

Knowstone Parish Film Nights

Into my third year of organising Knowstone Film Nights, I have found that the popularity and demand (not least from film goers from outside this parish) have not waned. Many regular attendees have voiced how much they like the combination of “a meal and a film”, at a very reasonable price, and how much they look forward to these events during the quieter autumn/winter and early spring months.

The cost of the film ticket has remained at £4.00 since March 2015, and the “meal deal” cost hasn’t increased since the 2016 autumn season. At £16.00, it is great value for money and in addition, since the small meal price increase in 2016, The Mason’s Arms have returned a percentage of each extra £1.00 back to Parish Hall profits.

From autumn 2017 to date, three films have been shown – “Lion”, “Sully” and “Paddington 2”. Total profits for these three films amounted to **£179.10** and, as in previous years, no film event has shown a loss. We continue to have good, workable audio and video equipment in our Hall. With the new “screen” (as part of recent Parish Hall refurbishment) and more portable speakers to be purchased soon, the facilities are conducive in creating an effective and comfortable “cinema” venue.

After three years, I will be standing down as Film Night organiser to allow new input into this event. I am pleased that some members of the Parish Hall committee have stepped forward to resume this event in the autumn, so we all can look forward to many more films in the future.

I would again like to thank Mark and Sarah at The Masons Arms for their continued support of our Film Night arrangements, and to Beaford Arts for their free provision of posters and flyers. Also a big “thank you” to friends who have helped distribute film leaflets and set up/clear away the Hall for each event.

Most importantly, I would like to thank all those who continue to attend our Film Nights and help make this a great social event and a successful activity.

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