PAUNTLEY VILLAGE HALL REPORT

17th April 2023

Coffee Mornings

Coffee mornings continue to be held every week and remain popular. The total net income from these in the current financial year is £1,832.86. The mobile market continues to visit every third Friday of the month, which brings in some people to the coffee morning from further afield. Our local walks continue on the second and fourth Fridays of the month

Fundraising Events

We have had a quieter few months at the hall. Our film evenings have been hampered by problems with the AV equipment, so we were unable to run one in January. Several visits from the AV equipment suppliers have failed to resolve the signal problem and we are hoping to include an amount for some new equipment and resiting it, in any funding application for the refurbishment of the hall. We managed to show 'The Duke' in February, raising £214.16 net, and 'Mrs Harris Goes to Paris' in March, raising £69.61 net.

We will be holding monthly friendly skittles matches this year, as these are proving popular. The evening in February brought in $\pounds77.70$ and more are already planned for April and May. Our skittles team played a return skittles match against Upleadon on 18^{th} March but unfortunately lost this one too! There is likely to be a return match at Pauntley in the autumn.

A quiz evening is being held at the hall on Saturday 22rd April. For the Coronation bank holiday weekend, most people will be at home on the actual day on Saturday so we are planning an Afternoon Tea event for the Monday Bank Holiday, 8th May. We also plan to hold a return of our Gardening Bring and Buy and Coffee Morning on Saturday 20th May, which proved popular before Covid restrictions put a halt to it.

Hall Hire

Hall hire has been quiet, and apart from our regular users, there have been few private bookings. Newent Rangers continue to meet about twice a month in term time. Pilates continues on a Thursday evening – in this financial year this has brought an income of £600. Geoff Thomas continues his weekly bookings this spring for his spiritual healing workshops, along with a monthly Sunday morning booking.

Maintenance

The exterior of the building still needs some attention, as there are patches on the walls where the render needs repairing. It also needs cleaning, and it may be necessary to ask someone to come and carry out a softwash as this is difficult to do oursleves. A spring work party is planned for some of the outside work that needs doing, as the weather is unsuitable during the winter. Risk Assessments have been revisited and updated.

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