

# What's On @ Walsall FC

July 2009 - December 2009



Your six month  
guide to what's  
going on at the  
Banks's Stadium

## **Walsall Football Club**

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

## July - December 2009

### JULY

- 3 'Big Up The 90's'  
Tickets are £30 and include a four-course meal  
or £20 to include a two-course summer menu

### AUGUST

- 28 Talon – Eagles Tribute  
Tickets are £30 and include a four-course meal or £18 show only

### SEPTEMBER

- 17 Russell Johnson's Quiz Night £6.00 per team of four  
25 'Magic Of The 80's'  
Tickets are £30 and include a four-course meal or £18 show only

### OCTOBER

- 2 Magic Of Motown  
Tickets are £30 and include a four-course meal or £18 show only  
8 Sporting Dinner with John Conteh and comedian Mick Miller  
Tickets are £30 and include a four-course meal  
15 Amateur Boxing Dinner Show plus comedian Micky Gunn  
Tickets £30 to include four-course meal  
17 Comedy Night with Jimmy Cricket, Johnnie Casson and Jed Stone  
Tickets are £30 and include a four-course meal or £18 show only

### NOVEMBER

- 12 Russell Johnson's Quiz Night £6.00 per team of four  
13 The Billy Fury Experience  
Tickets are £30 and include a four-course meal or £18 show only  
19 Sporting Dinner with Jimmy Greaves and comedian Tom Pepper  
Tickets are £35 and include a four-course meal  
20 Smackee: The Musicals  
Tickets are £30 and include a four-course meal or £18 show only

### DECEMBER

- 2 Sporting Dinner with Jack Charlton and comedian Mike Farrell  
Tickets are £35 and include a four-course meal  
3 Sporting Dinner with Bryan Robson and comedian Jed Stone  
Tickets are £35 and include a four-course meal  
10 Christmas Amateur Boxing Dinner Show with comedian Lee Wilson  
Tickets are £35 and include a five-course meal  
17 Christmas Amateur Boxing Dinner Show with comedy impressionist Leslie Gibson  
Tickets are £35 and include a five-course meal  
20 An evening with Joe Longthorne  
Tickets are £50 to include four-course meal  
22 Russell Johnson's Quiz Night £6.00 per team of four  
31 New Years Eve with The Searchers and comedian Ollie Spencer  
Tickets are £65 to include a five-course meal  
31 New Years Eve with 'Thank You For The Music' and comedian Ian 'Sludge' Lees  
Tickets are £60 to include a four-course meal

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## Your six-month guide

The Banks's Stadium is one of the Midlands' premier entertainment venues.

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- Football Experiences
- Sporting Dinners
- Cabaret Nights
- Corporate & Private Events
- Banquets
- Party Nights
- Wedding Receptions
- Community Activities

To find out more, please read on. To book an event, simply call our Box Office on **0871 663 0111/0222** or purchase your tickets online at [www.m6j9.com](http://www.m6j9.com).



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**NEW  
FOR  
2009!**

*From the makers of*  
**"Kick up the 80's"**

# BIG UP THE 90'S

From **boy band** to **brit pop**, via **girl power**, this is a live celebration of the 1990's.

Featuring the music of **Take That, Spice Girls, Blur, Pulp, Oasis, Britney Spears** and *many more.*

Brought to you with all the humour and passion you've come to expect from **Kick up the 80's...** but set in the **90's!**

## 'Big Up The 90's'

**The Banks's Stadium, Walsall**

**Friday, 3rd July 2009**

Tickets £30 to include four-course meal or  
£20 to include a two-course summer menu

Book your tickets now, call the Box Office on **0871 663 0111/0222**



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# Talon

## Tribute to the Eagles

Friday, 28th August 2009

**Tickets £30 to include four-course meal or £18 show only**



### Tribute bands do not come any better than Talon.

Their musical ability is second-to-none and they are always extremely popular here at the Banks's Stadium.

The band interchange guitars and keyboards with the lead vocal passing from one to another. All the classic Eagles hits are performed from 'Desperado' to 'Life in the Fast Lane', 'Tequila Sunrise' to 'Hotel California'.

It's not just the classics that Talon concentrate on though, with audiences treated to all that is best from The Eagles' recently released albums.

For a truly memorable night, come and see Talon.

### Talon Show Review

By Sian Silk

Being an ardent 'Eagles' fan since their first appearance in the seventies, it was with some trepidation that I agreed to accompany an earnestly eager friend to the 'Talon' tribute concert. "You'll adore them!" she'd enthused. And was I disappointed? Absolutely not!

Talon's brilliant replication of a myriad of Eagle's classics made for a truly superb evening. As the welcoming cheers and applause of the expectant crowd calmed, the opening bars of 'Take it Easy' immediately reignited the whistling and clapping - a response that continued throughout this magical evening as classics such as 'One of These Nights', 'Best of My Love', 'New Kid in Town', 'Desperado' and 'Hotel California' were played with heartfelt passion and finesse.

Indeed, Talon are an incredibly accomplished and versatile group of musicians, swapping seamlessly between instruments for virtually every song.

To cap it all, Talon are immensely personable. Not only did they engage the audience with their amusing on-stage banter and anecdote, they spent a considerable time after the show signing autographs and chatting amicably with fans. Who could fail to be smitten?

**Book your tickets now, call the Box Office on 0871 663 0111/0222**

# 'Magic Of The 80's'

Tribute to the colourful sounds of the eighties

Friday, 25th September 2009

**Tickets £30 to include four-course meal or £18 show only**



## **Non-stop Eighties hits, starring the lead singer of a hit nineties boy band, it's the Magic Of The 80's concert show!**

Among the talented cast of the fast-moving theatre show is Matthew James, formerly the lead singer with chart-topping pop group Bad Boys Inc.

He sang lead on all six of the boy band's top 20 hits, and has now traded in his pretty boy image to thrill audiences wearing a full face of make-up in the hit-packed Magic Of The 80's touring stage show.

The production pays tribute to the artists and hit songs of the eighties - the decade when real men wore make-up and backcombed girls boasted the biggest hair in history.

It was also the decade that discovered Boy George, Madonna, Blondie, Michael Jackson (as a solo artist), Bon Jovi, Duran Duran, Wham!, Soft Cell, the Eurythmics, the Human League and many, many more music icons. The Magic Of The 80's recreates the era, featuring more than 40 hit songs from this unforgettable decade.

Sandwiched in to this completely live production are classic 80's songs such as Frankie Goes To Hollywood's 'Relax', Gary Numan's 'Cars', Robert Palmer's 'Addicted to Love', Bananarama's 'Venus', Katrina and the Waves' 'Walking on Sunshine', Belinda Carlisle's 'Heaven is a Place on Earth', Tears For Fears' 'Everybody Wants to Rule the World' and Europe's 'Final Countdown'.

It guarantees to be a night to remember!



**Box Office 0871 663 0111/0222**

# The Magic Of Motown

Friday, 2nd October 2009

**Tickets £30 to include four-course meal or £18 show only**



## Relive the classics from the Tamla Motown era with The Magic of Motown.

The Magic of Motown are a superbly talented cast who bring to life the hits of the Four Tops, the Supremes, the Temptations, the Jacksons, Marvin Gaye, Stevie Wonder and many, many more.

Starring fabulous male harmonies, stunning female vocals and the supremely-talented Magic of Motown band, the fast-moving production honours the Motown legends that brought the world to its dancing feet including:

- The Temptations
- Diana Ross and the Supremes
- The Four Tops
- Marvin Gaye
- Martha Reeves
- Smokey Robinson
- Mary Wells
- Stevie Wonder
- & many, many more.

This is not just another Motown show – this is the Magic of Motown.

Book your tickets now, call the Box Office on 0871 663 0111/0222.



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# Amateur Boxing



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# g Dinner Shows

**Every quarter, we hold an Amateur Boxing Dinner Show in association with Pleck ABC at the Banks's Stadium.**

The evenings, which take place in the salubrious Bonser Suite, feature a minimum of 10 bouts, a four-course meal and entertainment from some of the best comedians on the circuit.

These action-packed boxing evenings are extremely popular, so book now to avoid disappointment!

Book now, call 0871 663 0111/0222.



## Upcoming Shows

**Thursday, 15th October**

*Amateur Boxing Dinner Show  
with comedian Micky Gunn*

Tickets £30

and include four-course meal

**Thursday, 10th December**

*Christmas Amateur Boxing Dinner Show  
with comedian Lee Wilson*

Tickets are £35

and include a five-course meal

**Thursday, 17th December**

*Christmas Amateur Boxing Dinner Show  
with comedian Leslie Gibson*

Tickets are £35

and include a five-course meal

**Box Office 0871 663 0111/0222**

# Sporting Dinner with...

# John Conteh

Thursday, 8th October 2009

**Tickets £30 to include four-course meal**

## John Conteh is one of Britain's most successful boxing champions.

At his peak in the mid to late 1970s he was touted as a possible opponent of Muhammad Ali.

He enjoyed great fame in Britain and was often on both the front and back pages of the newspapers thanks to his colourful lifestyle.

He started boxing at age 10 at the Kirkby club that was a training ground for some of the best amateur boxers, Joey Singleton, Tucker Hethering and Stuart Morton were only a few.

At 19, he won the middleweight gold medal at the 1970 British Commonwealth Games.

The early promise shown by John as an amateur soon blossomed and developed into a prolific career at a professional level.

Once again taking on the world's best, he defeated at light heavyweight, British, European and Commonwealth champions before becoming the World Boxing Councils (WBC) World Crown Holder in 1973 after defeating Argentina's Jorge Ahumada.

After successfully defending his world title three times he eventually lost his title in 1977. John tried in vain to regain his title three times, his final attempt made in 1980.

It wasn't just in the ring that Conteh found fame though. He also has the distinction of being British Superstars competition champion in 1974, the second year of the televised sporting event.

Now an after dinner speaker, the 58 year-old has plenty of tales to tell from his time both in and out the ring!

Book your tickets now, call the Box Office on 0871 663 0111/0222.

Join us for an evening with boxing sensation, John Conteh.

*The former World Light-Heavyweight Champion is sure to be a knock-out here at the Banks's Stadium and is joined by comedian, Mick Miller.*

*Tickets are £30 and include a four-course meal.*

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# Comedy Night With...

## Jimmy Cricket, Johnnie Casson and Jed Stone

Saturday, 17th October 2009

**Tickets £30 to include four-course meal or £18 show only**

**Everybody loves a good laugh and, thanks to our latest Comedy Night, that's one thing you will be guaranteed.**

Our Comedy Nights are building up a real reputation.

Where else in the Midlands can you see three superb comedians and enjoy a four-course meal for just £30?

We hold comedy nights at regular intervals, so keep an eye on [www.m6j9.com](http://www.m6j9.com) for details of future events.



### Jimmy Cricket

'Come here, closer, there's more, there's more'...legendary Irish comic Jimmy Cricket is sure to be a big hit here at the Banks's Stadium.

With his unique brand of humour, Jimmy will have you laughing from start to finish!

### Johnnie Casson

From your first encounter with Johnnie Casson you soon realise he not only tells funny stories, based on his situations in life, he is a genuine funny man with a natural asset, "like-ability". Johnnie is a regular on television and we're sure you'll find him just as funny in real life!



### Jed Stone

Jed Stone is without doubt the most versatile comedian and entertainer in the UK today.

His energy combined with lightening quick ad-libs and up-to-date material ensure his continuing popularity on the comedy circuit.



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# The Billy Fury Experience

Tribute to Billy Fury with Fury's Tornados  
Friday, 13th November 2009

Tickets £30 to include four-course meal or £18 show only



## Feel the Fury –

### 25 Years on from the Death of a British Rock Icon

*Halfway to Paradise; The Billy Fury Story comes to the Banks's Stadium.*

In 1983, Britain lost one of its most treasured, iconic, rock and roll stars, while his band lost their valued friend and lead singer to a long-term heart problem. After mourning their loss, the band began to dream of carrying on the legend, recapturing the memories of yesteryear and providing fans with a nostalgic taste of their lost idol.

It was not until 1996 that a young man, bearing a spine-tingling familiarity, appeared on television screens across the country and announced, "Tonight Matthew, I'm going to be Billy Fury". Colin Gold went on to stun Fury's Tornados with a performance that perfectly recreated the sound and sight of the original rocker. From that moment on, the band's dream suddenly had a chance of being fulfilled and soon afterwards, The Billy Fury Story was born.

Having celebrated their 10th anniversary together last year, Colin and the original band continue to tour, performing the greatest Fury hits of the 60s and 70s, delighting audiences at many of the UK's largest venues and concert halls and will be heading to the Banks's Stadium, Walsall on Friday, 13th November.

At the height of Billy's fame in the 60s, only The Beatles, Elvis Presley and Cliff Richard secured more records in the UK Top 20. Timeless hits such as I Will, Jealousy, It's Only Make Believe and, of course, Halfway to Paradise will be performed on stage in a two-hour spectacular show that includes a narration of Billy's life, from his humble beginnings working the River Mersey tug-boats through to his music success, and exclusive screen footage of the man himself in action with Fury's Tornados.

Lead guitarist, and unofficial organiser of the band, Chris Raynor comments, "It's been 25 years since we lost Billy and while he will never be replaced in our hearts and minds we do hope to offer the fans, new and old alike, a show to remember him by."

**To book tickets for Halfway to Paradise; The Billy Fury Story at the Banks's Stadium call the Box Office on 0871 663 0111/0222.**

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# Sporting Dinner with...

# Jimmy Greaves

Thursday, 19th November 2009

**Tickets £35 to include four-course meal**

**Born in the east end of London in 1940, it was clear to see from a very early age that James Peter Greaves had a special talent for football.**

He was soon snapped up by Chelsea and at the tender age of 17 made his first-team debut.

Not only did he go on to secure a regular starting place for the Stamford Bridge club but also became the youngest-ever top goalscorer in 1959 and his 41 League goals in 1960/61 remains a club record. In fact, he celebrated scoring his 100th League goal just before his 21st Birthday – a record for a player of his age.

He won his first cap for England as a teenager and went on to represent his country 57 times, scoring 44 goals, which included a record six hat-tricks, to leave him third in the all-time scorers' list. Sadly, an injury picked up during the 1966 World Cup Finals meant that he went on to miss the Final against West Germany.

His reputation spread world-wide and in 1961 he was signed by European giants, AC Milan. In those days it was uncommon for English players to be signed by top foreign clubs.

Finding it difficult to settle in Italy, he nevertheless weighed in with nine goals from 12 games but when the opportunity arose to return home, he grabbed it with both hands and joined Tottenham Hotspur for a fee of £99,999, meaning that he missed out on becoming the first £100,000 player

in Britain by just one pound!

It was a shrewd move by Spurs boss, Bill Nicholson as it took the pressure off his shoulders and he went on to enjoy a fruitful time at the club where he scored a highly-impressive 266 times in 379 outings during almost ten years at White Hart Lane.

Sadly silverware for Tottenham never matched his individual success, but he helped the club lift the FA Cup in 1962 and 1967 as well as the UEFA Cup in 1963.

At the age of 30 he finally achieved one of his ambitions by joining West Ham United, where he scored twice on his debut on his way to a total of 13 goals for the club in 1970/71.

He went on to serve Brentwood Town, Chelmsford City and Barnet as he continued to play – and score goals – well into his 30s.

He then went on to become a well-known television presenter, co-hosting the cult football show, Saint and Greavsie alongside Ian St. John from 1985 to 1992.

He has also appeared on many other football programmes over the years and written a host of articles for various national newspapers and magazines.

A legend both on and off-the-pitch, Jimmy Greaves was justly rewarded with acceptance into the English Football Hall of Fame in 2002.

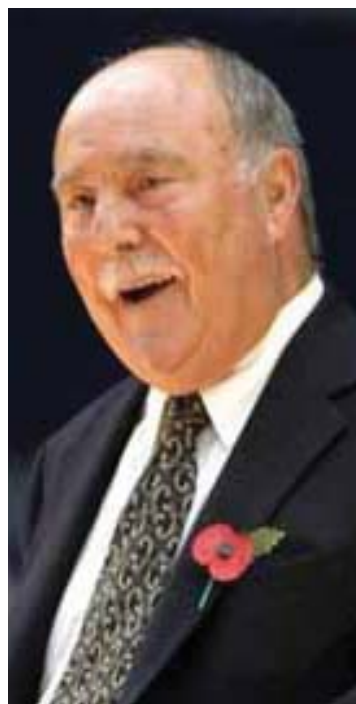
We look forward to welcoming him to the Banks's Stadium.

**Book your tickets now, call the Box Office on 0871 663 0111/0222.**

*Join us for an evening with former England and Tottenham Hotspur hot-shot, Jimmy Greaves, who will be joined by comedian Tom Pepper.*

**Tickets are £35 and include a four-course meal.**

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# 'Smackee': The Musicals

A Musical Spectacular  
Friday, 20th November 2009

**Tickets £30 to include four-course meal or £18 show only**



**'Smackee' have, over the last 10 years, established themselves as England's Premier Showgroup.**

The Musicals represents all that's best from the West End and Broadway, and features the hit songs from:

- Grease
- Evita
- Phantom of the Opera
- Joseph
- Cabaret
- Les Miserables
- & many more

Theatre appearances include The Waterfront Belfast, The York Opera House and Her Majesty's Theatre Aberdeen.

Cabarets and corporate shows throughout Europe include prestigious events for The British Tourist Board and British Telecom in both Athens and Vienna. London appearances include The Dorchester, Hilton and Grosvenor House hotels.

Enjoy a dramatic, dynamic, delightful evening here at the Banks's Stadium thanks to Barry Walker's 'Smackee'.

**Book your tickets now, call the Box Office on 0871 663 0111/0222.**



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# Christmas

## Christmas Party Nights

Get in the festive spirit at the Banks's Stadium.

Each party night will have the main cabaret artiste, disco, four-course dinner and late bar. Non-refundable deposits are required on all bookings.

**£37.50 per person.**

A £10 deposit is required to secure your booking. A £20 deposit is required for bookings of 50 tickets or more.

Book now by calling our Events Team on **01922 651 418** or email [events@walsallfc.co.uk](mailto:events@walsallfc.co.uk)

| Day      | Date | Bonser Suite                       | Stadium Suite             |
|----------|------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Friday   | 4th  | Soul Survivors                     | Big Up The 90's           |
| Saturday | 5th  | Skools Out                         | Kick Up the 80's          |
| Friday   | 11th | World's Greatest Funk & Soul Party | Badness - Madness Tribute |
| Saturday | 12th | Mixer                              | Red Shed                  |
| Thursday | 17th | Kick Up the 80's                   |                           |
| Friday   | 18th | Brothers Of Soul                   | Big Up The 90's           |
| Saturday | 19th | Elvis & Band                       | Quill                     |
| Monday   | 21st | Fake That                          | Kick Up The 80's          |

## Your Christmas Itinerary

|                |   |
|----------------|---|
| <b>7.00pm</b>  | Bar open  |
| <b>7.30pm</b>  | Your menu choices will be taken on the evening and dinner is served at 7:30pm |
| <b>9.00pm</b>  | The entertainment begins!   |
| <b>12.30am</b> | Bar closes  |
| <b>1.15am</b>  | Carriages   |



Find out more about Christmas & New Year 20



# A Bit More About The Bands

**The Soul Survivors** – One of the country's top exponents of classic soul music, taking their inspiration and material from such greats like: Otis Redding, Sam & Dave, The O'Jays, The Detroit Spinners, Isley Brothers and Marvin Gaye, delivering it with great authenticity and enthusiasm.

**Big Up The 90's** - The premier tribute act to the music and fashion of the 1990's. Covering all genres from the era, Big Up The 90's take you on a tour from Brit Pop to Boy Bands via a bit of Girl Power!

**Kick Up The 80's** - Whether you remember the 80's, or you're discovering the decades music for the first time, Kick Up The 80's are the UK's most popular tribute to the 80's.

**Red Shed** - A lively, extravagant and zany five-piece party band offering a completely unique live show and musical experience that covers a variety of genres from pop to rock.

**Quill** - A four boy, two girl celtic rock/pop band featuring violin and mandolin along with vocal harmonies.

**Brother Of Soul** – A superb soul band specialising in the music of the Temptations, the Drifters and the Four Tops.

**Mixer** – The talented four-piece band play a mixture of music from across the decades.....all live!

**Skools Out** – A superb party band covering a range of genres from a whole-host of eras. From Lionel Richie to Dolly Parton, Jason & Kylie to the Spice Girls; there's something for everyone!

**World's Greatest Soul and Funk Party** – Exactly what you'd imagine! 'Get down' and enjoy a funkalicious evening.

*Badness, Fake That and Elvis pay tribute to Madness, Take That and Elvis Presley respectively.*

## Your Christmas Menu 2009

Homemade cream of tomato and basil soup (v)  
with bread roll & butter  
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Ardennes pate with plums and brandy  
on a bed of winter leaves with melba toast & onion  
chutney  
---ooo000ooo---

Roast Norfolk turkey breast  
served with seasoning balls, pigs in blankets  
and a rich roast gravy  
---ooo000ooo---

'Three-hour braised' lamb shank  
in a rosemary and mint jus with roast root vegetables  
---ooo000ooo---

Mushroom stroganoff (v)  
served with timbale of rice  
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Butternut squash and cashew nut roast  
with cranberry and orange sauce  
---ooo000ooo---

Roast potatoes  
Glazed carrots and peas  
Broccoli and cauliflower florets  
---ooo000ooo---

Caramel chocolate truffle  
with rich chocolate sauce  
---ooo000ooo---

Baked lemon bruleé cheesecake  
with tangy passionfruit coulis  
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Freshly brewed coffee and mini mince pies

### Gluten Free Menu

*(available for Christmas & New Year)*

Cream of tomato and basil soup  
with bread roll & butter  
or

Trio of melon  
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Roast turkey breast with a gluten free gravy  
or

'Three-hour braised' lamb shank  
Served with gluten free gravy & roast root vegetables  
or

Mushroom Stroganoff (v)  
served with timbale of rice  
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'Dime Bar Cake' with raspberry coulis  
or

Fresh fruit salad

*Other dietary requirements can be accommodated if  
advance notice is given.*

# 'Thank You For The Music'

The Banks's Stadium, Walsall

Friday, 23rd January 2009



**The 2009 season of cabaret shows kicked off in fine style at The Banks's Stadium with a full house all keen for an evening of 70's and 80's nostalgia with music from Abba and The Bee Gees.**

After enjoying the delicious four-course meal, the sell-out crowd were treated to a superb evening of entertainment, opening with The Bee Gees singing 'Staying Alive', written for the film 'Saturday Night Fever'.

This was quickly followed by another classic, their first UK number one, the 1967 hit 'Massachusetts', which had the audience swaying along.

The first half was concluded with the ever popular 'Chain Reaction', and possibly the brothers most famous track, the classic 1979 number 'Tragedy'.

Cabaret nights at The Banks's Stadium are a great way

to celebrate a birthday and many audience members were doing exactly that, with ages ranging from 18 up to 60 plus, and all thoughts of recession and the 'credit crunch' were forgotten for a night of fun.

Next up it was those Swedish superstars ABBA, opening up with 'Gimme! Gimme! Gimme!' and continuing with a selection of their massive chart successes, including 'Dancing Queen' and 'Mamma Mia'.

The success of the recent film proves this 'supergroup' are still as popular today as they were in the late 70's and this was clearly in evidence.

Sadly the evening had to draw to a close and the final track of the set was the title to the show, the magical 'Thank You For The Music', well so we thought....Back they came with the Eurovision winning 'Waterloo'.

All that's left to say, after such a memorable evening, is 'Thank You For The Music'

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# Sporting Dinner with...

# Jack Charlton

Wednesday, 2nd December 2009

**Tickets £35 to include four-course meal**

## Jack Charlton Biography

**Jack Charlton was an uncompromising, no-nonsense central defender who served Leeds United for over 20 years, during which time he made a total of 773 appearances.**

Whilst at Elland Road, Charlton was a League Cup winner in 1968, helped them lift the Fairs Cup on two occasions (1968 and 1971), claimed a League Championship medal in 1969 before becoming an FA Cup winner in 1972.

He also picked up the Footballer of the Year award in 1967.

An England International, he won 35 caps and was part of the team that famously lifted the World Cup in 1966.

After hanging up his boots, he went into management firstly with Middlesbrough, where he was named Manager of the Year at the end of his first season after guiding the club back into the top-flight by a considerable margin.

He then went to Sheffield Wednesday, who he guided to promotion from Division Three, before having a brief spell back at Middlesbrough in 1983.

Newcastle United was his next port of call, but after an unsuccessful year at St. James' Park, he quit.

Given the task of revitalising the Republic of Ireland team on the International stage, he spent nine successful years at the helm to become an honorary Irishman.

During his time as manager he guided them to the European Championships in 1988 (where he plotted the downfall of England) before taking them to their first World Cup Finals in 1990 and again in 1994.

A colourful character, he was awarded the OBE and inducted into the English Football Hall of Fame in 2005 in recognition of his contribution to our National Game.

*Jack Charlton is always a popular after-dinner speaker here at the Banks's Stadium.*

*Drawing on a lifetime of experience within the game, Jack has many a tale to tell.*

*Join Jack and comedian Mike Farrell here for a great night of entertainment. Add a four-course meal and, for just £35, you will be guaranteed a night to remember.*

*Book your tickets now,  
call the Box Office on*

**0871 663 0111/0222**



# Sporting Dinner with...

# Bryan Robson

Thursday, 3rd December 2009

**Tickets £35 to include four-course meal**

**Born in Chester-le-Street in the north-east of England, Bryan Robson began his career at West Bromwich Albion where he came through the ranks to sign a professional contract in the summer of 1974.**

Making his first-team debut during the following year, his appearances were initially sporadic, but he started to secure a regular place in the side in 1976/77 when top-flight football had returned to The Hawthorns.

A broken leg and then a broken ankle halted his progress, but he went on to become a key player during Ron Atkinson's tenure as Albion finished third in Division One in 1978/79.

In 1980 he won the first of 90 full caps for England, with his committed and no-nonsense displays marking him out as one of the brightest up-and-coming talents in the country.

He eventually followed Ron Atkinson to Manchester United in a £1.5million deal in October 1981 and he went on to make the number seven shirt his own, earning the nickname 'Captain Marvel' as he skippered both club and country with tremendous courage and an outstanding will-to-win.

He lifted his first trophy for United in 1983 as they won the FA Cup and the following year signed a seven-year deal with the club.

Another FA Cup win followed in 1985, but it was to be another five years until the club won another trophy and in that time Alex Ferguson had replaced Ron Atkinson at the helm. In fact, Robson became the first United captain to lift the FA Cup three times following their victory over Crystal Palace in 1990.

Helping the club win the Cup Winners' Cup in 1991 at the end of a season that had been disrupted through injury, he continued to be blighted by various injuries but managed to finally win a League Championship medal in 1992/93.

He made enough appearances to win another Premiership Champions medal in 1993/94, but was left out of the FA Cup Final side and after almost 500 appearances and 99 goals, he accepted the role of player-manager at Middlesbrough in May 1994.

Also assisting Terry Venables with the England team, he took Middlesbrough back into the top-flight before leading the club to runners-up in both the League Cup and FA Cup in 1996/97, a season in which they also suffered relegation.

Bringing Boro back up at the first attempt, they also reached the Final of the League Cup for the second year in succession, but lost out to Chelsea.

Leaving the Riverside Stadium in June 2001, he then had a brief spell at the Bradford City helm before returning to West Bromwich Albion, where he was to stay for two years.

His last managerial appointment came at Sheffield United.

We look forward to welcoming this legend of the game to the Banks's Stadium. Book your tickets now, call the Box Office on 0871 663 0111/0222.

*It's back-to-back England Legends at the Banks's Stadium this Christmas as Bryan Robson joins us to talk about his colourful career.*

*He will be joined by comedian Jed Stone for what promises to be a Christmas cracker.*

*Tickets are £35 and include a four-course meal.*

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**A**ims to provide an innovative

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**For further information contact Sue Lane at the Centre on (01922) 629 238**

# Wedding & Prom Fayres at the Banks's Stadium

## Throughout the year Walsall Football Club play host to Wedding & Prom Fayres.

This enables us to provide our customers with the opportunity to view our unique facilities, and sample the services of some excellent local companies.

From balloons to dresses, limousines to tuxedos, photographers to chocolate fountains, visitors will find everything they need under one roof, including the perfect venue.

With one of our stunning fashion shows to end the evening, our visitors leave having ticked all the boxes for a successful event!

## Forthcoming Fayres

### *Wedding Fayre*

Wednesday, 9th September 2009

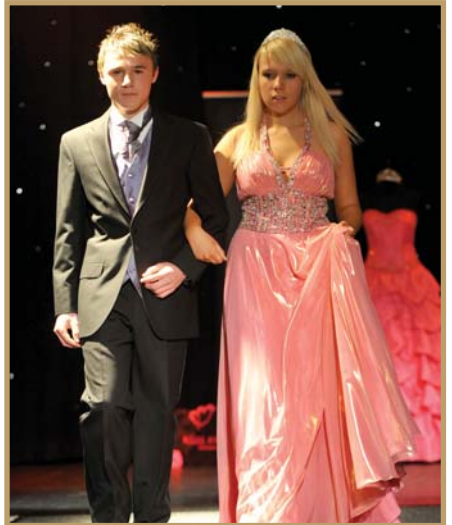
### *Prom Fayre*

Wednesday, 14th October 2009

For both events, doors open at 7.00pm and entrance is free!

To find out more, call the Events Team on

**(01922) 651 418**



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# An evening with Joe Longthorne

Sunday, 20th December 2009

**Tickets £50 to include four-course meal**



## Joe Longthorne is back at the Banks's Stadium!

**The ever-popular entertainer is always a sell-out and we are delighted to be welcoming him back to Walsall for what is sure to be another unforgettable evening.**

Joe captured the nations hearts in the 1980's and was a regular turn on variety shows such as 'Live from the Palladium'. He also had his own television series.

As a live entertainer, Joe has wowed audiences across the globe.

Over the last three decades Joe has proved to be one of Britain's best-loved and enduring entertainers. If you haven't seen him live yet, make sure you book your place here at the Banks's Stadium. If you have seen him live, you will need no persuading to see him again!

**Book your tickets now, call the Box Office on 0871 663 0111/0222.**

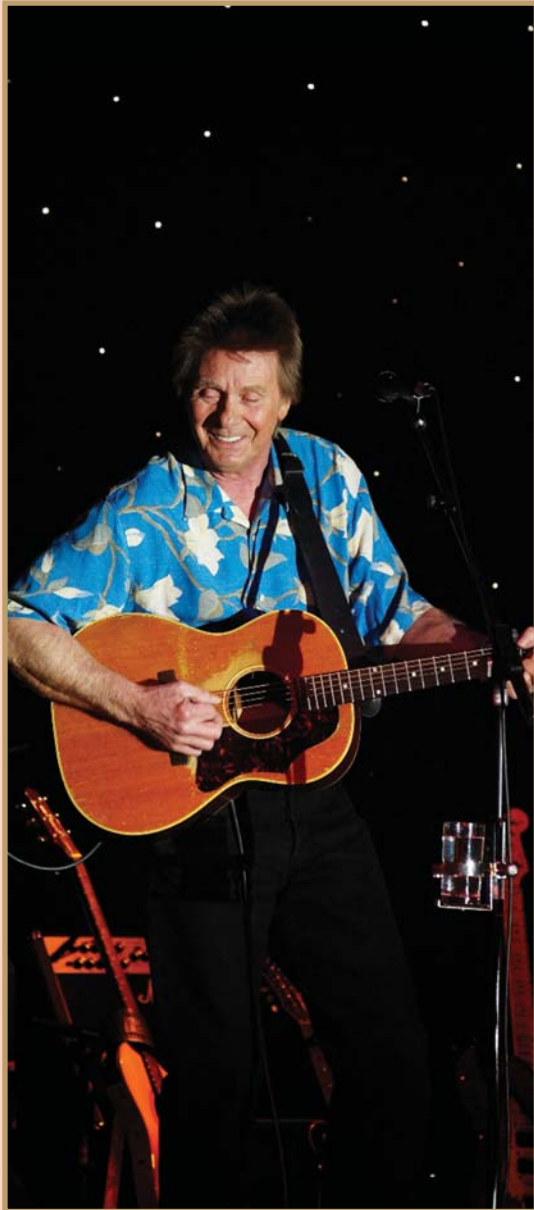
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**Box Office 0871 663 0111/0222**

# Joe Brown

The Banks's Stadium, Walsall

Saturday, 18th April 2009



**Joe Brown was, as is seemingly always the case, in fine form during his latest appearance at the Banks's Stadium.**

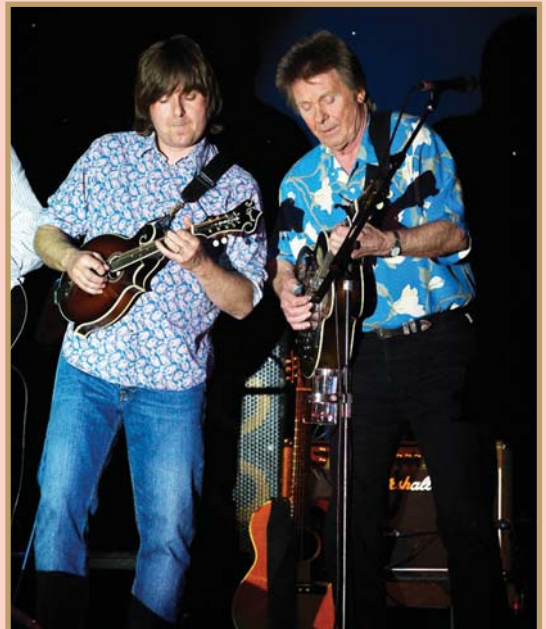
The evening began with excellent comedian, Jimmy Bright. It was joke-a-minute stuff from the Jim Davidson-esque comic, who certainly knew how to warm up the audience.

Then came Joe, accompanied by his band and son, Pete. Joe performed all of his classic hits such as 'A Picture Of You' and 'I'm Henry The Eighth' with great aplomb and was just as comfortable performing alone as he was with his talented group of backing musicians.

He also covered tracks such as U2's 'Still Haven't Found What I'm Looking For' and Elvis' 'All Shook Up'.

Joe proved that the rock 'n' roll era is still much-loved as the entire audience danced and sang along.

He finished with 'I'll See You In My Dreams' and, after this performance, so will I.



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**Walsall Football Club Limited**  
presents

# Russ Johnson's Quiz Night

in  
**The Swifts Lounge,  
Banks's Stadium,  
Walsall**  
Quiz starts 8.00pm



**Held every  
two months  
Teams of four**

**Thursday 17th September 2009**

**Thursday 12th November 2009**

**Thursday 22nd December 2009**

**Spot prizes, lots of fun, licensed bar, bar snacks available**

**Team entry fee £6.00 per team**

**Call our Commercial Department on**

**01922 651 412**

**for information on our next Quiz Night**

# New Years Eve

## The Searchers

The Searchers are one of the few British pop groups to have maintained their position at the top for well over 40 years. Second only to The Beatles as Liverpool's finest 60's group, they are always popular here at the Banks's Stadium.

**Tickets are just £65 and include a five-course meal.**



## 'Thank You For the Music'

'Thank You For The Music' features a superb cast all performing the music of Abba and the Bee Gees. The action is non-stop and all of the classic hits from these two supremely talented groups are performed. A slickly choreographed sixties spectacular is swiftly followed by the authentic live show that is 'Thank You For The Music'.

**Tickets are just £60 and include a four-course meal.**



**Find out more about Christmas & New Year 20**



## Your New Years Eve Itinerary

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| <b>7.00pm</b> | Bar open  |
| <b>7.30pm</b> | Your menu choices will be taken on the evening and dinner is served at 7:30pm |
| <b>9.00pm</b> | The entertainment begins!   |
| <b>1.00am</b> | Bar closes  |
| <b>1.50am</b> | Carriages   |



## Your New Years Eve Menu

### The Searchers

Homemade leek, potato and chive soup (v)  
served with mini croutons, bread roll and butter

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‘Pan- fried fillet steak’

with chestnut mushrooms, smoked bacon  
and red wine jus

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Mushroom brie and redcurrant bundle (v)  
with tomato and herb sauce

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Chateau Potatoes

Glazed carrots with almonds

Fine green beans

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Passionfruit Teardrop

complemented with tangy passionfruit coulis

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‘Chef’s Cheese Board’

served with celery, grapes and savoury biscuits

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Freshly brewed coffee and petit fours

### ‘Thank You For The Music’

Homemade leek potato and chive soup (v)  
served with mini croutons, bread roll and butter

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Roast sirloin of beef ‘Yorkshire pudding’  
served with a rich roast gravy

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Mushroom brie and redcurrant bundle (v)  
served with tomato and herb sauce

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Roast potatoes

Buttered carrots and swede

Whole green beans

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Marbled chocolate and raspberry pyramid  
complemented with raspberry coulis

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Freshly brewed coffee and chocolate mints

*See Page 17 for our Gluten-Free Menu*

# Weddings at Banks's Stadium



**You don't have to be a football fan to hold your wedding at Walsall Football Club, just a fan of excellent food and service combined with a unique venue.**

We will listen to your ideas and, whether you require a small intimate wedding or a large lavish occasion, we will provide a bespoke wedding tailored to your specific requirements. Our aim is to ensure your wedding day is as unique and individual as you are...

We appreciate each wedding is different and offer personalised service and support whenever you need it, our packages are designed to keep things simple without compromising on quality or content.

**For more details, call our Events Team on (01922) 651 418.**



## Asian Weddings

**As one of the Midlands' premier function venues, the Banks's Stadium plays host to Asian weddings and events.**

Our unique venue offers banqueting for up to 600 guests with a pitch-side view. We have our own Asian catering team on hand to cater to your individual requirements, along with a team of highly experienced operational staff ready to deliver winning results.

- Banqueting for up to 600 guests
- Civil License - Ideal for Register Weddings, Pre-Wedding Parties and Ladies Sangeet
- Private Parking for up to 1,200 vehicles
- Dressing Rooms
- Large Stage and Dance Floor
- PA & Lighting System
- Hotel on site
- Packages to suit your needs from 'Room Only' to 'All Inclusive' Packages
- We will even put your name on our scoreboard!

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## MATCHDAY HOSPITALITY

Make your visit to the Banks's Stadium a real social occasion.

The VIP Matchday Hospitality Package includes:

- Car parking
- Superb four-course meal in The Bonser Suite
- Matchday Programme
- Centre stand match ticket
- Half-time refreshments
- Access to licensed bar facilities before and after the game

*Call our Commercial Department on  
(01922) 651 412 for more information.*

## MATCHDAY MASCOT

A day to remember for any youngster - leading The Saddlers onto the pitch and taking part in the pre-match activities.

Matchday Mascot Package includes:

- Car parking
- Four course pre-match meal
- Matchday Programme
- Souvenir gift for each guest
- Centre stand match ticket
- Full Walsall FC replica kit for the Mascot
- Acknowledgement of sponsorship plus editorial and photograph of the Mascot in the Matchday Programme
- Half time refreshments
- Presentation of signed Walsall FC football to Mascot by the Man of the Match
- Photographs of the Mascot before and after the match
- DVD of mascot available at £15 per copy
- Acknowledgement of your sponsorship on the Official Website in the build up to the game

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## EXECUTIVE BOX HIRE

Our refurbished Executive Boxes seat ten people and offer panoramic views of the pitch.

The Executive Box Package includes:

- Five car parking permits
- Seating capacity for ten guests
- Ten Matchday Programmes
- Flat-screen television with satellite provision and access to Saddlers TV
- Intercom to bar and waitress service
- Refreshments at half time
- Use of The Priority Lounge
- Full catering service available

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# Football Experience

Make your afternoon at Walsall Football Club that extra bit special...

To find out more call the Commercial Department on (01922) 651 412.



**For more information on all of the above call our  
Commercial Department on (01922) 651 412**

# Conference &



## The Banks's Stadium boasts one of the largest and most prestigious conference & events venues in the Midlands.

### We offer the following:

- A wide range of stylish suites that accommodates up to 700 guests
- An extensive range of food and beverages
- Bescot Station - just 500 yards from the stadium, linking to the national rail network
- Excellent road links - we are sited just 1 mile from the M6 Junction 9
- The highest number of free car parking spaces for a UK football venue - 1,200 within the stadium grounds
- All rooms hold a license for civil ceremonies

This prestigious venue offers extensive flexibility of use with a full range of facilities, and is suitable for every occasion or event. Whether you are planning an intimate private party, or an important board meeting, our experienced event co-ordinators are on hand to guide you through every step. Our professional and dedicated Operations Team co-ordinate all our events, ensuring no detail is left to chance.

To arrange a visit from one of our sales team or to view the superb facilities we have to offer please contact us on (01922) 651 418 or email [sales@walsallfc.co.uk](mailto:sales@walsallfc.co.uk)



## THE STADIUM SUITE

- Capacity for up to 700 delegates
- Designated entrance foyer with reception desk
- Cloakroom and toilet facilities
- Cabaret stage
- Two fully equipped dressing rooms
- Sound & lighting system
- Internet access - wifi
- Two licensed bars and a wine bar
- Fully air-conditioned
- Natural daylight & overlooking pitch
- Lift access available

Capacity: Reception 700 delegates, Theatre Style Seating 650 delegates, Dinner/Cabaret 450 delegates.

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For more information on our facilities visit [www.m6j9.com](http://www.m6j9.com)

# & Banqueting

## THE BONSER SUITE

- Capacity for up to 600 guests
- Fully air conditioned
- Cloakroom and toilet facilities
- Dedicated entrance & reception area with cloakroom
- Lift for easy access
- Stage, state-of-the-art sound & lighting system
- Internet access - wifi
- A prestigious setting for major business conferences or social events
- Natural daylight & overlooking pitch
- Two sets of acoustic retractable walls gives the suite a flexibility to divide into three separate areas
- The three rooms that make up The Bonser Suite are; the Priory Lounge, Mayfair Lounge and Savoy Lounge.

Capacity: Reception 600 delegates, Theatre Style Seating 500 delegates, Dinner/Cabaret 320 delegates.



## SWIFTS EXECUTIVE LOUNGE

- Ideal room for private parties, weddings & seminars
- PA system
- Internet access - wifi
- Own bar facilities
- Toilet facilities
- Fully air-conditioned
- Natural daylight

Capacity: Reception 100 delegates, Theatre Style Seating 70 delegates, Dinner/Cabaret 40 delegates.



## DIRECTORS LOUNGE

- Ideal for small business meetings, small functions & civil ceremonies
- The Directors Lounge has its own bar and toilet facilities
- TV monitor and video
- Natural daylight

Capacity: Reception 50 delegates, Boardroom 20 delegates.



## EXECUTIVE BOXES

- Ideal for small business meetings, one to one interviews
- Fully air conditioned
- Internet access - wifi
- Natural daylight
- Television

Capacity: Reception 8 delegates, theatre style seating up to 12 delegates, Boardroom up to 10 delegates.



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