



# SORCERER

Patron edition



The Magazine of the Derby Magic Circle

A Warm welcome all our Patron members, we appreciate your support.

We have a couple of events coming up that I hope you will be interested in.

The first event is the Eddie Dawes Presentation on Famous Magicians of the Past. This is held at the Breadsall Memorial Hall and is on 22nd February, starting at 19.30. There will be a small buffet served. This is an open meeting so our you are very welcome to attend. Tickets are £5 each and are available from Doug Gregg.

The next event is the 'Evening of Magic' at the Hilton House Hotel on the 22nd March, starting at 19.30. Ticket are £6 each and are available from Jean Ellison. Unfortunately, I won't be attending as I'll be in Japan. I will be performing at Jim's Bar in Toyota City every Wednesday evening while I'm there, so feel free to join me if you are over there.

Has anyone thought of any different venues for the 'Evening of Magic', if you have any suggestions for venues, please share them with me (**Special note: please don't tell me such 'n' such would be nice, please give me contact names, phone numbers, and the cost of the venue).** Thank you.

The AGM will soon be with us, and it will be time for me to step down from the presidency. Although I'm stepping down, I will still be actively involved in the Circle as the Sorcerer Editor, Committee member and web-master.

By now, I'm sure you have all seen the web site [www.derbymagiccircle.com](http://www.derbymagiccircle.com) . I have received many positive comments from members and from outside the society. This was one comment that I received:

'I took a look at your site and it looks like you guys have quite a strong club there with a lot of activities going on. It's really great to see a club doing so well in this modern environment, I hope that you guys continue to go from strength to strength!'

On that positive note, I'll say 'Until next time .....**Enjoy !!**

Our next meeting night is February 22nd, with

# Eddie Dawes

This meeting is open to our Patron Members

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY.

AN EVENING WITH PROFESSOR EDDIE DAWES.

Wednesday, 22nd February 2012



Professor Eddie Dawes will be giving a presentation to the Derby Magic Circle about famous magicians of the past.

Eddie is one of the worlds leading historians on magic and lectures to magic circles all over the world. He is also one of the senior historical advisers to "THE MAGIC CIRCLE" and we are extremely lucky to obtain his services to present this special lecture to our Circle.

The evening falls on our February meeting at Breadsall Village Hall commencing at 19-30 hr and is an open meeting. Therefore, guests, partners and Patron Members are welcome.

There will be a small buffet served with tea or coffee and an entrance fee of £5 for each guest.

So that adequate refreshments can be arranged tickets can be obtained from Doug Gregg or through any of the committee.

Please support this prestigious event.



This is a special class of membership that will allow them access to all of the Circle's **open** meetings and events at a special discount price. Also they will get prior notification of all open events together with reserved seats so they can organise their diary well in advance and not miss out on the special occasion.

Subscription for Patron Membership is £12 per annum.

For further details contact Doug Gregg.

Currently we have 13 Patron members, these are:

Roy Burdine Stricker, Ian Cox, Brian James Ordish, Melvyn Peter Smith,  
Paul Stuart Barrass, Shirley Anne Barrass, Keith Turner, Rita Trickett,  
Shirley Constance Mellors, Roy Stewart Flowers, Kathleen Kinsley,  
Mary Storer, Isobel Roe.

# **Schools 50-50 show** **at Doveridge Primary School.**

The 12<sup>th</sup> December 2011 contributed another £112 to the Circle funds from the Doveridge Primary School " Night of Magic".

What a night it turned out to be, with children of all ages from two to fourteen years of age and their parents, having a wonderful time . The full audience could not have been better, all joining in the fun and laughter and the banter during the show. Parents and children openly came to the performers and said how much they had enjoyed the evening and that, when the word gets around, just how much the other children missed that did not come to the show.

The PTA is already thinking of next years show, that's how much they enjoyed the night.

The show started at 6-30 pm after the children had filled their faces with a set tea and cakes.

Doug Gregg started the proceedings by thanking everyone for coming and explaining the evening. He then moved into a number of routines using Luna, Henrys Tie, Circus Clowns, Humpty Dumpty and finishing off with a balloon routine and a crazy raccoon .All performed with eager assistants from the audience.

After the school raffle the next performer was Clive More who continued the fun with his hilarious routines using the Rising Wand, Benjamin Dog, Colouring Book, Linking Ropes and finishing off with Rudolf, (al-a Farm Yard Frolics).

All of these routines were enhanced by Clive`s wonderful and funny patter that is essential when performing to children.

Jeanie then calmed everyone down with her beautiful colourful silent act using silks, ribbons and flowers. It was wonderful to see, even the very little children enjoying her magic. It just shows how well a live show is received in this day and age of the computer or telly . We should sell our wares more vigorously to show just what we can offer in this modern IT world.

Everyone returned home fully satisfied that they had had a wonderful night out.

Doug Gregg



# AN EVENING OF MAGIC



HILTON HOUSE HOTEL

22ND MARCH, 2012

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Enjoy an evening of Magic in a safe and quiet environment, at the Cedar Suite, Hilton House Hotel. The format of the evening is designed for you to experience a unique and unforgettable evening.

The audience will sit in groups of around ten at a table, whilst close-up table magicians perform minor miracles for them.

Each performer performs for around ten minutes at a table before all performers simultaneously move on to the next table in turn. An interval of five minutes between the acts allows the audience to purchase drinks from the Hotel's bar.

After the first three acts, there is an intermission for the serving of a buffet (sandwiches). The close up magic continues for two more acts. The evening is rounded off with a cabaret act.

The focus of the evening is fun, enjoyment and amazement. The number of repeat clientele tells the story of the evenings success.



Tickets are £6 each.  
Available from Jean Ellison  
01332 763 206