



GIG BUDDIES

VIRTUAL INSANITY

WEEKS 9&10
MONDAY 18TH MAY 2020

Hi Everyone,

The last few weeks have been packed full of a wide range of activities from DJ Nights, to chill video calls, to the first Gig Buddies Bake Off! It's still great to see so many people getting involved and staying connected with other Gig Buddies!

This newsletter features the rest of our events for May, along with interviews with our fantastic DJ's, telling you what they enjoy about DJing and how you can get involved with our DJ Nights. We also take a look at the brilliant bakes from our Bake Off challenge.

We've also included a few pages all about our favourite live streams that you can watch for free!

If you're not already involved with our online activities the next page tells you everything you need to know!

Sam, Debbie, and Molly
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HOW DO I GET INVOLVED?

Find us on



To stay up to date on everything we're doing, remember to 'like' our Facebook page by searching 'Gig Buddies Scotland'.

We're posting regular updates and sharing lots of information.



Gig Buddies - Scotland

Non-profit organisation

Edinburgh, United Kingdom

✓ Liked ▼

For Gig Buddies Members and Volunteers, we've created a private Facebook group that you can be added to so that you can talk to other Gig Buddies members. In order to be added to the group, you will need click a button asking to join. We will then let you in the group and you can start getting involved.



Gig Buddies Scotland Members Group

Group

89 members

Joined

We've also made a private messenger group for members and volunteers. You can be added to this by joining our private facebook group.

GROUP CALLS AND SOCIALS



We're holding loads of socials online that everyone is welcome to be involved with. For a lot of them you will need an app called Zoom. We've sent out a guide on how to use this. If you don't have this, contact your local coordinator and they can send it to you.

MONDAY 18TH MAY - 3PM

ASK US ANYTHING

Do you have questions about how Gig Buddies is going to work during the lockdown? Have ideas for socials? Or do you just want to know what our favourite music is? Join Debbie, Molly, and Sam at 3pm every Monday and ask any questions you want.

TUESDAY 19TH MAY - 1PM

SAM'S LUNCHTIME LIVESTREAM

Sam will be streaming a lunchtime gig over on our Gig Buddies Scotland Members Group' page. Drop by to hear some acoustic tunes and leave a request.

WEDNESDAY 20TH MAY - 7PM

DJ NIGHT zoom

Join our resident DJ's 'The Three Stooges' for an evening of music over Zoom. Give them your requests or let them play what ever they want. Everyone apart from the DJs will be muted for this event, so that we can hear their music.

FRIDAY 22ND MAY - 4PM

AFTERNOON CHAT zoom

Come along to Zoom at 4pm for a relaxed chat with other Gig Buddies members. You may see people you know, you might make a few new freinds!

MONDAY 25TH MAY- 3PM

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FRIDAY 29TH MAY - 1PM

LUNCHTIME MUSIC QUIZ

After being recommended it by a few members, we're going to try out using MyQuiz. We will put up more details about this social closer to the time.

THAT'S NOT EVERYTHING!

This probably won't be everything we will be running. We will be holding smaller group video calls but these will be announced on the same day on our 'Gig Buddies Scotland Members Group' Facebook Page. We will also be exploring different types of livestreams, and we're always looking for suggestions from our members and volunteers.



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CATCH A
LIVESTREAM

There are loads of great theatres, orchestras, venues, and people who are regularly streaming shows for people to watch for free! Tuning into a play or concert is a great way to spend a few hours and you could even discover a new interest. Here's a list of some of our favourites.



Our friends at the Royal Scottish National Orchestra are regularly posting concerts for people to enjoy.
Sunday Sounds - Every Sunday at 3pm
Friday Night Club - Fridays at 7:30pm
Find out more on facebook:
'Royal Scottish National Orchestra'



We've already watched a few plays from National Theatre Live At Home, as a group. These were 'One Man, Two Guvnors' and 'Treasure Island'. They are putting a different play up on YouTube every Thursday at 7pm.
Search on YouTube for 'National Theatre Live'.



'Stay Up Late' have organised the Gig Buddies Coronavirus Festival. There is live music being streamed most nights. You might have caught Sam hosting the Gig Buddies Scotland Takeover streams. There is a lot of variety in these streams.
Facebook - Gig Buddies Coronavirus Fest

CATCH A LIVESTREAM



The Stand have comedy clubs in Edinburgh and Glasgow. They are hosting live comedy shows on YouTube on Saturday nights at 8:30pm. You can find out the lineup by going to www.thestand.co.uk.

YouTube - The Stand Comedy Club



Davy Holt is a Scottish musician who has been livestreaming every night on his 'The Lockdown Gigs' Facebook Page. Everynight is based around a different theme. He streams from Monday to Saturday at 7pm.

Facebook - The Lockdown Gigs



Lyle Divinsky hosts his Fireside Facebook Livestream every Wednesday at 7pm. Expect soul and R&B music.

Facebook - Lyle Divinsky



You Call That Radio? "A podcast badly disguising itself as a radio show that discusses the art of everything with creative minds from Scotland and beyond". Livestreaming every night at 7pm.

Facebook - You Call That Radio

If you have any livestream or podcast recommendations, please feel free to share them with the group over on our 'Gig Buddies Sctoland Members Group' Facebook Page!

THE GIG BUDDIES

BAKE OFF

On Saturday 2nd of May we held our first Gig Buddies Bake off! 12 Gig Buddies bakers came together over zoom, to show off their baking skills. The results were amazing!

CAMMY



THE JUDGE

A message from Cammy

"Gig Buddies is about getting everyone involved and having a bit of fun. I enjoy getting in the kitchen, baking can be fun and it can be messy. I've been doing it for a long time, my aunty helps me with my baking usually, but we can't meet up at the moment. I enjoy baking myself, but I wanted to get everyone involved, have a laugh and not be too serious about baking.

I really enjoyed seeing everyone baking, it was great seeing people get involved. I loved seeing everyone getting excited and starting to bake early. It's just amazing. I want to say thank you to everyone for joining in. Well done to everyone, you all did really well. It's all about being creative, it's just a bit of fun!"

THE ENTRANTS



**NIAMH'S
UNCORN
SPONGE CAKE**



**MARTIN'S
COFFEE CAKE**



**ALEX'S
GIG BUDDIES
SPONGE CAKE**



**ANGIE'S
COCONUT AND CHOCOLATE
TRUFFLES**



**KATHRYN'S WHITE CHOCOLATE
AND RASPBERRY SCONES**





**BETH'S
CHEESE SCONES**



**KIRSTY'S
GIG BUDDIES
SPONGE CAKE**



**COLIN'S
COFFEE CAKE**



**JOSEPH'S
RED VELVET CAKE**



**MOLLY'S
BEETROOT
BROWNIES**



**SAM'S
RECORD RAINBOW CAKE**



STAR BAKER

AMY'S GUITAR CAKE



Congratulations Amy!
The cake looks absolutely amazing and you are our first ever Gig Buddies Star Baker. A Gig Buddies Star Baker apron is being ordered for you!



CAMMY'S COMMENT'S



"It was really on the theme, it was WOW! It must have taken a long time and a lot of planning!"

STAR BAKER AMY

"It was quite easy, I enjoyed decorating it, and eating it! Everyone else's bakes look nice"



You can read more of Cammy's comments on other bakes in our 'Bake Off Special Edition Newsletter' over on Facebook!

We ran our first virtual DJ night in April, and it was an instant hit! We have since had a second and will be holding a third this week.



Gig Buddies members Al, Colin, and Chris have been spinning for Gig Buddies members on zoom, as well as organising their own karaoke sessions on messenger.



Highlight of the DJ nights have included Chris' Elton John Costume change and air guitar skills, as well as a hilarious sing-a-long to Chuck Berry's My Ding-A Ling!

Join the Zoom call on Wednesday 20th May to join in the fun!



Al, Chris, and Colin have taken to calling themselves The Three Amigos, or The Three Stooges. Though they have become fast friends through messenger, they haven't all met in real life! Chris and Al already knew each other, but Colin met the other two on zoom through Gig Buddies.

Colin says "It's been great to connect with people on all kinds of Social Media. Music helps people feel better and brings people together, and it's been amazing to get to do this. I love it!"

DJ'S TOP TUNES

Once in a Lifetime- Talking Heads

The Only Way is Up - Otis Clay

**Just Keep Rockin -
Double Trouble and the Rebel MC**

Don't Go - OMD

**Band On The Run -
Paul McCartney and Wings**

Rocket Man - Elton John





VIRUS ADVICE

We want our members to connect and have fun in this difficult time, but it's still really important that everyone stays safe. We're going to be including links to the latest health advice in each of our weekly newsletters.

EASY READ FROM MENCAP

For a great easy read guide on everything you need to know, head over to:
www.mencap.org.uk/advice-and-support/health/coronavirus

NHS ADVICE

For all up to date health advice and 'stay at home' guidelines, please go to:
www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/

**PLEASE FOLLOW THE ADVICE
AND KEEP YOURSELF SAFE**

STAY IN TOUCH WITH US



GET IN TOUCH WITH US

We'll be sending out another newsletter next monday, but you can still get in touch with your local coordinator the usual way and we'll be more than happy to answer your questions. Rememer to follow us on Facebook and check your emails for all up to date information.



Gig Buddies Scotland

WE'LL STAY IN TOUCH WITH YOU

We're going to be getting in touch with our members individually over the phone. We want to make sure that everyone knows how to stay connected with the group.

DONT BE A STRANGER. GET IN TOUCH.

SEND US YOUR STORIES.

OUR NEXT NEWSLETTER IS OUT ON MONDAY 27TH APRIL