

We are making two big changes to the days and frequency of regular shows.

1. Our regular shows, from May onward will be twice a month, on the 2nd and 4th week of each month. There will still be specials from time to time (we have an afternoon gig on Sunday, June 7th).
2. Starting in July, regular gigs will be on Thursdays.

We thought you would like to know why we needed to make these changes. There are two drivers. One is our financial situation, with too many losses. The second is the need of Stoke by Nayland Hotel for the space we use.

There is now quite a lot of competition from other music organizations on Fridays and Saturdays, so the move to Thursdays should help with that.

Friday night at the hotel is very popular for weddings, meetings, and other affairs. We have to book about a year in advance. The hotel gets requests for our rooms on a Friday at short notice, and has to refuse them, losing a lucrative rental. This happens less often on Thursdays. That, combined with the move to twice monthly is considered by the hotel to be a great help.

We do understand that the change to Thursdays will be inconvenient for some, and better for others. Please help us continue to present the very high quality of live music that you are used to, by continuing to attend our gigs.

Thank you

Fleece Jazz committee.