

WHAT'S ON 2025

DEREHAM MEMORIAL HALL

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Mon-Fri 8.30am-4.30pm

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Dereham Memorial Hall is a multi-purpose venue with a 294 capacity proscenium arch at its heart. Our theatre-style seating can be swiftly packed away, revealing a beautiful oak dance floor beneath. This flexibility allows us to have a varied range of events and is ideal for shows, concerts, wedding receptions, parties, presentation evenings and much more!



If you are interested in hiring the

Memorial Hall for an event,

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EDDIE COCHRAN -65TH ANNIVERSARY SHOW

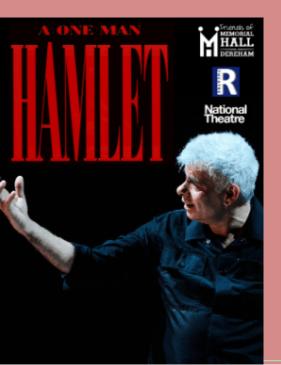
Saturday 26th April 7.30pm Tickets £18.50

The Gold Star Band celebrates the music of an Icon of Rock 'n' Roll.

Wall to wall songs from Eddie Cochran from his early days 'Tired & Sleepy' to the final tour in England where he would have played all his hits - 'C'mon Everybody' and 'Summertime Blues', plus lots of songs for anyone who loves Rock 'n' Roll, full of nostalgia, an evening to celebrate the man himself Eddie Cochran. Also, one or two songs from Eddie's Friends, Billy Fury, Marty Wild, Gene Vincent. Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens & The Big Bopper, and The Everlys. A celebration of Rock 'n' Roll at its best all performed by cast members from shows in A.M. Productions (We Three Kings/ Winter Dance Party etc.).

Doors open 6.30pm

A ONE PERSON HAMLET WITH MARK LOCKYER



Thursday 1st May 7.30pm Tickets £15

"Soliloquies that Make the Skin Tingle," The Guardian - 4 stars;

FODMH are delighted to present
Regeneration Theatre's acclaimed
one person portrayal of Hamlet,
starring Mark Lockyer, on a tour of
theatres, palaces and prisons.
Adapted and directed by Fiona Laird,
supported by The National Theatre,
Lockyer's portrayal of the anguished
prince of Denmark is intense, deep
and revealing. Performed in one 100
minute act, this is not a show to
miss!

AN AUDIENCE WITH FRANK BRUNO (RESCHEDULED)

Saturday 10th April 6.30pm (doors open 6pm)

Tickets £50 - £80

Charity event raising funds for Jesse's Anchor and Norfolk Accident & Rescue Service (NARS)







Join us for a remarkable evening with one of Britain's most beloved sporting icons, Frank Bruno! This exclusive event offers a unique opportunity to hear Frank share captivating stories from his incredible career and personal journey.

Frank will also answer select questions submitted by attendees. If you'd like your question to be considered, please submit it when purchasing your ticket.

FLEETWOOD UNCHAINED: THE ULTIMATE FLEETWOOD MAC TRIBUTE

Friday 16th May 7.30pm Tickets £22



Featuring highly experienced musicians and vocalists, the band brings to life Fleetwood Mac's timeless hits, from the early blues-infused Peter Green classics to the pop-rock anthems that made them international superstars.

From 'Rhiannon' and 'Go Your Own Way'

to 'Dreams' and 'The Chain', Fleetwood Unchained play them all with precision, heart and high energy throughout.



SONGBIRDS WITH THE FRONT ROW BIG BAND

Saturday 17th May 7.30pm Tickets £22

Experience the magic of jazz at Songbirds
— a dazzling big band tribute celebrating
the iconic voices of female singing
legends!

Join the Front Row Big Band for an evening where history and innovation blend seamlessly, as they breathe new life into timeless tunes once sung by some of the most influential women in music.

DEREHAM YOUTH THEATRE COMPANY PRESENTS: 'GREASE'

May 28th - 31st Tickets £18

7.30pm Nightly & Saturday Matinee at 2.30pm



Get ready to step back in time to the rockin' 1950s with Grease, one of the most beloved musicals of all time! Full of energy, humor, and heart, Grease is a celebration and hardships of youth, friendship, and growing up. From drive-in movies to high school romance, from jukebox tunes to leather jackets, this show captures the essence of an era where rock 'n' roll was king and high school dreams felt larger than life.



WCB COMEDY NIGHT WITH HEADLINER: SIMON BRODKIN

Friday 6th June 8.00pm Tickets £22

Our fantastic headliner **Simon Brodkin** will be joined by the absolutely awesome Pat Monahan, and Scott Adams MCs. **This is going to be a huge gig!!**

Simon, perhaps previously best known as comedy superstar Lee Nelson has left behind his character and sells out tours under his own name. He's no stranger to going viral with pranks and stunts such as chucking a pile of cash over Seb Blatter or handing a P45 to Theresa May. These days video clips of his stand up are all over new media being seen by millions on Reels and TikTok.





'I'M EVERY WHITNEY' -A TRIBUTE TO THE LEGENDARY WHITNEY HOUSTON

Saturday 21st June

Support Acts 7.20pm., Headliner 8.15pm Tickets £22

Select Events are proud to present the ultimate tribute show to the legendary Whitney Houston. Tribute performed by 'I'm Every Whitney' + Support.

This is a fully seated theatre performance.

Now in their 22nd year, the band have established themselves as one of the country's top tribute acts, headlining at theatres all over the country.

Playing a mix of old and new Eagles' songs, all the classics - including Hotel California, Take It Easy, One Of These Nights, Take It To The Limit, Desperado, Lyin' Eyes and Life In The Fast Lane - as well as Henley, Frey and Walsh solo numbers (like Boys of Summer, The Heat Is On and Rocky Mountain Way) along with some deep cuts, the band have wowed audiences with their faithful tribute to one of the most popular bands of all time.

THE ALTER EAGLES

Friday 4th July 7.30pm Tickets from £22





BUSYBODIES THEATRE ACTIVE GROUP 'THE DESCENDANTS'

Sunday 6th July 4.00pm Tickets £7.00

Busybodies Theatre Active group present 'The Descendants'



Busybodies Stage School

DEREHAM BLUES FESTIVAL OPENING GIG

Introducing Mike Sanchez! Once described as "the finest, most exciting, most entertaining artist in British rhythm and blues", and "bloody brilliant", " part Latin gigolo, part rockabilly hellcat" Sanchez left Britain for Spain and the continental festival circuit years ago His pulsating boogie-woogie piano has taken him round and round the world. Mike's high energy, theatrical personality, characterised by big hair and flamboyant stage suits earned him the title 'Bossman of Boogie', whilst his supreme technique made him three times British Blues Keyboard Player of the Year.!

Wednesday 9th July 7.30pm Tickets £29



'TAYLOR 22' TAYLOR SWIFT TRIBUTE

Get Ready Swifties for the Greatest Hits Tour!

The ultimate Tribute to the Queen of Country "Taylor 22" is coming to Dereham so let's "Shake it off".

A concert full of your favourite Taylor hits from start to finish. Be the "Lover' you are as it's going to be a show like no other "Love Story" in your "Wildest Dreams"

Get your tickets soon as this show is sure to sell out quickly!

Saturday 26th July 1.30pm Tickets from £17.50



'NORFOLK & NORWICH HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Saturday 2nd August

GARDENERS' QUESTION TIME

11.00am Tickets £5 Doors open 10am

You've heard them on the radio, now come along and bring your gardening related questions with you! Alan Gray (East Ruston Old Vicarage Garden), Ian Roofe (Green Man Gardens & Plants) and Jonathan Moseley (floral art demonstrator and gardener) as our panel of experts for a Gardeners' Question Time. Richard Hobbs of Little Plumstead Walled Garden will be in the chair.

"STYLED FOR SUMMER"

2.00pm Tickets £18 Doors open 10am

A flower arranging demonstration with Jonathan Moseley who has over 30 years experience as a designer in the wonderful world of flowers and a regular demostrator at Poyal



Horticultural Society shows and other gardening events across the country.

He is entertaining, knowledgeable and very popular in the world of flower arranging, so why not come along!



SPIRITUAL, WELLNESS & CRAFT FAIR

Saturday 20th September

DEREHAM THEATRE COMPANY PRESENTS: 'LEGALLY BLONDE'

30th September to 4th October







WCB COMEDY NIGHT: HEADLINER TBC Friday 10th October

BUDDY HOLLY WINTER DANCE PARTY

Sunday 12th October 7.30pm Tickets £22.00

Why not take a step back to 1959 and join us for a true Rock 'n' Roll celebration.

Because, despite February 3rd 1959 being known as 'The Day the Music Died', this kind of music lives forever!

Four Artists celebrate the life of Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens, & The Bigg Boppperrr! All driven by the Conterfeit Crickets Band



THE GARY MOORE BLUES EXPERIENCE

Friday 17th October 2025 7.30pm Tickets from £18

Although he left us over ten years ago, Gary Moore is still very much with us. The Gary Moore Blues Experience is dedicated to ensuring that the spirit and passion with which he imbued his music, lives on.

The band reproduces the authentic essence of blues and blues rock, including many famous and unparalleled ballads such as 'Empty Rooms', 'Midnight Blues', 'Parisienne Walkways', 'Still Got the Blues for You', 'Story of the Blues' and 'Still in Love with You'.

Doors open 6.30pm



DIXIEMIX JAZZ BAND

Friday 24th October

The band brings together the best jazz musicians in the south east. Our talent, knowledge and enthusiasm for traditional jazz combines with ease to provide outstanding entertainment for all occasions.



With the emphasis always on first class music mixed with great humour, this band never fails to provide a top quality show.

SWING DANCE WITH THE PAT REYFORD SYMPHONY FIVE

Saturday 25th October

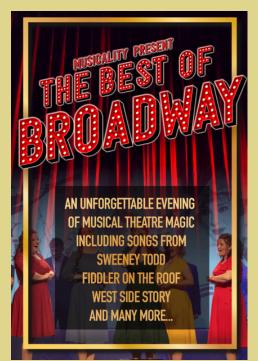
Bringing the unforgettable sounds of swing, Americana, blues, Rock n Roll, and jazz, Pat Reyford and his Symphony Five have been electrifying audiences across Europe. Led by British rock 'n' roll legend Pat Reyford, this six-piece band brings the best of the 40s and 50s era with a world-class lineup of saxophone, trumpet, piano, double bass, and drums.



We're thrilled to bring you another unforgettable evening of swing dancing on Dereham Memorial Hall's superb floor. "The best night's dancing I've had for years!"

MUSICALITY PRESENTS -THE BEST OF BROADWAY

Saturday 1st November 7.30pm Tickets £15



Get ready for an unforgettable evening of musical theatre magic as The Best of Broadway comes to Dereham!

From the gripping drama of Sweeney Todd and the heartfelt traditions of Fiddler on the Roof to the electrifying energy of West Side Story and the majestic wonder of The Lion King, you'll be swept away by showstopping performances and timeless tunes. Don't miss this spectacular celebration of Broadway's finest – book yourtickets now!

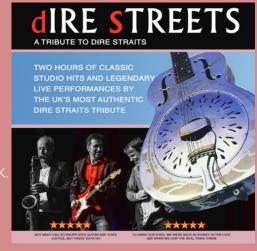
Charity concert raising money **Little Lifts**, a charity on a mission to provide free Little Lifts gift Boxes to every breast cancer patient in the UK.

DIRE STREETS

Saturday 8th November 7.30pm Tickets £23.00

Dire Streets bring to life the classic songs of one of the world's greatest guitar bands in this two hour, live show. With a level of musicianship and attention to detail that makes them the stand out Dire Straits tribute in the UK.

For over a decade, Dire Streets have performed Dire Straits' incredible back catalogue to thousands of theatre-goers



across the UK. No other Dire Streets tribute act comes as close to reproducing Mark Knopfler's distinctive guitar and vocal tones – making Dire Streets as near to the original band as you can see live.

The six-piece band is made up of some of the country's top tribute musicians and delivers a stunning show that fulfils their mission of doing justice to one of the most original and talented bands the UK has ever produced.

SO TRUE - LIVE 80S NIGHT

Saturday 22nd November 8.00pm Tickets from £19

Two one-hour sets of non-stop, high octane music played like the originals.



A brilliant selection of banging 80s tracks that has audiences out of their seats singing. All delivered 100% live with one of the best tribute bands touring the UK. No backing tracks, just pure live energy and fun!

A stunning 9-piece band featuring 5 vocalists. It really doesn't get much better than this.

WCB COMEDY NIGHTS: HEADLINER TO BE ANNOUNCED





Friday 21st November Friday 5th December



Saturday 13th December





SANTA CLAUS LIVE! CHRISTMAS SHOWS

Sunday 14th December

DEREHAM THEATRE COMPANY PRESENTS..... (OH YES THEY DO!)





PANTO

27th December to 1st January

Mix of matinee (2pm) and evening (7pm)

performances

Tickets not yet on sale







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occasion, please contact

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REGULAR EVENTS



FOOT-LOOSE MODERN JIVE CLASSES

Every Tuesday evening from 7.45pm First night FREE! Beginners, Intermediates and free dance sessions. For more information contact adele.clayton68@qmail.com 01362 655122

MENSCRAFT PITSTOP



Every Tuesday 2.00pm - 4.00pm

Pit Stop brings men together through a variety of activities, building social connection, friendship and a sense of belonging. Entry is free and we ask few questions. Don't take our word for it, come and try it for yourself.



U3A (UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE)

Second Thursday of the month. 1.30pm for 2.00pm start Meetings include a speaker or entertainment, plus refreshments. £1 entry for u3a members. New members welcome. Contact 07751 453428

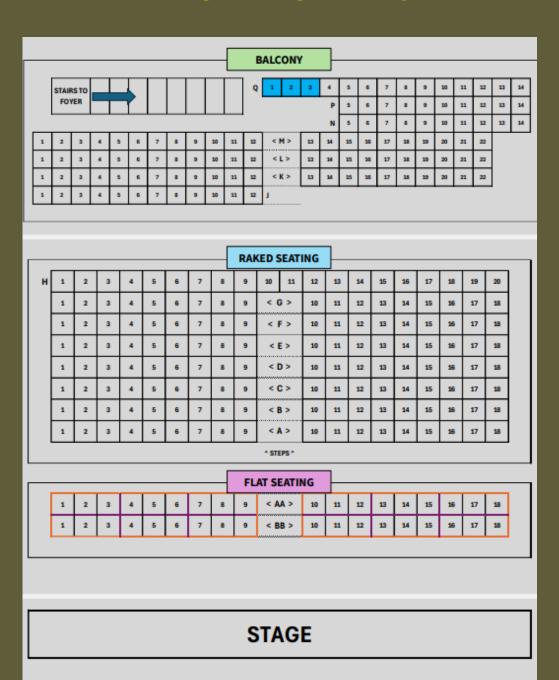


BLOOD DONATION SESSIONS

Regular donation sessions.

Please see the Memorial Hall website calendar for dates.
To book, telephone NHS Blood & Transplant 0300 123 2323

THEATRE STYLE SEATING PLAN





HOW TO FIND US AND PARKING



Dereham Memorial Hall 62a, Norwich Street Dereham. NR19 1AD

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Most visitors park at Morrisons supermarket car park which is just across the road (access via Station Road). By agreement, visitors to the Memorial Hall can park there for up to 3 hours before 6pm (4pm on Sundays). After 6pm (4pm on Sundays) parking is for the duration of the event.

ACCESSIBILITY

- · The ground floor is fully accessible with disabled toilet facilities.
- · There is a hearing loop system.
- · Only registered guide dogs are permitted entry to the venue.
- · Where theatre style seating is in use, please note the following:
 - There is no lift to the balcony seating
 - Rows AA and BB are on the flat.
 - Please check individual events for wheelchair space availability
 - Access to theatre style seating is via a single, central aisle only
 - Steps up are shallow and deep. There are no handrails

