



## NVDJS NEWS

May-June 2022

### The Napa Valley Dixieland Jazz Society President's Message (By Vice-President, Marilee Jensen)

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\*We are now re-scheduling our big return to operations and presenting you with outstanding music!

\*When? The Second Sunday of August! That is August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022, starting at 1:00 pm.

\*Where? Napa Valley Elks Club! 2840 Soscol Avenue, Napa.

\*Who? **The Royal Society Jazz Orchestra**, with Don Neely, leader; including 11 outstanding musicians!

\*How much? \$15 Admission for members. Donations are encouraged!!

As of that date, all four of the Bay Area Jazz Clubs will have resumed operation following the spread of the Covid-19 Virus: Napa Valley Dixieland Jazz Society, NOJCNC (El Sobrante), South Bay Jazz (Sunnyvale) and TRAD JASS (Santa Rosa).

We are still actively planning where our future sessions will be held, starting on the second Sunday in September, that is 9/11/22. You can expect to continue receiving our NVDJS newsletter to keep you informed about where music is available for your continuing enjoyment.

## Royal Society Jazz Orchestra August 14, 2022

### ROYAL SOCIETY JAZZ ORCHESTRA

For more than 40 years the RSJO has been a part of the San Francisco Trad Jazz scene and has established itself as one of the premier purveyors of “Hot Dance and Early Swing” of the 1920’s and early 30’s. In the late 70’s and early 80’s it regularly performed at Turk Murphy’s famous Earthquake McGoons in SF. The mission of the RSJO has been to present the early big band music of the “Jazz Age” in a stylistically authentic way and yet maintain its’ uniqueness as a performing group.

While the group does play “transcriptions” of various bands of the period it is also replete with original arrangements and songs done in the style of that golden era. The musicians are encouraged to do their best to eschew modern influence in their solo styles in order to maintain that vintage sound. Likewise, the vocals are also done in an authentic style by Carla Normand, Frederick Hodges, and Don Neely.

The RSJO has played many of the trad jazz festivals (and a few modern ones as well) around the country as well as many prestigious events in and around San Francisco. For a unique treat be sure to see Don Neely’s Royal Society Jazz Orchestra.

CARLA NORMAND, VOCAL; DON NEELY, REEDS, VOCAL; DICK MATHIAS, REEDS;  
BOB EMBRY, REEDS; JUSTIN AU, TRUMPET; NOEL WEIDKAMP, TRUMPET;  
BRANDON AU, TROMBONE; FREDERICK HODGES, PIANO, VOCAL;  
CLINT BAKER, TUBA; STEVE APPLE, DRUMS; DIX BRUCE, BANJO.



**The Napa Valley Dixieland Jazz Society** is a non-profit organization founded to encourage an appreciation of and education in Traditional, Dixieland, Ragtime and Swing.

**Officers:** President, Linda Stevens; Vice-President, Marilee Jensen; Treasurer, Marilee Jensen; Secretary, Lee Campbell.

**Board of Directors:** Linda Stevens, Marilee Jensen, Lee Campbell, Phil Cartwright, Jack Harford, Don Robertson, Joy Waite.

**Other Positions:** Don Robertson, Membership and Newsletter Circulation Manager; Joy Waite, Publicist.

### Jazz Clubs

#### 1st Sunday

TRAD JASS of Santa Rosa meets at the Moose Lodge, 3559 Airway Drive, Santa Rosa, 1:00-5:00 pm. Members, \$12; other clubs, \$12; public, \$15.

June 5: Don Neely's Rhythm Aces

#### 2nd Sunday

The Napa Valley Dixieland Jazz Society: Currently on hiatus but resuming 8/14/2022.

#### 3rd Saturday

Friends of Jazz: Danville Grange Hall. 743 Diablo Road, Danville CA. 1:00 - 4:00 pm

June 18: Devil Mountain JB or Fog City Stompers or some of each!

#### 3rd Sunday

New Orleans Jazz Club of Northern California meets at the Elk's Lodge, 3931 San Pablo Dam Rd., El Sobrante, 1:00-5:00 pm. Members, \$8; other clubs, \$10; public, \$12.

June 19: Toot Sweet Jazz Band

#### 4th Sunday

South Bay Trad Jazz Society meets at the Elks Lodge, 375 N. Pastoria Ave., Sunnyvale. 1:00-5:00 pm. Admission is free at this time but donations are encouraged.

June 28: Silicon Gulch Jazz Band



**Pre-Pandemic photo of Don Robertson and Linda Stevens in Grant Hall at the Veterans' Home in Yountville.**

## Membership

### THE NAPA VALLEY DIXIELAND JAZZ SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP

We plan to resume our regular schedule of operations on August 14, 2022. In the meantime, we are discussing the appropriate dues structure for 2022 based upon the number of concerts we will sponsor. The info below will be modified to coincide with our concert schedule.

**Standard Membership:** Single -- \$40.00/year Couple -- \$70.00/year  
**Contributing Membership:** Single -- \$125.00/year Couple -- \$200.00/year

#### Monthly Admission

NVDJS Members: \$15.00 Other Jazz Clubs: \$17.00

Other Guests: \$20.00 Youth (12-18 years): \$3.00

Contributing Members: Free

Children: Free

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