

Sodbury Players' Newsletter

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Hound of the Baskervilles

Rehearsals are going well. Andrew Stubbs has volunteered to handle the props with assistance from Wendy Whittle & Debbie Bashford.

Will was 21!

Many thanks to Annette for organising the birthday meal at La Passione, There just happened to be 21 of us there and we thoroughly enjoyed ourselves.

Treasure Hunt

The treasure hunt took place on July 1st, a day of glorious sunshine. Many thanks to Rob & Diane for hosting the event, we all had a great time and the swimming pool was well used. Next year's hunt will be organised by Stephen & Debbie who just managed to come first by 1/2 point. Thanks to Mark & Norma for taking us to some new villages and organising the day. Rob & Diane had even rigged up a TV in the garden for those that wanted to keep abreast of the England match. It was a shame that this event wasn't attended by as many as in previous years but those that were there had a fantastic time.

Camers Drama Evening

We were blessed with some more great weather for this evening with over 60 people attending. Mr & Mrs Denman returned from a day out in time to see the play and they were very impressed.

Many thanks to Rob Creer and the cast for putting on a great performance. Thanks also

Steve & Annette, Mark & Norma & Gerry for organising the evening.



EGM—15th August

Following on from the AGM we failed to elect a Vice Chairman. We have since had volunteers wishing to fill this role and have called an EGM on Tuesday 15th August at 7.15pm prompt, before the rehearsal.

A note from our Chair

"Following the AGM I would just like to clarify the regulations concerning the nominations for the election of officers.

When an office is elected they duly hold that post for 1 year. They are allowed to re-stand after a year but only if they have been nominated & seconded. They are not automatically voted back.

It is only after a person has held a position for three years running, i.e. voted back each year

for three years, they can no longer re-stand. However, if no one else wants that position then they can be re-elected for a further year if they wish."

Phil's 50th Birthday

Phil Lovell is having a 50th Birthday Party on Friday 25th August at the Town Hall. All members are invited.

Bryony's 18th Birthday

Bryony is having a disco party on 19th August at Old Sodbury Village Hall at 7.30pm. All members are invited but bring your own booze & nibbles.

Ceilidh Evening

As part of our 60th Anniversary celebrations Annette has booked the Town Hall for Friday 1st September. A band has been booked. The cost is £12.50 per person including a hot/cold buffet meal. Please see Annette for tickets.

Forthcoming Productions

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.

SPYS

SPYS are restarting on Monday September 11th. Several SPYS have left to go to university but there are new ones joining. Maggie & Mel have already decided to enter a play for the 2007 One Act Play Festival.

This year the SPYS have two new awards which they nominated for their members. Lauren Moran won the "Most Progress Made" award and

Ross Brown won the "Outstanding Contribution" award. Congratulations to both of you.

Play Readings

Steve Crump has kindly offered to step into the role of Play Coordinator to attempt to shortlist some plays that could be read or performed by the group. The criteria will be cast size and suitability for the group and our audience. If anybody has any plays that they would like to be considered then please contact Steve directly.

We quite often receive e-mails from script writers and agents complete with links to their websites. I maintain a list of these on our website for easy reference.

www.sodburyplayers.org.uk/html/links.html

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

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

12 Aug. ~ Chipping Sodbury Farmer's Market

15 Aug. ~ EGM @ Ridgewood, 7.15pm prompt

16 Aug. ~ Committee Meeting

19 Aug. ~ Bryony's 18th Birthday

25 Aug. ~ Phil Lovell's Birthday Party

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

13-16 Sept. ~ Hound of the Baskervilles

15 Dec. ~ Dinner Dance