



Northern Nashville Country Music Club

July 2017 Newsletter

Good evening folks! We are certainly having a changeable weather sort of summer, aren't we?! Neither the June or July shows have had the summer feel of the May show; that's Caithness weather for you!

Sandy opened our June show by reminding the NNCCMC members about the forthcoming 30th anniversary show; get your tickets before they go on sale to non-members at the July show!

Sandy then introduced our first act, David Allan. From Aberdeenshire, he has performed in our club in the past. He played a few famous songs during his cabaret slot; "Ruby" by Kenny Rogers and "The Dance" by Garth Brooks, to name a few.

Trevor Moyles, from County Mayo, was last in our club at our 2007 Christmas Show. Who remembers that far back?! It was another great, fun night with a good crowd!

One of our members, Caroline Begg, had a milestone birthday. To mark the occasion, Alan Miller had put pen to paper:

Caroline

We won't tell how old you are, we wouldn't go that far
A woman's age is not to be broadcast, suffice to say, 49 has passed

No matter how old, Caroline's story is to be told
No holds barred, there's a clue with this card

By day you attend Tickety Boo, why for we haven't a clue
Really, you're just having a skive, it's night time you come alive

Does country music get you going? Maybe Rogers the one knowing
Then again it maybe not, more likely its Prosecco and the occasional shot

Trevor Loughrey is your dream man; you'd love to get in the back of his van
"Is it Friday" is his song in your heart; where he's concerned – you're a tart!

Other pastimes on your list, apart from getting pissed
Car boots or a quiz, keeps you away from the fizz

Facebook messaging too, when there's nothing other to do
You're also a bit of flasher; taking photos – nothing rasher!

Now you've matured to a certain age, turned a new page
Your still nifty at 50!

From us all at NNCCMC, Happy Birthday!

The £50 snowball was won by members in the hall at both the June and July shows. There were a few colour problems with the raffle tickets during the shows, even though Willie is now fully trained! There was a "walk of shame" for a few embarrassed people!

Our July show saw Shaun Loughrey and Band, and Kentucky Rain performing at our club. It was another busy, party night, culminating in a conga (instigated by Libby Brown!) around the hall to "Amarillo"! There is video evidence on our Facebook page.

Kentucky Rain are friends from England; one from the north east, the other from the north west. They played some great tunes; during one, "Too Young to Feel That Old" by Garth Brooks, our poor Sandy was teased as being "too young to *look* that damn old". Sandy retaliated by giving the group the finger; notifying them that they had time for one more song, of course! What else could it possibly have meant?!

Shaun Loughrey had his latest album printed and with him for his Scottish tour; his first album in over 2 and a half years. He treated us to a few songs from the album: "Bed of Roses" and "The Big House in the Sky"; a song his son won't allow him to practise in the house as it is so sad! "We'll all meet up in heaven when our time on earth is done" – a lovely song but sad indeed (apart from the promise of ice cream and apple pie up there!) He also sang "Before the Next Tear Drop Falls", dedicating it to all the Manchester United fans in the hall! "Old Photos" was dedicated to Robin Young.

Sandy announced that Ann Mackay was having a birthday and that "she is available – to buy drinks at the bar"! Hope you had a great birthday Ann!

Of course, other shows are available! The Triple "C" CMC in Wick had the Norman Borland Band playing at their July show and have Roots and Wings at their next show (Friday 11 August).

The Hootenanny in Dunecht was attended by quite a few of our members and was a fantastic and well organised event by all accounts. The weekend's line up included: Buzzard Creek, Shunie Crampsey and Band, Double Trouble, Trevor Loughrey and Band, Norman Borland and Band, Baton Rouge, Gary Gamble (who apparently arrived by helicopter!), Nicky James, Pat Jordan and Band, Joe Boyle and Finian's Rainbow, Declan Nerney and Band; Robbie Petrie also gave a song. Our very own Caroline Begg appears in a photo in the latest CMDS magazine along with Joe Boyle!

Tickets for the 30th anniversary show in October are selling well and are now available to non-members. Members are reminded to ensure that booked tickets are paid for as soon as possible please.

That's all for now, other than to remind you all about the next show – the Norman Borland Band and Western Rhythm. Look forward to seeing everybody on Friday 25 August!

Until the next time...

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