

## NB. MOVIES 2022/23 AGM

**5.00pm on Tuesday 20 February 2024 in the Main Hall, NB Community Centre**

Wine and nibbles will be available, and we plan to show three short vintage films about historic East Lothian (lasting around 50 minutes in total) after the meeting.

### AGENDA

1. Welcome from the Chair.
2. Apologies
3. Minutes of 2021/22 AGM, held on 21 February 2023 (to be available at the meeting).
4. Annual reports for 2022/23

Chair (see below)

Treasurer (accounts and report available at the meeting)

5. Election of Committee and Office Bearers

	Current	Proposed
Chair	Jim Conway	Jim Conway
Vice-Chair	Vacant	Vacant
Treasurer	Carolyn Foster	Carolyn Foster
Secretary	Jane Nelson	Jane Nelson
Committee members (between 2 and 10)	Paul Duffney Jan Fogg Robin MacEwen Amanda Sumner Mike Sumner Ronnie Williams	Paul Duffney Jan Fogg Robin MacEwen Amanda Sumner Mike Sumner Ronnie Williams

6. Re-election of Independent Examiner of NB Movies accounts (Patricia Vanreenen)
7. AOB

## Chair's Report on 2022/23

2022/23 was our first full year of operation following the Covid-19 pandemic, which had resulted in a pause of two years in screenings.

Our main screenings and attendances in 2022/23 were as follows:

September 2022	Elvis	78
October 2022	Last Night in Soho	40
November 2022	Top Gun: Maverick	54
December 2022	Nope	Cancelled (only 4 tickets sold)
January 2023	Ticket to Paradise	81
February 2023	Banshees of Inisherin	81
March 2023	Mrs Harris Goes to Paris	85
April 2023	Aftersun	80
May 2023	Everything, Everywhere, All At Once	40
June 2023	The Fabelmans	34
July 2023	Living	44

For 'Everything, Everywhere, All At Once' (quite a complicated film!) we streamed a YouTube review ahead of the screening, which was well received.

As soon as all Covid restrictions were removed (February 2023), we increased audience capacity to 100 (95 tickets plus five volunteers). Where attendance is shown above as over 80, we have generally sold out tickets on-line. Usually about 10% of ticket holders are 'no-shows'.

Our equipment and projectionists have additionally been used for:

- Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle, shown to the Can-Do play group in October 2022.
- Screening a film for Dirleton Play Group in December 2022.
- Supporting some Gardening Club meetings.
- Since the summer of 2023 we have shown films on Friday afternoons to the 'This is Us' group of young people with additional support needs.

We have successfully run a bar at evening screenings, which has been well received.

A new website went live in February 2023. We use Eventbrite to sell tickets online. We also have a presence on Facebook, Instagram and X (formerly Twitter). Our screenings are additionally usually publicised in the Courier and Whitekirk Hill's monthly newsletter.

Ongoing issues in the Community Centre are: provision of an HDMI cable to allow other groups to link to projector; replacement of the velux window blind; sound quality (reviewed with a professional company in Autumn 2023); comfort of seats;

Community Centre requirement to sign in at the entrance. Unfortunately, many of these were reported last year and have still not been resolved satisfactorily. The most pressing of these is the light ingress through the skylight window. We have been using an ad hoc solution devised by Paul Duffney, but it will be a serious problem again once the nights get lighter.

Since 2022/23 we have made progress on some other issues:

- We now have our mobile equipment stored in the Community Centre. Our previous Treasurer, Stuart Wight, had been very kindly storing this in his garage and outhouse.
- Audio Light Systems, our local tech experts, have checked out our sound system, given comments by some viewers that they found dialogue hard to hear. They reported that our sound equipment is all up-to-date. However they advised on some tweaks to settings, which appears to have improved things somewhat. Other parts of our equipment will, however, need updating before too long.
- Several years ago, Audio Light Systems loaned us some equipment, which they have now donated to us, for which we are very grateful.

Jim Conway  
Chair, NB Movies