have internet links. There are few who have websites or email contact details. While it may be true that most of the people who go to the dance clubs don't care to use the internet and maybe anyway don't need to know about their club, it is becoming more and more the case that the way in which new members find out about clubs and get attracted to clubs is by the internet. So maybe it would be worth looking at this area.

Our thanks to all who replied, and don't forget if you wish to comment further we are all ears!

DISPLAY TEAMS

MORRIS

Alton Morris	Ann Foulkes 01252 657311	www.altonmorris.co.uk
Belles & Arrows	Ros Butt 01243 573562	www.belles-and-arrows-morris.co.uk
Basingclog Morris	01256 816224	www.basingclog.org.uk
Boghoppers & Bushbeaters	Jennet Lambert 01202 476631	
King John's Morris	Phil Le Page 02380 583589	www.king-johns-morris.org.uk
Men of Wight	Martin Davis 01983 882143	
New Forest Meddlars	Bob Dodson 01962 886132	www.newforestmeddlars.co.uk
Oyster Girls	Donna Baker 01983 730113	www.oystergirls.org.uk
Red Stags	Christina Pritchard 023 8058 3018	www.redstagsmorris.org
Sarum Morris	Mary Goodwin 01305 269258	www.sarummorris.co.uk
Tricolex Morris	Nigel Dean 01329 237349	
Victory Morris	Rodney Smith 02392 632504	www.victorymorrismen.org.uk
Wickham Morris	Maggie Wilson 02392 268181	www.wickham-morris.org.uk
Wight Bells	Brenda Flynn 01983 883385	www.wightbells.com
Winchester Morris	Albert Wilkins 01962 883 341	www.winchester-morris-men.org.uk

LADIES TRADITIONAL

Hampshire Garland	Anne Francis 01962 715841	www.hampshiregarland.org.uk
Southern Lights	Marion Boxall 023 8039 8830	www.southernlights.org.uk

SOCIAL DANCE

Ring of Eight	Diane Conway 01202 548404	
Woodfidley	Huw Francis 01962 715841	www.woodfidley.org.uk

OTHER

Chequered Flag (Appalachian & Step)	Simon Harmer 01489 899023	
Knickerbocker Glory	Lesley Wilkins 01420 562471	www.kbgdance.org.uk
Devil's Jumps	Brian Hammond 01243 370531	www.br2811.demon.co.uk/DJ.html
Hursley International	Jane Goode 01256 817436	www.ibmhursleyclub.org.uk/ss/hifd
Island Cloggies	Brenda Reeves 01983 200218	
Mr Baker's Dozen	Steve Baker 01983 730113	
Spank the Planks	Lucy Simons 023 80 679995	
Hale Cloggies (Step Clogging)	Jennet Lambert 01202 476631	
Hampshire Regency Dancers	Sally Petchley 01489 891720	www.hantsregencydancers.org.uk

FASH Dance

As you may have seen elsewhere in Solent Waves, FASH is running a dance on 28th November. We have now tried various venues and this year we are at Twford. Naturally this will be more convenient for some and less convenient for others, but since it is very close to the M3 exit and more or less in the middle of our region, we hope it will suit most people.

John Turner will be calling and he has in mind a wide mix of dances, some fast and furious, some slow and beautiful. With Pete and Sue Hall providing the live music, we will have a lovely sound and we hope as many people as possible will be able to come.

You can get tickets now from any committee member, and if you buy from Dennis, you will also get a free bonus gift of a hug – what an offer!

EVENTS AT FOLK CLUBS and ART CENTRES

ASHCROFT ARTS CENTRE

Osborn Road, Fareham 01329 223100

www.ashcroft.org.uk

- Nov 6 Vin Garbutt
 11 Patty Larkin
 20 Emily Smith
 Dec 4 Barb Jungr: Tell it like it is
 17 Waterson: Carthy - Frost and Fire:
 Driving Cold Winter Away

BOURNEMOUTH FOLK CLUB

Pig and Whistle, Queens Road, Bournemouth
 01202 707498 www.bournemouthfolkclub.com

- Nov 1 Tinderbox and Wendy & Patrick
 Morrow
 8 Megson
 13 Cara Dillon
 15 Rod Jenkins & Black Tulip
 22 Orkney Isles Special
 29 Pamela Wyn Shannon
 Dec 6 local
 13 Colvin Quarmby
 20 Christmas party
 27 New Years party

FO'C'SLE FOLK CLUB

8-11 The Richmond Inn, 108 Portswood Road,
 Southampton. 023 8045 6337

www.focsle.org.uk

- Nov 6 Bill Whaley & Dave Fletcher
 12 June Tabor. Waiting for the Lark
 Turner Sims Concert Hall
 13 Anything Goes
 20 Steve Turner
 26 Chris Wood. Handmade Life
 Turner Sims Concert Hall
 27 Anything Goes
 Dec 4 Chris & Siobhan Nelson
 18 Christmas Party

FOREST FOLK

8pm North Boarhunt Social Club, Trampers
 Lane, North Boarhunt. 01329 833625

www.forestfolk.co.uk

- Nov 2 Singaround
 16 Peggy Seeger with Norma Waterson,
 Martin Carthy & Mike Waterson
 Dec 7 Singaround
 14 Christmas Ceilidh with the Bursledon
 Village Band
 21 Christmas with Kerfuffle

HAMBLEDON FOLK CLUB

8.30-11 Next to The Vine, Hambledon

02392 632504 www.hambledonfolk.co.uk

- Nov 11 Johnny Silvo
 Dec 9 Folk Club Christmas Special TBC

NONSUCH FOLK CLUB

8.30-11 Bishop's Waltham Social Club

01489 891110 www.nonsuchfolkclub.com

- Nov 3 Dave Gibb
 10 Anything Goes
 17 Anything Goes
 24 Tunes and Chorus Songs
 Dec 1 Shebeen
 8 Anything Goes
 15 Tunes and Chorus Songs
 29 Anything Goes

RINGWOOD FOLK CLUB

Elm Tree Inn, Ringwood. 01425 673713

www.ringwoodfolk.org.uk

- Nov 3 Pete Harris & Hugh Budden
 10 Informal singaround
 17 Magpie Lane
 24 Johnny Silvo
 Dec 1 Local Performers Evening - details
 TBC
 8 Siansa
 22 The Melstock Band's Christmas show

THE TOWER

Romsey Road, Winchester. 01962 867986

www.towerarts.co.uk

- Dec 11 Geordie's Winter Almanac Radio
 Roadshow, with Jez Lowe
 19 The Men They Couldn't Hang

VILLAGE FOLK CLUB

8.00-10.30. The Limes Hotel, Catisfield,
 Fareham. 01329 512106

www.communicate.co.uk/hants/villagefolkclub

- Nov 7 Hampshire Songs Night
 with Schehallion & Jeff Henry
 Dec 5 Christmas Do

WESSEX ACOUSTIC

The Farquharson Arms, Pimperne, near
 Blandford 01202-732239

www.wessex-acoustic.co.uk

- Nov 20 Dansmall (Dan Plews & Guy
 Fletcher)
 Dec 18 Dave Pegg and PJ Wright

WHITE LION FOLK CLUB

Wherwell (near Andover). Roly Clarke
07919 120159
Nov 19 Singaround

WOOLSTON and BURSLEDON FOLK CLUB

Long Lane, Bursledon, 023 8039 8017
www.woolnetfolk.co.uk
Nov 1 John Kirkpatrick
8 Singaround/session night
15 Singaround/session night
22 Broom Bezzums
29 Singaround/session night
Dec 13 Guest night tba
20 Folk Club Christmas Party

Solent Waves into the 21st Century

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Hopkele

A hopkele is a kind of Israeli barn dance or ceilidh event with old-style Jewish music instead of Gaelic music. Apparently it is great fun, just like a normal ceilidh and anyone who enjoys barn dancing will enjoy it.

There is one coming up, on Saturday November 7th, with live music at Portchester Community Centre. Call 023 9263 2945 or miknorman@btinternet.com for more details.

EFDSS

EFDSS is delighted to announce that it has become one of Arts Council England's Regularly Funded Organisations and will receive £400,000 of funding over two years. The funding will enable EFDSS to become a national development agency for folk music and set up a number of exciting new initiatives.

Saturday 21 November - Folgazán (£8)

Monday 14 December - Christmas Ceilidh with the Bursledon Village Band (£10)

Monday 21 December - Christmas with Kerfuffle (£12)

Monday 18 January - Steve Knightley (£12)



for further information and tickets,
please ring 01329 833625, 023 9226 4288
or email info@forestfolk.co.uk

Forest Folk
North Boarhunt
www.forestfolk.co.uk

Folk online

Over at Lewes, they now have a set up that enables them to profile sample tracks of coming guests as well as show photos and biographies.

See www.myspace.com/royaloakfolklewes

Meanwhile Forest Folk have trained been recording some of their guests and have put the tracks up on the web, with pictures of the gig. www.youtube.com/profile?user=HundredAcresStudios#g/u will get you to see a nice track from the Doonans and Waterson:Carthy from their March gig this year.

Finally if you have a moment, go and see www.youtube.com/watch?v=7EYAUazLI9k&annotation_id=annotation_72265&feature=iv for a lovely skit that had a mass of people dancing in Antwerp station to the surprise of all the commuters. Not really folk, but nice to see anyway.

Folk Association of South Hants

Next FASH Workshop: **Sunday 1st November - American Contrás** with **Henry Morgenstein** accompanied by Andrew Purkiss. Henry has extensive experience of teaching and calling contrás on both sides of the Atlantic, and his dances are always great fun with lots of opportunities for twirling and spinning if you want to.

Plus **FASH Dance** on **Saturday 28th November**

We hold workshops on Sundays at Soberton Village Hall, from 10.30am to 3.30pm, see www.fash.org.uk for details. FASH members £6.00, non-members £8.00. Tea and coffee available. Please bring a plate of food for an American Bring and Share Lunch. Your own plates and cutlery would also be appreciated.

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The lists of the various clubs can always be found on the internet at www.fash.org.uk - and are included in the printed version of Solent Waves every few months as space allows.

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