

Jethro Tull

By Lil Cromer



Gary Fustino.

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I met a man who had such an interesting story, I felt compelled to relate it to you. Gary Fustino and I belong to the same network organization; to call him a computer nerd would be an understatement. Fustino, along with his brothers Russell and Richard founded Fustino Brothers, Inc (FBI). Gary excitingly told me they have the exclusive only endorsed app for Jethro Tull. Admitting my ignorance, I asked who Jethro Tull was.

The name came from their agent who studied history at college; Jethro Tull was an 18th-century English agricultural pioneer who invented the seed drill. That was the band's name during the week in which London's famous Marquee Club offered them the Thursday night residency. So it stuck.

For those readers as uninformed as I was, here's the skinny. Jethro Tull is a British rock band formed in Blackpool, Lancashire, in 1967. Initially playing blues rock, the band later developed its sound to incorporate elements of hard and folk rock to forge a progressive rock signature. The band is led by vocalist/flautist/guitarist Ian Anderson. Anderson, now 71 years old, is still writing music and still touring. Today his son James manages the band and their company.

The Fustino brothers, Gary, Russell and Richard, grew up in Angola, NY, all enjoying music. Brother Richard turned them on to Jethro Tull and all have been fans for years attending some thirty concerts.

In 2014 the brothers decided to build some apps and immediately thought of their favorite group; so they developed the Tull tribute app. They used Windows for the prototype and put together a full working app. When they presented it to James Anderson, he immediately loved it. Others who presented used flip charts instead of a working app. Without hesitation, James asked if FBI Apps could design both an Apple and an Android app. The Fustino

brothers said "Yes! Yes!" That set the stage for defining the criteria, their working relationship, providing assets, autographed CDs, and meetings with Ian Anderson.

The endorsed Jethro Tull app is a "Living Museum" approved collection of online resources targeting Jethro Tull, Ian Anderson, and more. This app originally released in 2014 was rewritten early in 2018 from the ground up. New features include links to a vast music collection for purchase not found anywhere else, Spotify integration, top-quality official and fans' video selection, links to monthly Tull news by FBI newsletter, edited and published by Richard, and stellar copyrighted programming that provides some pretty high performance. Additional improvements and more robust content are scheduled for the holiday season.

"I turned my brothers onto their music; in fact, I enjoy teaching the music to my students. We all attended the Aqualung Tour as our first concert together; and recently attended tours in New York, Massachusetts and Florida. I am so happy to help benefit Tull fans worldwide and now provide easy access through our 'Living Museum' app," said Richard.

"We would love nothing more than to have Jethro Tull in the pocket of fans worldwide, young and old. Tull has provided much entertainment in our family and this is our way of saying thank you," said Russell.

"The key to our success is building powerful and rich content apps. Tull's fabulous album art and music have been a creative inspiration especially with their uplifting array of graphic art that we have the privilege of bringing back to the public," said Gary.

The brothers met Anderson in person at Ruth Eckerd Hall in 2013, then again in Boston in 2014, where Microsoft filmed them with the app, and then at the Mahaffey Theater in 2017.

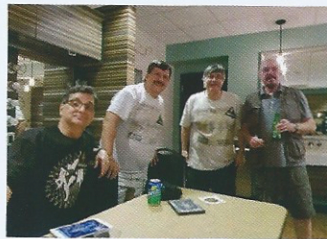
Jethro Tull has well over 77 published CDs/DVDs spanning six decades and are still touring strong! Currently, Ian Anderson has remastered *This Was*, *Heavy Horses New Shoes Edition*, and 50 for 50 for their 2018 50th Anniversary Tour currently in progress. In 1989 they won the Grammy for the best heavy metal band, beating out Metallica, with the album *Crest of a Knave*.

Get the Fustino Brother's FREE Jethro Tull endorsed app by searching in your app store. There, you'll find the latest information, videos, albums, current concert dates and tickets, links, and up-to-the-minute social media conversations with ease. Deep links include Official Jethro Tull Store; Past Band Members; Past Concerts with set lists; the Gerald Bostock story; CD images including back covers, tracks, sleeves plus more, in one convenient application.

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