

# ASHINGTON FOLK CLUB

December 2006

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## Over & Out

The last night of 2006 was also the final scheduled spotlight - it was therefore fitting that, after running the club for three years, *jiva* should finally get their chance to play an extended set or two.

Ironically, having made the decision to discontinue scheduled spotlights, this month was the best attended for quite some time - ah well, c'est la vie. *jiva* sang a fine mix of contemporary material, including two Christmas songs and six self-penned numbers. In spite of sound/cable/lead gremlins they provided a very enjoyable end to the year.



*jiva* under the spotlight°

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## Statistics

What was that quote? Something along the lines of: "There are lies, damned lies... and statistics" - well, here are some Ashington Folk Club statistics dating from when *jiva* took on responsibility from running the club in 2004.

	2004	2005	2006
<b>Special Guest Nights</b>	1	0	1
<b>Spotlight Nights</b>	3	9	11
<b>Singers, Musicians &amp; Poets Nights</b>	11	13	11
<b>Total Nights</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>Spotlight, Guest &amp; Extended sets</b>	8	20	25
<b>Floor spots</b>	188	288	195
<b>Total Spots</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>220</b>
<b>Performers</b>	57	56	54
<b>Songs, tunesets and poems</b>	421	626	556
<b>Dances</b>	0	0	7

## Thank You

Jimmy & Val - *jiva* - would like to take this opportunity of saying "**Thank you**" to everyone who has supported the club... performers, audience, bar staff, and Wansbeck District Council.

Together we have provided a platform for some excellent live, acoustic performers.

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## Performers In 2006



Alan Bailey  
Alex Okon  
Alex Okon & Jan  
Allan Taylor  
Amazing Bean Bag Band  
Ann Lunam-Cowan  
Ann Sessoms  
Ann Sessoms & Paul Knox  
Barry Fitzpatrick  
Ben Yeowart  
Ben Yeowart & Tristan  
Sturgeon  
Dave Anderson  
Dave Donohoe  
Dave Page & Ken Cross  
Dennis Jorgensen  
Derek Greenacre  
Diane Green

Doug Wood  
Ellen Morgan  
Et Cetera  
Geoff Pickard  
George  
George Rosenthal  
Gypsy Feelya  
Jack Hakin  
Jane's Alley  
Jim Wigfield  
Jimmy & Carol  
jiva  
John Campbell  
John Campbell & John Kay  
Ken Cross  
Kevin  
Kevin Robinson  
Mike Jessop

Michazel  
Neil Ethair  
Old English  
Pat & Ben Yeowart  
Pat Yeowart & Kevin  
Pete Cryer  
Peter Murphy  
Peter Shaw  
Pipers Weird  
Ray Derrick  
Ray Derrick & Eric Laverick  
Rob & Lynn  
Sue Bardsley  
Three Amigos  
Tommy Lewis  
Tony Hamblin  
Vinve Carr  
Vince & Ed Carr  
Zak



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## The Year Ahead

We have two Special Guest Nights planned for 2007.

On March 15th **Cathryn Craig & Brian Willoughby** - Brian's strong British Folk Rock musical influence mixes well with Cathryn's roots and the resulting 'Anglicised Americana' blurs boundaries, showcasing her voice and his guitar and their intricately crafted songs in a unique and dynamic way.

November 15th sees the return of the UK's premier singer/songwriter, **Allan Taylor** - his songs are faultlessly constructed and flawlessly performed, with his instantly recognisable voice, attractively dark and mellow, accompanied by his intricately detailed yet full-sounding guitar.

Tickets for both are available either at the club, or by post or email, and can even be ordered online at our website.

Apart from these two, all club nights are planned to be Singers, Musicians & Poets - but there will be the occasional extended spot, so be prepared... we might just ask **you!**

After our acoustic night on 7th December it was agreed to keep the PA available on all future nights.

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