



a place with Trio Anglais. She recently appeared at the Upton Jazz Festival and has been to the Netherlands to study with the internationally renowned jazz violinist, Tim Kliphuis. She brings a lyrical and swinging style to the band that sits perfectly with hot club jazz.

Darren Hodge. After picking up the music of Chet Atkins and Merle Travis, Darren has played up and down the country at many shows and festival including Glastonbury Festival and The London Acoustic Guitar Show, as well as taking part in Sky Arts Guitar Star in 2015. Recently Darren has been playing the music of Django Reinhardt with Trio Anglais and has been considered one of the best young guitarists in the country.

Dave Lunniss has been an integral part of the UK gypsy jazz scene for many years. He became well known as rhythm guitarist with SWING 39 and BOULEVARD DJANGO, for his performances with Matcho Winterstein and Colin Cosimini, as well as festival gigs in Denmark, Ireland and France.

### Trio Anglais

Ali Foyle is a professional violinist previously teaching and performing mostly classical music. She played with the folk band "HOPPING MAD", before moving into swing jazz in 2012 as a vocalist and violinist with local band, THE NIGHT OWLS. When they disbanded last year, she was delighted to find Dave and Darren and



clubs and festivals for more years than they care to remember. This wide experience brings together a rich and colourful tapestry of music and song. Their music ranges from folk, blues and rock to country and jazz. Good songs have no musical boundaries! Most of all, these four friends thoroughly enjoy playing music together and hope that you will share their enthusiasm and enjoy the time spent with the Silver Street Band.

They are regular performers at their home base of the Milverton Music Club, the premier acoustic performance venue in the west country. The club was founded by members of the band in 1996 and meets at the Victoria Rooms in Milverton on the first Friday of every month and singers and musicians are always welcome.

### The Silver Street Band

Individually and in a variety of bands, Andrew Garbutt (guitar), Bev Blackmore (guitar and vocals), Tony Batten (guitar and vocals) and Giles Newman (harmonica and vocals) have played both nationally and internationally at

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# VARIETY SHOW

## PROGRAMME



PLUS



### TRIO ANGLAIS

Reinhardt/Grappelli gypsy swing music featuring violin and acoustic guitars



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# TONIGHT'S LINE UP

The Variety Show is introduced and compered by Kevin Coughlan  
– a 'resting' Rivertone!

## TRIO ANGLAIS



## A LITTLE SURPRISE . . .



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## THE SILVER STREET BAND



## THE RIVERTONES



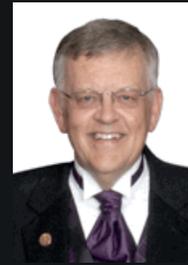
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## WELCOME

A very warm welcome to the Rivertones Chorus Variety Show 2018. This evening is all about entertainment and we hope that you will enjoy our show.

An enormous amount of time and effort goes into learning songs and bringing them to an audience. The Rivertones Chorus takes about fifteen weeks to learn a song and once that learning process is completed we then spend the next month or two learning to sing the song together by blending our voices to produce rich harmonies.

Naturally we have fun in rehearsals as not everything goes quite to plan. Remember, the chorus is made up of gifted amateur singers who initially walked into our rehearsal or joined us following one of our nationally-recognised Learn to Sing courses which we run from time to time.

I have been asked on numerous occasions - why do I sing. Well, firstly being the chorus director, I don't sing where I am directing, I am listening. When I do sing it means leaving the demands of the day to one side, giving myself time to relax, stop being me for a while and become us.

There have been several scientific tests applied to the art of singing and its benefits and it has been proved time and again singing is good for us. It releases the feel-good factor in ourselves and can provide a sense of euphoria, especially when it all comes together. When we sing well we are buzzing for days after.

We are constantly working to improve our sound, and to encourage men to step in and join us. My aim is to get more men singing - it can be so rewarding. Don't be embarrassed because if you can speak, you can sing. It's just that you haven't been shown how to sing.

Have a look at our website, check us out, see the things we have been doing and find out how you could join us. Or why not pick up the telephone and give us a call or send an email enquiry to see how you can book our full chorus for your own fund-raising show or maybe a smaller group for that more intimate celebration or party. Our charges are very reasonable.

Most of all enjoy this evening and then tell all your friends what they missed.

**Peter Gover**  
Chorus Director, The Rivertones

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