**SURFIN’ U3A – Background**

We are a 5-piece band formed as a group in August 2022 through Southport U3A

The band comprises Paul Connolly - Rhythm guitar, front of house and singer.

Vacancy - Singer, percussion, and front of house.

Keith Edwards - Bass guitar and harmonica.

Bill Jenkinson - Lead guitar / bass.

Giles Davies - Drums, and singer.

The band decided on the name Surfin’ U3A to reflect its origins and subsequently formulated a short Beach Boys medley including Surfin’ USA (or a U3A version depending on the audience).

We play a variety of music but mainly well-known 60s, 70s, and 80s songs which we perform at various U3A and charity functions, although we are also available for private and commercial events.

Venues played to date include the Cherish Centre Southport, the Atkinson Art Gallery, RAF Woodvale Officers mess, Christ Church Lord Street, St Johns Ainsdale, Woodvale Chapel, the Richmond Hotel, the Little Theatre Southport, the Argyle Tennis Club, and St Cuthbert’s Mens Supper Club. We have also played for several private birthday events.

Current bookings for 2025 are for the Sefton OPERA Tea Dances at the Atkinson Studio with various re-visits to Christ Church and the Cherish Centre anticipated through the year.

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