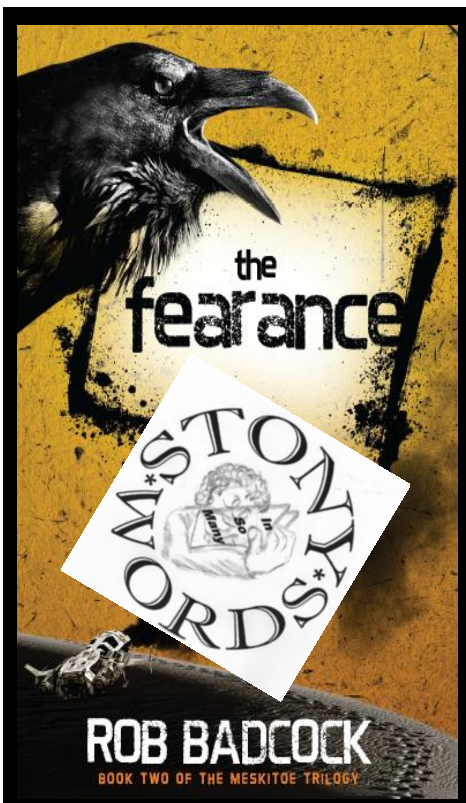


# Youth Community Arts

## Another splendid beer festival!



The 11th Cock & Bull Beer Festival raised a splendid £1764.40 for York House Centre, as well as providing another cracking social event attracting loads of visitors to Stony. Many thanks to all those elbows who worked so hard. The Mayor of Milton Keynes, Bryan White, attended and launched Fairtrade Fortnight (shown left). Less-liquid culture was provided by The Bard of Stony Stratford, an evening of spoken word performance courtesy of Frost-Phoenix and fine music from Palmerston.



Our Senior Youth Club planned, publicised, promoted and did a fabulous job of hosting the Stony Words event in January. It was run within one of the usual Wednesday night sessions and involved Rob Badcock, a local author of fiction for young adults. Rob has recently published his second book 'The Fearance' in his trilogy and the event was to launch this new piece of fiction.

We are already making plans for next years literary festival, where we expect the young people will share pieces they have written: short stories, prose and lyrics and Rob has agreed to return to be our guest judge so we can make a competition of it.

**Stony in Bloom**  
**Saturday April 26**  
**9.30am to 12.30pm**

Come to York House for the annual Stony in Bloom Plant Sale and a Spring Coffee Morning and Raffle in aid of the York House Community Gardens & Orchard PLUS you can help us re-plant the 'Edible Bed'

S.S.Shanty!2 on January 24 was another ripping night of maritime songs and piratical tales. A magnificent £863 was raised for RNLI plus a couple of hundred for York House, and singer, Tim Hague, paid a moving tribute to the late Malcolm Jones with a rendition of his song about Hayes Boatyard.

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# StonyMusicHall! 2



Hall was one of the legendary features of British entertainment.

As before, our headliner will be the wonderful "Bubbles" shown left. Some cracking local talent will be evoking those nice-but-sometimes-naughty days, with bicycles made for two, people who parted their hair in the middle, a lion called Wallace, and what Mrs Shufflewick thought when even the comfort had gone from her local pub, The Cock & Comfort.

Entry is a mere £5 and there will be a lovely new bar with some real ale, cider, wines, soft drinks and juices. Proceeds to York House Centre.

Pay on the door or assure your place by buying a ticket (the first one sold out in advance – you have been warned) from "Well Past It" in Timor Court, Stony Stratford. Tickets available in May. jukeofstony@gmail.com or below for more details.

A Second Scintillating Spectacular of Spiffing Stuff. Friday May 30<sup>th</sup>, from 8pm to 11pm at York House.

From Harry Champion, Little Tich and Marie Lloyd through George Formby (Junior and senior) to its dying (but still great) days of Frankie Howerd, Max Miller, and even Lonnie Donegan, the Music

## Beware The Odes Of March!

Saturday March 15<sup>th</sup>, from 8 to 11pm at York House

The fourth in the Luminous Noses! series, when humour and the spoken word reign. There will be poems (even limericks!), stories, monologues, and readings. There will be originals and cover versions. Above all, there will be nothing miserable.

Entry is a mere £3 and you can bring your own refreshment, so a cheepo evening out! All proceeds to York House Centre. Pay on the door or assure your place by buying a ticket (available from the Ides of February) from "Well Past It" in Timor Court, Stony Stratford. For more information, email jukeofstony@gmail.com or visit www.york-house.org.uk.



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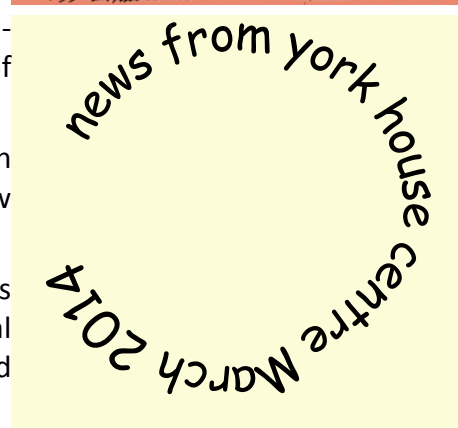
York House will play host to a number of events in this year's StonyLive! Arts & Music Festival from June 7 to 15 including:

The Great Creature Caper Saturday June 7 - a free family event to create mystical and mythical creatures from cardboard boxes, then race them!

StonyVoices!2 Sunday June 8 - another afternoon concert of delightful voices and harmonies.

French Connection Friday June 13 - in the Beechey Room; exquisite, mellow Chamber Music.

The Crown of Feathers & Fins Saturday June 14 - magical storytelling from the stunning "Red Phoenix".



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