



It's hard to keep cool in this very hot summer, but by the time comes for Ongar Jazz Club to meet again on **23rd September** for the first concert in the **37th Season**, hopefully we will have had some rainfall! The music will be hot and cool, but we will be cool in the evening at our regular venue, the Budworth Hall! There's a lot of enjoyment ahead! If you have never been to an Ongar Jazz evening, you are missing out! Just have a look at our website – www.ongarjazzclub.co.uk – to see what's in store and learn more about the musicians who will be playing.

The 37th Season kicks off on the **23rd September** with the **Digby Fairweather and Friends**. Digby, our President, will be playing trumpet, our new Chairman Alistair Allan will be on trombone with Julian Marc Stringle on clarinet and saxophone, and Nick Dawson will be producing great stuff on the ivories! (Maybe he will sing for us too!) Murray Salmon will be on bass and John Ellmer on drums. It promises to be a great start to the new season with music reminiscent of the great Alex Walsh, so don't miss out!

The following concert is on **Friday 21st October** and features **Dave Browning's Jazz Cats - another** date for your diary! The OJC 2022 AGM will precede the concert (very briefly) so do come a bit early and hear more about what the OJC is planning. Although I retired as Chairman after our last concert of the 36th Season – I will still be around! Alistair Allan will be in the driving seat from now on, and I know he will bring great music for us all to enjoy!

Tickets, **now at a standard price of £15.00 for all concerts**, will, I am sure, be in high demand, so if you want to book yours in advance, please send your reservation details together with a cheque made out to Ongar Jazz Club *at least two weeks before the date*, to Paul Keska, 25B Coopers Hill, Ongar, Essex CM5 9EE.

Ongar Jazz Club has been a regular hirer of the Budworth Hall Ballroom and has always supported the activities of the Ongar Community Association as well as donating to local charities through our raffles that OJC members have supported so well. We wish the new Management of the Ongar Community Association every success in the future.

There is a wealth of information about jazz and Ongar Jazz Club on our website – so do have a look if you can. I look forward to seeing many familiar faces on the 23rd September.

Sincerely, Howard Nicholson

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