

CONGLETON JAZZ AND BLUES

FIFTEENTH
ANNIVERSARY

2 DAYS OF
FREE
MUSIC
FOR EVERYONE
AUGUST
SAT 23RD
SUN 24TH



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PROGRAMME

GIG INFORMATION

ALL GIGS ARE FREE!

**FIFTEENTH
ANNIVERSARY**

For our 15th anniversary we are bringing you more gigs in more venues than ever before !!! Once again, this will be an awesome weekend of live music - an incredible range of new and popular performers plus a sprinkling of local favourites. Most gigs will follow a standard 2x 45 min sets with a 15 min break. **There really is something for everyone - so check out the schedule.**

CHILDREN Generally, afternoon gigs are more child friendly than evening. In the evenings venues tend to be crowded and very noisy. If in doubt check with the venue before you go.

A BIG THANK YOU to all of our sponsors and supporters, we couldn't run the festival without them. (see back page)

SATURDAY GIGS
**LOOK FOR
THE BLUE PANELS**

SUNDAY GIGS
**ARE IN THE
ORANGE PANELS**

**USE THE MAP TO
FIND YOUR VENUE**

**VENUES ARE LISTED
ALPHABETICALLY.**

**FOR THE GIG
SCHEDULES P.T.O**



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 - 2 BARLEY HOPS
 - 3 BEARTOWN BREWERY
 - 4 BEARTOWN TAP
 - 5 BENCH BISTRO BAR
 - 6 BLUETS

- 7 CONG. CRICKET CLUB
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- 19 PHYSIC GARDEN
- 20 PRINCE OF WALES

- 21 RADLEYS
- 22 RAMS HEAD
- 23 REBENS 46
- 24 RUMBA
- 25 YE OLDE WHITE LION

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SATURDAY SCHEDULE

23RD

VENUE	TIME	ARTIST	VENUE	TIME	ARTIST
TOWN HALL	12:00 PM	ROCK CHOIR	RAMS HEAD	4:30 PM	GRACE
BEARTOWN BREWERY	2:00 PM	BEARTOWN UKES	CRICKET CLUB	5:00 PM	BLOZONE
BLUEYS	2:00 PM	THE PECCADILLOS	PHYSIC GARDEN	5:00 PM	THE BOATBAND
CRICKET CLUB	2:00 PM	JOHN ANGUS BLUES BAND	RUMBA	5:00 PM	THE JIMS
CYGNET CLUB	2:00 PM	THE KINGS PISTOL	CYGNET CLUB	5:30 PM	VOMIT
HIGHER GROUND	2:00 PM	HELEN WALFORD AND STEVE GIDDINGS	BLUEYS	6:00 PM	ALMAZ
PHYSIC GARDEN	2:00 PM	MADHATTERS	RADLEY & CO	6:00 PM	HANNA HBRINE
RADLEY & CO	2:00 PM	THE GREEN SHIFT	RUGBY CLUB	6:00 PM	EATON PARK DUO
WHITE LION	2:00 PM	VERTICAL PIG	THE OLDE KINGS ARMS	6:00 PM	ARKHAM
ANTELOPE	2:30 PM	BARRELHOUSE JUKES	ANTELOPE	6:30 PM	THE PLUCKERS
CONGLETON MARKET QUARTER	2:30 PM	THE PURPLETONES	CORNER CAULDRON	7:00 PM	GARY DAVIES
PRINCE OF WALES	2:30 PM	STOMPIN' DAVE	CRAZY MOOSE	7:00 PM	REGAN WEBB
BARLEY HOPS	3:00 PM	BOSS TRIO	FARMERS ARMS	7:00 PM	SMALL HORSE AND THE PLAN
BEARTOWN BREWERY	3:00 PM	BEARTOWN STOMPERS	BENCH BISTRO BAR	7:30 PM	HOLLIE VEE AND THE HUBKAPS
FARMERS ARMS	3:00 PM	THE HAIRY BARTENDERS	BARLEY HOPS	8:00 PM	CHRIS TAVENER
LITTLE STREET CELLAR	3:00 PM	THE DELTAJES	BEARTOWN BREWERY	8:00 PM	GOOSEBUMPS
PHYSIC GARDEN	3:00 PM	DRUMROOTS	DV8	8:00 PM	BURGUNDY WEDNESDAYS
REUBENS 46	3:00 PM	DANNY MCCABE DUO	LITTLE STREET CELLAR	8:00 PM	'PISTOL' PETE WEARN & OLLY PARRY
BENCH BISTRO BAR	3:30 PM	MR G AND THE FAITH HEALERS	TOWN HALL	8:00 PM	SKATRAN
BEARTOWN TAP	4:00 PM	THE EXTRAS	RUMBA	8:30 PM	MUTTON DRESSED AS GLAM
CRAZY MOOSE	4:00 PM	HOLLIE VEE SOLO	REUBENS 46	9:00 PM	GOODFELLAS
DV8	4:00 PM	IT'S ALL ABOUT THE BASS	BEARTOWN TAP	9:00 PM	RAZED ON RADIO
NO 15 BAR AND GRILL	4:00 PM	SAMANTHA LLOYD	CYGNET CLUB	9:00 PM	ACOUSTIC ANARCHY
PHYSIC GARDEN	4:00 PM	LOUD MOUTH WOMEN CHOIR	WHITE LION	9:00 PM	ALIMØ
TOWN HALL	4:00 PM	PAT FULGONI BLUES EXPERIENCE	CRICKET CLUB	9:30 PM	ROBIN BIBI BAND
CONGLETON MARKET QUARTER	4:30 PM	JEAN AND ROGERS	PRINCE OF WALES	9:30 PM	GOOD HABITS

THERE MAY BE UNAVOIDABLE CHANGES TO THIS SCHEDULE.
FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK OR VISIT THE WEBSITE WHERE CHANGES WILL BE ANNOUNCED



SUNDAY SCHEDULE

24TH

VENUE	TIME	ARTIST	VENUE	TIME	ARTIST
TOWN HALL	12:00 PM	JAZZWORKS	ANTELOPE	4:30 PM	JUNKHOUSE DOG
HIGHER GROUND	1:00 PM	SHANNON WHETNALL & DAN TOFT	PRINCE OF WALES	5:00 PM	SKA KLUB
PRINCE OF WALES	1:30 PM	THE INFINITE NOISE MACHINE	RUMBA	5:00 PM	THE PRONOUNCED
BEARTOWN BREWERY	2:00 PM	JOHN STREET REVIVAL	THE OLD KINGS ARMS	5:30 PM	RICHIE STIXX
BLUEYS	2:00 PM	KIRK MCELHINNEY	BEARTOWN BREWERY	6:00 PM	EMERGENCY CALL
CONGLETON MARKET QUARTER	2:00 PM	SHEENA IBIZA	BLUEYS	6:00 PM	EMILY LOCKETT
CORNER CAULDREN	2:00 PM	DANNY BRAB	CRICKET CLUB	6:00 PM	GAMBLER
CYGNET CLUB	2:00 PM	THE WESLEY BROTHERS'	RUGBY CLUB	6:00 PM	BAXTER
		IMPROVAGANZA	BENCH BISTRO BAR	6:30 PM	VIRGIL SPLINT
FARMERS ARMS	2:00 PM	POYZER AND PLANT	WHITE LION	6:30 PM	CROSSCUT SAW
RADLEY & CO	2:00 PM	BIG APPLE JAM	CRAZY MOOSE	7:00 PM	WAYNE R GUITAR
WHITE LION	2:00 PM	DAVE CADENCE & THE TRITONES	DV8	7:00 PM	FEVER TRAIN
RAMS HEAD	2:30 PM	DREW TAYLOR	FARMERS ARMS	7:00 PM	ALISHA PETERS AND GEORGE THOMAS
BEARTOWN TAP	3:00 PM	ROBIN BIBI BAND	RADLEY & CO	7:00 PM	THE HOOTLES
BENCH BISTRO BAR	3:00 PM	THE BO'WEEVIL BROTHERS	REUBENS 46	7:00 PM	FRONT PAGE NEWS
CRICKET CLUB	3:00 PM	JIM GILLESPIE BLUES BAND	BEARTOWN TAP	8:00 PM	MALPRACTICE
DV8	3:30 PM	HARMONY JUNCTION	CYGNET CLUB	8:00 PM	DAVES LIKE THESE
BARLEY HOPS	4:00 PM	MARSHALL BEARD	RUMBA	8:00 PM	HAVOC
CONGLETON MARKET QUARTER	4:00 PM	THE VANZ DUO	TOWN HALL	8:00 PM	FUNKAHOLICS
CRAZY MOOSE	4:00 PM	MARC GALLAGHER	LITTLE STREET CELLAR	9:00 PM	PAULO FUSCHI
LITTLE STREET CELLAR	4:00 PM	JOE TOPPING	CRICKET CLUB	10:00 PM	COVER DUCKS
NO 15 BAR AND GRILL	4:00 PM	SKY HIGH BILL AND THE GAS MEN	WHITE LION	10:00 PM	SISTER VOODOO
TOWN HALL	4:00 PM	BIG WOLF BAND	RUMBA	11:00 PM	SCRATCH

SUPPORT OUR OFFICIAL #CJAB VENUES

AS WELL AS HOSTING ALL OF THESE FANTASTIC FREE GIGS, VENUES PAY THE BAND FEES AND PROGRAMME PRINTING COSTS

SO BUY A DRINK OR TWO WHEN ATTENDING GIGS IT'S THE LEAST YOU CAN DO

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SATURDAY 23RD 1:30PM

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TREO & CENOTAPH

Each year, the artwork for the festivals is most often based on local landmarks in and around Congleton. For our 15th anniversary Jazz and Blues festival, we asked followers of the festival to vote for a landmark - and the overwhelming majority voted for the Statue of Treo and the Cenotaph - situated close together in the town's Memorial and Community Gardens.

Treo 63 DM was a hero army dog who was responsible for saving many lives in Afghanistan. The dog will be forever remembered in Congleton thanks to the gift of a statue which sits proudly near the entrance to the Community Garden in Lawton Street. The brave dog spent the final five years of his life in the town when both dog and owner came out of the army in 2010. The dog was awarded the Dickens Medal, the animal equivalent to the Victoria Cross.

Congleton's Cenotaph, refurbished in 2021, displays over 600 names of all the local men and women who lost their lives through serving their Country - on 14 beautifully crafted portland stone plaques standing proudly aside of the original Celtic Wheel. It all stands on the old site of the town's market cross.



MARCH

JOIN THE
BEARTOWN STOMPERS
ON LITTLE STREET FOR THIS
AMAZING FESTIVAL OPENER!
FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY! BRING A BROLLIE!



ACCESSIBILITY STATEMENT

We work with Congleton Town Council and the Equal Access Advisory Group who wish Congleton to be seen as an inclusive and welcoming town. It is in everyone's interest to offer these features. As a result and in support of this work, 'Congleton Live' offer the following statement.

We want to ensure that we do everything we can to ensure our festivals are as inclusive as possible, and as a result we have pursued the following markers.

1. All venues have been asked a set of questions predominantly around access to their venue, and special facilities. Where venues have responded, we have highlighted these on their venue page within this booklet.
2. We will produce some copies of our programme in large print. These will be available from the Information Centre at Congleton Town Hall.
3. The markers we have worked with represent venues that have relatively easy Wheelchair Access (typically, ground-level), Disabled Toilet Facilities and Baby-changing Facilities

WHEELCHAIR ACCESS



DISABLED TOILET



BABY CHANGING FACILITIES



WE HOPE THIS WILL MAKE THE FESTIVAL MUCH MORE ENJOYABLE AND ACCESSIBLE FOR ALL.

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR OF CONGLETON LIVE CIC LIMITED

In March 2025, Congleton Live CIC Limited delivered another successful 'Congleton Unplugged' music festival in our GREAT Town of Congleton, for our people and many very welcome visitors.

As I write this in early August and looking forward to our 15th annual Congleton Jazz and Blues Live Music Festival, having arranged ninety-seven performances across twenty-six venues. Hats off to our founders and early contributors, and this year's committee. CJ&B 2025 is much bigger than Congleton Unplugged, and all previous festivals. It took tremendous effort to curate the events and supporting information. We are a small team of volunteers and were delighted to welcome two new members following "Unplugged". All work diligently, giving their time for free. The work to deliver this festival started as soon as Unplugged completed, seeing one from our committee take responsibility for curating all the performers for the venues. He has done an amazing job while enjoying effective team support and has delivered a great line-up of acts for the weekend. Each member of the team has given their all to deliver this festival. Thanks are due to Jo, Rick, Jacqui, Nigel, Tony, 2x Marks', and 3x Mikes'. On behalf of all our supporters and contributors, I thank them all. Without them, and other key stakeholders among our Sponsors, Venues and Town Council, there would be no festival. Our thanks must also go to the performers who spread the joy of their terrific performances. Similarly, we also owe our collective thanks to our supportive audiences who represent the true measure of our successes and who provide the best reasons for doing what we do; thank you.

Following CJ&B, we will be appointing one or more Accessibility Coordinators who will be in position for our next Unplugged festival, and beyond. They will be available during festival days to guide patrons and address issues that may arise.

CJ&B 2025 starts at 12-noon on Saturday 23rd with the Rock Choir opening the festival in our Town Hall. The annual Umbrella Parade through the town starts at 1.30pm, assembling in Little Street from 1.15pm, and will be led by The Beartown Stompers. All are welcome to join the parade, for which there is a small number of stock umbrellas to share with patrons, but why not bring your own and join the fun as we take over the High Street and head to the Community Gardens.

Finally, we ask that you support the Official Venues; buy a drink and/or food and enjoy your choice of performances. There is something for everyone. Please also support our sponsors and advertisers whose invaluable contributions are vital to our successes. Let us be respectful to each other, as we always seem to be. It is a major reason for the successes of all our festivals.

Mark Bailey - Chair of Congleton Live CIC Limited,
custodians and curators of our music festivals

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ANTELOPE



Regulars at Congleton festivals, this

3 piece acoustic blues and roots play their own interpretation of Blues, Jazz with a West Coast feel.

SATURDAY 2.30PM

BARRELHOUSE JUKES

SATURDAY 6.30PM

PLUCKERS

Acoustic duo Tony Boyle and Andy Mackay's big-hearted, big-fun busk-along,

with big harmonies, big tunes from across the decades, and maximum audience participation!



SUNDAY 4.30PM



Dirty blues duo! High energy and

crowd sing-alongs, harmonica grind and slide power. All in the spirit of Howlin' Wolf and Muddy Waters but with a bit extra bite.

JUNKHOUSE DOG

CONGLETON JAZZ AND BLUES AND CONGLETON UNPLUGGED

remain FREE festivals to attend and are run by a small committed team of volunteers. Help us keep these festivals **FREE** by making a small donation (Maybe just the cost of a pint) by scanning the donation QR code.



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SATURDAY 3PM

BOSS TRIO

Andy Boote, Terry Taylor and Eddie Raynor, An acoustic trio playing a chilled set of classic favorites from the past. Expect cool jazz, Beatles, classy pop and Gypsy jazz in the mix.

SATURDAY 8PM

CHRIS TAVENER

Jangly-guitar rock and a biting sense of humour meet in the storytelling songs of Chris Tavener. A folk-rock artist with an acerbic wit. As heard on BBC 6 Music.



SUNDAY 4PM

MARSHAL BEARD

A well-known local musician who has played across the area for years, as a soloist and a member of several bands. He plays an eclectic mix of 60's, 70's and 80's classics, and some forgotten greats.



"RE WRITING THE BREAKFAST BOOKS"
Jim, Whitthurch
★★★★★

"BEST BREAKFAST
IN TOWN"
Dave, Congleton
★★★★★

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BEARTOWN BREWERY



A group of ukulele

BEARTOWN UKES

players who take the uke to new levels with their versions of songs from the 50s to the present day.

SATURDAY 3PM

BEARTOWN STOMPERS

Formed in 1971, they are the longest running jazz band in Cheshire. Inspired by the New Orleans revival, they play lively, swinging versions of the old jazz favourites and some new, always making a memorable happy sound.



Join the Goosebumps for a meander into their world of happy music.

Have a gander as we wander through a sea of songs and smiles. It's the sort of fun that should be available in every Brewery. Is that Tuba really full of beer?

GOOSEBUMPS

SATURDAY 8PM

SUNDAY 2PM

JOHN STREET REVIVAL

UK based four piece who are described as "Having a sound that belies their roots. Good-natured Heartland Rock, raw Americana with infectious hooks and freewheeling melodies, sweeping, glorious, a triumphant panoramic soundscape of guitar"



From West Coast Americana, to Classic British

Rock. The Staffordshire based 'Emergency Call' play hits from Steely Dan, CSN&Y, Eagles, Jackson Browne, Tom Petty, Cream and Thin Lizzy.

EMERGENCY CALL

SUNDAY 6PM

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BEARTOWN TAP



• SATURDAY 4PM
THE EXTRAS
 An up-tempo, high energy RnB Rock & Roll band, covering the likes of Dr Feelgood, The Sonics, The Pirates and many more. They've gigged for over 15 years all over the UK including regular gigs at The Cavern Club, as well as gigs in Europe. Guaranteed to get your feet movin and your blood pumpin.

SATURDAY 9PM

RAZED ON RADIO

Razed On Radio are a dynamic four-piece band, offering a mix of rock, blues, funk and soul. Formed in 2021 by seasoned local musicians, each bringing a wealth of experience and passion to the stage.



• SUNDAY 3PM
ROBIN BIBI BAND

One of the UK's hardest working and most popular bands in their genre. Robin has been widely recognised as one of the UK's finest Blues / Rock guitarists! The band continue their never ending mission to spread their own personal brand of music and to entertain and lift the spirits of their audiences

SUNDAY 8PM

MALPRACTICE

Malpractice are a bunch of guys who should know better. Our mission ... to bring Feelgood to the people from Harecastle Delta to Bathpool Jetty.



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BENCH BISTRO BAR



• SATURDAY 3.30PM
MR G AND THE FAITH HEALERS
 Mr G and The Faith Healers are a dynamic 5-piece blues band describing their music as "blues with a loose coat". Rooted in traditional blues but embracing elements from various genres, keeping it fresh and appealing to a broad audience.

SATURDAY 7.30PM

HOLLIE VEE & THE HUBKAPS

Lo- Fi Rock n Soul & Rockabilly fueled with energy!! Regularly thrill our audiences. One not to be missed.



• SUNDAY 3PM
THE BO'WEEVIL BROTHERS
 The Bo'weevil Brothers blow through like a hurricane, growly vocals, blistering slide guitar and a hill country inspired back beat, combining an eclectic mix of blues with folk, country, and gospel to create a rousing set of stompin uplifting music.

SUNDAY 6.30PM

VIRGIL SPLINT

Every performance feels like a party... Not your run of the mill covers band. They mix rock with pop with a lot that you wouldn't expect. If you want some fun, catch Virgil Splint.



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• SATURDAY 2PM
THE PECCADILLOS
 The Peccadillos are rooted in the world of Blues, Country & Bluegrass. Comprising double bass, dobro and harmony vocals, they purvey a fine selection of original material & choice covers.

SATURDAY 6PM

ALMAZ

Playing a host of tunes from the turn of the century to modern day, think juke joint jazz and jug band blues. Joanne has a voice said to turn heads and Neil's dynamic guitar playing matches Joanne's haunting vocals perfectly.



• SUNDAY 2PM
KIRK MCELHINNEY
 A passionate singer/songwriter whose soulful voice and insightful lyrics which together with a rich and vibrant mosaic of acoustic guitar picking give him a sound that is both unique and enticing.

SUNDAY 6PM

EMILY LOCKETT

Emily is an independent British

Country Pop/Rock singer/songwriter based in Stoke-on-Trent/ Manchester. She has been described as a mix of Taylor Swift meets Avril Lavigne!



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7 CONGLETON CRICKET CLUB



John Angus Band perform original rocking blues across the UK and Ireland at Regional Blues Clubs and Festivals. With radio chart success and three albums they are a must see outfit.

• SATURDAY 2PM

JOHN ANGUS BLUES BAND

• SATURDAY 5PM

BLOZONE

Formed in 1996 these 'Local Heroes' have been entertaining audiences with their mixed flavour of Soul, Motown, STAX and popular songs across the UK.



One of the UK's hardest working and most popular bands in their genre and Robin has been widely recognised as one of the UK's finest Blues / Rock guitarists!

• SATURDAY 9.30PM

ROBIN BIBI BAND

• SUNDAY 3PM

JIM GILLESPIE BLUES BAND

Long-awaited appearance at the Festival of this legendary 5-piece Potteries Band (formed in late 1970s) playing their own loose improvised eclectic mix of Blues Music from throughout the 20th Century.



Gambler make a welcome return to the festival this year. A top notch Rock covers band with outstanding vocal and playing ability. A must see!

• SUNDAY 6PM

GAMBLER

• SUNDAY 10PM

COVER DUCKS

A high energy and dynamic party band playing rock anthems, pop bangers, indie classics, and more! With 30 years experience between us, we pride ourselves on being professional, crowd-focused and fun, fun, fun! Our USPs are two female vocals, 3-part harmonies and fresh twists on classic covers.



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SATURDAY 2.30PM

THE PURPLETONES

Two of the most sensationally talented artists in the business. Vocals that are out of this world and mind-blowing guitar playing - performing a fusion of rock, pop and blues.

SATURDAY 4.30PM

JEAN AND ROGERS

Alisha Jean and Dave Rogers are an acoustic duo with years of live music experience having performed all over the country! With versatile vocals and a guitarist that can adapt to each crowd, they're sure to get you singing along, and they love to take a request!

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Sheena Ibiza has sang on dance

releases, live vocals with DJs including Hemstock & Jennings and at Ibiza Hive (Basement, Stoke). She's bringing the party singing classic dance tunes!

SUNDAY 2PM

SHEENA IBIZA

SUNDAY 4PM

THE VANZ DUO

The Vanz Acoustic Duo, David Cotterill & Andrea Harvey, box rockin classic hits from blues, rock, funk & americana in their own rock & roll style.



CONGLETON JAZZ & BLUES 23RD & 24TH AUGUST 2025

SATURDAY	2:30PM	THE PURPLESTONES
23RD AUGUST	4:30PM	JEAN & RODGERS
SUNDAY	2:00PM	SHEENA IBIZA
24TH AUGUST	4:00PM	THE VANZ DUO

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• SATURDAY 6PM
EATON PARK DUO
 Eaton Park Duo are half of the established Stoke band Eaton Park who have been around for 20 years. The Duo play acoustic hits, 60's to modern day with tracks from Oasis, The Beatles, Stone Roses etc...

SUNDAY 6PM •

BAXTER

The musical duo of Hayley Strangelove and Paul Senior. Expect quirky covers and ridiculous banter.



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• SATURDAY 12PM
ROCK CHOIR
 An uplifting ethos of fun, friendship & community spirit, whilst singing feel-good pop, rock & contemporary chart songs. FREE taster session at your nearest Rock Choir, visit rockchoir.com

SATURDAY 4PM •

PAT FULGONI BLUES EXPERIENCE

Dynamic 5 piece blues band fronted by singer Pat Fulgoni, touting their critically acclaimed debut album. Blues Matters says: "completely blown away because he can sing, I mean really sing, ridiculously well".



• SATURDAY 8PM
SKA TRAIN
 Celebrating a feast of iconic British 2-Tone classics from bands like The Specials, Madness, Bad Manners and more, Ska Train are a high-energy 7-piece band with a fabulous horn section.

SUNDAY 12PM •

JAZZWORKS

Part of the Congleton U3A, has been a popular local attraction since formation in 2007 playing well known jazz standards and greats such as Ellington and Basie arrangements.



SUNDAY 4PM •



• SUNDAY 4PM
BIG WOLF BAND
 Described as explosive, dynamic, raw, emotional, a formidable powerful blues rock powerhouse. A reputation as one of the best live bands on the scene.

SUNDAY 8PM •

FUNKAHOLICS

Return to close up this years Festival. This Disco inferno of a band will have you dancing through the night with their mix of Funk, Soul and 70s Disco.



CONGLETON TOWN HALL

Coldplay Tribute LIVE IN TECHNICOLOUR



Saturday 4th October 2025
8.30 - 11.30pm
7.30pm doors

TICKETS £19 OVER 18's
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Taylor Swift Tribute



Saturday 22nd November 2025
7.30 - 10.30pm
6.45pm doors

TICKETS £15
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An evening of clairvoyance with medium **STEVE HOLBROOK**



Tuesday 24th February 2026
7.00 - 9.00pm
6pm doors

TICKETS £15
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Friday 28th November 2025
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CONGLETON TOWN HALL

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For the latest updates to our tribute bands schedule please check our tributes page

on the town council website congleton-tc.gov.uk

10 CORNER CAULDRON



The last Gary on Earth, (not the 1980's radio DJ).

Singer-songwriter from the jolly old towns of Stoke-on-Trent performing a selection of pop-tastic covers; favourites and hidden gems from the analogue era, as well as a few of his strange but cathartic originals.

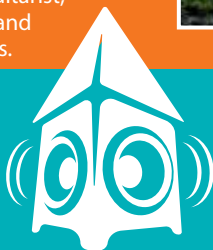
• SATURDAY 7PM

GARY DAVIES

SUNDAY 2PM

DANNY BRAB

Danny Brab is a Manchester born Staffordshire based national award winning singer-songwriter and acoustic guitarist, performing indie, Britpop and US-alternative scene covers.



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THESE ARE MAINLY FREE FESTIVALS, FOR THE BENEFIT OF CONGLETON TOWN, ITS PEOPLE AND BUSINESSES.

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• SATURDAY 4PM

HOLLIE VEE

Lo-fi Rock'n Soul and rockabilly fueled with energy.

SATURDAY 7PM

REGAN WEBB

Expect a mix of easy listening music from this talented guitarist and singer - songs from the likes of Ed Sheeran, Gerry Cinnamon, Jamie Webster and many, many more.



• SUNDAY 4PM

MARC GALLAGHER

Marc is a talented songwriter brimming with diversity who plays songs you never knew you wanted to hear on ukulele.



SUNDAY 7PM

WAYNE R GUITAR

An established YouTuber 1000+ acoustic guitar tutorials. His acoustic set is 60's to modern day hits including The Beatles Oasis Rolling Stones Stone Roses etc. Plenty of dance and singalongs guaranteed.



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CYGNET CLUB



Returning with a new line up after a brief hiatus in their 10-year career, back delivering a well crafted set of all original classic rock inspired songs. The band are currently recording their 7th album, a double LP.

• SATURDAY 2PM

THE KING'S PISTOL

SATURDAY 5.30PM

VOMIT Formed in 1977, revived in the late 2000's, Congleton's finest punk band have played all over the UK - sometimes with their boyhood heroes. This is brilliant tuneful '77 tinged anthemic punk rock that brings to mind, The Ruts, The Clash, 999 & Chelsea, with more...



• SATURDAY 9PM



If you like anything from Janis Joplin to Dolly Parton, from Led Zeppelin to Amy Winehouse, or Pretenders to Birdy, then you'll love Acoustic Anarchy. Fronted by dynamic singer Kim, this powerful band are guaranteed to play something you love.

ACOUSTIC ANARCHY

SUNDAY 2PM

THE WESLEY BROTHER'S IMPROVAGANZA

The Wesley brothers are back! That's right, no-one asked for it, and here it is 2 hours of completely improvised, completely original music to completely blow your mind. A full set of songs based on YOUR SUGGESTIONS! You'll laugh! You'll cry! You'll leave!...hopefully once the music is over.



• SUNDAY 8PM



Three members of local band Fix Up The Jag, mostly called Dave, play an eclectic and lively mix of indie and new wave covers from the likes of Elvis Costello, Squeeze, REM, The Smiths, The Cure, James and more.

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HIGHER GROUND



• SATURDAY 2PM
HELEN WALFORD & STEVE GIDDINGS
 American singer/ songwriter Helen Walford joined by Leek native guitarist/songwriter Steve Giddings make up an Americana styled duo with hints of vintage country and 70's classics. The two have been playing together since 2018 and are two parts of the band Vox Americana.

SUNDAY 1PM **SHANNON WHETNALL & DAN TOFT**

Shannon & Dan are an acoustic duo combining the stunning voice of Shannon Whetnall with the guitar skills of Dan Toft. Together they will bring you a diverse range of hits in an acoustic style, covering artists such as Amy Winehouse, Tina Turner, Bruno Mars, Jessie J, The Eurythmics and many more.



THE OLD KINGS ARMS 16



• SATURDAY 6PM
ARKHAM
 Two local lads, create unique covers of songs from Foo Fighters to the Pixies and everywhere in between an energetic performance that engages audiences.

SUNDAY 5.30PM

• RICHIE STIXX
 Richie Stixx is a modern one man band consisting of acoustic guitar, foot percussion, vocals and harmonica. Also utilising a vocal harmony, guitar and string pad effects this makes a fuller sound bridging the gap between a solo artist and a full band while all being live & played in real time.



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SAMANTHA LLOYD SATURDAY 4PM

Over the past few years Samantha has travelled around the globe performing and has just returned from Melbourne, Australia. With a versatile voice and a varied repertoire she is one not to be missed!.

SUNDAY 4PM

**SKY HIGH BILL
& THE GAS MEN**

Local guys playing music they love, we hope you enjoy it too, no themes or genres, something for music lovers everywhere.



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PHYSIC GARDEN



Sing along with this motley crew of behatted gentlemen as they lead the audience in a

compilation of music from the 50s and 60s, as well as some traditional melodies. Good music, good banter, good fun.

• SATURDAY 2PM

MADHATTERS

• SATURDAY 3PM

DRUMROOTS DRUMMING WORKSHOP

Join us for a high-energy African drumming workshop open to all ages! Drop in, pick up a drum, and get into the groove as we explore the powerful rhythms of traditional West African drumming. Whether you're new to drumming or just love to play, this fun and welcoming session is a chance for adults and kids alike to connect through rhythm, movement, and shared energy.



Singing songs from around the world for

25 years, in languages ranging from English to Zulu. Singing everything from sea shanties, pop classics, suffragette anthems and songs for the planet. They've sung in pubs, streets, the Lowry Centre in Manchester, Stoke railway station for World Music Day and at Stoke Sings Festival.

• SATURDAY 4PM

LOUD MOUTH WOMEN

• SATURDAY 5PM

THE BOATBAND

After playing for many years, they've picked up a huge and varied catch of tunes and songs: New Orleans, Creole, Cumbrian, Caribbean, gospel, Cajun, Cheshire fiddle tunes and blues. If it can be played on accordion and fiddle (or trombone, washboard, trumpet, banjo etc), if it touches the heart and moves the feet, it's in the repertoire. They've played Glastonbury 17 times, and the Easedale Island International Stone Skimming festival once.



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PRINCE OF WALES

• SATURDAY 2.30PM

STOMPIN' DAVE

Original blues and classic blues covers. Stompin' Dave on voice, guitar and stomping. Dave was nominated for a UK Blues Award 2024. On drums the awesome Lucy Piper



• SATURDAY 9.30PM

GOOD HABITS

An energetic 3 piece mixed genre band. Covering anything from soul, reggae, rock, and pop, all from the 60s to present day. These boys are sure to have something for all ages and guaranteed to get you up and moving on your feet.



• SUNDAY 1.30PM

THE INFINITE NOISE MACHINE

Riff-based, heavy-as-hell, blues-rock power trio hailing from Manchester.

They play music from and inspired by their heroes: Jimi Hendrix, Audioslave, Black Sabbath, Stevie Ray Vaughan and more.



• SUNDAY 5PM

SKA KLUB

A six piece high energy ska band playing all of the classic hits from Madness, The Specials, Bad Manners and many more. If you love ska and want to dance the night away, then this is the band for you. Miss them at your peril.



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SATURDAY 2PM

THE GREEN SHIFT

Hailing from Manchester/Leeds, have a contemporary take on classic jazz-funk, with influences from Grant Green, The New Mastersounds, Wes Montgomery, The Meters, The Isley Brothers, George Benson, Herbie Hancock, Sly & the Family Stone, and more.

SATURDAY 6PM

HANNAH BRINE

Singer songwriter Hannah Brine performs the gorgeous songs from her forthcoming album *Blue Sky Now*; inspired by the Great American Songbook, with a voice & song writing style likened to Carole King, Norah Jones and Rumer.



SUNDAY 2PM



THE BIG APPLE JAM

Big Apple Jam is a UK Jazz Fusion instrumental project, producing genre classic covers and original tunes. The band consists of four seasoned working musicians with decades of professional gigs under them.

SUNDAY 7PM

THE HOOTLES

Matt Wolff (vocals/harmonica) & Jonny Lexus (guitar/vocals) play forgotten classics, missed hits and lost anthems from Squeeze, Kinks, Bowie, The Jam and many more!



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RAMS HEAD



Grace teams up with her guitarist duo partner to deliver crowd-pleasing classics with rich vocals and acoustic charm. From timeless favorites to feel-good hits, their set is sure to have you singing along and smiling all night.

• SATURDAY 4.30PM

GRACE

SUNDAY 2.30PM •

DREW TAYLOR

Drew is a solo acoustic cover artist/singer songwriter from sunny Kidsgrove who covers a wide range of music from the Beatles to pink Floyd, all with a modern twist.



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REUBENS 46



Having gigged together for years, these guys know how to entertain. Multi-genre songs from all eras from chilled lounge to upbeat sing-along tunes. They bring an extra special brightness and an element of fun to their performances.

• SATURDAY 3PM

DANNY MCCABE DUO

SATURDAY 9PM •

GOODFELLAS BLUES BAND

A varied palette of material from The Blues Breakers, BB King, Albert King, through to Robben Ford, Gary Moore, Matt Schofield, Jeff Healey and Joe Bonamassa. This is fiery and passionate guitar-based blues that means business.



• SUNDAY 7PM



Going back to their roots. A 5 piece band playing a special blend of Rhythm and Blues, Soft Rock and Soul with a few twists on classic tunes.

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RUMBA



Jordan, Ian, Mark and Scott play unpredictable cover songs that people knew from decades past. Playing popular gigs for over 3 years they bring an eclectic mix of foot tapping, sing-along songs you'll know and love.

• SATURDAY 5PM

THE SIMS

SATURDAY 8.30PM •

MUTTON DRESSED AS GLAM

A throwback to the heyday of 70s Glam Rock, bringing the biggest and the best of The Sweet, T Rex, Slade, Mud, Showaddywaddy, David Bowie, The Osmond's and much more...



• SUNDAY 5PM



The Pronounced is a dynamic six-piece band delivering high-energy, professional entertainment. Modern, quirky, and ever-evolving, we perform with passion, precision, and personality. Connecting with every audience through our powerful and versatile sound.

THE PRONOUNCED

SUNDAY 8PM •

HAVOC

HaVoC is an indie/rock outfit featuring members from a variety of differently genres. Together they endeavour to bring you the very best of songs that you had forgotten you knew.



• SUNDAY 11PM



Features a rotating selection of high quality musicians backing up Guitarist & Vocalist Ash Wall. Playing late into the night on the Sunday evening, Ash will be joined by drummer Jon Broberg and bassist Sean Taylor to bring you their eclectic mix of Classic Covers & Hidden Gems. No genre left untouched.

SCRATCH



• SATURDAY 2PM
VERTICAL PIG
 Hailing from Congleton, the Vertical Pigs bring a fresh perspective to the music scene with their eclectic mix of genres. From infectious pop melodies through to brooding rock chaos, their music is a reflection of their diverse influences and unapologetic authenticity. On a mission to spread positivity and inspire others through their love of a good tune.

• SATURDAY 9PM

ALIMO

A guitar driven Indie rock band inspired by '90s britpop and 2000s Indie bands, blending original music with covers of songs that inspired them.



• SUNDAY 2PM
DAVE CADENCE & THE TRITONES
 High energy, raw, soulful Blues, Soul, 50s R&B, 60s Garage, Rock 'n' Roll and Retro songs you can dance to by The Sonics, Koko Taylor, Nick Curran, Mickey Lee Lane, Freddy King, Vince Taylor, Otis Rush and more.

• SUNDAY 6.30PM

CROSSCUT SAW

This 3-piece blues roots rock band promise a rollercoaster of pure primeval power. No hype, no posturing, no deception, just true alchemy. They take inspiration from the likes of The Black Keys, Magic Sam, RL Burnside, Taj Mahal and Dr John.



• SUNDAY 10PM
SISTER VOODOO
 A high-energy 5-piece Rock & Roll Blues band led by a dynamic female vocalist. Covering classic rock & blues favourites from Albert King, Free, Fleetwood Mac, Cream, SRV and more!

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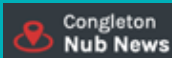


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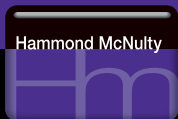


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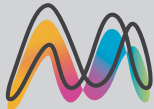


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