

Village Hall News

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England's 10,000 village halls are at the heart of rural community life, providing an important hub where residents can meet to take part in a wide range of social and educational activities. Together with a schools, post offices, church/chapels and public houses, village halls form part of a healthy active community for all those living in the area.

Wheatley is very fortunate in having a modern and well-equipped village hall. Our hall is run by a management committee, comprising 12 volunteers, some of whom represent groups who regularly use the hall. The committee is responsible for ensuring the hall continues to be available and suitable for community use and a wide range of activities. To make sure this is achievable, the committee needs to raise sufficient funds.

The annual cost of running the hall is approx £8500. This includes items such as wages for the caretaker/booking clerk employed for the day-to day running of the hall, buildings and contents insurance, licences, rates, utilities and consumables. Every year, essential repairs, upgrades and improvements add several thousands of pounds to this expenditure.

Income is derived from 3 main sources: from the lettings, fundraising events and occasional grants / personal donations. The income from the lettings (approx £7500 p.a.) is not enough to cover the running costs of the hall and so fundraising activities are very important.

Ron Spence
Guitar / Vocalist

Ron has many years experience in the entertainment industry

He believes that people tend to like songs they know well, especially ones that bring back those precious memories. He will also try his best to play requests.

He specialises in genres such as:
*Country Music/ Line Dancing
*50 s/ 60 s & 70's Pop, Rock 'n Roll
*Easy Listening/singalong
*George Formby songs
(Ron also plays banjo-ukulele)

North and South Wheatley Village Hall
Saturday 7 September 2019
7.30pm (bar opens 7pm)
Tickets £10
(Includes 'Hot Dog' Supper and nibbles)

To book, please contact
Carole
01427 880758
or **Alan**
alanryder50@gmail.com
by Thursday 5 September

Ron returns to Wheatley by popular demand!!

Many suggestions for events etc have been made recently and these are being considered. The committee needs other people's involvement in the planning and running of events and would be particularly pleased to work with someone with an idea for an event, where they are prepared to organise and run it with the committee's support.

There is currently spare capacity in the hall for the running of activities / classes, be they one off events or regular activities. This is particularly the case during the day, so if anyone is, or knows someone who is, looking to run an activity, we have a great venue, so please get in touch. (contact details overleaf)



Saturday 5 October 2019

7.30 (bar opens 7pm)

Tickets £10

(inc Cottage Pie Supper)

Maximum of 4 people per team, individuals welcome

**North and South Wheatley
Village Hall**

Booking essential please for catering.....

Please contact

Carole 01427 880758 or

email Alan alanryder50@gmail.com by Thursday 3 October

The next concert at the Hall is on **Saturday 7th September** and once again features old favourite Ron Spence. Ron is so much enjoyed that this will be his fourth visit to the hall in three years! He performs well known songs ranging from the fifties to modern day and never fails to have the audience up on their feet dancing!

Once again, in response to many requests, we will be holding a Quiz Night (see the ad on this page). Teams consisting of **up to** four persons can enter. Don't worry if you are on your own—we will find you a partner!

Il Divo meets Morecambe & Wise? By popular request the Opera Dudes will be returning on Saturday 8th December with their Christmas special. This is definitely one not to miss.

As always, we welcome your suggestions and comments. Contact Rose at rose.sharpe@mypostoffice.co.uk or Alan at alanryder50@gmail.com

Still to Come in 2019!

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| Saturday 7 September | Ron Spence (see details overleaf) |
| Saturday 5 October | Quiz Night |
| Sunday 27 October | Annual Tractor Run |
| Saturday 8 December | Opera Dudes Christmas Show |

More details to follow.....

For all hall bookings please contact Kerry on 07444 860 326.

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