

HIAM Sports and Social Club

Newsletter

March 2010

Keith Smithson 26 February 1946 - 2nd February 2010



Keith Smithson, the club secretary, passed away on Tuesday 2nd February 2010. His funeral was held at St. Mary's Church, Ely on Monday 15th February.

Keith was born and bred in East Yorkshire but in the mid 1960s he moved to Soham where he found employment as a painter and decorator.

He later moved to Ely where he became manager of the Market Place fish and chip shop and restaurant, a post he held for many years. After illness forced a change of career, his keen interest in philately helped him to find work in a stamp shop in Ely.

Keith was a very happy and helpful man and was often found assisting friends and neighbours with decorating and other jobs.

Despite a busy life, Keith found time to become involved at Hiam Sports and Social Club where he served as secretary for many years right up until the time of his death.

Keith always said yes to his family, especially his wife Pat who says 'He was a real romantic, there were always flowers and cards on birthdays and Valentines day. He was so kind and considerate with thoughtful surprises on many occasions.'

Keith will be sadly missed by us all.

Rest in peace Keith.

Linedancing on a Wednesday evening with Rick 'n' Chris



Rick 'n' Chris have been teaching here at Hiam since 2008 and the classes have been well attended. The class is very much aimed at the improver and intermediate dancers and great fun is to be had when attending. All too often linedancers can appear to be a little sour-faced when dancing because they are concentrating so much on the steps. This class is different; it is a fun and friendly class where making a mistake is called a variation.... and variations make you laugh.

No longer are we the 'staid thumbs in belts' dancers but now we are the 'casual and fun' crowd. We have had to do a little teaching to genres of music that is not country but this has made it all the more interesting. On e minute we are dancing to Kenny Rogers and the next minute it's Alexandra Burke. The styles of dance also differ frequently. We are doing dances to Latin, Rock 'n' Roll, Waltz, Country and Pop music.

Class attendance has averaged out at approximately 25 which is just perfect for teaching.

We would love to be able to tell dancers what we are going to be teaching in advance but with so many dances being choreographed and so many to choose from this proves to be impossible.

Our latest dances are:-

- Moment of Truth (32 count Easy) to *Moment of Truth* sung by Suzy Boguss
- So Easily (32 count Improver) to *I Could Easily Fall In Love With You* sung by Cliff Richard
- Baby's Gone Home (40 count Improver) to *Baby's Gone Home* sung by The McClymonts
- Feel Right (64 count Improver) to *Feel Right* sung by Tanya Tucker
- J & M Mambo (32 count Intermediate) to *Johnny and Marie* sung by Fools Gold
- Playing With Fire (64 count Intermediate) to *Bad Boys* sung by Alexander Burke

Classes are held every Wednesday evening at 7.30pm and admission is only £3.00 for members.

Why not come along and learn to linedance in a fun and friendly environment?

50's Chart Watch - March 1955

Billboard Best Sellers in Stores (US)

(For survey week ending March 9 1955)

1. Sincerely - The MacGuire Sisters
2. Crazy Otto Medley - J. Maddox
3. Ballad of Davey Crocket - B. Hayes
4. Tweedle Dee - G. Gibbs
5. Melody of Love - B. Vaughn
6. Ko Kop Mo - P. Como
7. Hearts Of Stone - Fontane Sisters
8. Earth Angel - Crew Cuts
9. How Important Can It Be? - J. James
10. That's All I Want From You - J.P. Morgan

The US national pop chart tracked sales of records that were predominately recorded by white artists sold to a white audience. Separate charts existed for African American music starting with the *Harlem Hit Parade* in 1942 which tracked jukebox plays and which, by 1945, had become the *Most Played Juke Box Race Records*. African American retail sales were first charted by Billboard in 1948 with the introduction of the *The Best Selling Retail Race Records* chart which was renamed the *Best Selling Rhythm & Blues Records* chart in June 1949. The separation of black and white music sales was possible because black music generally had its own labels and separate outlets. Even the format was different with white sales being predominately on 45s and black sales on 78s.

In the 1950s US record industry, most hit songs had multiple versions - most notably black and white versions. An original performance by a black artists on a small, often black owned, independent label would be covered by a white artist on a white owned major label with the means for national distribution and promotion. Often no attempt was made to produce a new interpretation of the existing material but instead as close a copy as possible was made of the original arrangement note for note and slur for slur.

This chart from 1955 illustrates this black/white divide in popular music at the time with white artists scoring the hits with material taken from the black artists.

While Gorgia Gibbs sat at number 4 with *Tweedle Dee*, the Laverne Baker original languished at number 27 in the same chart. Similarly the Crew Cuts version of *Ko Ko Mo* (16) was outsold by the Perry Como version (6).

The Crew Cuts were at number 8 with *Earth Angel* whilst the Penguins version is at number 13. The Fontane Sisters had a number 1 hit with *Hearts of Stone* (Jan 1955) but in the previous year the Charms original only managed to reach number 15 in the pop charts.

In the UK charts of 1955 ballads were the order of the day featuring artists such as Johnny Ray, Frankie Lane and Guy Mitchell.

Record Mirror Top Ten 12 March 1955 (UK)

1. Softly Softly - Ruby Murray
2. Give Me Your Word - Tennessee Ernie Ford
3. Let Me Go - Teresa Brewer
4. A Blossom Fell - Nat 'King' Cole
5. Mobile - Ray Burns
6. Mambo Italiano - Rosemary Clooney
7. Tomorrow - Johnny Brandon
8. Naughty Lady of Shady Lane - Dean Martin
9. Shake Rattle & Roll - Bill Haley

10. If You Believe - Johnny Ray

Johnny Ray, who had a UK chart career from 1952 to 1960, made his first chart appearance for 12 months with *If You Believe* which was to be followed by 4 more Top Twenty hits before the year was out.

Rock & Roll was beginning to appear in the charts with Bill Haley's *Shake Rattle & Roll* which first appeared in the charts in December 1954.

In addition to her number 1 hit *Softly Softly*, Ruby Murray had three other top ten entries during March. *Heartbeat* had been in the charts since early December 1954 and reached number 3 later that same month. *If Anyone Finds This I Love You* entered the charts on 18 th March and went on to reach number 7 in April. *Let Me Go Lover* had first appeared in the charts on 4 th March and reached number 9 two weeks later.

Comittee News February 2010

Keith Smithson

After declaring the meeting open, the Chairman asked for a one minute silence to mourn the loss of our secretary, Keith Smithson. Many of us had attended the funeral the day before and our thoughts go out to his family. Keith spent many years as Secretary of the club and will be sorely missed by all of us.

Election of New Officers

At the January committee meeting, Bill Nunn, the Chairman, announced that he would like to stand down so he could have more time to enjoy his retirement. The committee was asked for nominations for a replacement and only one, Geoff Fretwell, was put forward, proposed by Sturley Cross and seconded by Val Peachey. After a unanimous vote in favour, Geoff Fretwell was declared the club Chairman until the next A.G.M.

Following the untimely death of the Secretary, Keith Smithson, nominations were requested for a replacement. Again, there was one nomination for Mike Fortey, proposed by Wendy Nunn and seconded by Kay Game. After another unanimous vote in favour, Mike Fortey was declared the club Secretary until the next A.G.M.

50's Record Hop with Rockin' Lee

Friday 5th March 2010 8:15pm - 11:30pm



The Voice Of Rock & Roll!

Admission Pay on door

Member price: £3.00

Guest price: £4.00

- Bar
- Raffle
- Tea & Coffee

Country Music Night with Magill

Saturday 6th March 2010 8:15pm - 11:30pm



Magill - The Dancers band.

<http://www.magillstudios.co.uk/#/magill-the-band>

Admission Pay on door

Member price: £5.00

Guest price: £6.50

- Bar
- Fish & Chips
- Raffle
- Tea & Coffee

Tea Dance with Chris Booth

Sunday 7th March 2010 2:00pm - 5:00pm



Chris is from Spalding in Lincolnshire. He is a very popular organist and travels the country with his Technics GA3 organ

Admission Pay on door

Member price: £3.50

Guest price: £4.50

- Bar
- Raffle
- Tea & Coffee

Rock & Roll Night with The Ramshackle Daddies

Friday 12th March 2010 8:15pm - 11:30pm

Admission Pay on door

Member price: £6.00

Guest price: £8.00

- Bar
- Fish & Chips
- Raffle
- Tea & Coffee

Ballroom & Sequence with Dick Rose

Saturday 13th March 2010 8:15pm - 11:30pm

Admission Pay on door

Member price: £4.50

Guest price: £6.50

- Bar
- Raffle

Bowls Club Bingo

Monday 15th March 2010 8:00pm - 10:30pm

Admission

Member price: £0.00

Guest price: £0.00

- Bar

Linedance Disco with Billy Bob

Friday 19th March 2010 8:15pm - 11:30pm



Admission Pay on door

Member price: £3.50

Guest price: £4.50

- Bar
- Raffle
- Tea & Coffee

Ballroom & Sequence with David Last

Saturday 20th March 2010 8:15pm - 11:30pm



David Last is one of the UK's number one artists performing and recording for lovers of Social Sequence Dancing and easy Listening Music.

Admission Pay on door

Member price: £4.50

Guest price: £6.50

- Bar
- Raffle

Jazz with Barry Tyler and His Original Dixieland Jazz Band

Sunday 21st March 2010 12:30pm - 3:30pm



Jazz in the New Orleans style for the discerning.

Admission Pay on door

Member price: £5.00

Guest price: £6.00

- Bar
- Raffle
- Rolls
- Tea & Coffee

Rock & Roll Night with The Heartbeats

Saturday 27th March 2010 8:15pm - 11:30pm



The Heartbeats have become a top name in the Rock 'n' Roll clubs around the UK .

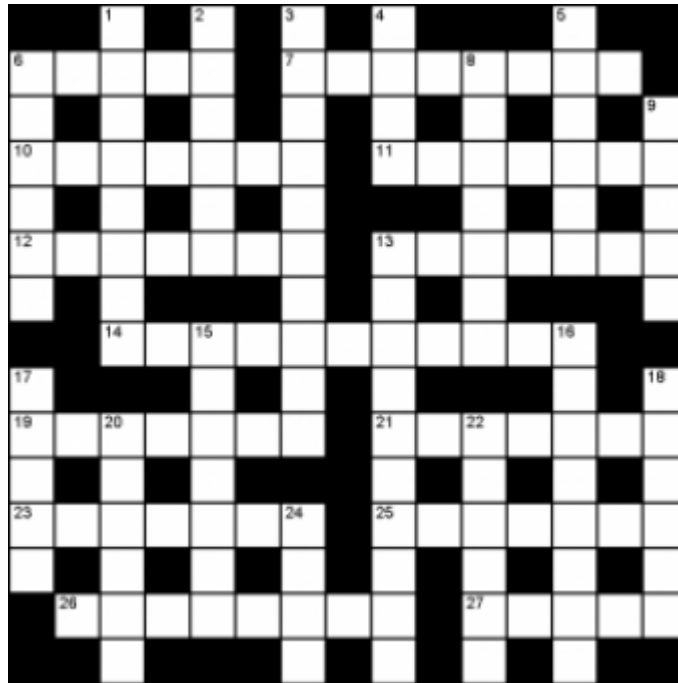
Admission Pay on door

Member price: £6.00

Guest price: £8.00

- Bar
- Fish & Chips
- Raffle
- Tea & Coffee

Crossword



Across:-

- 6 Reside (5)
- 7 Difficult to pin down (8)
- 10 Mundane (7)
- 11 Advent (7)
- 12 ...it's home from work we go (5-2)
- 13 Gangster (7)
- 14 Take possession of (11)
- 19 Hit the spot (7)
- 21 Inspiring affection (7)
- 23 Common solvent (7)

- 25 Hunted (7)
- 26 Handel bars (8)
- 27 Hose material (5)

Down:-

- 1 Pasta ingredient (8)
- 2 Make whiter or lighter (6)
- 3 Science of mental life (10)
- 4 Opera star (4)
- 5 Go places (6)
- 6 The deepest and most remote part (6)

- 8 — non grata (7)
- 9 Barrage balloon (5)
- 13 Strong drink (4,6)
- 15 Faint (4,3)
- 16 Fortify (8)
- 17 Bar order, with "the" (5)
- 18 Muffle (6)
- 20 Hypothesis (6)
- 22 European capital (6)
- 24 Currency (4)

Sudoku

		9				5		
4			5	9	2			
		8		6			7	
3					1			
8	6		3	4	7			
		4						
								6
	3		1	5		9		
		2						

Complete the grid by adding missing numbers in the range 1 - 9 so that no number is repeated in any 3x3 grid or in each row or column.

Find the vegetables

P	N	T	E	Y	M	A	R	R	O	W
U	X	G	O	E	A	O	N	I	O	N
L	A	I	D	M	M	J	H	C	B	
S	R	E	D	C	A	B	B	A	G	E
E	W	F	B	R	I	T	R	O	O	A
S	K	A	L	E	Z	F	O	K	U	N
L	W	C	F	S	E	I	C	R	R	T
N	T	V	H	S	O	T	C	A	D	J
C	O	R	N	A	A	C	O	L	E	E
C	H	I	V	E	R	H	L	E	E	K
S	O	Y	P	R	A	D	I	S	H	M

Find the names of 25 vegetables (including the odd fruit or herb). The names are hidden vertically, horizontally and diagonally in the grid.

Hall available for hire

The hall is available for hire for member's private parties for only £50.

Please download and complete the application form * and return to the club or email to enquiry@hiam.org.uk .

The hall is available on most Sundays excluding the first and third Sundays in the month.

Note that this rate is for member's private parties only and is subject to committee approval.

* www.hiam.org.uk/sites/default/files/hall_application.pdf

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Also, if you have a Vodafone or O2 mobile, you can receive Twitter event notifications on your phone FREE!!!.

To receive notifications on your mobile you will need to set up a Twitter account here: <https://twitter.com/signup> .

Once logged in to Twitter go to your Settings click on the Devices tab and follow the instructions there.

You can the receive text notifications by either texting *follow hiams* to 86444 or, from your web browser, make sure you are logged in to Twitter then navigate to <http://twitter.com/hiams> and click on follow. If the phone icon is greyed out, click on it to turn it green.

If you are not on Vodafone or O2 you will not be able to receive text message event notifications.

2010 Membership Subscriptions

Membership subscriptions for 2010 became due on 1st January 2010.

The subscription year is being changed from 1st January - 31st December to 1st September - 31st August to coincide with our financial year.

This means that the subscriptions now due will be for 8 months rather than the usual 12 months.

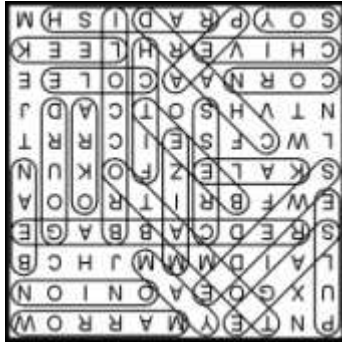
The subscription rates are:-

Adult: £8.50

Senior: £6.50

Membership subscriptions are great value when you consider the number of events offered and the admission charge savings available to members.

Wordsearch Solution



Sudoku Solution

9	4	2	8	3	6	7	1	5
7	3	6	1	5	4	9	2	8
5	8	1	2	7	9	4	3	6
2	1	4	9	8	5	3	6	7
8	6	5	3	4	7	1	9	2
3	9	7	6	2	1	8	5	4
1	5	8	4	6	3	2	7	9
4	7	3	5	9	2	6	8	1
6	2	9	7	1	8	5	4	3

Crossword Solution



Cash Bingo

Every Thursday.

Members Only.

How to Contribute

If you have anything you would like to be included in the newsletter and on the web site please send your contributions to news@hiam.org.uk.

You can send coments and suggestions to feedback@hiam.org.uk.

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1	2	3 Linedance Class 7:30PM - 10:30PM	4 Cash Bingo 7:00PM - 10:00PM	5 50's Record Hop with Rockin' Lee 8:15PM - 11:30PM	6 Country Music Night with Magill 8:15PM - 11:30PM	7 Tea Dance with Chris Booth 2:00PM - 5:00PM
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