

## SCRIPT read through

On Friday evening 2nd June about 36 would be actors met with James Burke-Dunsmore to read through the script for our new play, 'Jesus in the Park'! James has put together an exciting new play for us, with scenes from Jesus' Ministry of teaching and healing cleverly woven together before telling the events of the final week of his life in The Passion. After the read through we all held our scripts aloft and dedicated ourselves to the play. James is now busy casting people into the various roles before we start rehearsals on 30th June. There is still time for others to join the production, either as actors or back stage crew. The more people who get involved, the lighter the load for everyone. We could certainly do with another 10-20 actors!



## Variety Show 10th June 2017 St Joseph's Church Hall, Havant

A most enjoyable evening was spent by about 45 people at the recent Variety show which raised a magnificent £543 for our funds! Our host for the evening was our local Emsworth Estate Agent, David Hazle, who not only introduced the acts but amused us with his variety of impressions. We were also entertained by Irish dancers, singers, Gibril an African drummer from Gambia, Liam who sang then played his tin whistle and a choir. Supper was various pasta bakes served with salad and followed by a selection of gateaux. A good evening was had by all. We all enjoyed joining in the community singing led by Liam. Thank you to all who took part, those who bought tickets or made donations and those behind the scenes who worked tirelessly to make the evening such a success.



## Celebration Service 11th June 2017 Emsworth Methodist Church

A powerful and reflective Celebration Service was put together by Reverend Bill Stillwell, reflecting on three of the healing and miracle stories from the Bible that James had used during the recent workshops, although they do not feature in the new play.

The emotions and feelings experienced from these stories during the workshops will, however, be invaluable when rehearsals start. The church was packed for the Service which was attended by the regular Sunday evening worshippers who kindly welcomed many

members of Havant Passion Play. Hymns had been chosen by HPP members and many people took part in Readings and Prayers. A retiring collection was taken for HPP funds, which together with a donation from the Methodist Church, totalled another £503! Our thanks to Reverend Bill and his congregation for making us so welcome and for allowing us to take part in this very special time of worship.

Altogether a most enjoyable and financially productive weekend was had by all!





**Games Afternoon 27th May 2017 Havant Methodist Church**

The games afternoon was great fun although it would have been even better had more people attended! There was great competition from those who were there playing the games and many learnt new skills.



Our intrepid games players, concentrating hard, making new friends and learning new games. An impressive selection of games were available. Perhaps this is a venture we will try again in the darker winter months when people appreciate sitting in the warm with friends!

**FUTURE FUND RAISING EVENTS**

Fundraising is still going ahead and recently an appeal was made to many local churches, of all denominations, for contributions to HPP funds. I have already heard of two churches that have organised retiring collections for us, for which we are most grateful.

**HPP RECIPE BOOK**

The recipe book has been proof read and is now ready to be sent off to be printed! Pauline has worked hard getting it into shape for us so watch this space. Thanks to all those who contributed recipes.

**QUIZ NIGHT**

A Quiz night has been arranged for Saturday 24th June from 7-9pm, at St Faith's Hall, The Pallant, Havant.

This is a tried and tested Quiz that was first aired in London, with great success!

Teams of up to 8 people, you can bring your own team or we can team you up with other quizzers on the night!

Tickets cost £7:50 per person which includes supper, please bring your own drinks and glasses.

For further details contact Mary Close, [mary.close@live.com](mailto:mary.close@live.com) or Pauline Kaznowski, [kaznowskipauline@gmail.com](mailto:kaznowskipauline@gmail.com).

**PLANT SALE**

**CALLING ALL GARDENERS!**

A plant sale has been organised on Saturday 1st July 2017 at St Faith's Church, West Street, Havant from 10-12pm.

We need donations of plants, seedlings and garden produce to sell on the day. Please bring plants and produce to St Faith's from 9am on sale day or contact Linda on 07747 467154 for collection or other arrangements.

**DON'T FORGET TO COME AND TAKE HOME A BARGAIN!**

**TEA DANCE**

**CHANGE OF DATE!**

Friday 14th July 2017 at St Joseph's Hall, Havant from 2-4pm the theme is 'Henley Regatta'! Tickets £5 each to include sandwiches and cream tea. Raffle. We are looking for people to make homemade scones and sandwiches, if you can help please e-mail: [kaznowskipauline@gmail.com](mailto:kaznowskipauline@gmail.com).