

Treasurers Report 2019/20



This has been a unique season for obvious reasons. I am generally able to isolate one season from the next because no transactions occur during the summer and all outstanding bills have been paid. This season we still have (film hire) distributor invoices expected for the Film Festival for £3200.24. Rheged have not settled our invoice of £164. I do not expect to see monies from Rheged because they must be working from home by now and our paperwork seems to have been lost in their noise. We might not see invoices to £3200.24 either because distributors are the most chaotic industrial sector I have ever dealt with, but I will not write them off for a few years! The data table includes the £3200.24 as paid to allow comparisons with other years. I have excluded the Rheged figure.

We made two donations. We cancelled the invoice to Square Orange for £50 as they were supplying free lunches to isolated people, and £370 to Alhambra (the venue hire value of the last two cancelled Sunday films). I have subtracted these sums from the 'Grants' total.

Guest Fees pertain to our drinks receptions and anything to do with visiting guests, including their travel. **Travel** pertains to travel costs of our members. Under **Admin** the larger part is due to the ticketing fees charged by Theatre by the Lake (not the hire of the venue).

Our end of season (Net) bank balance has increased from £17,086.03 to £24,180.76. i.e. an astonishing surplus of £7,094.43 for the season. Therefore, we are in particularly good shape to withstand the poor season that has just started. I estimate that our 'Covid-Precaution' season will make a loss of less than £3000, excluding a Film Festival. I will be keeping an eye on it!

I have data back to the 2012/2013 season, but I am only including recent years for the sake of brevity.. General and Sunday operations shows a surplus of £3228, and Film Festival a surplus of £3779. The figures for General & Sunday show little change and our surplus is similar to 2019. The film festival improvement is mostly down to increased ticket income and fewer guest fees.

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