



HARROGATE SOCIETY OF MAGICIANS

Founded 1948

Meetings held every third Monday of the month @ 8:00pm
The Harlow Community Centre, Harlow Avenue, Harlow Hill, Harrogate, HG2 0AS
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December 2008

Season's Greetings Everyone.

George has asked me to publish this month's newsletter and include photos from the Christmas Show, as unfortunately his photos didn't come out very well.

First of all apologies for the lateness of this issue – my email decided it didn't like attachments over the weekend so I have had to wait until today to send it out to you.

The December meeting was very good, with everyone (except me) bringing something to do with comedy magic. Mike's bananas seem to appear everywhere! Thank you to everyone who contributed.

We also started to discuss next year's programme, with some good suggestions. Stevie came up with a **problem night** where, if members are having problems with a trick, or want to know how to do something, then other members would try and help. Brian also came up with **this is your life** – a chance for the members to talk about what they have done and achieved in their life.

If anyone comes up with any more suggestions then please forward them to Bob.

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! For those of you who don't know, on Wednesday, 3 December 2008, our President, [Robert F McBratney](#), was elected to the Magic Circle. With fewer than 1500 members worldwide, he joins the most exclusive magic club in the world and we're all delighted at his success. Well done, Bob! !

The Christmas Show went very well. Everyone's acts were, as always, fantastic, and the Harlow Community had a great evening of magic!

As you know I have added showreels of both the Staveley and Christmas shows to YouTube. The link for our YouTube page is uk.youtube.com/harrogatemagicians and Jim has posted a link on the website too.

The next meeting is on the 19th Jan and the theme for the meeting is **Mentalism**! And don't forget about the Meal on 21 Jan – I believe Bob is forwarding the final details soon.

That's it for this issue, so it leaves me to wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Neil Bradley-Smith



Bob warms up the audience with his magical Christmas tree routine.



Brian's festive sausage machine.



Rex and his grandchildren, all performing magic.



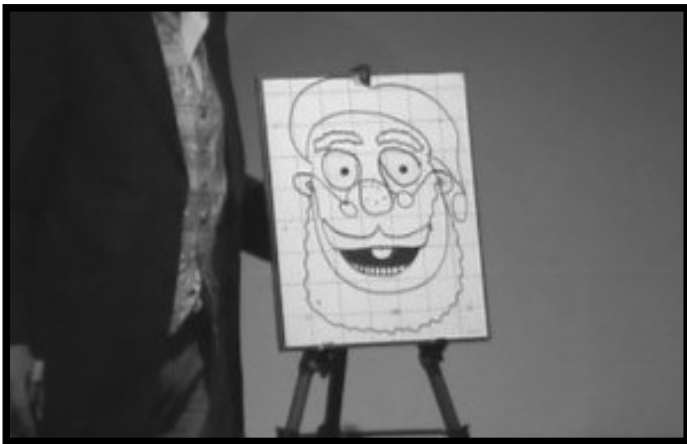
Jim's miracle card revelation... The 6♥



James Orr and his monkey.



David's opening silk trick



Father Christmas sings a song



Mike's famous Botania trick



Everyone says Goodbye.