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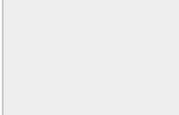
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DogFest and MoonSchein at Burt's Irish Pub

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Busked in Stowe By John Wilson | **0 comments**

As Stowe's live music calendar slides into its traditional post-Labor Day lull, one town tavern will be stepping it up with an all-day music event benefiting a popular local charity.

DogFest 2014 will be happening on Sunday, Sept. 21, from 1 to 7 p.m. to benefit the North Country Animal League.

A breezy columnist would probably go with a standard and clichéd line like, "Burt's is going to the dogs!" But not here, because "The dogs will be going to Burt's!" — with their owners — that day, at least the ones not going "stag." At Burt's, they will enjoy prizes, raffles, live local music and their chance to get their picture on NCAL's new calendar for 2015. The big group picture will be taken around 3 p.m.

The Reporter heard about this as the duo known as MoonSchein was wrapping up its area summer run, which had been picking up more fans with each appearance. An unlikely duo of 60-year-old Keith Williams and young-20s Aurora Schein has been wowing people during regular gigs at Burt's (as well as one at the neighboring Crop), putting their stamp on traditional and well known songs with Keith's grounded multi-instrumentalism and harmony with Aurora's soaring, soulful voice.

It was their last show for a while. She's going back to college, second year, in Savannah. The reporter was reminded of his own age and that only Aurora's soul is old upon asking if studying there had aroused an interest in one of its most famed residents, the late songwriter Johnny Mercer. "Ya know, 'Skylark ... have you anything to say to me?" he asked, singing. Or "Hoagy Carmichael?" "Oh, yeah, I think I've heard of him — them." This distance created by time's march seemed unfair and of faulty design to an aging singing reporter who muttered a resigned "Doggone it," perhaps uttered in an unconscious act of cross-promotion for the upcoming DogFest 2014 event he had just been told about that night. We just don't know.

A few older women, well into grandmothering years, were there that night with the regulars, giving Burt's even more of a true Irish pub vibe when one of them asked Aurora, "It's an Irish pub — how 'bout an Irish song?" She smiled and twinkled a

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MoonSchein

Aurora Schein, a sophomore in college, and Keith Williams, 60, wrap up their summer run as MoonSchein, with some guitar help from Mike Drury-Wilson.

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little mischievously and began, "As I was crossing over the Cork and Kerry mountains" and continued just a little more with the a cappella "Whiskey in the Jar" that I could see was clearly from her exposure to the version by the late 20th-century (can totally say this now) hard rock band Metallica. By the way the ladies waved it off, I'm guessing they couldn't.

The request may have gone unheeded if not for the presence of another young musician there, with his guitar, who knew the traditional "Danny Boy" because his dad, handsome and articulate, had made sure he did, or maybe just showed enough interest in the song to prompt the son to learn it himself, we just don't know.

The Reporter, tiring of being the center o' attention as the room's sole representative for this publication, said, "Hey, Aurora, do you know Danny Boy?"

She said she didn't, but the son, already sitting in on the bandstand, did. "So why don't you (the dad/Reporter) just do it?" We began and soon her voice came up with mine, making it clear she knew more than she'd known with her singing behind with one of my favorite versions — her own.

She said she plans on returning and "I'll sing with Keith anytime, he's awesome." Maybe by then she'll know "Skylark," though part of me thinks she already does.

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