

Micky Jones Memorial Gigs

The life of Micky Jones, guitarist and singer with progressive rockers Man, will be celebrated this September by not one but two memorial gigs. Both take place at the Pontardawe Arts Centre, Swansea, on 3rd and 18th September, and the bills are packed with contemporaries anxious to play their part in honouring a Welsh rock legend.

Micky Jones was the only ever-present member of Man, who split in 1976 and re-formed in 1983, until a brain tumour caused his departure in 2002. He returned briefly two years later but retired from touring in 2005 and passed away this March. His inspired improvisation was well known in the music business and Frank Zappa, himself a master of the art, rated Micky one of his favourite six-stringers.

Saturday 18th at the same venue will see Jones' long-time guitar partner in man, Deke Leonard, bring his Iceberg to the stage for an all too rare gig. In support will be the Flying Pigs (a band Micky graced during Man's 1977-82 hiatus), plus the Green Ray featuring ex-Man bassist Ken Whaley. Many more artists are expected to be announced in for this special event in due time.

"It's gratifying so many of Dad's contemporaries are taking the time to participate. We know fans will be flying in from all points of the compass to join in too, and these events will be a celebration of his ability to touch fans and fellow musicians alike."

Tickets will be available soon from Derricks/Ticket Wales (standing tickets) and The Pontardawe Arts Centre (balcony/seated tickets).

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FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 3RD

A Concert For Micky

Racing Cars
Sassafras

S.O.M. (featuring George Jones and Bob Richards)
Plus very special guest Edgar Broughton

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 18TH

"Be good to yourself at least one more time"
A tribute to Micky Jones

Deke Leonard's Iceberg
The Flying Pigs
The Green Ray
The Groundhogs

Many other acts and special guests T.B.C.

Proceeds for the concert will go to the Samantha Dickinson Brain Tumour Trust,
Awel Y Mor Care Center and a headstone for Micky.