

## Films for screening Winter 2025-26

| Date   | Title                                    | Description                                                                                                                                                   |
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| 3 Dec  | The Farewell (12A certificate)           | Hosted by the Soroptimists, in aid of Salisbury Women's Refuge. A Chinese family gather to say a final farewell to grandma – without telling her she's dying. |
| 10 Dec | Our Christmas surprise! (15 certificate) | A seasonal film to appeal to everyone and warm your heart. It does NOT involve any talking animals, we promise! Although we still love Babe.                  |
| 14 Jan | Widow Cliquot (15 certificate)           | Madame Cliquot takes over her husband's vineyards after his death and battles sexism and the disruptions of war to create something magical.                  |

**Doors will open at 7pm and screening starts at 7.30pm**



## Wednesday 12 November 2025



# A Man Called Ove

Ove Lindahl is a widower, but don't pity him because he's also a complete misanthrope. Depressed after being forced from his job and missing his wife, he spends his time miserably enforcing the neighbourhood rules and attempting to commit suicide. Fortunately for him, his new neighbour Parveneh, an Iranian woman who has just arrived in the street with her Swedish husband and their children, doesn't notice that he isn't interested in making friends with her and persists in showing an interest in him and his life. Slowly but surely, despite keeping tight hold of his resistance to others, he becomes part of the community, building bonds, providing shelter, and finding reasons to live again. Based on the popular 2012 book and remade with more sugar as A Man Called Otto (if ever Tom Hanks was miscast), this film is a warm reminder of how much impact we can have on those around us, and how much they in turn touch our lives – sometimes for ill, but also with the possibility for great goodness.

**Sweden – 2015 - 116 minutes – 15 certificate**

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November**

**St John's Place, Lower Road, Lower Bemerton**

**Doors open 19.00**

**Programme starts 19.30**

**Entrance £7**



# Bemerton Film Society

In the autumn of 2010, a group of Bemerton residents decided to set up the Bemerton Film Society (BFS) as a fundraiser in support of local efforts to turn St John's Church into a community centre. The Society aimed to offer people the chance to see quality films that had in one way or other made film history. Since our first outing in December 2010 we have screened 126 feature films, covering a wide range of subjects and styles, from classic Hollywood films to modern comedies, documentaries and dramas. We have travelled in time from 1933 (Duck soup) to 2021 (Operation Mincemeat) and geographically across 3 continents.

At first, we used to screen the films in St John's School, but following installation of new cinema equipment and comfortable seating in St John's Place we transferred operations there in January 2017. We can now screen blu-ray films in full HD and surround sound, thus enabling our audience to enjoy an authentic cinema experience.

To date (September 2024) BFS screenings have contributed well over £15,000 to the Bemerton Community Project, and we will continue to generate funds for that worthy cause into the foreseeable future.