



Sodbury Players



Newsletter February 2008

Panto 2008 - Dick Whittington

Thanks to Julian and his team for the fantastic show this year. Whilst audience figures were lower than previous years there has been some wonderful feedback given to the front of house team and a great write up from the Rose Bowl critic Well done all to involved !



Spring Production - Allo Allo

Rob has begun holding audition readings for our spring production Allo Allo and it has been great to see such a marvelous turn out of members to read, (although it doesn't make the casting any easier!) The Performance dates are Wednesday May 14th - Saturday 17th May.

Room Booking

If you wish to book any rooms at the Ridgewood or the Scout Huts for Sodbury Players activities please speak to the treasurer, Mark Graves before making arrangements. A diary of Bookings is held at the Ridgewood.

Festival's 2008

Our entry for the adult play is called 'A Life Sentence' – written by our own Mark Seaman. Annette Crump is assistant Director to Mark. The play has two characters and these are being played by Sian Butler and Steve Crump.

A preview performance of the play is to be held in the West Room, Ridgewood on Monday 11 February. The performance will start at 7.45 and lasts about 40 minutes. The purpose of this preview performance is to give the actors the opportunity to perform the play in front of a small audience before the festival 'goes live'. If you would like to attend we would ask that you arrive in good time and would also ask that you do not leave before the end of the performance. Please remember that this is for the actors' benefit. There is no charge for this.

We also have our other two entries for the festivals which are the SPYS 'Witch Hunt' and our other adult entry 'Curses Foiled again!' Dates for our festival performances are in the diary section.

Don't forget to come and cheer on our entries at any (or all!) Of the festivals – it's a really good opportunity to support your group and to see a range of different plays from other groups and societies. Annette Crump has tickets for sale for the Avon Festival which is being held at Backwell Playhouse this year.

Calling All (potential) Directors!!!

We are still looking for people to direct our future shows. If your interested in directing but are a bit daunted by it all why not team up with someone else. In any case please speak to a member of committee if you are interested as we have a selection of plays which we feel we can perform as a group.

Sweatshirts

Several members of the group have enquired about having some club sweatshirts or polo shirts made if you are interested please let Rob Creer know.

Workshops

We would like to arrange some workshops on various elements of backstage roles and also arrange a workshop on voice projection. More details will follow shortly however if you have a particular backstage role that your interested in knowing more about then please speak to a member of committee.

Camers 08

Phil Lovell is looking to direct excerpts from 'The Wind in the Willows' this year at the Camers Garden Evening. The Show is likely to be held late June or early July and we are looking to put it on over 2 nights. More detail's to follow soon.

Diary

Monday 11th February 7.45pm A Life Sentence Preview - The Westroom Ridgwood community centre.

Swindon Festival - The Arts Centre

Adults Thursday 14th February evening
SPYA Friday 15th February 7.30pm
SPYS Saturday 16th February 1pm

Avon Festival - Backwell

Adults Saturday 23rd February eve
SPYS Saturday 23rd February 2.30pm

Cheltenham Festival - The Playhouse

Adults Awaiting dates
SPYS Thursday 6 March 7.30pm
SPYA Thursday 6 March 7.30pm

May 14th -17th 2008 - 'Allo 'Allo

June - AGM

June/July - Treasure Hunt

July 2008 - Camers Show

September - Autumn Production