



# SPRING 23/24 NEWSLETTER #11 FINCHAM MEMORIAL HALL

## MARCH

**FRI 1 QUIZ NIGHT\*** **19:30**

£2 entry per person. Come with a team or join one on the night. Bring your own nibbles and drinks. 50/50 raffle.

*Doors open 7pm  
Quiz starts 7.30pm*

**SAT 9 MURDER MYSTERY\*** **19:30**

Don't miss this spectacular live performance where the audience piece together clues to try to solve the crime. Set in Yorkshire in the middle of the 19th century, the Fincham Memorial Hall cast perform another whodunnit, with prizes for the winners. Tickets £5, available on the door.

Everyone welcome.

*Doors open 7pm  
Performance starts 7.30pm  
Licensed bar*

**WED 13 WOMEN'S INSTITUTE** **14:00**

**FRI 15 CASH BINGO\*** **20:00**

No entry fee. Cash bingo with prize raffle and other games. Just pay for the games you want to play. Bring your own nibbles and drinks.

*Doors open 7.30pm  
Eyes down 8pm*

**SAT 16 RACE NIGHT\*** **19:30**

Back by popular demand. Come and join us for an evening of excitement and flutters on the horses, or dogs, or pigs.

Free entry. Bets cost £1 per horse, last race will be a dual forecast at £2 per square.

*Doors open 7pm  
First race starts 7.30pm  
Licensed bar*

\* All of the events marked with an asterisk are run by volunteers for the benefit of the local community and any profit contributes to the upkeep and running of your local memorial hall. Please come along if you can!

## APRIL

**WED 20 PARISH COUNCIL** **19:00**

**SAT 23 NATIONAL THEATRE\*** **19:15**



The country that gave the world football has since delivered a painful pattern of loss. Why can't England's men win at their own game?

With the worst track record for penalties in the world, Gareth Southgate knows he needs to open his mind and face up to the years of hurt, to take team and country back to the promised land.

*Doors open 6.45pm* **15** **£5**  
*Licensed bar*

**FRI 29 FILM FOR ALL\*** **19:15**



In post-World War II Venice, Hercule Poirot (Branagh), now retired and living in self-imposed exile, reluctantly attends a séance. But when one of the guests is murdered, the former detective must put his little grey cells to work one more time to uncover the killer. Runtime: 103 mins

*Doors open 6.45pm* **12A** **£3**  
*Licensed bar*

**FRI 5 QUIZ NIGHT\*** **19:30**

**WED 10 WOMEN'S INSTITUTE** **14:00**

**FRI 19 CASH BINGO\*** **20:00**

**SAT 20 NATIONAL THEATRE\*** **19:15**



Andrew Scott (Fleabag/Sherlock) brings multiple characters to life in Simon Stephens' (The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time) radical new version of Chekhov's Uncle Vanya.

*Doors open 6.45pm* **15** **£5**  
*Licensed bar*

**FRI 26 FILM FOR ALL\*** **19:15**



Ken Loach may not always be a bundle of laughs but he's always got something important to say; at 86, he has declared that this is his last film. The Old Oak is set in a small town near Durham, whose focal centre is the titular pub. Landlord TJ Bannatyne is struggling to stay afloat during economic uncertainty. Runtime: 113mins.

*Doors open 6.45pm* **15** **£3**  
*Licensed bar*

## Shaping plans for Fincham Memorial Hall



We had a great turnout for our Lottery project launch and open evening with over 40 people braving the dark and cold December evening. We were really impressed by the enthusiasm of

everyone who came along and participated in our brainstorming. We had a series of tables where people could share their thoughts, and here's a snapshot of responses we received.

### What \*new\* events would you come to at the hall?

Dancing lessons, book club, boot fairs, crib evening, women's gin club, pot luck social evenings, horticultural society, yoga classes, badminton, table tennis, archery, beer festival, summer party & BBQ, men's drinking club, unstructured social event for villagers to meet and chat, music club for all abilities and farmers' markets.

### What additional rooms or space do you think we need?

Knit and natter, quiet area with sofas and carpets, small room for social / small club activities, space for small cafe, coffee mornings, pop-up shop, sports change facilities and sauna.

### Outdoors: what additional facilities would be nice?

Men's shed, outdoor gym equipment, outside loo, community gardens, trees, swimming pool (lido) + ice rink in winter, solar panels, bike racks.

We also had a **Table of Moans** for people to tell us what they didn't like. Comments included: background music when waiting for things to start, acoustics, heating in toilets, water and hand dryers taking a long time to heat up, heating in the main hall, not enough classes for a more mature lady.

We will be consolidating these ideas and adding some practical elements for an architect's brief soon. If you weren't able to make it and would like to contribute your views there is still time! Visit our online form at <http://tinyurl.com/Fincham-Consult>, or write them on a piece of paper with your name and contact details and drop them into the letterbox at the hall **before 15th March**.

We'll be holding our next open evening in May / June and will advertise it in the next newsletter.

### Remembering Dave Westwood

Memorial Hall Committee Member and Chairman between 1996 - 2002. A good servant to the village and community who also helped with the church and delivering the church magazine.

## WEEKLY EVENTS FROM OUR HIRERS:

### MONDAYS

**10am - 11am:**

from March 4th

**YOGA WITH KAREN**

Contact [karenbancroftyyoga@yahoo.com](mailto:karenbancroftyyoga@yahoo.com) or 07968 174002

**6.30pm:**

**ZUMBA**

Contact Russ at

[mmwelch13@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:mmwelch13@hotmail.co.uk)

### TUESDAYS

**7pm:**

**FINCHAM CHORUS**

New singers

always welcome.

Contact John on

01366 348136

### WEDNESDAYS

**5.30pm:**

**SLIMMING WORLD**

Contact Mikayla on

07940 817539

### THURSDAYS

**6.30pm: ZUMBA**

### SUNDAYS

**from 9.30am:**

**HAPPY DOG CLUB**

Contact Kerry on

07903 409514

**To hire please email:  
finchamhallbookings@gmail.com**

Please note we are trialling an **earlier start time of 7.15pm for both film night and national theatre** from March following feedback received.

## FINCHAM MEMORIAL HALL AND PLAYING FIELDS COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The 23/24 committee are: Chairman Joe Underhill | Vice-Chairman Roy Claydon | Secretary Anne Saxelby | Treasurer Sonja Hudson-Smith | Andy Hudson-Smith | Barbara Ponder | Pete Saxelby | Dave Stringer | Jan Trattle. Registered Charity Number 303950.

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