

MAAA NEWSLETTER JUNE 2022

NEXT MEETING: JUNE 26, 2022 – 1:30 PM

CIOCIARO SOCIAL CLUB

144 BRIDGE STREET, NEWTON, MA 02458

Note: The Meeting Was Changed to the 4th Sunday of June Because the 3rd Is Fathers' Day

HAPPY FATHERS' DAY TO ALL THE DADS!!

JUNE IS NATIONAL ACCORDION AWARENESS MONTH



FIRST: A sincere THANK YOU to Franklin Nichols who performed for us at the May meeting. And what a performance it was! It was flawless in every way! The program was varied and we heard everything from classical to country and everything in between.

We will certainly invite Franklin back to the MAAA in the very near future.

THANK YOU FRANKLIN!



PORCHFESTS

Porchfests are annual music events held across the United States and in Canada on front [porches](#). Started in [Ithaca](#), New York, in 2007, Porchfest events bring local musicians and neighborhoods together to celebrate and create a sense of community.

Porchfest music festivals began as a means for neighbors and local community members to highlight their music on front porches. The concept was to find musicians and porches on which for them to play. The original event in Ithaca, New York, started with about 20 musicians but has since grown to over 100.

Bands, singers, and instrumentalists participate in the festival for no other reason than to showcase their talents and engage the community. Music is diverse and can range from country to pop, classical, reggae, blues, rock, jazz, Latino, R&B, folk and many others. Musicians voluntarily take to the "stage" on porches at

their designated times and perform for the public. Signs, with the artists' names and performance times are usually posted in front of the porches and online.

On June 11th members of the MAAA and/or the Ruk Orchestra participated in a Porchfest in Winchester, MA. Member Marcia Lipski originated the event in her neighborhood. Both the musicians and the audience had an enjoyable, fun afternoon. Member Dan Mackowiak provided the music program and the sound system. *Thank you* to all the participants and neighbors.



UPCOMING ACCORDION EVENTS

July 14: *The New England Digital Accordion Orchestra Summer Concert* will take place in Sturbridge, MA. Details and further information will be forthcoming.

July 24: *Porchfest* in Walpole, MA. Please see press release sent in addition to Newsletter.

August 7: *Little Rhody Accordion Festival* at VASA Park in Foster, RI. The coordinator/director for this event is MAAA member Dan Mackowiak. It is a fun filled afternoon of music, food and dancing with a Swedish twist to it. Accordionists and guests are welcome. If you wish to play please contact Dan at

dcmackowiak@verizon.net

December 31: *The New England Digital Accordion Orchestra* will be performing in Chatham on the Cape as part of their New Year's celebration.

OTHER BITS AND PIECES

Have you ever removed the grill on the right hand side and/or the plate on the left hand side of your accordion? You will be surprised how much dust may be accumulating. *Dust Off* (compressed air) or vacuuming should take care of removing it.



Great product for shining your accordion (Amazon)

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Please do not hesitate to submit photos, stories or events you wish to share with our members and audience. This is your Newsletter!

Hope to see everyone on the 26th!

Don't forget refreshments