IAC Mersey Ten Competition Rules

Entry in the MERSEY TEN COMPETITION is open to all Films & Videos made by Clubs, Groups or Individuals, within the North West Region.

Videos entered may be on any subject, but MUST NOT exceed TEN MINUTES screen time including titles & credits. Entries which exceed the time limit, by no matter how small a margin, will be disqualified.

Entries are acceptable on Mini DV tape, DVD and Blue-ray disc. All entries must be accompanied by a standard definition DVD Copy.

All tape entries should be recorded on an otherwise blank tape and should start within 2 minutes of the beginning of the tape.

All entries should be accompanied by an entry form. Entrants are strongly advised to use either Registered Post or Signed for Delivery for the transit of their entries. If an entrant prefers to deliver his/her entry to the Competitions Officer in person, they may do so.

Entries previously submitted to the NW Festival, so long as they meet the ten minute time limit are acceptable, – other than the outright winners.

There is NO ENTRY FEE but entrants who are unable to collect their entry, at the Presentation evening, should enclose adequate return postage with their entry form. Videos will be available for collection on the evening of Presentation. However, the Regional Council hopes that all entrants, if unable to attend, will at least try to arrange for a representative, to receive any award that may have been made. If there is no representative to accept the award it may be withheld.

All copyright material MUST be cleared by the entrant. The Competition Officer reserves the right to require evidence of such clearance prior to the exhibition of an entry.

All entries entered into the competition will be submitted to the judge(s) for adjudication and comment. However, the Organisers cannot guarantee that all entries will be screened at the Mersey Ten Competition Presentation Evening. The judge(s) will be asked to select a BALANCED programme for showing within the available screen time.

The Winner of the Competition will be awarded the STEVENSON TROPHY and shall hold this Trophy for one year. The North West Region will arrange for the engraving of the trophy.

It is the winner’s responsibility to return the trophy to the Competition Officer no later than the First of March of the following year. One each of the following certificates will be presented to the Runners-up: Very Highly Commended, Highly Commended and Commended.

There will also be an audience vote for the best screened entry, the winner being awarded the Vic Williams Trophy.

The organizers, whilst taking every reasonable care of the entries submitted, cannot accept any responsibility for loss or damage whilst in their possession.

The Competition Officer reserves the right to copy all entries digitally for submission to the judge(s). Such copying will in no way infringe the makers’ copyright and will be done to ensure the security of the entries, reduce transport costs and generally improve the efficiency of the administration. Such digital copies will be destroyed on receipt of the adjudication by the judge(s) and erased from the computer hard drive.
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Val Ellis FACI  Pauline Harrison FACI  David Mardon  Graham Winnick

Mersey Ten Competition 2014

Competition Entry Form
(Closing Date Saturday 29th March 2014)

Hosted by Burnley Film Makers
At Higham Village Hall, Higham Road, Higham, Burnley, BB12 9EU
On 2pm on Saturday 26th April 2014

Tickets available from your Club Secretary. Cheques payable to Burnley Film Makers or Richard Curry FACI 01706 218456 Email: richard.curry1@ntlworld.com

Please Complete form in Block Capitals, and send with entry to: IAC North West Competitions Officer: Mr Jim Whalley RoseBank 677 Preston Old Road, Feniscowles, Blackburn BB2 5EN Email: jimwhalley@googlemail.com

Title of Entry: ................................................................................................................................

Running Time: .............................. Please submit entry on:
Mini DV, DVD, Blu-ray, or HD & indicate if entry is: 16:9, 4:3 or 4:3 Letterbox. (Please Circle)
Each Entry to be accompanied by a Standard DVD copy
Please send Self Addressed Envelope with adequate postage for Return of entry (if unable to Attend).

Signature: ......................................................................................................................................

Please indicate if: Individual, Club or Group Secretary. (please Circle)

Name: ............................................................. IAC Membership Number: ............

Address: ....................................................................................................................................
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Post Code: ....................... Age if under 17yrs or if under 25yrs: ............................

Contact Telephone Number/s, email addresses: .................................................................
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Brief Synopsis of Movie: ........................................................................................................
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Burnley’s 38th Film Festival
Saturday 8th March 2014  **** Please Note New Venue ****  (page 18)
Keith Widdup 01282 693722. keith.widdup@uwclub.net

IAC North West Mersey Ten
26th April 2014  Hosted by Burnley Film Makers
Higham Village Hall, Higham Road, Higham, Burnley. BB12 9EU.
Closing Date for entries  29th March 2014  but you may Send to Jim  Now!

BIAFF 2014
11th - 13th April 2014
Hosted by North Thames Region at Park Inn Hotel St. Mary’s Street, Bedford,
Bedfordshire MK42 0AR
Further info from Jack Gill FACI 020 8505 8785  jaclorgill@tiscali.co.uk

Bolton Movie Makers
Movie Challenge May 2014
Open to all IAC & Northwest Clubs
John Poole 01204 64855. john_pool@o2.co.uk  www.boltonmoviemakers.org.uk

IAC AGM Weekend
16-18 October 2014
Hosted by Cemriac
Falcon Hotel Stratford – Upon – Avon

North West Festival 2014
Chads Theatre
Sat 8th Nov 2014
Entry Closing Date  4th October 2014

Chairman's Chat
Jim Whalley
N W Chairman

Hope you all had a good Christmas and received the presents you hoped for even if you had to buy them yourself.  May I take this opportunity to wish you a Happy New Year.  My second year as your Chairman started as last year with an invitation to attend Burnley Film Makers for their Newsreel which was again a great success.  I was very impressed with the professional way it was put together and edited.

My next visit was to attend a talk and film presentation by Michael Gough FACI(M) at Bolton Movie Makers which was about the correct way to edit your holiday films to make them more appealing to watch.

For those of you that did not attend the A G M at The North West Festival I would like to inform them that David Hall from Burnley Film Makers presented a new trophy to the I A C on behalf of the club to be awarded to a person or club who gives outstanding service to amateur film making within the IAC North West Region.

Nominations should be sent to NW secretary John Gleaves FACI with a full history of their achievements. You can vote for anyone outside your club if you feel they have given outstanding service. The Trophy will be known as the Ron Challen FACI Memorial Trophy in honour of Ron for his outstanding service to his club and devotion to the IAC for which he attended most meetings, even to events in other countries.

Our next competition The Mersey Ten which will be hosted by Burnley Film Makers on the 26th April 2014 and for the first time it will start at 2 pm in the afternoon to see if we can draw more members to attend.

In my position as Competition Officer I would ask you to send your entries in as soon as possible.  This will give me more time to log the entries , arrange the judging, prepare a balanced programme as well as print the programmes, award certificates and arrange engraving of the Mersey Ten Trophy.

James Whalley
Chairman.
Wishing you all a happy new Year

As I write this report, the AGM and Festival has taken place. A reasonably good number of people attended the event. Brian Saberton entertained with his morning presentation, and it was very interesting.

The films efficiently shown, thanks to the projection team. As usual, the standard of catering was very high, and a good buffet lunch and afternoon tea were provided. Thanks to the hard-working catering volunteers!

At the AGM, the Honorary Treasurer was pleased to report that the Region is in a better financial state than it was at the AGM of 2012. This was due to the National AGM which was hosted at Grange-over-Sands.

A memorial trophy was donated to the Region in memory of Ron Challen, a well-loved member of the North West Region and who worked extremely hard for Burnley & it’s Festival. His friend, David Hall presented the trophy which will be awarded to: ‘Any member of the Region or a Club in Recognition of Work for the Amateur Movie-Making Fraternity’. Please send in your nominations to myself ASAP. Final date will be 30 June 2014.

The meeting thought this was an excellent idea, and nominations are to be accompanied by a citation. The trophy will be held for twelve months, from the date of the Next AGM.

Regarding Council matters, work is well in hand preparing for the Mersey Ten, which this year will be held at Burnley during the afternoon. This is a move from the normal procedure, but it was felt this would benefit attendees who had some distance to travel home.

John Gleaves.
Hon. Secretary.

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Nigel’s Funeral details

Friday January 31st 12.30pm at St Marks Church, Scarisbrick, Southport Rd, Ormskirk, Lancashire L40 9RE

then onto Churchtown Conservative Club, St Cuthbert’s Rd, Southport, Merseyside PR9 7NN.

We have started a Just Giving account after many of his friends asked to give Donations to a charity in his name so please could you post the link also.
http://www.justgiving.com/philip-barton1

**A change of venue this year!**

BURNLEY FILM MAKERS will be holding their 38th Film Festival on SATURDAY, MARCH 8th.

A change of venue this year! For many years the Club has welcomed you at Padiham Town Hall, but this year the opportunity arose to use the purpose built Burnley Youth Theatre situated near Burnley Centre. The theatre has tiered, upholstered seating, modern screening and sound facilities and on site parking.

We are especially delighted that Michael Gough, FACI(M), and his wife Linda FACI have accepted the invitation to be our Special Guests and Judges for the Festival.

The Goughs are well-known to many of you. Michael has been a regular supporter of the Burnley Festival and was our Guest and Judge in 2007. We are really pleased that he is returning to us with his wife Linda.

Invitations have already been issued to clubs to enter the Festival competition but members of all clubs are invited to attend on the day which will start at 1.30 p.m. and end by 9.30p.m.

With the ‘early bird’ discount, tickets cost only £8.50 instead of the marked price of £9.50, provided payment is in the club’s hands by Saturday 22nd February 2014 - and include the usual excellent buffet.

More information is available via your club or contact Festival Secretary, Ron Harrison at: ron.harrison20@btinternet.com.
The entire membership of Southport MovieMakers have been shocked by the early death of Nigel Barton, still in his forties. Every one of his productions testified, not only to his clear talent for cinematography and editing, but also to the considerable trouble he took to 'get things right'. We pulled his leg about too many takes, yet we knew why he did them. His films were recognized by the number of awards he received over many years. We shall all miss him - not least the twelve younger members of the Club - who enjoyed his company and appreciated his talent. Paul Bagshaw

I have known Nigel since he first came to the Club at thirteen, and have marvelled at the ingenuity he displayed for one so young. His attention to detail, and the care he took over auditioning actors, gave his films a craftsman’s touch. He was cheerful, a pleasure to work with, and full of laughter and ideas. He will be greatly missed by all. Geoff Williams

A great film-maker to work with over the years, and one we shall all miss. We have regularly been amazed by the quality of his films. It was a real pleasure to have him as a fellow-member and as a friend. David Moyle

I enjoyed Nigel Barton’s company during our weekly bus journeys to Southport MovieMakers over several years. I remember him well as a hard task-master during the filming of ‘The Hypnotist’, which was my first film acting debut at the Club. Without doubt, It was a privilege to have him as a fellow-member. Myra Williams

I will miss Nigel’s sense of humour during our meetings at his flat, when we discussed film-making, both amateur and professional. I was proud to be involved with him as a writer during the planning of ‘Rent-A-Mate’, and later assisted him with several other productions. He would often show me rushes and rough-cuts of his latest work. Only a week before he died, we were viewing a special effect he had designed for a short sci-fi film. It is difficult to believe that we have lost Nigel. Like others, I shall miss him greatly. Munro Teale

Even as a relative newcomer to Southport MovieMakers, I always received a welcome from Nigel in the form of a handshake and a greeting on arrival at the Club. His presence enriched the experience of being a member. Les Thomas

Nigel Barton is the reason I pursued film. Seeing his work at Southport MovieMakers was the reason I joined the Club, and discovered a passion for the subject of film in all its aspects. He would often invite me on shoots, castings, script read-thoughts, and even show me his tricks of the trade at his edit suite. There is no doubt that Nigel was truly gifted, but above all, he was also a truly good person. Josh Gwynne

Additional tributes have been received by phone from members of other clubs, including those from Valerie Ellis, Geoff Harrison, Jim Whalley, and Pauline Harrison.

I have known Nigel for a number of years through the interclub Competitions and IAC Festivals and had many an interesting conversation on Animation he was an excellent & ambitious filmmaker. Suzie Moore - IAC Tripod Editor (and previously a Swan Member).

This is a film made by members of IAC North West at Styal of the Quarry Bank Mill. Members of the Warrington club were also very much involved.

Unfortunately we don’t know who has this film! I seem to remember that there are two versions…. 16mm and Super 8. It is an important film and we need to make copies of it.

PLEASE let me know if you can throw any light as to its whereabouts.

geraldmee@btinternet.com or ’phone: 01538 382570

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Please send in Tripod items at any time, and it will appear in the next available issue. Also Please Check Your Club Info is Correct & send in your club programmes, Stories, or Events as without your items, Tripod will fade away!

Abergele A-V
Membership Sec.  Mal Hughes  Mal.hughes@talktalk.net

Accrington Movie Makers.
Meet every Monday 7pm. Sept-May The Community Centre, Fairfield Street, Accrington.
Chairman: Raymond Burrows 01254 393926 lifetime-ray@hotmail.com
Hon.Sec: Don Clarke 01254 56783 jamesdonaldclarke@hotmail.com

Altrincham Movie Makers (was Altrincham Video Society).
Meet every Wednesday 8pm.  121 Park Road, Timperley, WA15 6QO (New Web & Emails)
Chairman: Eric Flowers 0161 973 9344. eflowers@uwclub.net
Hon.Sec: Don Clarke 01254 56783 jamesdonaldclarke@hotmail.com
Web: www.altvideo.co.uk

Blackpool Moviemakers.
Meet every Monday. 7.30pm Sept- April (Monthly in the Summer) at Highfield Methodist Church Hall,
The Fellowship Room, Searsdale Avenue, Blackpool. FY4 2NP. Hon.Sec: Len Boreham 01253 8671673
Leon.boreham@gmx.com

Bolton Movie Makers.
Meet 2nd, 4th & 5th Thurs every month. Over-Hulton Conservative Club, Bolton, BL5 1AA.
Hon.Sec. John Pool 01204 64855. john_pool@o2.co.uk (has now returned as Secretary).
mail@boltonmoviemakers.org.uk

Burnley Film Makers.
Meet every Wednesday 7.30pm. Higham Village Hall, Higham Road,
Higham, Burnley. BB12 9EU. Chairman: Carl Stredder 01254 619085 carl.irene@ntlworld.com
Hon.Sec: Keith Widdup 01254 693722, keith.widdup@uwclub.net

Bury Cine Society.
Meet every Wednesday 8pm. At the Moses Centre, Bury.
www.burycine.org.uk enquiries@bury.org.uk

Tributes from fellow-members of Southport MovieMakers to our friend who sadly died on January 16, 2014

Nigel first came to our club meetings at the age of 13.

With his cousin he made Super 8 cine films, often based on animation. He attended Southport School of Art, a TV production course in the North-east, and then on to London, where he obtained his degree. At the National Film & Television School Nigel specialised in directing. After working in the London film industry, he returned to Southport, where he wrote and directed amateur films. For three consecutive years he won the BIAFF Denham Gold Cup, and his crowning glory came when ‘Rent-A-Mate’ won a Gold Medal at UNICA, the world amateur film competition, being declared ‘The Film of the Festival’

Ashby Ball

Nigel was fun and inspirational to be with. It was always a pleasure to be involved in his projects, as he had a fund of ideas, ever seeking fresh goals. I will always remember being at his flat, chatting over a script or watching the latest cut of a recent movie. He had high hopes for his latest, a sci-fi thriller, ready to go into production, for which he had purchased the costumes. A great loss to film making, to the Southport Club, and to his many friends.

Alan Beddows

When Nigel came to the Club at the age of thirteen, he showed us his latest Standard 8mm film. It left us with our mouths open – amazed by the quality and ingenuity his production displayed.

Jim Morris

We have lost a good and gifted friend whom we have known for many years. We have very much enjoyed both his friendship and his quality productions, and we shall miss him greatly.

Geoff and Pat Porter

I was first introduced to Nigel Barton when he saw me filming in a friend’s driveway. Soon afterwards he rejoined Southport MovieMakers after a hiatus of some years. He was supportive of my fledgling ventures in movie making, and I always looked forward to seeing a new Nigel Barton production. The quality of his legacy speaks for itself, and he will certainly be sorely missed by members of our Club.

Peter Ravenscroft

Nigel’s bright talent and wonderful technical skill was evident in everything he did. Like other members of Southport MovieMakers, I shall miss his companionship. He was a joy to know.

Tony Glynn
Bolton MovieMakers were recently saddened to learn of the death of their Chairman, for the past two years, Dave Barnett.

Shortly after relinquishing his position as Chairman, Dave was admitted to hospital on 14th November and was in intensive care for just over two weeks but passed away on 2nd December.

Former Chairman Ted Wisedale said, “Dave joined the Club in 2005, he soon established himself as a worthy competitor in our many competitions and, I think, he may be the only member in recent years who, at some time, has entered every one of our competitions.

He was also a keen supporter of our links with movie clubs in our twin towns of Paderborn, in Germany, and Le Mans, in France, and has enjoyed visits to both clubs in recent years.

Dave was also spearheading our celebrations to mark the 60th anniversary of Bolton MovieMakers and was making plans for both Paderborn and Le Mans to join us in our celebrations here in May 2014.

Dave has helped to drive our club forward in recent years and will be sorely missed; he is survived by his wife Joan who is also a member of Bolton MovieMakers.

John Pool - Secretary
**North East Cheshire Film Society**
Meet on the 3rd Tuesday of every month. Oct-April. Village Hall, High Lane, Stockport.
Chair: Bob Chandley. Hon.Sec; J C Wilkinson. John.emma@zen.co.uk

**North West Film Archive. *** Please Note!***
The NWFA is closed for business until March 2014 as it is moving to new premises at the Manchester Central Reference Library. Their web site is www/nwfa.mmu.ac.uk

**Northern Ireland Camcorder Club.**
Meet 8pm. Every Monday October to March.
Hon.Sec. Michael Canning. mcanning75@yahoo.co.uk
44 Glencregagh Drive, Belfast. N.I. BT6-0NL

**Pendle Movie Makers.**
Meet on the 2nd Monday of every month, except bank hols when we meet on a Tuesday.
Colne Borough Pendle. Chairman: John Morgan. JhnMrgn@aol.com http://www.pendlemoviemakers.org.uk
Hon.Sec: Peter Copestake. 01282 864058. peter.copestake@googlemail.com

**Penrith & District Camera Club.**
Meet every Wednesday 7.30pm at Quaker meeting house, Meeting House Lane, Penrith. CA11 7TR.
Irving Butterworth. 01768 865330. hibutterworth@lineone.net
info@penrithcameraclub.co.uk or www.penrithcameraclub.co.uk

**Poynton & Stockport Movie Makers.**
Meet 7.45pm on alternate Thursdays, Vernon room, Civic Hall, Poynton, Nr Stockport.
Hon Sec. Marjory Gregory. 01663 732087. lowmeadow20@freenetname.co.uk
Chairman. John Heeson. info@psmvideo.co.uk or www.psmvideo.co.uk

**Preston Movie Makers**
Meet every Thursday. 7.45pm. Sept-April. Galloway Hall, Brackenbury Road,
Fulwood, Preston. PR2 3BS. Chairman Jim Whalley jimwhalley1@gmail.com
Hon.Sec: Roy Lodsdon. 01772 672599. Email:pmoviemakers@gmail.com www.prestonmoviemakers.org.uk

**Ribble Valley Movie Makers.**
Meet 7.30pm. 1st & 3rd Thur each month. Sept-May. The Pendle Club, Lowergate, Clitheroe. BB7 1AG.
Tony Ellis, Tel: 01200 425506. 17 Kenilworth Drive, Clitheroe, Lancashire. BB7 2ON.
Hon Sec: George Shepherd 07818 057590 ‘Please advise email & Postal Address’
http://www.ribblevalleymoviemakers.co.uk
Rochdale Movie Makers.
Meet 7.30pm. 1st & 3rd Thursday each month. Norden Old Library, Enfield Road, Nordon, Rochdale. OL11-5XE.  www.rochdalemoviemaker.co.uk. Chairman. Geoff Alexander. galexander@rochdalemoviemaker.co.uk
Sec. Barbara Jones 01706 654560. bjones@rochdalemoviemaker.co.uk

Southport Movie Makers.
Meet 8pm. Every Thursday. St James Church Hall, Lulworth Road, Southport. PR8 2BQ.
Hon.Sec: Michael Alley +44(0)1704 877500 michaelalley@tiscali.co.uk
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Web: www.southportmoviemakers.org.uk/meetings Blog: www.southportmoviemaker.blogspot.co.uk
Ashby Ball. 01704 567 778. ashby.ball@virgin.net

Stoke Cine & Video Society.
Meet every Wednesday. 7.30pm. Sept-May. Newcastle-under-Lyme, Staffs www.stokecvs.co.uk
Hon Sec: John Gleaves. Rev.gleaves@googlemail.com
President: Gerald Mee MBE. FACI. 01538 382570. geraldmee@btinternet.com

Swan Movie Makers Wirral.
Meet on the 2nd & 4th Friday of every month between Sept-June.
At Christ Church Community Centre, Bebington.
Chairman. Graham Kay  0151342 3697 gkay@grahamkay.co.uk
Club contact for information on our Annual Transport Show 29th November 2014.
Angus Tilston 0151 334 5546  Web: Http://www.swanmoviemakers.weebly.com

Warrington Cine & Video Society.
Marjorie Belton 0151 426 3854. wcvs.1936@btinternet.com
Web: Http://www.wcvs.weebly.com

West Cheshire Video Club.
Meet Fortnightly, on Mondays 8pm. The Groves Social Club, Ellesmere Port, CH65
Hon Sec: J L Wright les.wright@talk talk.net  www.westcheshirevideo.org.uk
( Please send us your club programme)

Wilmslow Guild Audio-Visual Group.  Meet every three weeks, Friday 7.30pm.
Please ring & ask about us? 01925 753303. Chair: Howard Gregory Chairman@wilmslowguild.org.uk
Web : www.wilmslowguildav.org.uk
Although I have tried to use a separate ‘Tripod email’: iacnwwtripod@gmail.com
This has caused some confusion, so please use: Suziedave7@gmail.com
Please send items as a ‘word Document’ With ‘Normal’ Type setting
in ‘New Times Roman’ with Font size 10.or 11  Or as a PDF IF you do not have ‘Word’
All Club information was taken from IAC NW Region Web page, so please let myself, and the IAC web master know of any changes to your club details. eg. Chairman, Hon Sec, venue & emails

We would like to thank Suzie Moore for her last Tripod presentation which included Society Obituaries for Charles Ford and Geoff Welch. We are still recovering from the loss of 2 prominent members, but we have still been meeting every Monday as usual.

We have enjoyed two visits from Jim and Norma Wood recently. They brought a “Look at Life” on dvd and judged our Elf Rose Bowl competition, which this year took the theme of Wildlife. The winner was Peter Roger’s video “Garden Life” and the Novice’s trophy was awarded to Peter Blay for his video “New Zealand & Australia.”

WCVS members have also attended North West events, including the IAC NW Film Festival, the N v S Competition Final and Swan Movie Makers Transport Show and also visited Mid Cheshire Camcorder Club, when Peter Durnall from Stoke Cine & Video Society put on a very interesting evening on wildlife photography.

We meet every Monday at 8pm (except Christmas, New Year and Bank Holidays) at St Martin’s Methodist Church Hall, Gig Lane, Woolston, Warrington W A1 4EE
For more information go to www.wcvs.weebly.com or e-mail wcvs.1936@btinternet.com

WCVS Programme February to April 2014.

February 3rd Michael Gough Programme on DVD.
10th Review of Society Super 8mm Films.
17th James Walton Presents.

SATURDAY 22nd FEBRUARY 2014 - WCVS ANNUAL FILM & VIDEO SHOW VENUE: ST MARTIN’S METHODIST CHURCH HALL, GIG LANE, WOOLSTON WARRINGTON, WA1 4EE
DOORS OPEN 7PM FOR 7-30PM START. TICKETS £4.

24th Members’ Movies / Annual Competition Non-Winning Entries.

March 3rd Discussion Evening (Summer Filming, Social, Production etc.)
10th Members’ Standard 8mm film evening. (Standard 8 to DVD permissible.)
17th Tribute to Charles Ford.
24th N v S Competition DVD
31st Members’ Movies.

April 7th Society Standard 8mm films Archive Evening.
14th Chairman’s Night
21st NO MEETING EASTER MONDAY-BANK HOLIDAY
28th AGM
This year Wilmslow Guild A-V Group celebrates its 21st birthday. During that time we have won the Club Gold Medal at all but one of the National A-V Championships. To mark this milestone, this year's Fiesta - our annual public show of members' work - will be devoted to showing again some of the sequences that our audiences have voted as their favourites over the years. It is primarily an entertainment; all are welcome. Friday Feb 28th & Saturday March 1st, Wilmslow Guild, starting at 7.30pm. Same programme both nights.

Following the success of our full day's workshop in October, by popular request we are running another one on Saturday 29th March. This will be biased towards the audio side of our hobby, so will be relevant to video workers too. Details, background information and booking forms are on the "Forthcoming Events" page of www.wilmslowguildav.org.uk where you will also find a map and other useful information.

Queries on either event to chairman@wilmslowguildav.org.uk

Howard Gregory

Programme Jan - March 2014

14th Feb. AGM
14th March. An evening with Jim Wood
- a long, wide & colourful experience in all things filmic.
28 March. Marjorie & Derek Belton
- another enjoyable programme of their movies.

Cheadle and Gatley

January 30th My way with Holiday Films
February 6th 5 min comp - Are you ready to shot a film with Are in the title.
13th Scriptwriting Workshop
20th Who said it was easy
27th A visit from Stoke
March 6th Members’ Miscellany

The Ten Commandments

1 Though shalt ensure that the public show is well organised, widely advertised and competently presented.
2 Whilst remembering that ‘The Show’ must go on. Though shall ensure that it doesn’t go on too long, enough is as good as a feast.
3 Always present a variety of films, one man’s Travelogue is another man’s poison,.
4 Though shalt not waffle unduly at the beginning and end of the show and though shalt have at least one interval—as thanks to the television industry the span of “Armchair” Attention has declined from 3 hrs to a mere 15 mins.
5 Though shalt include as many local interest films as possible.
6 Remember you are in the business of entertainment not instructing — Comedy is King!
7 Many a Mickle is better than a Muckle in other words, better to have a great number of short films than just one or two epics, (Leave the Soap making to Lever Brothers).
8 Though shalt not be greedy, Keep Admission prices down!
9 Though shalt ask the Customer what they thought of the show. This is called Market Research an invaluable Sobering device for the swollen headed.
10 Always prepare for a Fast Escape and remember it is possible to please most of the Audience for some of the time.
The fifty-year-old film, “Nelson ‘62”, that Pendle Movie Makers inherited from their founders, had its first public showing for many years, courtesy of a group of local councillors and other citizens mostly of Pakistani heritage as many from this population had little knowledge of the town so long ago.

On the day they were greatly outnumbered by the older members of the indigenous population but such was the popularity of the event that the promoters had to stand (as our picture shows).

It is hoped that the showing will, in a small way, help bring the communities closer together. Pendle are now under pressure to produce the long planned follow up, a daunting task to choose material from the intervening years and make it into a watchable film.

The club will take heart from the success of their members John and Margaret Morgan, whose documentary commemorating Colne’s hero, Wallace Hartley, bandmaster of the ill-fated Titanic, was awarded Best Documentary, Best Individual Production and, by the audience, Best Film of the Day at the recent North West Film Festival.

The makers had to include many old pictures and much detailed commentary compiled by a team of historians connected with Pendle Hippodrome Theatre.

Peter Copesake

I have in my garage, what was, a tripod stand projection screen. I was going to keep it as a spare at Burnley but, having renovated the screen itself, I found that the parts that hold the screen up are unusable without some work. It would, however, be quite usable as it is, hung on a wall or from a ceiling as a roll-up screen.

If anyone, individual or club would like it then please contact me. The screen itself is 8 feet wide which would suit a hall or large room. I don’t want any payment as it came to me free. However, I would request that a small donation is made to the IAC NW or pay me to deliver it! (North West region only!)

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but I hope Dyl Bonnerthe has an enjoyable retirement.

I am left wondering if we can still use the CDs we have purchased over the years. Suzie x