

Sidmouth Big Band 2020

Zoom workshop meetings will be Monday - Friday August 3rd-7th at 11am-12noon. The virtual ceilidh will be transmitted on Friday at 4pm. See the Sidmouth Festival Online site (<http://sidmouthfolkfestival-live.co.uk/>) in order to register and get the required meeting details. Tunes to be used are listed below [those in brackets will not be recorded, but will be in the tunebook and may be used during workshops].

After each workshop we'd like you to video yourself playing a starred tune. There is a version of each tune with a "click" and one without. It's probably best to use the "click" version. There is a 4-bar pre-intro, a 4 bar intro, then the tune proper starts. All will be played 32 bars, and 4 times through each tune. Endings vary (West Hornpipe ends on an A in place of the last B)! The waltzes are 48 bar, and will only be played 3 times each. The hornpipes will only be played 3 times each.

Please do it like this - use headphones or earpiece. Play the guide track to yourself through this using a separate device, and video yourself playing it - a straightforward phone video is fine. Landscape format for the video will work best, with you quite big in the image (on the final video, there will be many people all in small windows). Don't worry too much about getting it perfect! Then upload your video to support@nickworks.co.uk using WeTransfer (see notes at the end of this document).

The standard arrangement will be:

1st time: All play tune

2nd time: wind + melodeons play tune, fiddles + concertinas play harmony

3rd time: fiddles + concertinas play tune, wind + melodeons play harmony

4th time (not needed on waltzes or hornpipes): free-for-all :-)

Workshop 1 - We're a band! (Monday)

Tunes: 9. Wood Bridge Assembly / 10. West Hornpipe
[7. Bus Stop / 8. Kurakin]

Workshop 2 - Get the Rhythm (Tuesday)

Tunes: 13. Spanish Patriots / 14. Duke of York's Hornpipe
[11. Officers Polka / 12. Mr Rew's Heel and Toe Polka]

Workshop 3 - Phrasing for Dancing (Wednesday)

Tunes: 16. Lord St Vincent's Waltz / 15. Madame Saqui's Waltz
[3. Weighton Fair / 4. Hadrian's Wall]

Workshop 4 - Less is More (Thursday)

Tunes: 6. German Dance / 5. German Boor Dance
[1. Woodbine Cottage / 2. A Dance]

Workshop 5 - Harmony (Friday)

[Tunes: 17. Harry Enfield's Waltz / 18. String Quartet]
[19. Never Again]

Using WeTransfer

You can get the video you have made onto a PC and then transfer it using WeTransfer but it might be easier to do it direct from a smartphone.

1. Google "WeTransfer"

2. Click "Send a file?", "Add your files", "Files" (you don't have to log in)

3. Select your file to send, then "Next", "Send an email", "Next"

4. Where it says "Email to" type support@nickworks.co.uk

5. Where it says "Your email" type your email address

6. Click "Transfer". Now the tricky bit...it sends a code to your email address. You need to read that email without losing the page you are on doing the WeTransfer. You could read your email from a different device, or if you know how to switch between apps on your phone without closing them, you can do that. Enter the code and click "Verify".