

# Sodbury Players' Newsletter

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## AAD Touring Production

Our very own Steve Crump is performing this year in the AAD Touring Production. This is "We Happy Few" by Imogen Stubbs. This play follows the adventures of a group of feisty women who take the plays of Shakespeare around war-time Britain.

Production dates are:

- July 6&7: Iron Acton Parish Hall
- July 11&12: Mission Theatre, Bath
- July 14&15: Backwell Playhouse

Tickets are £7 & £8 and can be obtained from the Box Office on 0117 9853631.

## AGM Results

Following the voting at this year's AGM, the Committee posts are:

Chairman : Norma Graves

Vice Chairman : Vacant

Secretary : Siân Butler

Treasurer (co-opted) : Mark Graves

Patrons' Secretary : Stephen Bashford

Social Secretary : Annette Crump

Publicity : Rob Creer

Committee 1 : Lin Bowden

Committee 2 : Steve Crump

Committee 3 : Mel Fox

The membership agreed that the annual subscription should remain at £20 for each adult and £5 for SPYS. Panto tickets will be raised to £7 each.

Please note that subscriptions are due NOW and should be paid as soon as possible. Failure to

rejoin promptly could affect you being cast for future productions. Please see the Treasurer if you have any questions.

The Barry Ward Rose Bowl was presented to Rob Creer.

Many thanks to Mark & Norma for organising the drinks & nibbles after the AGM.

We then all posed outside for a group photo for our 60th anniversary. (Rob really needs to get a camera with a longer self-timer!)



## Hound of the Baskervilles

The part of Cartwright has been given to one of the SPYS, Charlie Graupner. Well done Charlie!

Norma Graves has volunteered to handle the Box Office and Front of House.

We are still looking for some people to head up the props team. Debbie Bashford has said she is able to help during the week of the performance but is unable to source the props. Please contact Roy if you are able to help.

## **Forthcoming Productions**

Norma Graves has located a new musical director (Joy is in Australia) and has agreed to produce Cinderella for our 2007 pantomime.

We are now looking for producers for the Spring production 2007. Remember if you are nervous about directing then there are several people that may be interested in co-directing to give that helping hand. Please contact a member of Committee if you are interested.

## **One Act 2007**

We are also looking for a director for the 2007 One Act. Please contact a member of the Committee if you would like your chance at direction for the festival.

## **Will is 21....very soon**

Will Wrighton is just about to reach his 21st birthday. He would like us all to help him celebrate this on Friday 30th June at La Passione in Chipping Sodbury. Annette has kindly offered to organise this. Strangely the number of people coming to the meal is 21! The plan is to meet at the Beaufort Hunt from 7.45pm the tables are booked for 8.30pm.

## **Treasure Hunt**

It's that time of year again when we drive around the countryside looking for clues and finish with a BBQ. Rob & Diane have kindly offered the use of their garden & swimming pool on Saturday 1st July.

Mark & Norma were last years winners so have set it this year. We will be starting from Rob & Diane's from 1pm onwards. Norma says that it will be shorter than in previous years and Rob & Diane will arrange a TV for those that want to see the match.

## **Camer's Drama Evening**

Gerry has kindly arranged for us to have the use of Camer's Garden in Old Sodbury on the evening of 5th August.

Rob Creer is producing an excerpt from Midsummer Night's Dream and the plan is to invite members and Patrons. The plan is to make this a picnic evening starting at 6 for 6.30.

## **Ceilidh Evening**

As part of our 60th Anniversary celebrations Annette has booked the Town Hall for Friday 1st September. A band has been booked. Keep an eye on the notice board for more information soon.

## **Newsletter by E-Mail**

In order to cut down on postage I would like to use e-mail to notify members of the availability of each newsletter.

I often put the newsletter on the website in PDF format before I get around to printing and handing it out.

If you don't already receive notification of newsletters by e-mail can you let me have your e-mail address. [Stephen@sodburyplayers.org.uk](mailto:Stephen@sodburyplayers.org.uk)

## **Box Office**

Just a reminder that Sodbury Players have their own 0845 number for the box office, which does not change. It is 0845 1260859.

## **Dates for Diary**

30 June ~ Will Wrighton 21st birthday meal

1 July ~ Car Treasure Hunt

6&7 ~ We Happy Few @ Iron Acton

11&12 ~ We Happy Few @ Bath

14&15 ~ We Happy Few @ Backwell

14&15 July ~ Chipping Sodbury Beer Festival

19 July ~ Committee Meeting

5 Aug. ~ Drama evening @ Camers, Old Sodbury

1 Sept. ~ Ceilidh Dance @ Town Hall (60th anniversary)

13-16 Sept. ~ Hound of the Baskervilles

15 Dec. ~ Dinner Dance