

South Heighton Village Hall Management Committee

SOUTH HEIGHTON BONFIRE SOCIETY NEWSLETTER: APRIL/MAY/JUNE 2022

HELLO

It's the first newsletter in two very long and strange years! We had a few out meetings in 2021 and all the indications are that 2022 will be back to normal. So, we are going to be boring entertaining you again with quarterly newsletters again from now on.

MEMBERSHIP

Just a few stats from the covid years: Up to 2020 we normally had around 240 members. In 2020 there were 152 members (121 adults/31 children) and in 2021 there were 178 members (144 adults/34 children). We plan to go ahead with normal membership procedures from August 2022.

FUND RAISING

The days are getting longer and it seems like spring may have sprung at last – so that means we are getting close to our fete season. Please help out at any of the dates below, or other events if you can spare the time. Many hands make light work!

BUT, FIRST UP FOR THE DIARIES: Bonfire Easter Bunny Bingo Saturday 9 April, Hampden Arms

This is a new fund raising idea from Chairman Glenn, and will replace the usual March quiz date. Bonnets, bingo, prizes, raffle... what's not to like! And an extra reward for the best Easter bonnet, so get creative everyone!

Fetes

Here is a list of where we are planning to go so far, with timings where they are known (not all are 100% confirmed though). Please come and help or support:

- Jubilee street party: Friday 3 June 1-4pm – stall to run
- Denton Community Challenge: Saturday 11 June, 1-5pm – stall to run
- Chailey Bonfire Society Sussex Day Fete: Saturday 18 June 12-4pm – stall to run
- Lifeboat Fete Saturday: 2 July 11am-4pm TBC

Quiz nights

Wednesdays on 15 June/14 September/14 December, 8pm at the Hampden Arms. We do have a good turnout for our Christmas quiz but it would be nice to see more of our members at the other quiz nights.

Dinner dance 12 March

What a wonderful night that was! Our second dinner dance went like a dream, the venue was excellent and the

food overall was delicious. The decorations also looked fabulous with blue and yellow everywhere. Thanks to Tricia and Sarah for overall organisation, and everyone – and there were a lot of people – who helped with the forward planning and the day/night/morning after. Oh, and we made £382 so thanks for buying raffle tickets!

Race night Friday 18 March

As always, Borough organised a fantastic race night and very generously split the profits with SHBS. So we ended up with £290 each.

Jumble sale Saturday 19 March

Another busy jumble sale raised £368. Thanks to everyone who helped sort on the Friday evening, manned the stalls and kitchen on the day and helped transport all the leftover stuff to the tip after it finished. A special big thanks to JJ - he did a huge amount of running around picking up jumble (and lugging it up the slope!) prior to the event so that we actually had something to sell.

SOUTH HEIGHTON VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE AGM

One of the highlights of the year © The Village Hall AGM will be held at 8pm on Monday 23 May. Everyone welcome.

2022 BADGE COMPETITION

We are running a competition again for the design of our 2022 membership badge. We have sent out a template and entries should be handed in to the Hampden Arms by 5 June please (name on the back) or emailed to us. Everyone is welcome to enter, not just kids - and there are no age categories!

MONTHLY SHBS MEETINGS

Just a reminder that these are held on the second Monday of the month, held at the village hall or the Hampden Arms. The next few dates are 11 April (8pm at the hall), 9 May (7.30pm), 13 June (7.30pm).

REMEMBER, REMEMBER: SHBS Bonfire Night 2022 Saturday 12 November!!!

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