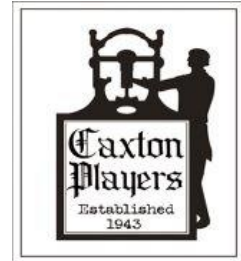




THE CAXTON PLAYERS
LTG NORTHERN CONFERENCE
18-20TH OCTOBER 2024



From 19:00 on Friday 18 October, *Next of the Summer Wine* will entertain delegates with songs, stories, and poems for 90 mins plus an interval.

Next of the Summer Wine is a quartet of local musicians, writers, and poets.

Roger Beard is a prominent, highly respected, popular singer/songwriter and an enduring presence on the acoustic music scene in Northern Lincolnshire.

Carolyn Dooley is a poet whose work is informed by ideas of local community. She has been published in a range of anthologies, performed widely and has been featured on local radio and regional television.

Dave Wagstaff is a sensitive and accomplished singer and guitarist with a wide repertoire encompassing traditional and contemporary material rooted in community and in the world of working people. He dabbles also in Americana.

Gordon Wilson writes poems, short stories, and songs, many on local heritage themes. His work has been published in a wide range of local and national publications and has also featured on local radio. A selection of his trawling heritage poetry, *Grimsby Bound* and *Looking Back* has been set for soprano and strings and performed by international diva Alison Pierce.



The group has been presenting themed evenings of songs and spoken word for ten years. Their first venture was a 2014 Grimsby Minster Concert, "The Great War", which marked the centenary of the beginning of World War One. Since then, they have performed publicly and privately in coffee shops, libraries, and other community spaces on topics as diverse as Travelling, Working Lives, The World of Love, Football, and Trawling. Their evenings of poetry, story and song frequently employ heritage themes. A Next of the Summer Wine experience offers traditional, contemporary, well known, and self-penned work.