

creweroots



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Well, of all the nights we've ever put on, Martin Stephenson's gig was certainly one of the most memorable! Things happened on that night that we've simply never witnessed before and it just goes to show how word of mouth has started to change the whole nature of what we've set out to do. It was a great turn-out, we were able to be generous again with Martin and his performance was clearly one of the most versatile and comprehensive we've ever seen.

Just in case you haven't noticed, the website has been updated (thanks again techie-Dave) and there are now photographs and videos from the night so you can relive the experience and if you didn't make it you can see just a snippet of what you missed.

If you're intending to book tickets for any of our future shows just get touch via the website or Richard's shop (details unchanged, see www.creweroots.co.uk). If we know you and you're a previous customer then we're happy to keep tickets aside for you to pick up

on the night but this time around we had nine people we didn't know who rang and reserved tickets but then didn't pay so we'll only do this if we know you and we're sure you're coming, new comers will need to pay in advance to secure tickets or they can pay on the door.

Matt Andersen

Wednesday 11th February – The Horseshoe



Tickets £8 in advance, £10 on the door

The next gig up is Matt Andersen at the Horseshoe. Matt's UK tour is now confirmed – he's coming over from Canada and he's playing a full 16 date tour taking in Newcastle, London and Cornwall. I've been playing his new album for a couple of months now and everyone who has heard it has been surprised by it and found even more reference points in there. I said originally that it sounded like an incredible mix of Van Morrison, John Lee Hooker, Paul Weller

and Eric Clapton... The Clapton connection is also picked up in the review of Matt's new album in this month's Classic Rock, who wrote: 'This fragile planet of ours might be in economic meltdown right now, but we'll be ok as long as Canadian Matt Andersen keeps knocking out the blues...' Reviewing the same album, the Canadian Telegraph-Journal wrote:

The album finds a great groove right away, with this solid, classic band providing a brilliant backing for Andersen's country-infused blues. It's timeless in its tales and impeccable in its playing. Shuffles, slide licks, tasty picking and full background vocals pillow Andersen's sweet singing.

You can have a listen to half a dozen songs streamed at www.stubbyfingers.ca/music.php and check out 'Working man Blues', 'Something Inbetween' and 'Have You Got the Blues?' and see what we mean.

Johnny Dickinson

Wednesday 11th March – Square One



More details to follow soon but most of you already know it's taken us a year to secure this booking and we were being contacted for tickets in November, only 24 hours after the date was announced on his website. This is going to be a busy night so get in touch early if you want tickets.

In the meantime, thanks again for turning out in big numbers again last week, hope to see you next month for Matt Andersen. Don't forget that our Stokie-chums have a truly fantastic night lined up with Mary Gauthier and Carrie Rodriguez in Congleton Town Hall on January 30th (see www.biddulphupinarms.com for details).

Happy Days,

Richard and Russell