

# COLD FLAME PERFORM THE MUSIC OF JETHRO TULL



*Pat Rowbottom – vocals, bass guitar, alto recorder*

*Rob Barnes – vocals, electric and acoustic guitar*

*Mark Parkinson – flute*

*Joe Orban – keyboards*

*Phil Marke – drums and percussion or Vince Walton – drums and percussion*

## TRIBUTE HISTORY

Throughout the band's history, beginning in 1984, Cold Flame have performed and recorded original blues rock music interspersed with elements of progressive folk rock. In 1998 having acquired a flautist in the band line-up, Cold Flame decided to present audiences with a separate live tribute show dedicated to the music of international progressive rock group Jethro Tull. Initially this was performed as a four-piece but very quickly keyboards were added which helped to expand the music and provide more authenticity to these tribute concerts which in turn heightened interest in the band's live shows. The Jethro Tull tribute show as performed by Cold Flame during the last 25 years, has seen the band headline indoor and outdoor shows, rock and biker festivals as well as blues clubs both across the UK and also in mainland Europe. This has included headlining Jethro Tull festival Conventions in both Italy and Spain. As a result of such concert opportunities and exposure, the band have been featured in the music press in Europe and on European radio stations as well as on UK local and regional radio. In recent years, Cold Flame's Jethro Tull tribute show has gained the five-piece band the reputation as one of the leading Jethro Tull tribute acts both in the UK and Europe and the band has been praised in national music magazines like 'Classic Rock' and 'A New Day'.

Cold Flame have always enjoyed links with several official ex members of the Jethro Tull band and have performed live on the same bill as Mick Abrahams, Clive Bunker, Martin Barre, Glenn Cornick, Martin Allcock, Paul Burgess and Gerry Conway as well as Tull guest musician and international violinist Anna Phoebe and Martin Barre's current bassist Alan Thompson. Cold Flame have also supported two Jethro Tull off-shoot bands - Blodwyn Pig and Wild Turkey. Additionally, the band have worked with Italian Jethro Tull tribute act – OAK. In 2018 OAK released a progressive rock double album on Aerostella Records worldwide entitled 'Giordano Bruno' which included Pat playing bass guitar on a couple of songs as well as writing the lyrics for two further songs on the album and providing some vocal backing. Some major names from the prog rock world including Curved Air's Sonja Christina, Dave Jackson [Van Der Graaf Generator] Richard Sinclair [Camel/ Caravan] as well as ex Tull and Fairport Convention musician Martin Allcock also featured on this Tull influenced rock opera studio release. Cold Flame have also performed the music of Jethro Tull alongside other major UK tribute bands including Whitesnake UK, Fleetwood Bac, Guns 2 Roses and Are You Experienced at various tribute music festivals and events around the UK.

Cold Flame have a wealth of experience and remain a band very much of today albeit with strong influences from the past. 2023 marks the band's 39<sup>th</sup> anniversary as a live and studio band. It is also 25 years since the band performed their first ever Jethro Tull tribute show - a show that has evolved over time and been seen by audiences across the UK and Europe. The band have even recorded a few Jethro Tull songs in the studio whilst the double live album - Cold Flame – 'Live up the Pool' features almost a full Jethro Tull tribute show performed by the band in 2003 in Hartlepool, England. More recently the studio album 'One Man's Wood' featured acoustic renditions of two songs from the 'This Was' Tull era.

Reflecting on the continued interest in the unique music of Ian Anderson and Jethro Tull, Cold Flame have maintained their tribute show status continuing to perform both electric and acoustic Jethro Tull tribute shows around the UK as well as discussing a return to mainland Europe for additional shows in the future. The diary is now open for 2023 with several Jethro Tull tribute shows in the pipeline for this year.

## THE TRIBUTE REPERTOIRE

The Jethro Tull tribute repertoire as performed by Cold Flame comprises music from across the decades with a particular emphasis on material between 1968 and 1980. Expect to hear classic Tull material such as Thick as a Brick, Aqualung, Locomotive Breath, Bourrée, Living in the Past and Witches Promise alongside lesser known gems in a two hour plus show full of visual and musical highlights showcasing the individual and collective talents of the five piece band. Every year the setlist programme is revamped with some songs and new arrangements coming in whilst other songs are rested to ensure the show remains fresh and imaginative.

Last year, Cold Flame presented audiences with a special show highlighting the music of the Jethro Tull album 'Aqualung' which had recently celebrated its 50th anniversary. This show will continue to be presented in 2023. However, a second 'special tribute show' will be presented to audiences during the Autumn of 2023 providing a radical change. This show will focus mainly on songs taken from Jethro Tull's first studio album 'This Was' which coincidentally will be celebrating its 55<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year.



## BOOKING COLD FLAME FOR A JETHRO TULL TRIBUTE SHOW

To book Cold Flame for a public or private Jethro Tull electric or acoustic performance email [patflame@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:patflame@yahoo.co.uk) or [info@cold-flame.co.uk](mailto:info@cold-flame.co.uk)

You can also message the band on facebook @ [www.facebook.com/ColdFlameBluesUK](https://www.facebook.com/ColdFlameBluesUK)

For more information on the band the official website address is [www.coldflame.com](http://www.coldflame.com)

Check out Cold Flame renditions of some Jethro Tull songs @ [www.youtube.com/user/ColdFlameUK/videos](https://www.youtube.com/user/ColdFlameUK/videos)