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- * Free NOJCNC newsletter
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NOJCNC News

New Orleans Jazz Club
of Northern California
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- Turn right at Sobrante Plaza, 3550 San Pablo Dam Road, San Pablo



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**SF
FEET
WARMERS**

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**CHAMPA
RESTAURANT
EL SOBRANTE**

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**MAY 15
1-5 PM**



**NEXT
MONTH**



**BLACK DIAMOND
BLUE FIVE**
JUNE 19, 1-5 PM, CHAMPA

Donation:

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NOJCNC News

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Presidents' Message

We are proud to say that the club is still going and the music is still playing -- with some great bands coming soon -- despite a period of trials for this volunteer organization. It has not been without casualties, however, including some traditional practices that fell through the cracks. This is a long-winded way of apologizing, and saying we will get Membership cards out to those loyal member who have re-upped for 2011 as soon as possible. Yes, we know the year is almost half over, but better late than never.

Also, we hope to restart the raffle at monthly meetings, a successful source of revenue that increased member involvement. If you are among the folks who regularly donated prizes, please consider resuming your generosity and we'll do our best to restore the practice in May or June. Lastly, the **NOJCNC Newsletter** -- a victim of last-minute conflicts, lapses in staffing and changes in venue -- returns to a regular every-other-month schedule starting with this issue. Thanks for your patience.

Thanks so much to the **Fog City Stompers** for a marvelous day of jazz in April, as well as to the **Natural Gas** and **Beyond Salvation** jazz bands in January and March, respectively. All three bands, along with those who played for the Annual Showcase of Bands, represent a high level of talent and professionalism and deserve our appreciation -- and attendance.

Big news: If you haven't already heard, we are planning a December holiday party with none other than the **High Sierra Jazz Band** and, while we don't have a specific venue yet, please mark Dec. 18 on your calendar and plan for a great time.

Because of the added cost (of the band and for a venue that likely will not be free), we are actively seeking "Angels" to help sponsor elements of this event. If all goes as planned, it will make a little money, although the main goal is to bring in some great musicians from outside the area. Please contact any board member if you are interested in becoming a sponsoring angel.

Reminder: With the exception of July, when we again join forces the **Friends of Jazz** at the **Danville Grange**, and the event in December (location TBA), we will continue to meet at **Champa Restaurant** in El Sobrante (technically, San Pablo).

Please consider coming out Sunday for the fabulous **San Francisco Feetwarmers**, as well as on June 19 for the return of the **Black Diamond Blue Six**. See details on Page 3.

Tom Belmessieri & Paul Hilton
NOJCNC co-Presidents

In Search of Live Jazz

NOTE: SCHEDULES CHANGE, CALL VENUE FIRST

San Francisco

Tuesday

Pier 23, Embarcadero near Filbert, 5 - 8 pm, 415-362-5125

Rotating pianists: **Virginia Tichenor**, **Marty Eggers**,

Frederick Hodges.

Saturday

Mal Sharp's Big Money in Jazz, 3 - 6 pm, 415-362-7023

Savoy Tivoli, 1434 Grant Ave.

Peninsula & South

Tuesday

Silicon Gulch Jazz Band, 7-10pm, 650-522-9800

The Swingin Door, 106 E 25th Ave., San Mateo

Clint Baker's Cafe Borrone All Stars, 8 - 11 pm, 650-344-1462

Café Borrone, 1010 El Camino Real, Menlo Park

Friday

East Bay & East

1st & 3rd Tuesday

Jazzinators (Youth Group), 7 - 8 pm, Jam set 8 - 9 pm

510-656-9911 Pizza Depot, 43450 Grimmer Blvd, Fremont

Chris Bradley's Traditional Jazz Band, 7:30 - 9:30 pm

Sunol Jazz Café, Main Street, Sunol, 925-862-2800

2nd & 4th Tuesday

Mission Gold, 7 - 9 pm, Swiss Park Dance Hall,

5911 Mowry Ave., Newark.

2nd & 4th Wednesday

Cell Block 7, 6:30 - 8:30 pm, 209-644-6295

K&J's Bar-B-Q, 678 Grider Way, Stockton

1st & 3rd Thursday

And That's Jazz, 6 - 9 pm, 510-532-9202

Tiki Tom's Restaurant & Lounge, 300 29th Ave., Oakland

3rd Thursday

Ted Shafer's Jelly Roll Jazz Band, 7 - 10 pm, 510-222-1819

Champa Restaurant, 3550 San Pablo Dam Rd., San Pablo

Fridays

Devil Mountain Jazz Band, 2 - 5 pm, 925-625-2707

Danville Grange Hall, 743 Diablo Rd., Danville

3rd Saturday

Joyful Noise Jazz Band, 5:30 - 7:30 pm,

Champa Restaurant, 3550 San Pablo Dam Rd., San Pablo

3rd Sunday

North Bay & North

Sundays

Big Money in Jazz, 3 - 7 pm, (415) 332-1392

No Name Bar, 757 Bridgeway, Sausalito

Napa Valley Dixieland Jazz Society, 1 - 5 pm

Embassy Suites, 1075 California Blvd., Napa

2nd Sunday

Marty Eggers & Virginia Tichenor, 5:30 - 8 pm, 415-454-6422

Belrose Theatre, 1415 5th Ave., San Rafael

2nd Wednesday

Marin Jazz Group, 7:30 - 9:30 pm, 415-456-1011

Mayflower Inn, 1533 4th St, San Rafael

2nd & 4th Wednesday

Gold Coast Jazz Band, 1 - 4 pm, 707-938-9990

Little Switzerland, 401 Grove St, Sonoma

Last Saturday

(For updated listings, visit www.clintbakerjazz.com/raeannlist.html)



So far in 2011

The NOJCNC continues to carry on the grand tradition of preserving Trad Jazz, despite some setbacks and difficulties in 2010. There was even promise for the future with young Emperor Norton's Jazz Band at the showcase ("Music of the '20s and '30s, played by musicians in their 20s and 30"), as well as a jam set in April that included possibly the widest gap in ages (70 years) between two musicians. The rest of the year promises some great jazz. Bring friends.



Clockwise from top left: Thomas Edgerton (14) and Bob Mielke (84) play a jam set in April. Emperor Norton's Jazz Band plays the Showcase, as do Jim Rothermel and Ken Keeler. Left, Natural Gas JB, the feature band in January.

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NOJCNC
membership today!**

We need your help bringing our membership rolls up to date. If you haven't had a chance yet to pay your 2011 dues, please fill out this form and send with a check payable to "NOJCNC" to:

**Becky Kesweder, Membership
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**Annual
Membership**

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Musician (\$10) Contributing (\$100)
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**Festivals
in the West**

Sacramento Jazz Jubilee

Big Mama Sue Quartet, Black Dogs, Blue Street J.B., Catfish & the Crawdaddies, Cats-n-Jammer J.B., Fulton Street J.B., Gator Beat, High Sierra J.B., Natural Gas J.B., Royal Society Jazz Orch., Bob Draga, Bob Schulz, as well as dozens of bands that bear no resemblance to Trad Jazz. **May 27-30**, Old Sacramento. 916-372-5277, www.sacjazz.com.

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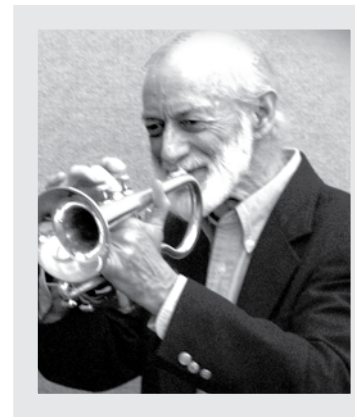
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*New Orleans Jazz Club
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May 15



**San Francisco
Feetwarmers**

Featuring a two-cornet lineup of **Mike Slack** and **Tom Barnebey**, expect to hear some great King Oliver/Walters tunes plus the wonderful music of Morton, Bechet, Armstrong, and Fats Waller. Ballads and Blues are delivered with finesse by their vocalist **Darby Tanko**.

More information: www.sf-feetwarmers.com

The Band
Mike Slack
Bill DeKuiper
Tom Barnebey
Tom Clark
Pete Main
Hugh O'Donnel
Bob Mielke
Darby Tanko

June 19

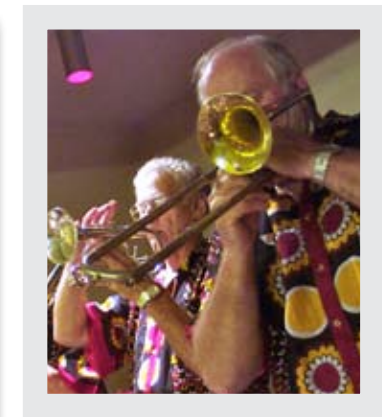


**Black Diamond
Blue Five**

Leader **George Knoblach** has been running tight Trad Jazz Bands since the 1980s in the style of Turk Murphy and Lu Watters and, later, in the Clarence Williams mold. It's been, however, many years since the Black Diamond Blue Five (or Six) have been the featured band at NOJCNC. Long overdue. Worth the trip, if only for Leon Oakley's powerful lead.

The Band
George Knoblauch
Leon Oakley
Clint Baker
Robert Young
Marty Eggers
Bill Reinhart

July 17



**Devil Mountain
Jazz Band**

The **Devil Mountain** crew is a popular draw and a nearly-perennial favorite at the NOJC. This year, the July meeting will be at the **Danville Grange** hall, as part of a larger day of jazz with the Friends of Jazz.

More information:
www.jazznut.com.

The Band
Ken Keeler
Virginia Tichenor
Pete Maine
Noel Weidkamp
Ken Brock
Glenn Calkins
Allan Grissette
Keith Baltz