

**SECOND EAST HARLING INTERNATIONAL BLUES & BEER FESTIVAL -
Mayday Bank Holiday weekend: 30th April, 1st, 2nd, 3rd May 2010.**

A great lineup for this uniquely intimate new festival of real blues and real ale in a quiet corner of rural Norfolk...at the Sports & Social Club (**The Club**), Church Road, East Harling, Norfolk, NR16 2NA.

Friday kicks off with infectious good-time blues from the home-grown **Honeydrippers Blues Band**.

Saturday welcomes **Shar-Baby** "Alabama blues singer and guitarist...a fan of Howlin' Wolf...authentic blues". Also, **Vernon Harrington**, a West Side Chicago guitarist from a dynasty that includes Eddy "The Chief" Clearwater, Lurrie Bell and the late Carey Bell. Vernon's mentor was the great guitarist Magic Sam. His recent release "West Side Blues" is a classic!

The Dave Thomas Band will be backing both of them. "Dave Thomas is a real breath of fresh air...one of the best outfits on the British scene" (Phil Wight, Blues & Rhythm). Dave is the British blues guitarist and singer best known for his work with African American blues artists in the USA and when they visit the UK to perform at Gerard Homan's celebrated **Shake Down Blues** promotions.

On **Sunday** Dave's band provides the backing for **Kathleen "KAT" Pearson-Thomas** from Longbeach, California. KAT delivers an energy-packed blues and gospel set "...a sassy lady and a hard working band" (Shake Down Blues). Plus **Grapevine** (featuring Russian guitarist Dr Ika) and **Shar-Baby & Steve Payne** "...one of the UK's finest guitarists".

Monday sees the festival out in fine style with **Paul Lamb and The King Snakes**. Paul has been described as "Europe's foremost blues harmonica exponent". Plus **Dave Thomas & James Goodwin** (world class blues and boogie woogie piano).

Other artists appearing over the weekend include: Canadian singer/songwriter/guitarist **Tony Henderson**; American singer/songwriter/guitarist **Rusty Floyd**; American bass player and singer **Paul Lawson** and Australian vocal and guitar duo **Rick & Jo Ludbrook**. A truly international gathering of blues talent!

East Harling is easy to find...on the B1111 just a few miles East as you come off the A11 near the Snetterton Racing Circuit between Norwich and Thetford. As you drive into East Harling **The Club** is right opposite the Church...a perfect location with plenty of caravan and camping facilities, local B&Bs and hotels nearby. **The Club** overlooks beautiful water meadows. With real blues and real beer on tap what more could you ask for?

For tickets/further information:

www.ehssc.org.uk

enquiries@ehssc.org.uk

