

BOROUGH BLUES

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**This Month at the BBC – 7th April 2012
“Danny Bryant’s Red Eye Band ”
plus “Mike Parker”**

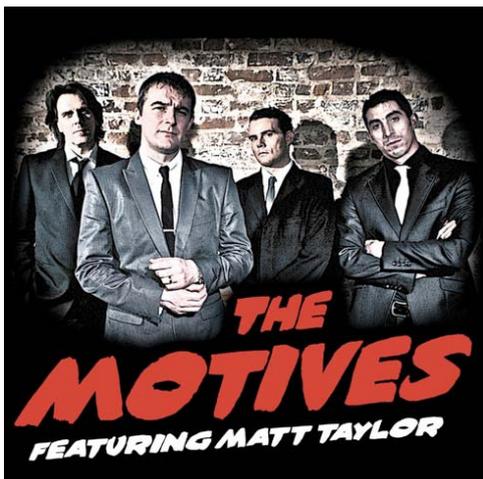
This month sees the first appearance of the exciting “Danny Bryant Red Eye Band” at Borough Blues. Danny hails from Hertfordshire and comes to the club with a pedigree of a couple of thousand shows across the world since he turned professional at 18. This was around 14 years ago during which he has played major gigs and festivals alongside many famous names. Acknowledged on the blues scene as a seasoned and dedicated professional and accompanied by his Dad, Ken, on bass and Trevor Barr on drums his gig promises to provide a sensational nights entertainment with a large proportion of tickets for the gig pre-sold.

Opening the evening’s entertainment is Mike Parker, now living in Blaenavon, but previously from Manchester. Mike entertained the club superbly with an opening set a couple of months back and has earned himself a well-deserved early return.

The show starts around 19.45 – lets get bluesing, folks!!!

**Next Month at the BBC – 5th May 2012
“The Motives”**

Another debut for the Borough Blues Club – the first visit of a new band project which brings together some of the finest talent from the European Blues Scene. The Motives draw their musical inspiration from 40’s New York, 50’s Chicago and 1960’s London.



Led by Matt Taylor who is becoming familiar in music circles as a highly regarded singer, songwriter and producer, Matt also produces electrifying guitar work. He is accompanied by keyboard virtuoso Jonny Dyke on Hammond Organ and Piano with Roy Martin on Drums and Andy Graham on Bass.

The Motives have received two nominations in the Kevin Thorpe Award category for best song in the 2012 British Blues Award. “Leap of Faith” is nominated by DJ Gary Grainger and “Gangsters” is nominated by DJ Tim Aves.

Be sure to see this exciting band who are stuffed full of amazing talent and have great experience in the music we love so much!

**GIG REVIEW: King King supported
by Cal Newman
Gig Reviews: Adrian Bold, 3rd March 2012**

A Scottish whirlwind blew into town in the form of Alan Nimmo, leader, vocalist and guitar wizard for the sensational King King who graced our stage last month.



Though only formed a couple of years ago this band are beginning to take the European Blues Scene by the throat with high profile appearances at major festivals and in the media.

Nimmo was accompanied by supremely talented musicians Lindsay Coulson on bass, Bennett Holland on keys and Craig Blundell on drums.

No one who heard it could have failed to have been knocked out by the stand-out performance of the night – a staggering rendition of Eric Clapton’s “Old Love” which moved from soul-filled and forceful vocals to whispering guitar solo in a breathless sweep of blues talent – the highlight of a powerful and very entertaining set.

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King King were supported in amazing fashion by Deep South Wales' answer to Deep South US Delta music – none other than Cal Newman. Cal specialises in slide, ragtime and blues guitar and delivered a set of songs in his unique style redolent with the techniques of early blues singers of a different age. We have never been closer to the roots of the blues!!!

Membership Renewal 2012

Membership renewals:

It's the time of year to renew your annual membership. The cost remains the same as it has been since the club was founded, how many other things have stayed so constant over the past seven years?

Single membership is £5 and joint membership for a couple is £8. This still entitles the member to a £2 discount on all gig tickets (except the Summer Festival) and so provides an excellent return on investment. If you attend more than two gigs in a year your membership ensures that you save money. Importantly, membership also ensures that you are kept up to date with what's happening at the Borough Blues Club.

You can renew by post or very simply by seeing John Oliver on the entrance door at one of the monthly gigs.

AGM 2012

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The AGM will be held at 7:00pm on 16th April at New Panteg RFC.

If you want to suggest changes to the club, make improvements or stand for the committee, this is your yearly opportunity.

You can download the Minutes of the 2011 AGM and the Agenda for the 2012 meeting from the Borough Blues Website. Copies will be available at the meeting.

Under the constitution four of the present committee members will stand down at the end of March 2012. They may well offer themselves for re-election but other nominations from keen and committed members would be very welcome.

If you wish to nominate someone or to be nominated then you can download the appropriate form at BoroughBlues.com or

obtain one at the April 7th gig. Nominations should be sent to the Club Secretary at least seven days before meeting (Address on the Nomination Form).

FORTHCOMING GIG'S

5th May Matt Taylor

Matt is currently working on a new album due to be released March 2012 so a timely first appearance for this well established guitarist.

2nd June Marcus Bonfanti

According to many who witnessed his festival night performance this year, the best this club has ever seen bar none. Absolutely outstanding vocals and so much energy!

16th June Aynsley Lister

The blues man with the 'boy-next-door' looks, the dextrous guitar fingers and the silky voice; the one that plays contemporary blues as if it's the most natural thing you can do.

7th July "Festival" plus Blue on Black

All day event outside followed by our regular gig inside the club. Dave Leek is working to put together a sensation line up which already includes The Worried Men, The Red Hot Pokers (formerly the Johnny Nedd Band) and young local stars the Sam Andrews Band. Put the date in your diary!

20th October Ian Siegal

Very high profile internationally acclaimed performer – first visit to the Club

1st December Buddy Whittington Band

A welcome return for this American Giant of the Blues – nearly a decade and a half in John Mayall's Bluesbreakers but now a genuine talent as a blues front man

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Chantel McGregor

Our favourite lady blueser is playing The Globe in Cardiff on Saturday 21st April. Tickets are available at £10 in advance from:

www.solidentertainments.com

or ring 01472 349222.

That's all Folks