

# EAST STOUR VILLAGE HALL

Registered Charity no. 301127

## NEWSLETTER January 2016

**MOVIOLA STARTS ON FRIDAY 22 JANUARY at 7.30** (doors and bar open at 7pm) - **PLEASE COME AND SUPPORT US!!** Julia Gould has worked very hard to make all the arrangements, and deserves our support. Half of (any) profits come to the Hall Refurbishment (the other half is for village activities). The first film is Suffragette, which has been widely acclaimed. Tickets are only £5 in advance (from Udder Farm Shop, Riverside Garage or book by ringing Julia on 838788 and collect the tickets at the door) or £5.50 on the night. Come early and enjoy a glass of wine to start the evening!

### FUND RAISING FOR THE REFURBISHMENT

We've had a very successful 2015, thanks to a small band of helpers plus some good support from villagers in attending the various social and fundraising events - so, if you've contributed, Thank You! Following a blank fund raising year in 2014, we've had a very active 2015:

- The Stours Markets
- Table Top Sale
- Vintage Tea Party
- Sponsored Walk
- Howden Jones Folk Concert
- Christmas Bingo

Donations were received from

- TESS
- The VAP (Village Action Plan)
- Bridget Ewen - card sales
- Miscellaneous and Anonymous Donors

In 2016, we hope to have income from

- the Parish Council
- Moviola film nights - Fri 22 Jan, Fri 12 Feb, Tues 29 Mar, Fri 29 April
- Souper Saturday (date not yet fixed)
- Plant Sale - 8 May

### REFURBISHMENT PROGRESS

Having "done" the Meeting Room, Post Office Room and hallways, the next task is the Main Hall. The acoustic panels have been well received, and the new ceiling lighting is due to be fitted this month (the electricians are providing their labour free). The Action Plan is nearly updated, with some 40 tasks identified. As always, **we are very short of helpers! If you can spare the odd few hours here and there, this would be gratefully appreciated!!**

### JANUARY COMMITTEE MUSINGS

- Health and Safety Policy updated - thanks Pauline
- Refurbishment progress; funding of £2,600 approved by the Parish Council
- Solar Heating - Gill G's review concluded No Further Action as Gov subsidies now so low
- Vacancies continue for Vice Chairman, Trustee, some committee places
- Electricity contract renegotiated, saving £220 pa (28%)
- Stamp Club - new display board made to replace one we disposed of in error
- Post Office Room de-cluttered
- Hiring Conditions re-drafted
- Next meeting is the AGM on Tuesday 26 April

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