

## Fenland Ukuleles - FLUKES

### Information for Members

#### Purpose

1. Fenland Ukuleles has been formed to bring together ukulele players and those interested in learning the instrument, to meet, socialise, share the musical experience and help and support each other.
2. The club is a community group which strives to recruit and encourage people to learn a versatile and affordable instrument.
3. The club also welcomes those who have skills with playing other instruments who in addition to learning and playing ukulele can add colour and additional musical dimension by the inclusion of other instruments.
4. However, the music made is primarily for the playing of ukuleles.

#### Club Information

1. The venue for meetings for Fenland Ukuleles is  
Leziate Village Hall, Brow of the Hill, Leziate, Kings Lynn, Norfolk, PE32 1EN.
2. The music sessions are held on a weekly basis and start promptly at 7.00pm and run until 9.00pm; with a break for refreshments. Members as far as possible are requested to arrive approximately 15 minutes before the start in order to set up their music and tune their instruments ready for a prompt start.
3. Members should sign in and pay subs (currently £2) on arrival. **Signing in is essential in order to comply with fire regulations and insurance requirements.** Subs will be used as payment to cover the cost of the room hire, refreshments and sundry overheads. All monies collected will be recorded and accounted for.
4. A membership fee of £5 is payable annually on 1st April.
5. Members joining between 1st July and 30th September will pay £4.00.
6. Joining between 1st October and 31st December will pay £3.00 and joining between 1st January and 31st March will pay £2.00.
7. New members will be given access to an electronic copy of all the club's music, once they have paid their membership fee.
8. The club has a limited number of loan instruments which new members may use at club nights and take home for practice on payment of a refundable deposit (currently £10). It is expected that members will purchase their own instrument within a few weeks of joining.
9. Music sheets are available on the club's Facebook page.

10. FLUKES polo shirts, sweatshirts and fleeces are available to order. Some members like to wear these on club nights and they are used for performances. Also available to buy are FLUKES bags, (ideal for keeping music in) and FLUKES baseball caps etc.
11. All members on joining and attending the premises shall be given information regarding premises facilities and details of rules which affect them, such as Fire Safety and general Health and Safety Regulations.
12. The club has a website ([www.flukes.org.uk](http://www.flukes.org.uk)) and a Facebook page.
13. Members are asked to provide an email address for communications from the club.

#### Code of Conduct

1. Members and visitors should conduct themselves in such a way to ensure there is goodwill and harmony between one another.
2. The use of bad language or any abusive or anti-social behaviour will not be tolerated and may result in a member being barred from the Club. In the case of a visitor they will be asked not to attend in future.
3. Members should also bear in mind that they should represent Flukes by displaying a suitable standard of dress and cleanliness so as not to cause offence to fellow members and venue users. Any member not meeting this standard or having been reported to the Committee, will be informed by a member of the Committee not to attend in the future
4. The Musical Director will plan the evening sessions and lead the proceedings. Members are requested to listen whilst the MD is talking and abide by his/her direction. All members are encouraged to have a say in the choices of music and the group's general activities, whilst respecting the administration of the Musical Director.
5. Members should ensure personal items, instruments, cases, stands etc are arranged in such a way as to reduce the risk of causing a hazard to themselves or others or potential damage.
6. The club has a Constitution, Grievances & Complaints Procedure and Risk Assessments which are available at meetings.

#### Public Performances

1. The club occasionally undertakes public performances. Members are encouraged to participate in these events. Dates for performances will be announced at club nights and are shown on the club's website. Members who wish to perform at an event should speak to, or email, the Bookings Secretary (currently the Chairperson).
2. All members who have agreed to perform should attend additional rehearsals to ensure an appropriate standard of performance.
3. Performers should wear a FLUKES polo shirt (and sweatshirt or fleece depending weather), black trousers and shoes.