

Kingswood, UK - Chartered 1960

The Youngster



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The Art of the Magician

We all enjoyed the "Art of the Magician" as demonstrated by Tony Griffith at Dinner Night on 19th December but particularly as the magic tricks were enhanced by lots of whimsical asides. We all gathered round so that we could see how the tricks were done but were none the wiser at the end of the evening.

We were treated to "cards with holes", "sleight of hand" and "ropes and rings" together with number puzzles before enjoying some celebrity magic, firstly with Chan Canasta and his psychological tricks. This was followed by the legendary Tommy Cooper and his "Cup Final Tickets" routine as well as many others.

Tony then asked for volunteers and three came forward – Max (making up for his disappointment at not winning a raffle prize), Sam and Sue. All joined in with the magic performance and Tony was very complimentary about the quality of his assistants. The compliments extended to the top football team in Bristol (Rovers) and he was given a well merited round of applause when he finished his performance having truly demonstrated the "Art of the Magician"

Roger Clutsom



Diary

Thu 16 Jan	7.30 pm Dinner Night - 'Christmas Toy Memories' - David Cheesley
Sun 2 Feb	12.30 for 1.00 President's Lunch, Alveston House Hotel, David's Lane, Alveston BS35 2LA
Mon 10 Feb	8.00 pm Programme/Project Committee at 4 Ludlow Court, Willsbridge
Sat 15 Feb	7.30 pm Quiz Night
Thu 20 Feb	7.30 pm Time of Fast Dinner Night - 'The life, the poems and the songs of Rudyard Kipling - Graham Walker
Sun 8 Mar	Lunch at Berkeley Arms before visit to Jenner Museum, Berkeley at 2.30
Thu 19 Mar	7.30 pm Dinner Night - 'Downend and Bromley Heath in Bloom' - Jackie Baker
Sat/Sun 28/29 Mar	Visit to Windsor Castle and the Tower of London
Thu 16 Apr	7.30 pm Dinner Night
Sat 25 Apr	7.30 pm Concert at Mangotsfield School
Sun 17 May	Visit to Shepton Mallett Prison
Thu 21 May	7.30 pm Dinner Night - 'Our Heritage of Song' - Robin Burton
Thu 18 June	7.30 pm Presidential Handover with skittles and a buffet at Mangotsfield Football Club
Sat 10 Oct	Race Night

To acknowledge the duty that accompanies every right

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Y's Quiz Night at The Barn

Saturday 15th February

Doors open 7.00 for 7.30 start

teams of six players but anybody not in a team of six will be found a place on the night.

Supper will be provided (but bring your own drink)

£7.50 per person

Contact Chris Holmes to book a place.

January Coffee Morning

The profit as we started the year was a lovely £52. The next coffee morning is again this month but on the 25th. There will be no coffee morning during February. Thanks so much to all who help with these events.

Thoughts on Roger Clutson's opening article

Was Roger really suggesting that it was 'the art of the magician' that was behind Bristol Rovers being 'the top football team in Bristol' or was this just 'a psychological trick'?

It's Panto Time

A couple of weeks ago 23 Y's Men and their friends visited the Theatre Royal at Bath to see a panto named after Sam and Jer - Beauty and the Beast. The Beauty reported that it was good family entertainment followed by most of the party going to The Stable, a nearby Pizza and Cider place for refreshments afterwards - probably a stable full of hay. Thanks for organising it Bob.

Birthday Events

It is now sixty years since Bob's big brother started the Kingswood Y's Men's Club. To be honest he suspected that it would fold after he went to Newcastle with his job. The fact that it hasn't suggests we must have been doing something right. To celebrate our success we will be nibbling 60th Birthday cake with the tea/coffee after our starter and main courses at the President's Lunch. In addition the visit to Windsor Castle and the Tower of London will be seen as a birthday treat

Fun and Games at Bob and Sherry's

It happens every year and I suppose this one wasn't very different from those that preceded it. The house was full of 31 members, spouses and a couple of neighbours packed together at tables playing silly party games. Well maybe not so silly, some of them were downright addictive. There were even people so wedded to their games that they did not immediately rush to get supper from the kitchen when it was served - and instead of the usual salad meal this year we had a cooked cottage pie - and delightful it was as well. And that definitely was different, the cooked instead of salad I mean not that his year's offering was delightful for a change.

What was not 'very different from those that preceded it' was the enjoyment that we all got from this traditional entertainment. Thank you very much Sherry and Bob for all that you did and thank you for saying that the profit on the evening was to be put to paying for a celebratory cake at the President's Lunch. All in all a very satisfactory event.

STREET FOOTBALL RULES AS A KID.



1. The fattest kid was always in goal.
2. The person who's ball it is decides who plays.
3. Penalties are only awarded if there's a broken leg
4. The match only ends when the person who's ball it is has to go in for their dinner
5. Even if your team is winning 29 - 0 the winner is always determined by (next goal wins).
6. No referee.
7. If nobody has a football, a can will do
8. If you were picked last, you had no hope in life.
9. Whoever kicks it over a fence gets it.
10. Getting the ball stuck under a car is the most stressful part of life