

SPOTLIGHT

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Editorial

Happy New Year to all our readers! We hope that 2026 is a good year for all in health, happiness and accomplishment. Stage One has an exciting programme of theatre lined up for this year, details are below. Don't forget that the Society needs all the willing pairs of hands it can get to keep the productions flowing and the place maintained and developed. So if you feel you can contribute in any way, contact Spotlight or any committee member. Specifically, we are always on the lookout for new members of the Front of House team. We are currently looking for a team for Chase Me Up Farndale Avenue... If you would like to be part of this, then please contact Spotlight at the email shown above.

Productions for 2026



March



May

The May production will be Jeeves and Wooster in Perfect Nonsense. This is a hilarious farce directed by Penny Cook. There are 3 actors playing 12 characters, Peter Sandwith, Geoff Greavey and Doug Craig.

October

The October production is Dirty Dusting directed by Doug Craig, which features 3 cleaning ladies who having been made redundant find an unexpected way of supplementing their redundancy pay. Definitely one for grown-ups!

Auditions TBA.

December

Panto time again and this one features King Arthur and his Knights but as the author/director is Sian William, you can bank on some very unexpected twists and a lot of laughter. Auditions TBA.

A Night At the Musicals and Farndale are now bookable online on the website, at www.stageonetheatre.net

Or book in person at the theatre box office: on 2nd or 6th February 10am to midday, or any Monday or Friday morning from 16th.

Quizzes

If displaying your lack of education in public is your thing then here are some splendid opportunities to do so:

From Jezebel Groove

Monday 5th January 5.30pm Quiz at Cliff Bar, Tala , 2.50 per person prizes: Cliff food voucher, wine, booby prize. No food on Mondays but bar will be open

Wednesday 7th January 7.30pm Quiz at The Sheep, Koili . 2.50 per person. Prizes: Sunday lunch, wine, sweets, booby prize. Lamb-based food available, book in advance via The Sheep or Jezebel

Monday 12th January 5.30pm Quiz at Cliff Bar, Tala . 2.50 per person prizes: Cliff food voucher, wine, booby prize. No food on Mondays but bar will be open

Tuesday 13th January 7.30pm Quiz at Coral Star for Trap Neuter release charity for feral cats . 2.50 per person prizes: 20 Euro voucher, wine, sweets, booby prize. Drinks and food are very reasonably priced

Monday 19th January 5.30pm Quiz at Cliff Bar, Tala . 2.50 per person prizes: Cliff food voucher, wine, booby prize. No food on Mondays but bar will be open

Thursday 22nd January 7.30pm Quiz at Mesogi Arms for Animal Rescue. Food must be pre ordered. To book contact Sue Busfield 99771763, or Jezebel.

Club Nights

There will be no club night in **January** on the grounds that everyone should still be celebrated out.

February 19th will be the Annual General Meeting at 7:30 in the theatre. This is your chance to vote in your new committee and hear what is happening with the nuts and bolts of running the Society. Then the main attraction – the bar will be open after the meeting (and before).

March 19th will be a quiz hosted by Jezebel.

Auntie Prue's Advice Column

Dear Auntie Prue

With Burns Night rapidly approaching I am being pressured to cook a haggis for a friend. Do you have a good recipe for this offal dish?

Svetlana McGonagall

Auntie Prue says:

Dear Svetlana

Yes I do! First catch your sheep. Then take all the finest cuts of meat and delicately flavoured joints, chops etc and throw them in the bin. Take what is left and boil it in the sheep's stomach for most of January. Enjoy!

Dear Auntie Prue

Do you make any New Year resolutions such as going on a diet to lose weight?

N. Campbell (Miss)

Auntie Prue says:

Dear N.

Just the one, not to answer impertinent emails!