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# ASHINGTON FOLK CLUB

Leisure Centre, Institute Road, Ashington

Assisted by Wansbeck District Council

## Stony Guest Night 25<sup>th</sup> March

One of the hottest live acts on the new acoustic music scene, Stony's mixture of often driving piano and acoustic guitar, combined with vocal harmonies has a distinctive live sound.

Their reputation as one of the hottest live duos on the new acoustic music scene is fast growing across the country, and they certainly lived up to the mark with a tremendous performance providing a varied mix of

traditional, contemporary and self-penned material.

The first half support came from Nova, a bunch of young musicians who wowed us on our previous Singers, Musicians and Poets night.

Second half support spot was filled by club regular, John 'Doc' Campbell with Harmonica John joining him for his last three numbers.

Thanks to all three acts for a wonderful night!



Stony, in dazzling form, wowed us with their vocal and instrumental prowess.

More pictures and news at [www.ashingtonfolkclub.co.uk](http://www.ashingtonfolkclub.co.uk)

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Chumbawamba

## April Fools Day Singers, Musicians & Poets

Another good night with a smashing mix of styles and genres.

Rob and Lynn (half of 'Real to Reel') started the night with mandolin and Northumbrian pipe tunes.

Next was Jack with a couple of religious songs for Easter.

Then, in spite of bellows trouble, Alan treated us to more Northumbrian pipes.

Ray Derrick and Eric were

in fine voice, recounting their 'Northerners' days.

Third Northumbrian piper tonight was Ann Sessoms who played some waltzes and favourites 'Twisting the Rope' and 'Haste to the Wedding'.

First time visitor, Doug Wood, played banjo and sang a couple of North American songs.

Pat Yeowart kicked off her spot in style with an unaccompanied version of 'Summertime'. Son Ben joined her on guitar for two more classics.

With his usual choice of off the wall songs, Eric

Gildea had us laughing – who else would sing about 'Cows With Guns'?

The first half was closed by a different Alan (with Steve adding harmonica on 'Sporting Life Blues').

A quick 10 minutes for beer and raffle, then on with the show! We were really pleased to have club 'godfather' Ken Self sing two traditional north east songs.

Ann's poem this month was fun yet again, and many joined on the closing line to verses of 'Nee Poem for Rothbury This Year'.

Steve and Noeline are new to the area and to the club - we hope to hear more of their great guitar and vocal arrangements.

Ben Yeowart and Tristan played a self-penned song which went down very well. Look out for more from them!

And then it was start again with additional songs and tunes from Rob and Lynn, Jack, Alan and Ann (pipe duet), Northerners Ray and Eric, Doug, second Eric, and finally second Alan.

Yet again Jimmy and Val were so busy organising, [jiva](http://www.jiva.co.uk) didn't get to sing...

## Singers – Musicians – Poets

Non Guest Nights are held in the Folk Bar on the first Thursday of every month, commencing around 20:30 (that's half past eight in old money!).

Come along and perform or just listen. All styles and abilities welcomed. There is a mixture of residents and visitors performing everything from traditional folk to contemporary music, blues, classics, country and poetry.

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