



NAPA VALLEY DIXIELAND JAZZ SOCIETY

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PRESENTS

Cell Block 7 Jazz Band



SATURDAY, APRIL 8, 2023, 1:00 to 4:00

***Sonoma Valley Moose Lodge, 20580 Broadway Ave.,
Sonoma***

The leader of the Cell Block 7 Jazz Band, Bob Romans, was a retired band/music teacher in Lodi, CA, who was a classically-trained musician, accomplished in all styles. He was always interested in Dixieland Jazz, but didn't actually start doing it until 1981, with the formation of "The Cell Block 7 Jazz Band". His love for jazz has really blossomed through working with this band and continues undiminished. He named his band after another band in Texas, without realizing it, but then he became friends with the cornet player from the other band, Tommy Loy, who played with this Cell Block 7 Jazz Band at the Edinburgh Jazz Festival in 2002 and they became good friends. Bob Romans then felt comfortable to continue using "The Cell Block 7 Jazz Band" as the name of this band.

There have been many changes through the years, but The Cell Block 7 Jazz Band favors the West Coast traditional jazz sounds of Lu Watters, Turk Murphy and the Bay City Jazz Band of the '50's, in a classic jazz lineup, led by two cornets. Their many festivals, tours, and concert successes are a direct result of their very professional approach coupled with a great sound and an extensive repertoire.

The Cell Block 7 Jazz Band is a very versatile and entertaining band. By doubling their talents on the double bell euphoniums, Cell Block 7 is able to produce some very different sounds – from fast, exciting trios to smooth and mellow blues – all in great low brass harmony.

"There are 8 guys in The Cell Block 7 Jazz Band... And we're all set for a good time!"

The "8 guys", that is the eight musicians, appearing with the Cell Block 7 Jazz Band (CB7) on Sunday, January 8, 1:00 to 4:00 pm, at the Sonoma Veteran's Memorial Building are as follows:

Bill Sharp, trumpet, double bell euph, vocals. CB7 many years. Retired High School Math Teacher.

Bob Sakoi, trumpet, double bell euph.

Bob Embry, clarinet, soprano sax, vocals, arranger, announcer. Retired public school music teacher.

Dan Talbert, trombone, double bell euph, vocals. Many years with CB7. Retired High School Band Director.

Daryl Hosick, piano. Many years with CB7. Retired Satellite Engineer.

Tom Downs, tuba, with CB7 many years. Retired from Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory.

Bob Stover, drums, with CB7 three years. Retired public school music teacher.

Bill Dendle, Banjo. Playing with CB 7 for about six months! World renowned banjoist!! Head of the Sacramento Jazz Camp every summer.

SONOMA MOOSE



Presidents' Message

Linda Stevens & Marilee Jensen, Co-Presidents

Matching Contributions for the Napa Valley Dixieland Jazz Society, February, 2023

As described last month, we had received a generous offer from an anonymous dedicated NVDJS supporter to match any contribution to **Napa Valley Dixieland Jazz Society** for up to a total of **\$2,100, received prior to March 1, 2023! It turns out we received special contributions from 14 individual members, totaling \$2,325, which was matched with \$2,100, for an increase of \$4,425.** That kind of generosity from particular members is invaluable in maintaining our continuing operation. I intend to personally send a "Thank-You" card to each of those special contributors. Especially with prices rising as of late, not every one is able to be that generous but we can only appreciate those who were able to do it and choose to do it. The Result: Some additional Napa Valley Trad Dixieland Jazz for all of us!

Changes at the Sonoma Moose Lodge, for Saturday, April 8, 2023

The parking lot for the Sonoma Moose Lodge is behind the building. When you see the sign for "Sonoma Moose Lodge", then you take the driveway to the right to get behind this building, which is where you park your car. If you walk in the door in the middle of the building, in the back, that is the most efficient way to get to the music/dancing room. You'll come into the bar then take the door in front of you, going into the rest of the building, where we have our admissions table. After arranging admission, you then take the door to your left, which leads into the big room, with the stage, for the featured band, chairs in front of the stage for the "jammers" (intermission musicians), a dance floor, a number of round tables situated through out the room for sitting &/or eating while the music is playing. If you're thirsty, you can decide to get a water/soda pop from the bar, an alcoholic drink with a "drink ticket" or a Moose member accompanying you to the bar (Moose rules). A group known as the "Women of the Moose" will be making sandwiches which you can choose to buy for some food during the show, if you're interested. Always feel free to ask questions of any the NVDJS members. Next is just enjoying the music!

What's Coming Next To Napa Valley Dixieland Jazz Society, After The Cell Block 7 Jazz Band on Saturday, April 8th?

We're all excited about the change at our next session, at the Sonoma Moose Lodge, 20580 Broadway Avenue, Sonoma, which will include a number of jammer musicians, carefully selected in advance, playing their instruments during the two 20 to 25 minute intermissions for the Cell Block 7 Jazz Band, after this featured band has played two of their three 45-minute sets.

We're also firmly ending the session at 4:00 pm, because we've found that so much of the audience leaves close to 4:00 pm, leaving the featured band playing their great music to smaller audiences. Our changes are intended to increase the time for quality music, qualified musicians and the density of the audience listening to these bands. Experimenting with some changes....

Which bands have we invited to play for us, in May, June & August, at this same location in Sonoma? Below, we've listed the three bands scheduled to play on the second Saturdays of May, June, and August, 2023, from 1:00 to 4:00 pm. We're looking forward to you joining us for this special Our Kind Of Music!

***Saturday, May 13- Robert Young's Big Four**, which consists of Robert Young, cornet and reeds; Jeff Hamilton, piano; Bill Reinhart, guitar and banjo; Marty Eggers, bass.

***Saturday, June 10- The Flying Eagles**, with Jim Broadstreet, Leader and six additional musicians, such as Bill Badstubner, trombone, Gerry Turner, tuba & bass and Rich Owens, piano.

*** Saturday, August 12 - Mission Gold Jazz Band**, with John Soulis, Leader, (trombone), plus Virginia Tichenor, (piano), Joyce Taylor (banjo), Bob Sterling, (tuba), Andy Parker, (drums), Noel Weidkamp, (cornet and an other instruments), Mack Horton, (cornet), and Roberto Alfaro, (reeds of all kinds) .

Jazz Club Information

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

Officers: Co-Presidents, Linda Stevens, Marilee Jensen; Treasurer, Marilee Jensen; Secretary, Lee Campbell.

Board of Directors: Linda Stevens, Marilee Jensen, Lee Campbell, Jack Harford, Marion Mills, Don Robertson, Joy Waite and Candy Woodworth.

Other Positions: Don Robertson, Membership and Newsletter Circulation Manager.

Jazz Clubs

1st Sunday

TRAD JASS of Santa Rosa meets at Druids Hall, 1011 College Ave., Santa Rosa, 95404, 1:00 -5:00 pm. Members, \$12; Other clubs, \$12; Public, \$15.

April 2, Rose City Ramblers; **May 7**, Cell Block 7 Jazz Band;

June 4th, Gold Coast Jazz Band; **July 4th - Dark**

2nd Saturday

The **Napa Valley Dixieland Jazz Society** meets at the Sonoma Moose Lodge, 20580 Broadway Ave., Sonoma, CA, 95476, 1:00 - 4:00 pm. Members and other jazz and dance clubs, \$10.00; Public, \$15.00;

Saturday, April 8, Cell Block 7 **Saturday, May 13**, Robert Young's Big Four

3rd Saturday

Friends of Jazz: Danville Grange Hall. 743 Diablo Road, Danville CA. 1:00 - 4:00 pm **Saturday, April 15**, Fog City Stompers

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.

April 16, Mission Gold Jazz Band **May 21st**, Creole Jazz Kings

June 18, Bob Schulz' Frisco Jazz Band **July 16**, Gold Coast Jazz Band

4th Sunday

South Bay Trad Jazz Society meets at the Elks Lodge, 375 N. Pastoria Ave., Sunnyvale. 1:00-5:00 pm.

April 23, The Chris Bradley Jazz Band **May 21**, Heidi Evelyn's New Orleans Jazz Band

Membership

THE NAPA VALLEY DIXIELAND JAZZ SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP

Annual dues payments plus extra contributions are what funds our operations. The admission receipts at the door pay for about 25% of our costs for each session, covering the cost of the facility we're using and the cost of the band. We need to keep looking for other ways to increase our income, in order to continue operating. Shall we consider Special Memberships, such as used by the South Bay Traditional Jazz Society, with **Sustaining Members** paying \$100, **Patron Members** paying \$250 per year and **Angels** paying \$500? Of course those different categories are by individual choice. Any suggestions from our faithful supporters?

Standard Membership: Single -- \$40.00/year Couple -- \$70.00/year

Contributing Membership: Single -- \$125.00/year Couple -- \$200.00/year

Monthly Admission

NVDJS Members and members of other

Other Jazz and Dance Clubs: \$10.00

Public: \$15.00

Contributing Members: Free

Please let us know your ideas.

Name_____Address_____

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