



NEWSLETTER

"Does anybody know what these stick things are for?"

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After last Sunday at Café 13 I won't be taking weather forecasts too seriously. The freezing rain did end by lunchtime as promised, but the "torrential rain" expected to replace it turned out to be a variation of drizzle and occasional light showers. The two musicians from London and a couple of regular jazz fans from Mississauga had no driving problems. I was teetering on the edge of canceling but we went ahead and played anyway.

We had two guest musicians: Len Gosling, the trombone player from the Climax, played cornet, and John Anderson, an old friend of Southern Comfort, played trombone. Both these musicians also did excellent vocals and with more vociferation (where did I find that word) contributions from Bryan Day and I, we had quite a ball..... or should I say "bawl"? Len has just moved from Toronto to Waterloo so we may see him again sometime.

Last Sunday I met an old Yorkshire friend who makes occasional visits to Toronto, John Pashley trumpet player. While here he "sat in" with the Toronto Hot 5 and the Freeway Jazz Band. He is always a welcome visitor from "across the pond". Unfortunately he missed the last session with Southern Comfort and will return to the UK before our next gig.

At the March gig you can expect to see Brian Gravelle back from travels into the deep snows 'up north' and Peter Sagermann back from his undisclosed wanderings. The rest of the band, Bryan, Gary, Bill and I, will also be there as usual to entertain you with our brand of traditional jazz. Southern Comfort will also be playing at C'est What in Toronto on April 12.... more information later.

A few folk have complained that *"the next to the last Sunday of the month"* is too confusing. I have therefore consulted with the band and the management and from now on it will be **"the third Sunday of each month"**. I know this is not much of a change but it should make our future schedule clearer, so mark your calendars:

The next gig at **Café 13** will be **March 16**, at the usual time of 4 p.m. to 7 p.m...

Y'all come early now, y'hear.....Trevo