

JAZZ

WHAT'S ON: Jim Mullen guests with the Noel Dennis Quartet, Saltburn Community Hall, tomorrow, 01287-624622, and next Thursday, Paul Edis Trio, Opus 4 Jazz Club, Travellers Rest, Cockerton, 01325-469756.

CD REVIEWS: Louis Stewart & the Frank Harrison Trio/You've changed (Desert Island Jazz productions DIJP0001) I was very taken with Frank Harrison's first CD with his regular colleagues Aidan O'Donnell and Stephen Keogh. Here, they're joined by guitarist Louis Stewart in a generally gentle and reflective programme, even opening with a slow, thoughtful version of the title tune, although Love Letters and Like Someone In Love do zip along rather more. Playing and balance are perfectly captured on a CD which perhaps reveals its pleasures slowly.

Sue Richardson/Emergence (Splash Point Records SPR006CD) A second CD and a good display for the trumpeter and singer who also wrote all but two of the songs. She has a good, full tone on both trumpet and flugelhorn and I particularly liked her singing of Dearly Beloved. Guitarist Andy Drudy solos well and blends nicely with the trumpet with good support from Neal Richardson, Jeremy Brown and Matt Skelton.

Peter Bevan