

HALL HERALD

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On the Horizon...

Film Club – 7.30pm Thursday 19 September

Fisherman's Friends is based on a true story about 10 fishermen from Port Isaac in Cornwall who achieved a Top 10 hit in 2010 with their debut album of sea shanties after they were signed by Universal Records. It stars Tuppence Middleton, James Purefoy and Daniel Mays and has some terrific a capella singing about life at sea. You cannot fail to enjoy it!

Christmas Events

Some important dates to mark on your calendar and put in your diary!

- Saturday 30 November - Christmas Coffee Morning
- Sunday 1 December – Christmas is Coming!
- Saturday 14 December – Christmas Supper and Music Hall

Days Gone By...

Annual General Meeting – Thursday 13 June

Martyn Davey, the Chairman, began by reviewing achievements against plans for 2018/19

Make an operating surplus by increasing income and reducing costs

An operating loss of just over £2,000 had been made despite record booking receipts of more than £12,000. This was due, in part, to higher than normal repair and maintenance costs which included the cost of painting the exterior of the Hall. There were also repairs to the Hall floor, the central heating system and the kitchen boiler.

Organise more successful fund raising events

Various events had been organised during the year, all of which had been very successful. As well as the regular Film Club evenings, annual Village BBQ, Christmas is Coming event and Christmas Supper, a Christmas Coffee morning, a Trad Jazz and Big Band evening and a Bhangra and Curry evening had also been held. The Bhangra and Curry evening had helped to raise £180 for the Toilet Twinning Charity.

Install a new overhead projector and screen

A new projector and screen had been installed as planned and the old equipment sold via eBay.

Repaint the exterior of the Hall

The exterior of the Hall was painted in the early autumn. The owners of the former Social Club kindly agreed to have the frontage of the Club painted at the same time.

Complete and open the Centenary Memorial Garden

The Armistice Centenary Memorial Garden was completed in the summer of 2018 at a cost of £26,834. Funding from grants and donations totalled £19,868 (including £2,900 from Friends of the Hall) leaving a shortfall of £6,966 which was met from Hall reserves. The garden was formally opened on Saturday 20 October 2018.

Other Improvements

During the course of the year new blinds had been fitted to the ladies and men's cloakrooms, new 'Christmas' lights had been fitted to the front of the Hall and additional signage had been put up including a 'For Hire' sign on the road frontage.

Decide the next major project

It was decided that the next major project would be to install bi-fold doors to permit direct access to the garden from the Hall. They would be fitted directly opposite the double door entrance. The cost of the project would be approximately £5,000 and the work would be carried out over the summer.

Looking ahead, the Chairman then outlined the Committee's plans for the coming 12 months:-

- Make an operating surplus
- Continue to arrange fund raising events
- Install bi-fold doors
- Install garden security lights
- Install garden watering system
- Install LED lights in cloakrooms and the committee room
- Upgrade the Film Club sound system
- Modernise the Hall website
- Stage Hall Centenary Calendar Photographic Exhibition
- Begin to plan the Hall's VE Day and Centenary celebrations
- Decide new programme of long term improvements

The Chairman concluded his report by thanking members of the committee for all their help over the past year. He also thanked the residents of Great Alne and Kinwarton for their support over the last 12 months.

The Treasurer, Katrina Woodger, then gave her report.

Overall income for the year totalled £30,932.20 which was considerably less than 2018/19, when a number of grants and donations were received in aid of the Armistice Centenary Memorial Garden project.

Expenditure for the year totalled £36,698.72. This was nearly £7,000 more than in 2017/18 largely because of £12,285 capital expenditure incurred during the year. The capital outlay included £9,634.86 on the garden and £1,450 on the new projector.

The Treasurer referred to the increased expenditure on oil but noted that the number of re-fills varied year on year. She also mentioned the extra spending on cleaning and consumables and suggested that this was due to the increase in use of the Hall. The extra spending on repairs and maintenance was noted in addition.

Overall the Hall accounts showed a net deficit for the year of £5,766.52.

Total net current assets at the end of the year were £38,344.91. Investments in the COIF Fixed Interest had a book value of £25,000 and a year end market value of £24,780.91. The return on the investment to date was £3,295.51.

The notional Friends of Great Alne & Kinwarton Memorial Hall account had been closed and the money used to help pay for the Armistice Centenary Memorial Garden.

Village BBQ – Friday 28 June

What a wonderful evening! Loads of people came to enjoy the sunshine and share a BBQ with us. Everyone had a great time and pretty much cleared us out of food and drink! Thank you so much for coming!

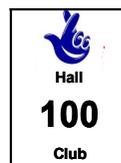
Film Club – June

Steve Coogan and John C Reilly were perfectly cast as Laurel and Hardy in **Stan and Ollie**, our last film of the season. It was a sad but touching tribute to the greatest comedy double act of the 20th century. Their hapless, slapstick routines remain timeless classics.

Hall Centenary Calendar Update

As mentioned previously the Hall will be celebrating its centenary in two years time and to mark the occasion we want to create a 2021 calendar to show the changing seasons in Great Alne and Kinwarton. If you would like to send us your images as you take them rather than all at the end of the year please email them to GAKMHphotos@gmail.com. You don't need an image for each month!! Just one would be fine if that is all you have. And it doesn't even have to be taken in 2019 if you have a good one from a previous year.

100 Club



The winners in the last 3 draws are listed below. If you would like to join the 100 Club you can do so at any time. Membership will cost you £4 a month and the surplus the Club generates is used to help make improvements to the Hall. All you need to do is email contact@greatalnememorialhall.org

Jun	1 st Prize	£100	No 77	Bob & Judy Smith
	2 nd Prize	£50	No 38	Clive Snowdon
	3 rd Prize	£25	No 40	Alison Walters
	4 th Prize	£25	No 35	Phil & Sonia Smith
Jul	1 st Prize	£100	No 65	Gillian Bray
	2 nd Prize	£50	No 47	Gordon Peach
	3 rd Prize	£25	No 73	Sheila Parr
	4 th Prize	£25	No 38	Clive Snowdon
Aug	1 st Prize	£100	No 26	Richard & Gaynor Cockman
	2 nd Prize	£50	No 37	Hugh Carr-Smith
	3 rd Prize	£25	No 25	Sue Jones
	4 th Prize	£25	No 67	David Plummer

Your Committee for 2019/20

Your committee comprises the following Trustees.

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