

FOLSC Jackie Oates in Concert



Saturday, 27th November dawned with frost on the ground and snow in the air. We were concerned that Jackie Oates and the band might have to cancel the gig but our misgivings were unfounded. She is one of the leading lights of the contemporary folk scene and as well as being nominated as BBC Young Folk Musician of the Year and in 2009 picked up two further awards. This year she has toured constantly in the UK and overseas including performances in Texas and New York. We were delighted therefore to welcome her and the band to Long Sutton



The village hall was dressed with the stage along one wall and individual candlelit tables created an intimate atmosphere. With excellent heating the cold November night was kept at bay and the audience was able to relax with a glass of wine or Moor beer and let the music envelop them. Jackie on vocals and violin was supported by Mike Cosgrave on accordion and keyboard, Tristan Seume on guitar, mandolin and bouzouki and James Budden on double bass. The band performed a wide selection of music from Jackie's albums.



Songlines magazine recently wrote **“Expectations for her latest album Hyperboreans were high. On all fronts Oates delivers with beautiful singing, innovative arrangements and an intriguing selection of songs”**. These comments aptly reflect the feedback received from the audience who attended our concert in Long Sutton. Those who couldn’t make it, missed a memorable and most enjoyable evening.

