



### **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January – The Legend of Bloodstone**

The Blood Stone is the ancient site in the village of Westham, the most westerly point in Midshire, where Uther The Unfortunate was slain by Gormhuld Forkbeard at the end of a battle between English and Danish forces in the 9<sup>th</sup> Century; his body left prostrate on a large stone, with his blood seeping into the soil beneath. Bloodstone Castle was built upon this site and has seen many bloody incidents over the years. Tonight, is no exception with not one but two unexplained deaths to be dealt with.

### **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February – Knave of Hearts**

Valentine Crush runs the successful Hungry Hearts dating and dining agency. She promises to find you the partner of your dreams while enjoying a delicious meal. Her strategy is to really get to know her clients, not just their likes and dislikes but their hopes and dreams, their fears and their fetishes. When Valentine is found dead in her offices, shot through the heart, Inspector Willy Catchem starts to wonder whether she knew too much and visits Warbrook House to talk to her clients.

### **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February - Poirot and the Case of Blue Majesty**

Blue Majesty, a flawless 300 carat diamond, Fenton Booth is a landowner, high on breeding but low on cash. His situation could be described a perilous, but he does own shares in the mine that has discovered the Blue Majesty. Here enters the notorious Jewel thief. Best to wear the costume jewellery on this occasion.

### **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March – The Vicars Tea Party**

Reverend Green, vicar of the local church at Littleton in Midshire has called his flock together in the village hall to discuss fund raising activities to repair the spire of the church.

All of the local parishioners are present including Sheila Bull of The Nag's Head, and other well-known village characters.

Various fund-raising activities are proposed by the locals but after much debate the meeting becomes impossible to continue as personal feuds come to the fore, money issues lead to fights and 'love thy neighbour' seems to have a new meaning.

However, before the issues raised at the meeting can be resolved a death occurs. Who is responsible? Surely no-one from this sleepy English village could be responsible for committing such an act of foul play.



### **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May – Sherlock Holmes & The Mystery of Graves End**

The Marjoribanks family are in London for the season and Grave End House, their country retreat, is running on a small but trusted staff. The peace is shattered when the body of a local scoundrel is found on the driveway, with one of Sir John Marjoribank's matched shotguns beside his body. Sir John dispatches renowned detective Sherlock Holmes to Grave End with strict instructions to retrieve his shotgun, avert a scandal and find out who killed the poor fellow if there is time.

Dress code optional: Victorian era

### **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> August – Nirvana Holidays**

Find out more about Sunny Delights, a time share opportunity available on the Costa Lott in Spain. This little-known rocky resort has been turned around by property developer Ronnie Latham. It is his latest venture following a string of developments which are best not mentioned, until the cheque has cleared. Joining Ronnie are his wife Dolly, his dodgy accountant Hugo Bust and his salesman Ivor Target. One of them will not make it through the night, can you find out why ... and by whose hand?

Dress optional: Holiday shirts and sun hats.

### **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September – James Bond – A Meeting of Spies**

The 00 section is meeting at a safe house. Agents enter the room and secure it, awaiting the arrival of M. James Bond is away on a mission in North Korea. 004 and 006 are present, as is loyal secretary Pocketmoney and a Russian agent on a 'friendly' exchange - WD40.

A body has been found at MI6. National security is under threat and, under the Police and Public Partnership Scheme, your help is needed to solve this crime before it becomes an issue of national security.

### **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October – Harry Potter – Who Killed Xenophilius Lovegood?**

Hogwarts is in turmoil. Harry Potter and Hermione Granger (both age 14) are missing and Professor Dumbledore does not think that a new term can begin. Ron Weasley has gone off in search of his friends.

Xenophilius Lovegood is the editor of The Quibbler, a magazine that has recently been running some controversial articles that have rocked the world of wizardry. His body has been found at the magazine offices, apparently killed by a rare and unusual spell. One witness reported seeing two muggles fleeing the scene, while another has suggested that Death Eaters may have been in the area. Wilberforce Leach from the British Ministry of Magic is visiting the Hotel in the course of his investigation.



### **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – The Monster’s Ball**

Dracula has invited his horrible friends to a monstrous ball at Castle Dracula. The Bride of Dracula, Frankenstein and the Werewolf are all coming to do the Time Warp and dance the night away. When one of the monsters is found murdered in nearby woods Inspector Willy Catchem will have to look behind the mask and find out who the monsters really are, how their lives intertwine, and who has a motive for murder.

Dress code optional: Monstrously glamorous, Rocky Horror.

### **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November – The Warbrook Mysteries**

The year is 1745 and Willoughby Stiles has serious problems. His printing business is failing and he is in significant debt. His last asset is his country estate, Warbrook, and he has planned a card game in the hope of saving his fortunes. His devoted wife, Constance, has no idea of the scale of his problems and she has organised a party to liven things up. Into this web of intrigue arrives the saddle-sore Captain Catchem, who has ridden without break from London on the King's command to investigate the death of His Majesty's close friend Lord Eversley.

Dress code optional: Period costume.

### **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November – The Nativity**

The cast of a new musical called The Nativity are meeting for final rehearsals with the show due to begin in just a few days. Director Russell Sprout has a challenge on his hands. He took the risk of backing his own production and he has costs to meet. Duncan Tee, the once famous actor, is playing the leading role of Joseph alongside Jan Sandwich as Mary. The former is a washed up has been and the latter has greater things in mind and lacks interest, but the real problem is that the script is an absolute stinker. When a cast member is murdered it could be just the thing that the play needs.

Dress code optional: Christmas play.