

Keith Donnelly At the Ivy Leaf Club on Friday 7.30 – 11pm

Keith Donnelly is

stand-up comic, fall-down comedian,
surreal snigger-songwriter, guitar-hero, performance-artist,
[tall] story-teller, philophoser, scriptwriter, [none can] compere,
man-of-mystery, inner-childminder, actor, stuntman,
metaphysical-poet, human ping-pong ball,
life and soul of the [kids] party, world-class athlete,
leading socialite, raconteur, business tycoon, wit,
author, half-wit, secret[sh!]-agent,
[Vauxhall] astral-traveller, shamen,
Geordie-cultural-attache, word-juggler,
snake-charmer, underline-dancer, unexpected clairvoyant,
dream-weaver, daydream believer,
psycho-linguist, shark-wrangler, smile sculptor,
[compulsive] lying-tamer, Great-British eccentric,
[alleged] international-jewel-thief,
hot-dog-skier, alien-abductee,
zen grand-master, champion tiddly-winker, sand dancer,
friend to the pantomime horse, erstwhile slice of bacon,
and all-round good egg.

Keith's serious song writing [for years in the shadow of his comedy] now has a new leaf of life since he's started working [when their solo commitments allow!] with the fantastic French vocalist Flossie Malavialle as 'Folk Superduo' - Dark Horses

In the last few years Keith has dipped his toe (actually his toe went in last, as usual he dived in head-first!) into the parallel universe that is 'Proper' Storytelling Telling for adults as well as children at Storytelling festivals and clubs.

Keith is an 'Honorary' (their term), 'Ninja' (his term!), member of the famous Shaggy Dog Storytellers of Hebden Bridge.

"Just 'cos it's made up doesn't mean it's not true!" (Keith Donnelly)

As well as writing all his own material, Keith enjoys writing for other people. Over the years he has had the opportunity of writing for and working with some of his own favourite funny people. Notably the ever hilarious Jasper Carrott, and the wonderfully weird Phil Cool.

Keith is a very [very!] funny, globe-trotting, Geordie tall-tale-telling-singer-songwriter-guitarist.
Keith could make sheep laugh! (Jasper Carrott)

Keith made me laugh so much I blew a whole cheese sandwich out of my nose!' - Phil Cool

'He's Fab! He's Great! He's the best thing since 1999! P.S. We share the same barber.' - Dave Pegg (Fairport Convention)

Keith's truly crazy side has even more chance to take the fore when he works in tandem with 'The funniest poet in the history of funny poetry' [a Keith Donnelly quote] the inimitable Les Barker as 'Idiot & Friend'