

2022 – Crook Christmas Ceilidh – Sat 3rd December

I have a memory that in 2009 I suggested that Crook could run a Christmas ceilidh after the demise of Kendal FF and the family ceilidhs at the Brewery Arts Centre

KPH 2009 – 2014, 6 years.

Then the Storm Desmond floods of 2015 and we had to cancel.

The hall was still out of use a year down the line so we were forced to move for 2016.

The next 6 years saw us at Kendal Town Hall but Covid 19 meant we had to cancel in 2020 so5 more years

KPH 2023 will be our 15 to happen !

So many stand out memories - Glow in the dark rapper, the side dressed for a wedding following Felina & Dan's day , animal hat rapper, Border in masks and the Ages of Crook !

But then we lost our hold on KTH to a councillor who wanted to stage a weekend Whisky Festival. So we moved back to KPH and what an inspired move that proved to be. 2022 ranks amongst the very best that we have ever staged. Crook is very lucky in the depth of quality in the skills our members possess. We had strong teams to tackle the work and deal with changes from when we were last there. There was plenty of time to decorate and the results were tasteful and fun.

The KPH refurbishments have really smartened up this glorious building and with our additions it looked fabulous and a lot of people commented on how lovely and festive it looked.

The new ticket number entry method worked smoothly and the raffle in the hall produced an excellent profit, thanks Bob for the bottle of whisky which helped stimulate sales. Contactless bar payments - what were we worried about? - Dan gave exemplary training and it all went without a hitch and we're looking at a healthy profit almost more importantly the stock levels were pretty much right.

Just minor adjustments for next year.

The Tumbling Tom Big Band were quickly on fine form with a full dance floor and a hall full of happy smiling faces.

The Revellers were in fine voice for their show spots and it was a great outing for their new members. The display by Crook was excellent.

Powerful and lively it was very impressive and brilliant that we launched 6 new dancers and a new musician and I don't always say that.

Superb to be able to put 3 sets up.

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