



Circle is back in business

Like many groups East Coker Wine Circle has suffered from the effects of Covid-19 restrictions and was forced to suspend its programme for 19 months. Even when restrictions were eased conditions were not considered conducive to the socialising upon which the Circle built its reputation and success over the years.

However, the Circle is now back in business and welcomes back existing and new members.

East Coker Wine Circle was founded in 1977 by a small group of villagers keen to learn more about the art of wine making. In spite of declining interest in amateur wine making the Circle continues to offer advice by very successful and experienced wine makers.

The Circle has come a long way since it was founded when, during the early years, it met in the local sports pavilion. However, the Circle's reputation for the enjoyment soon spread and it was necessary to move into larger premises.

The Circle now meets in the village hall and for over 40 years has attracted well over 60 members.

Commercial wine tastings are an important element of our programme, but other very enjoyable activities have found their way into the programme.

The Circle meets at the village hall at 8pm on the first Wednesday of each month, unless otherwise stated in the programme.

New members – and guests – are always welcome to enjoy the exceptional value for money programmes. Membership is currently £15 per year and includes a number of commercial tastings of food and wine.

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The programme for 2021-22

<i>1st September</i>	<i>Everest Base Camp - Ray Lockyer</i>
<i>6th October</i>	<i>Wine Tasting - a tribute to the late Margaret O'Neil</i>
<i>3rd November</i>	<i>The Dark Side of Gin - Mike Rendell</i>
<i>1st December</i>	<i>Wine tasting - a tribute to the late John Craske and bread and mince pies competition</i>
<i>15th January</i>	<i>Annual Party - Theme: "We're all going on a summer holiday" with Fine Whines Classical Jazz</i>
<i>2nd February</i>	<i>Wiggle Beer talk and tasting</i>
<i>2nd March</i>	<i>Coffee Talk</i>
<i>6th April</i>	<i>Ian Gibson - Talk/tasting - Martini</i>
<i>4th May</i>	<i>Commercial wine tasting</i>
<i>1st June</i>	<i>Commercial wine tasting</i>
<i>July</i>	<i>Summer BBQ Event</i>

Members are kept abreast of events through the columns of its monthly bulletin *Tipple Talk*.