

## Abbots Langley Winter Acoustic Concerts

Abbots Langley Community Centre  
Afternoon of Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2011

### Angles

Following the success of last year's events at this venue Tim and Lesley Brooks are presenting a further four concerts this winter:

The first group we are bringing to Abbots Langley, on **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October** features Cliff



Stapleton on hurdy gurdy, Chris Walshaw on pipes and whistles and Richard Jones on accordion, bringing a new slant on ancient rhythms as "**Angles**". With striking melodies and powerful riffs, **Angles** mix haunting pipes, earthy gurdy rhythms and driving accordion bass lines to create their distinctive folk-trance groove tinged with blues and jazz.

These three highly-regarded musicians combine their considerable talents to bring us compositions influenced by their long and varied backgrounds in European traditional music in such bands as Blowzabella, The Drones, The Duellists, Stocai, Meridian and The Climax Ceilidh Band.

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A month later, on **Remembrance Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> November**, Dave Webber, Anni Fentiman and Brian Peters will be presenting their show "On the Road to Mandalay" which is a journey through the life of the Victorian soldier, illustrated by the "Barrack Room Ballads" poems of Rudyard Kipling, set to music by the late Peter Bellamy.



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Then on **Sunday February 12th** – from Manchester - **Pilgrim's Way** – a dynamic young trio led by a wonderful singer, Lucy Wright, accompanied by virtuoso accordionist Edwin Beasant and fiddler Tom Kitching.



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**Sunday March 11th - The Oxford Fiddle group** who have performed at various venues in and around Oxfordshire as well mini tours of West Cork in Ireland, and The Algarve in Portugal. **OFG** have also performed in Bonn (Germany), Leiden (Holland) and Grenoble (France). They have also performed at The Oxford Folk Festival and Chippenham Folk Festival.



Some players also play other instruments as well as the fiddle. So a typical line up for an **OFG** performance could include Celtic harp, double bass, guitar, mandolin, viola, cello and concertina. They have some singers in their ranks, so you can be assured of afternoon of variety and of course the great sound of massed fiddles 'played with joy'.

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All of the concerts run from 3:00pm (doors open at 2:30). Tickets are £8.00.

As last year, tea, coffee and cakes will be served in the interval by the Dick's Folly crew from the South West Herts Narrowboat Project, which in 1989 purchased the narrowboat "Dick's Folly", [[www.swhertsnarrowboat.org.uk](http://www.swhertsnarrowboat.org.uk)] to offer day and evening trips to a variety of organisations including Mencap and special needs school groups. Some of the proceeds of the events will go to this worthwhile local charity.

Booking details can be obtained by e-mailing [ALConcerts@gmail.com](mailto:ALConcerts@gmail.com), or call the organisers Tim and Lesley Brooks on 01923 264536