

FOLKESTONE FESTIVALS BANDSTAND PROGRAMME FOR 2025

JUNE

7th SATURDAY MULTI-CULTURAL FESTIVAL WEEKEND

Live music, Craft, art, food and drink stalls, amusements, free Punch & Judy Show, Hoopsea Hulahooping demos and workshops, dance demonstrations, classic vehicle display, community group displays and more. Music on the day will include:

10.30am **FILIPINO COMMUNITY Jamboree**

3 – 5pm **MAMPAMA** (African pop songs and fusion music)

8th SUNDAY MULTI-CULTURAL FESTIVAL WEEKEND MUSIC & DOG SHOW

Live music, Craft, art, food and drink stalls, amusements, free Punch & Judy Show and Bodger & Badger messy mash potato routine, Dog Show various categories with prizes, community group displays and more. Music on the day will include:

10.15 11.15am **JAMMIN DODGERS** young all girl band

12 – 2pm **THE CONCORDS GROUP** great music from the 60's & 70's

3 – 5pm **TEQUILA BRASS** inspired by Herb Alpert & the Tijuana Brass

14th SATURDAY 2.30 – 4.30pm **UK PAPER BAND** A non contesting brass band based in Sittingbourne.

15th SUNDAY 1 – 1.30pm **ASHLEY** local school singer with superb voice

2.30 – 4.30pm **SOMETHING ELSE BAND** 1950/1960's modern rockin feel
In memory of John Corcoran a regular at the Bandstand until his untimely death IN 2023. Sponsored by his widow Marie.

21st SATURDAY 2.30 – 4.30pm **TURMOIL** play a wealth of cover songs by bands such as The Killers, Oasis, Green Day, Stereophonics, Red Hot Chili Peppers, Snow Patrol, Kings of Leon, Foo Fighters and many more, guaranteed to get the crowd singing and dancing along

22nd SUNDAY 2.30 – 4.30PM **1st WHITSTABLE BRASS BAND** The Canterbury District's longest established brass band, performing a wide variety of music with style.

28th SATURDAY 2.20 – 4.30pm **JOE SWING RAT PACK & SWING TRIBUTE** Singing the hits from the likes of Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Sammy Davis Junior. Joe a professional singer from Kent also sings the hits of other great lounge singers such as Bobby Darren, Nat King Cole, Tony Bennett and Matt Monroe as well as songs by more recent artists Harry Connick Jr, Robbie Williams and Michael Buble.

29th SUNDAY 2.30 – 4.30pm **SHEPWAY BRASS ACADEMY** An exciting and affordable youth project that is bringing Brass Band music to a younger generation.

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5th SATURDAY 2.30 – 4.30pm **AMY WINEHOUSE TRIBUTE** The amazing Joanna Rose Barton returns with her fabulous tribute. Not to be missed.

6th SUNDAY 2.30 – 4.30pm **ABBA CHIQUE** Kent based tribute band - the most sought after tributes in the country with authentic Abba sound and look with a powerful stage presence full of energy and fun)

- 12th SATURDAY** CHARIVARI organised by Strange Cargo
- 13th SUNDAY** 2.30 – 4.30pm **ALTONES** Taking northern soul classics, sat on old school reggae and ska rhythms. Lo fi, stripped back ; 3 soulful voices, harmonica led, double bass
- 19th SATURDAY** 2.30 – 4.30pm **HEROES** Tribute to New Wave/Mod/2 Tone late 70s to 80s
- 20th SUNDAY** 2.30 – 4.30pm **SEVENOAKS & TONBRIDGE BAND** a symphonic wind band, playing original works for wind ensemble to arrangements of orchestral pieces, military band items and light music of various styles.
- 26th SATURDAY** 12 noon start PRIDE PICNIC organised by Folkestone Pride
- 27th SUNDAY** 2.30 – 4.30pm **COLD SHOULDER** Rock & Blues from 60's to modern. If it rocks, we play it.
- AUGUST**
- 2nd SATURDAY** 2.30 – 4.30pm **INVICTA CONCERT BAND** A traditional Concert Band playing everything from Big Band, Waltzes, Marches, Show Selections, Overtures - in fact anything that can be described as popular music can be found in our repertoire. Based in Herne Bay, North Kent, the Band established in 1983 and has achieved a following and reputation as being one of the most popular Concert Bands in the area.
- 3rd SUNDAY** 2.30 – 4.30pm **MICHAEL BUBLE TRIBUTE** Ben Hills
- 9th SATURDAY** 2.30 – 4.30pm **GUMBOOTS** Based in Folkestone, Gumboots Reggae band have been playing on the Kent music circuit for a number of years playing a fine selection of all the classic reggae/ska songs from Jimmy Cliff Toots and The Maytals, Bob Marley, Desmond Decker and many more.
- 10th SATURDAY** 2.30 – 4.30pm **ASHFORD CONCERT BAND** A local community band for adults with the aim of enjoying making music as well as raising money for charity. We are a friendly group and new members are always welcome.
- 16th SATURDAY** **MUSIC FESTIVAL WEEKEND**
Great live music, Craft, art, food and drink stalls, amusements, shows, demonstrations and workshops, community group displays and more. Music on the day will include:
10 – 11.45am **ADAM REGGIO** A splendid tribute to Michael Buble & other legendary crooners such as Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin & many more.
12.15 – 2.15pm **ROCK OF AGED** Five piece Classic Rock band based in South East Kent covering the best bands from 1970s and 1980s
3 – 5pm **NICK LAWRENCE** Nick has been writing songs since 2000 and has produced over forty original compositions utilizing instruments such as acoustic guitar, cajon, harmonica and ukulele.
- 17th SUNDAY** **MUSIC FESTIVAL WEEKEND** Music on the day will include:
12 – 2pm **BLAKE SONNET** 60's Sensations Tribute to 60's music
3 – 5pm **HYTHE/SHEPWAY U3A SWING BAND** 15 piece swing band
- 23rd SATURDAY** 2.30 – 5pm **PINK FLOYD TRIBUTE BAND "ON THE RUN"** Kent-based band pride described as 'the most authentic live Pink Floyd tribute' - live music at its best. The Dark Side of the Moon/Animals.

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- 30TH SATURDAY** 2.30 – 4.30pm **THE CAPTAIN’S BEARD** perform upbeat pirate-themed rum-driven folk rock and Sea Shanties that are bound to get all the drunken sailors dancing.
- 31st SUNDAY** 2.30 – 4.30pm **CITY OF CANTERBURY BAND** Brass Band formed in 1969. The band prides on providing entertaining music for its listeners
- SEPTEMBER**
- 6th SATURDAY** 2.30 – 4.30pm **5 IN THE BAR** Jazz, swing, Latin groove celebrating the great composers and singers of our time.
- 7th SUNDAY** 2.30 – 4.30pm **RAILWAY SWING BAND** a BIG band based in Sandwich, playing a mixture of music of the great Swing era: Ellington, Goodman, Basie, Miller, Kenton and Herman with more modern compositions
- 13th SATURDAY** 2.30 – 4.30pm **THE BREEZE** Songs from Beatles, Stones, Who, Searchers, CCR revival, Fleetwood Mac, Police, George Michael, Queen, George Ezra, James, Amy Winehouse along with many more.
- 14th SUNDAY** 2.30 – 4.30pm **FOLKESTONE COMMUNITY SWING BAND** (Formed in 2017 to create a band that was as fun to be a part of as it was good to listen to) Sponsored by “Inspiring Hope for a Future”
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