

Tiddington Community Centre NEWS



TCC No 7 Winter Issue

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Mamma Mia!

Our **Film Nights** have gone from strength to strength and our October adult film saw 161 seated in the TCC to watch and thoroughly enjoy **MAMMA MIA!** A little full perhaps but still with adequate routes out in case of an emergency! And with some folk having queued for over half-an-hour and stretching out onto the pavement we certainly did not wish to turn anyone away! There was a great community atmosphere and the film was equally funny and with great songs – ideal for these sad economic times and a wonderful start to a weekend. Do come and join us every 3rd Friday. **Family Films doors open 5.30 for 6pm start and Adult Films 8pm for 8.30.** Tea/coffee, soft drinks even a glass of wine, chocolate, crisps and of course ice-cream – **all at bargain prices!**

MAMMA MIA! is back at the TCC for a second showing on Friday 19th December 8pm for 8.30!

What a great start to the festive season! We received much praise on the new format of our first **TCC News** in colour. And I am delighted to confirm that all of our **Advertisers** readily agreed to pay the new rates and we thank them for their continued support. **See page 4 for all their latest adverts.** We have now almost completed **Phase 3** of our TCC enhancements and have raised and spent almost **£103,000** on the refurbishment so far. We have lots of new equipment for the stage and hall and we now have to work out how it all works together! Our **Hearing Loop** is installed as well as a **Broadband link**. We do need a couple of PC's or better still laptops plus a few helpers to run introductory sessions on using email and the internet which we plan for 2009.

Also does anyone know how to setup a **Chilli Board** to control our new stage lighting? In either case do please contact Rob ASAP if you can help!



'That flying reindeer stuff is just a silly myth.'

Strictly Come Dancing is also coming to the TCC! We will hold 2 introductory sessions this year on 24th November and 22nd December at the TCC starting at 8pm in December with a glass of wine perhaps! Our Beginners Classes teaching traditional ballroom dancing start on Monday 16th February at 8pm and will alternate with Bingo nights! **See page 3 for additional details – spaces are limited so reserve your place with Rob now!**

We must express our sincere thanks in particular to the **Stratford Town Trust, South Warwickshire Housing Association, Stratford District Council and Retirement Securities** for their extremely valuable grants and donations. And for believing in the value of the TCC by their continued support, without which we would never have been able to make such tremendous improvements both inside and out. **We are delighted to report that all their grants and donations have now been spent!**

We need just £24,000 or so to complete Phase 4!

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EVENTS: With lots of **Events** taking place at the TCC the list is frequently updated. To keep up-to-date do look at the *Stratford Herald* and their "Parish Pump" section under *Alveston and Tiddington* where there are regular updates on TCC activities. See also our **web site** www.TiddingtonCommunityCentre.co.uk.

You can also join our email circulation list by **emailing** Rob.Cobley@TouchwoodOnline.com

TCC Main Events in DECEMBER

The Zoo and Cox & Box by WarwickStudentOpera

7.30pm Tuesday 2 December

Parish Christmas Fair 12-3 Saturday 6 December

TWO Tiddington Children's Christmas Parties.....

1* **DISCO** 8 years & over on Saturday 6 December at 6.30pm

2* **PARTY** 2-8 years Sunday 14 December at 12 noon

BINGO Monday 1st 15th at 7pm

DANCING Monday 22nd **Beginners Dancing** at 8pm £5

TAI CHI Tuesday 2nd 9th 16th 23rd 30th at 6.30 *Paul*

TAI CHI Wednesday 3rd 10th 17th 5pm *with Judith*

BROWNIES Wednesday 3rd 10th 17th at 6.15pm

TEA-DANCE Wednesday 17th 2pm in aid of *Shakespeare Hospice*

Tiddington WI Thursday 18th at 7.30pm *Christmas Party*

TEA & CHAT Friday 5th 12th 19th 26th 2-3pm **FREE**

PANTO Rehearsal Friday 5th 12th at TCC

Film Night Friday: 19th December **£3Adults £2 Children**

Family Film 5.30 for 6pm **Miracle on 34th Street**

Adult Film 8 for 8.30pm **MAMMA MIA!**

BLUE FISH Sunday Youth Group 7th *Parish Supper* 6pm

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★ Children's Christmas Parties ★

1. To KO the festive period on *Sat 6 December* there will be a **Christmas Disco** for *youngsters 8yrs & above*. Dancing is from 7-9pm. Tickets at **£2.50** inc drinks & party nibbles, available from *Sharon Taylor, 64 Townsend Rd, CV37 7DF* send money & stamped addressed envelope please.

2. **Christmas Party** for *children 2-8yrs* on *Sun 14 December* with games, prizes, food & if we're lucky, a visit from **Father Christmas!** The fun starts at 11am with all the excitement over by 1pm. Call Liz on 269936 for details. Tickets at **£5 per child** are limited send money & stamped addressed envelope to *Liz Loosmore, Larkrise, Main Street, Tiddington, CV37 7AS*.

You can email rob.cobley@touchwoodonline.com

TCC Refurbishment Cost

SPENT on Phase 1, 2 & 3 **£102,995**

Estimated for rest of Phase 3 **3,954**

Estimated for Phase 4 **23,000**

Total Refurbishment Costs £129,949

Amount now required is £23,954

TCC Development for the Future

Phase 3: This is now almost complete. *We would like to update our Crockery, improve our Security Systems and obtain 2 Computers (Laptops would be best if possible...).*

Phase 4: *New Stairway to access loft room for use by youth group, brownies & others; Cover the outside play area; Re-polish Dance Floor & 'create' somewhere an additional storage area to store 6-8 new circular tables etc!*

TCC Main Events in JANUARY

BINGO Monday 12th 26th at 7pm

TAI CHI Tuesday 6th 13th 20th 27th at 6.30pm *with Paul*

DANCING Tuesday 6th 20th *DancingPractice* 8.15pm *Derek*

TAI CHI Wednesday 7th 14th 21st 28th at 5pm *with Judith*

BROWNIES Wednesday 7th 14th 21st 28th at 6.15pm

TEA-DANCE Wednesday 21st 2pm in aid of *Shakespeare Hospice*

WI Thursday 15th at 7.30pm *'Speaker Meeting'*

TEA & CHAT Friday 2nd 9th 16th 23rd 30th at 2pm **FREE**

PANTO Rehearsal 4th 9th 11th 18th 23rd 25th 30th at TCC

Film Night Friday 16th January: **£3Adults £2 Children**

Family Film 5.30 for 6.00pm *To be Announced*

Adult Film 8 for 8.30pm *To be Announced*

BLUE FISH Sunday Youth Group 4th 18th at 6pm

TCC Main Events in FEBRUARY

Cinderella >>> Fri 6, Sat 7 & Sun 8 February at 7.30
plus Matinee 2.30 Saturday 7 February -£5, Conc£4

BINGO Monday 9th 23rd at 7pm

DANCING Monday 16th **Beginners Dancing** at 8pm £5

DANCING Tuesday 17th *Dancing Practice* 8.15pm £3.50

TAI CHI Tuesday 3rd 10th 17th 23rd at 6.30pm *with Paul*

TAI CHI Wednesday 4th 11th 18th & 25th 5pm *Judith*

BROWNIES Wednesday 4th 11th 18th & 25th at 6.15pm

TEA-DANCE Wednesday 18th 2pm in aid of *Shakespeare Hospice*

WI Thursday 19th 7.30pm *'Speaker Meeting'*

TEA & CHAT Friday 6th 13th 20th & 27th at 2pm **FREE**

PANTO Rehearsal 1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th 6th 7th 8th at TCC

Film Night Friday 21st November: **£3Adults £2 Children**

Family Film 5.30 for 6.00pm **Adult Film** 8 for 8.30pm *To be Announced*

BLUE FISH Sunday Youth Group 9th 23rd at 6pm



TCC CHAT: So what's new at the TCC? Lots! Since the last TCC News we have started a **Practice Dance** evening every other Tuesday from 9 December



at 8.15-10.45pm under the guidance of **Derek Moss**. We are also planning, for all come dancing fans, a **TCC Strictly Come Dancing Class for Beginners**. We will be holding our second introductory Class on Monday 22nd December at 8pm for an hour when **Joanna**, our instructor, will take you through the lessons and you can hear first hand what you will learn.

There will be a limit on numbers and all ages are welcome - so to ensure your place email or call Rob ASAP. We will concentrate on traditional ballroom dancing at least to start with and sessions will take place **8pm every other Monday from 16th February** alternating with Bingo! And of course you can then join Derek on a Tuesday to practice!!

New Equipment We have now installed and have performed simple test to ensure it is all working on the following: An **Induction Loop** system for the hard of hearing. (**Tune hearing aids to T**). All new theatre grade tracking and plumb velour fire resistant drapes for the stage together with dim out legs and a pair of rear dim out drapes. All very professional! In addition we have a 3.5 meter electrically operated projection screen. Also on stage we have a lighting bar with lanterns and floods etc. Front of stage we have another lighting bar in the hall roof with 6 lanterns and a superb quality daylight projector attached. Securely housed we have CD and DVD players, with 4 full-range speakers, radio microphones and power amplifiers, plus a Juggler and Chilli to control the stage lights! Anyone who understands the lighting system should make an emergency call to Rob ASAP so they can help us to set this up! We will need to find a simple way of ensuring that users of the TCC can be given "fool-proof" instructions on operating this expensive equipment. Plus an easy charging structure. We are also looking earnestly on the licensing implications which we need to sort out ASAP!

CINDERELLA – Our TCC Community Pantomime 6th, 7th & 8th Feb – Adults £5, Concessions £4

The number of rehearsals completed continues to grow - see photos! Number & size of back stage **screens** continues

to outgrow the TCC! **And Tickets are now available!** Send your cheque for Tickets made payable to *Tiddington Community Centre* enclosing a stamped address envelope to Rob (address at very bottom of this page) **ASAP** stating date required and 2.30 or 7.30 performance if on Saturday. If you prefer sitting at the **front, middle or back** of the hall do say so and we will do our best to accommodate you. The earlier you book the more likely you are to get tickets for the date/place you want! See below **Fairy Godmother Sandra Oram, Cinderella Keira Wilson & Buttons Philip Lucas plus Members of the Chorus.**

Tiddington WI is just one year old, has 30 or so members and a full programme for 2009. Meeting at 7.30pm on the 3rd Thursday each month at the TCC. **All ages very welcome!** Call WI President **Jenny Cobley 293863** for details or just come along to a meeting!



OPERA Not ordered your tickets to the **University of Warwick Opera** double bill of Sullivan's **'The Zoo'** & **'Cox and Box'** yet? Then you are strongly advised to do so ASAP! The show is on **Tuesday 2nd December 7 for 7.30 pm**. **Rob has tickets** £8 Adults, £7 Concessions & £5 Students - you may be lucky and be able to pay at the door BUT best to book now!

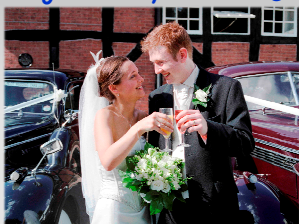
PC & Internet Our BroadBand line is installed and is being tested. We have even linked a PC directly to the big screen and the Internet and it all worked very well. Do let Rob know if you interested in attending the email and internet classes so we can try and accommodate everyone. We are still looking for two laptops or PCs. Any offers of help very welcome and we will start our beginners classes after the Pantomime in 2009. You can see lots of pictures of TCC folk at www.TiddingtonCommunityCentre.co.uk

Children's Christmas Parties: We are delighted that **Liz and Sharon** have come forward and volunteered to run not one but two Christmas Parties for local youngsters. One for ages 2-8 and the other for 8yrs and over. Well done ladies and we wish you every success! More details can be found on Page 2.

PS... We are always looking for new bright ideas for the TCC so do let us know if you have any! We are researching the implications for **Badminton & for a TCC Members Film Club**. If you are interested in either or can offer any help then do email Rob. Income & usage of the TCC continues to grow however following a massive 80% increase in electricity charges we have had to increase our hourly charge from 1st October from £10 to £12.

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