

Sodbury Players' Newsletter

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2007 Pantomime

Wendy Whittle has kindly offered to handle the Box Office & FOH. Patrons' priority booking has now finished and the mailing list has just gone out. For all your ticket orders please contact Wendy on 0845 1260859. Nearer the time Wendy will be looking for assistance with FOH. Don't forget the additional Sunday matinee as mentioned in the last newsletter. All details are available on the website.

Bonfire Party

Many thanks to Rob & Diane for allowing us to invade their garden and let off fireworks. We had an excellent turnout with over 60 people. Thanks also to Steve & Annette for organising



the event and the catering and to others who helped make the event a success.

Yate Publicity

This year we have been asked by Yate Shopping Centre if we will take part in the Christmas festival parade in costume. After this we will be able to hand out flyers and they will put up our banner to advertise the pantomime. This is on the Thursday 30th November starting at 6pm, more details to follow. There is no Victorian evening this year in Chipping Sodbury so we need to use this event as one of our major sources of promotion.

Button's Birthday Bash

Message from James: "Would you believe it? I'm 21 soon so thought I'd have a little get together for my friends and family. On Saturday 3rd February from 8pm til 1am - It's party time! (see James for details) All Players and Partners are invited, What better way to let your hair down after the panto? Drink is cheap and it's only 15 mins away! it would be Bloomin' Marvellous to see you there!"

One Act 2007

Rob Creer has offered to direct the 2007 One Act and has a play in mind.

The Wiltshire One Act is on 22-24 February in Swindon with the technical on the Sunday 18th. Yet again the Avon festival clashes with Swindon festival which will be at the Blakehay Theatre, Weston-super-Mare 21-24 February. The Gloucestershire festival is between the 5-10 March with the technical on Sunday 4th March.

The group is purchasing a trophy to be given to AAD for the One Act Festival. This will be

called the "Pauline Pincott Award for Best Original Play". The Gloucestershire & Wiltshire Festivals already have an award for Best Original Play.

SPYS

Maggie & Mel are busy working on the SPYS One Act festival entry, "Dickens's Children" by Nick Warburton.

Dinner Dance

This year's Dinner Dance is on Friday 15th December at Chipping Sodbury Golf Club. By request of the membership we are having a disco this year. We have also managed to get a bar extension until 1am. The cost is £15.95 each, menu choices & money need to be given to Annette by Tuesday 5th December please.

Starters

- Homemade Soup of the Day
 - Fan of Seasonal Melon with Sorbet
 - Chef's own Pate served with warm Toast
 - Creamed Mushrooms with fresh herbs
- *****
- Roast Turkey with all the trimmings
 - Baked salmon fillet on a rocket & mushroom salad
 - Fillet steak in a light peppercorn sauce
 - Vegetarian dish of the day
- *****
- Christmas pudding served with brandy custard
 - Tiramisu Tonda (layered cake)
 - Selection of cheese & biscuits
 - Baileys Cheesecake with ice cream
- *****

Freshly brewed coffee & warm mince pies

Spring 2007

The Spring production is "Look Back in Anger" by John Osborne and is being produced by Mark Seaman. The production dates are 16th-19th May 2007.

Play Readings

Steve Crump is busy reading plays to put forward for play reading evenings. Steve is compiling a list and synopsis which will appear in the next newsletter.

New Year's Eve Party

Stephen & Debbie are hosting a party on New Year's Eve for all members and partners. Please can you let us know nearer the time so we can get an idea of numbers.

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 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 so that I don't have to print so many copies.

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. Wendy Whittle is the Box Office for the pantomime.

Dates for Diary

- 7 Nov. ~ Ridgewood AGM
- 30 Nov. ~ Yate event @ 6pm
- 5 Dec. ~ Closing date for Dinner Dance
- 15 Dec. ~ Dinner Dance
- 31 Dec. ~ New Year's Eve Party
- 12-20 Jan. ~ Cinderella
- 18 Feb. ~ Swindon One Act Technical
- 18 Feb. ~ Avon One Act Technical
- 21-24 Feb. ~ Avon One Act @ 7.30pm
- 22-24 Feb. ~ Swindon One Act @ 7.15pm
- 4 Mar. ~ Cheltenham One Act Technical
- 5-10 Mar. ~ Cheltenham One Act
- 16-19 May ~ Spring Production