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SOUTHEND SORCERERS

Christmas

2018 NEWSLETTER

2018 MEETINGS AND EVENTS

2nd Dec Xmas Fun Night

2019 MEETINGS AND EVENTS

6th Jan Club Night Free and Easy
 3rd Feb Lecture – Dave Loosley
 3rd Mar Club Night – Speed Dating
 7th Apr Annual General Meeting
 5th May Stage Competition
 2nd Jun Lecture – Jamie Daws
 7th Jul Lecture – Oliver Tabor

4th Aug Club Night
 21st Aug **EXTRA** – Joshua Jay Lecture
 1st Sep Close Up Competition
 6th Oct Lecture – James Went
 3rd Nov Props Auction
 1st Dec Xmas Fun Night

2018 CLUB SHOWS

15th December Canvey Island Show - confirmed

2019 CLUB SHOWS

Date TBC All Saints School, Maldon

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LAST MEETING – 4th NOVEMBER – ANNUAL AUCTION



The club's November meeting was the annual props auction and this year we ran the event as a traditional auction with Adrian selling items to a packed house. With several lots from a variety of sellers, the auction moved along fairly briskly with Tracy keeping the paperwork up to date as the evening progressed.

This year we introduced a new rule that members were only allowed to sell a maximum of 10 items – this was because the previous year had over run badly due to the sheer number of items for sale. This year was a lot more relaxed and we were able to offer the chance to bid on everything that had been brought along for sale – in fact the sale finished at around 9.30 in the end, so there was time for a mix and mingle session too.

As always, there were some bargains to be found and it was a great night. We had a number of members selling off collections of various props and DVDs etc, and in the end most who took part were able to raise some handy money for the festive season. We had everything, from books and lecture notes through to roll-on tables. Bidding was fairly lively and with some unusual and rare items up for sale, there was literally something to appeal to nearly everyone.

Thanks go to all our sellers and buyers – the club charges no commission so our sellers kept all the proceeds. We hope you found the evening enjoyable.

Also at the meeting, Finlay Southgate was presented with his Most Promising Newcomer award; Don Simpson also presented a 30 minute mentoring session on sponge balls and the routines you can do with them; and prospective new member Andrew Miranda took and passed his membership audition. Well done Andrew and welcome to the club – we'll present you with your membership regalia at the next meeting!

NEXT MEETING – 2nd DECEMBER – CHRISTMAS FUN NIGHT

As usual, on Sunday the 2nd December the committee will be hosting the club's annual Christmas fun night. This is a free and easy evening where you and your family and friends can come along and take part in what is actually a kind of quiz night, organised just for fun by the committee as a way of moving things on towards the festive season. So why not put a small team together and come along ready for some fun? Or if you want to come on your own, that's no problem either; there'll be plenty of people there for you to team up with.



It's always a well attended night and as usual there'll be prizes for the winning team (and for the losing team too!) - you can never be sure of what the committee have come up with for you this year, so expect the unexpected! Adrian's family and friends have won the quiz night for the last two years on the trot, so we need a team to take the title off them this time round!!

Bring your own drinks and nibbles along and be prepared for an almighty festive fun night.....

NEXT MENTORING SESSION – JANUARY – FLASH PRODUCTS CARE AND USE



As the December meeting is our Christmas Fun Night, we'll be resting our mentoring sessions until January. At the first meeting of the New Year though, Ryan will kick things off with a session covering the care and use of flash products. This was requested by our members and as usual, the first 30 minutes of the evening will be dedicated to it, starting at 7.00.

CLUB SHOWS

If you'd like to perform at any of our future shows, either with close-up magic or as a stage act, then please contact Richard Graham on 01268 783202. Rick will also provide details of venue addresses, times and directions as required.

Our shows are not just one of the ways in which we keep the club running successfully from a financial perspective; they also offer our members a unique opportunity to perform for non-magical audiences, and to practice their routines while improving their skills.



If you've never been involved in one of our shows before, please think about offering some help – there's nothing to lose and everything to gain from practicing with 'real' people.

LAST SHOW

23rd November Ekco Club in aid of the Macular Society

Our last show was held at the Ekco Club on 23rd November and was a full show involving members performing close up and stage magic. With a full audience, close up was provided by Mike Leach, Mick Geraghty, Richard Graham, Don Simpson, Tracy Wise, Finlay Southgate, Derek Martin, Thomas Edwin, Adrian Fox, Robbie Wood, Chris Campos and Jake Dolman. The audience were very receptive and the first half went really well.

After a half time buffet, where we were also provided with some food, it was on with the stage show. With Adrian compering, Richard Graham took to the stage first to perform his 'any card called for' and 'Dicing with Death' routines. Next came Robbie Wood with 'Spiked', 'Vanishing Bandanna' and his 'disappearing tea-set(!)'. Don Simpson finished the evening off with 'needle through balloon', 'Chinese sticks', 'Stodare Egg' and his salt pour effect.

The audience seemed somewhat subdued during the stage show, yet at the end of the evening we were all congratulated by several audience members saying how much they'd enjoyed the whole show. The Ekco Club raised £400 for their supported charity.

The shows don't run without a lot of support from various people of course, so thanks go to all our members who took part by performing. Also to Richard for arranging it all and liaising with the Ekco Club; special thanks also to Andy Smith for looking after the sound system and stage management; and of course to our Dream Team (Carol, Audrey, Kim and Debbie) for looking after merchandise sales as usual.

FUTURE SHOWS

15th December Canvey Island WI show
2019 All Saints School, Maldon – date TBC

As you'll see we could do with a few more bookings, so if anyone has any ideas for people or charities we could approach, please let Rick know and we'll drop them a line.

Rick will send out details for the next show on 15th December shortly and we hope to see you there for another fun filled evening of magic.

CLUB LIBRARY



Members may not be aware that the club holds a small library of books available for free loan – there's a lot of amazing material held in these resources and a full list of the library contents is attached to this newsletter for reference. If you'd like to borrow any of the books, just get in touch with Ryan and he'll bring the book you want along to the next meeting for you.

MEMBERS' NEWS

Oliver Tabor – Christmas Magic at the Barn

Oliver presents his amazing 'Christmas Magic at the Barn' shows on 28th & 29th December at 7:30pm.



This family festive night offers close-up wizardry presented at tables followed by a cabaret show featuring magic, mystery and comedy. The evening offers a whole host of family friendly entertainment including close-up magicians, comedy magic acts, and Christmas themed magic & entertainment.

Plus a free drink and mince pie on entry!

The night boasts a combination of sleight-of-hand close-up magic, mind reading and mystery, comedy and stage illusion held within the warm, intimate and enchanting atmosphere of a 17th century barn theatre. The ticket price includes a free glass of mulled wine for adults and soft drink for children plus a mince pie, drinks are served on admission and other refreshments are available to purchase including wine and beer.

Tickets are available now on the ticketline - 01702 543242

Or online here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/christmas-magic-at-the-barn-tickets-41046677718>

Oliver Ward & Oliver Tabor – Olivers Twisted



Oliver Tabor and Ollie Ward are staging a new two man show at the Brentwood Theatre. It takes place on 25th January at 7.30 and you can see the two of them combine their magic for a special, one night only, show.

Tickets are £15 and available now - and you can get them online at the Brentwood Theatre website, here:

<http://www.brentwood-theatre.co.uk/event/maestro-magicians/>

OTHER MAGIC SHOWS ETC

At Home with The Magic Circle

An evening of mystery and wonder featuring some of the club's top magicians. You'll learn about the history of magic and The Magic Circle itself and get to witness amazing close-up conjuring during the Parlour Magic Shows, and a magical stage show as part of this highly entertaining evening. Doors open at 7.00pm



The Circle has their Christmas shows running on a number of dates during December and there are plenty to choose from. You can find full details on their website along with ticketing information and pricing here:

<https://themagiccircle.co.uk/public-events/59-the-magic-circle-christmas-show/1299-the-magic-circle-christmas-show-66>

The Ehrlich Brothers



German magic sensations, The Ehrlich Brothers, are set to bring their ground-breaking illusion show to the UK for the first time in 2019. The spectacular show features mind-blowing illusions and incredible magic tricks where only seeing is believing!

With their sensational shows Andreas and Chris Ehrlich, are taking magic into a new era. Whether it is bending tons of railway tracks into the shape of a heart, growing an orange tree from a seed, or transforming a toy car into a real monster truck, the Ehrlich Brothers perform what is completely inexplicable to the spectator. Using a perfect mixture of elaborate illusions, sleight of hand, energy and charm, the Brothers have created a unique spectacle that crosses generations and is enjoyed by the whole family. Their performances have wowed over 2 million fans in Germany, making them bigger than Madonna and Justin Bieber in overall tickets sales! They are the only magicians world-wide to have ever filled an entire football stadium, breaking two world records along the way!

The Ehrlich Brothers are appearing at the O2 on Saturday 6th April next year, and tickets start at around £45. You can buy them here:

https://www.axs.com/uk/events/363556/ehrich-brothers-tickets?aff=sse_adwordsbranded_ehrlich_60418

FINALLY, AS USUAL, SOME NEW MAGIC TO CHECK OUT

Mentalism

LICENSE PLATE PREDICTION by Martin Andersen



This is a prediction of an entire license plate with audience involvement! The magician shows different numbers and letters on a license plate-style pad. The combinations are endless. One or several spectators choose freely, a letter or number at a time, to create a unique license plate. Magically, the magician then reveals a metal license plate that matches the chosen one exactly!

This can be themed as either the magician knowing ahead of time what license plate would be created by the audience, or the audience has some special ability to predict the license plate hidden by the magician!

Key points

Spectators choose all numbers without the magician touching or forcing anything. Extremely easy to perform and fits any kind of show. Perform surrounded. The prediction is made of embossed aluminium.

This is an **Open Source** magic trick, and you will have access to all the files, so if you want to create your own version, or make any modification, you will have instructions and templates to create it. You can choose between 8 different models available to make it fit your own presentation and show: California, Florida, New York, Texas, France, Spain, United Kingdom, British Columbia (vintage model)

What you will get?

A special pad, with numbers and letters that resemble the license plate that is chosen by spectators. It includes polyester sheets, which are very resistant and will last many years. There's a rigid back cover for easier handling and spiral binding so the sheets slide easier. You also receive an aluminium license plate to match the pad's outcome.

License Pad Prediction isn't cheap at £100, but it offers a new twist on a mentalism prediction effect. You can see it here:

<https://www.magicworld.co.uk/license-plate-prediction-united-kingdom-gimmicks-and-online-instructions-by-martin-andersen-trick.html>

Cards

OPEN WARP by Zoyu

Card Warp is a classic plot in card magic. It was first introduced by Roy Walton in 1973, visual and powerful. The effect is that a card turns face up under impossible conditions – you can even see the card half face up and half face down! Now Zoyu brings you his variation, **Open Warp**. Without folding any cards, you can make one card turn completely over, and visually back again in a blink. It's perfect for live performances and the Internet!



In the detailed video instructions, you will also learn the routine **One-Handed Open Warp**, which uses only one card and your bare hands!

Besides the variation routines, you will also learn how to make the Open Warp gimmick by yourself, so you needn't worry about running out of them! (It just takes few minutes to build a new one.)

Open Ward is a great new take on a classic effect and you can see it here:

<https://www.magicworld.co.uk/open-warp-zoyu-hondo.html>

The price is £18.49

Mentalism

PIN by Marc Paul



With 'Pin' Marc Paul has created a super-simple, yet brilliantly ingenious way of gaining written information. The beauty of Marc's creation is that the PIN envelope may be freely shown before, during and after the effect.

Basic Effect

A yellow envelope is shown to your spectators; they can see it has the word PIN printed across it. You remove a piece of card from the envelope and hand it to your spectator. They are asked to create a 4 digit PIN number in their mind and write it on the card. The card is slid back in to the envelope face down and the envelope flap is closed. The envelope is once again shown both sides to prove you cannot see through it. The envelope is placed away in your pocket and you never need to go back to it, yet you instantly start reading their mind to reveal the top secret PIN number!

Pin is super-easy to perform (almost totally self-work) leaving you time to concentrate on your presentation.

The size and colour of the PIN envelopes make them perfect for close-up, parlour or even stage and because of the material we choose to have them manufactured in they will last a very long time!

Along with the props you will have access to the video tutorial featuring Marc and Peter Nardi discussing and demonstrating the working and some amazing routine ideas. Including Marc's full PIN revelation routine, Marc's two person routine, Peter's thoughts on using PIN for the ever popular Magic Square and CAAN effect (and lots more)

Your PIN Set Comes Complete with

2 x Special PIN Envelopes

1 x Identical non-gimmicked PIN Envelope

30 x PIN Cards (Reload packs of PIN cards are available in packs of 50)

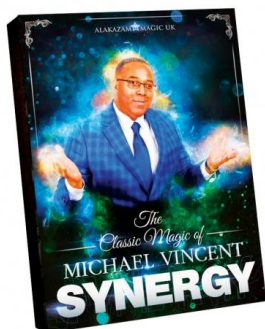
Full tutorial video

You can see PIN and buy it at Alakazam – the price is £34.99, and you can also buy Pin card refills at £12.99 for 50, although you can also make your own.

<https://www.alakazam.co.uk/pin-by-marc-paul.html>

DVDs

SYNERGY by Michael Vincent



Michael Vincent is back with another collection of material that is powerful, dynamic and designed to help make you an expert magician. Michael is known world-wide for his smooth and flawless sleight of hand and this collection represents some amazing new effects that will fool your audiences badly.

In the DVD Michael delves into a range of subjects such as timing, misdirection, character and presentation along with in depth conversation about the effects covered.

Included amongst a wealth of other routines are:

Sky Hooks – the cleanest vanish of three coins you'll ever see.

The Changeling – a beautiful transformation of a playing card

Tipsy T – after 30 years, the most amazing version of the classic Triumph card effect

The Lie Detector – The gem of this collection which you can see performed on Alakazam's website. This routine alone makes the DVD a really worthwhile purchase.

The content of the DVD will challenge you as a performer – Michael is well known for his expert sleight of hand technique – but it will ultimately help you to enhance your performing skills and your approach to magic.

Synergy is available from Alakazam prices at £24.99, and you can see it here:

<https://www.alakazam.co.uk/synergy-dvd-by-michael-vincent.html>

That's about it for this month everyone – send any articles for next month's newsletter to Adrian for publishing.

Southend Sorcerers Book Library 2018

1	Rameses	Albert Marchinski
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3	The big buck in magic	Amazing Maurice
4	John Ramsey's Tasselled Rope trick	Andrew Galloway
5	Giving a magic show	Bill Severn
6	Magic comedy	Bill Severn
7	Magic for all	Bob Dunn
8	Fingertip fantasies	Bob Ostin
9	Magic as a a hobby	Bruce Elliot
10	Entertaining with hypnotism	Calostro
11	Scarne on card tricks	Constable
12	The feats of karma	Dai Dexter
13	Malini and his magic	Dai Vernon
14	The escapology secrets	David De-Val
15	Profit at the party	David Hallett
16	Modern handcuff secrets for magicians	Dick Norman
17	Card tricks and patience	Donald Sapsford
18	Card tricks and conjuring with cards	Ernest Weldin
19	Early verson	Faucett W. Ross
20	Card and Conjuring tricks	Foulsham
21	Card and Conjuring tricks	Foulsham
22	The concealed art of magic	George P. Sanderson
23	Carter beats the devil	Glen David Gold
24	Grimas Theatre Make up	Haarlem - Holland
25	Tarbell course in magic Vol 8	Harlan Tarbell
26	Tarbell course in magic Vol 7	Harlan Tarbell
27	Tarbell course in magic Vol 6	Harlan Tarbell
28	Tarbell course in magic Vol 5	Harlan Tarbell
29	Tarbell course in magic Vol 4	Harlan Tarbell
30	Tarbell course in magic Vol 3	Harlan Tarbell
31	Tarbell course in magic Vol 2	Harlan Tarbell
32	Tarbell course in magic Vol 1	Harlan Tarbell
33	Burkes pastime series for boys - Magic	Harry Clarke
34	Television puppet magic	Ian Adair
35	Encyclopedia of Dove magic Vol 5	Ian Adair
36	The new modern coin magic	J. B. Bobo
37	Clowning around for children	Jack Collins
38	Encyclopedia of card tricks	Jean Hugard
39	Modern magic manual	Jean Hugard
40	Scarnes Magic tricks	John Scarne
41	Stage illusions and entertainments	La Belle Sauvage
42	Slydini Encores	Leon Nathanson
43	Building Blocks	Luke Jermay
44	3510	Luke Jermay
45	Be a clown	Mark Stolzenberg
46	Complete Course Magic	Mark Wilson

47	How do you do it yourself? Magic for you	Marvillio
48	The complete magican	Marvin Kaye
49	Arcanum	Matthew Johnson
50	Novel Magic	Micky Hades
51	Our magic	Nevil Maskelyne & David Devant
52	Bingley brothers circus	Nic Niberco
53	Quality magic	Okito
54	Childrens parties a speciality	Peter D'Arcy
55	Hey presto	Peter Eldin
56	Satori Making contact	Raymond Williams
57	How to be a conjouror	Robert Harbin
58	Handle with care	Robin Robertson
59	The illusion of the Dancing cane	Roger John
60	Easy magic - good tricks and how to present them	Roy Holmes
61	Magic for fun	Sidney H. Radner
62	Original magical creations	Stanley Collins
63	Chinese magic and illusions	Supreme Magic
64	Paper Magic	Supreme Magic
65	An invitation to mystery	Tony Griffith
66	Practical ventriloquism	Two Shillings
67	Chi-Cane-ry	Val Andrews
68	Manual of balloon modeling Vol 1	Val Andrews
69	The new magicians manual	Walter B. Gibson
70	Pro file	Wayne Dobson
71	Groot Spectrum Goochelboek	Werner Waldmann
72	Conjuring	Wilfrid Jonson
73	This is magic	Will Dexter
74	Sealed Vision	Will Dexter
75	Divers Deceits	William Zavis