

Sodbury Players Newsletter



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No club night:

Tuesday 27th October

Please note that due to half-term holidays there will be no club night this coming Tuesday. There will also be no pantomime rehearsal on Thursday. Have a good holiday if you are one of the lucky ones going away!

Pantomime 2010

Rehearsals are now well underway for our 2010 pantomime Jack and the Beanstalk which is being directed by Julian Hinton and produced by James Murden.

There has been one change in the cast:
Sarah Dixon is now playing the Vegetable Fairy.
Daisy the cow has now been cast as: Megan Neate and Briana Lovett.

The backstage crew will be:

Stage Manager	Robert Owen
Assistant Stage Manager	Will Wrighton
Scenic design	Gerry Hunt and Lorraine Badminton
Lighting	Tim Hunter
Sound	Stephen Bashford and Ryan Flook
Props	Phil Lovell
Make-up	Roisin Cabry
Box Office	Jill Hughes

We are still looking for members to co-ordinate or assist with costumes - please contact Julian or James if you are willing to help in this important area.

Tickets will shortly be going on sale—please book early if you want to secure good seats—all tickets are 7 pounds (no concessions). Let's see if we can sell out every show this year!

A reminder that the dates and times of the performances are confirmed as follows:

Friday 15th January	7.30 pm
Saturday 16th January	2.00 pm and 6.00 pm
Sunday 17th January	2.00 pm
Tuesday 19th January	7.30 pm
Wednesday 20th January	7.30 pm
Thursday 21st January	7.30 pm
Friday 22nd January	7.30 pm
Saturday 23rd January	2.30 pm and 7.30 pm

There will be dress rehearsals on the preceding Wednesday and Thursday.

Spring Play: Pygmalion

Our spring play is a classic costume drama: Pygmalion by George Bernard Shaw to be directed by Diane Owen. Many of you will be more familiar with My Fair Lady, the musical based on Shaw's play. We will NOT be singing but we will be hoping to present a sincere version of this wonderful play. If you want to read the script, please contact Diane to borrow a copy. It is a large cast with a range of ages from 20 something to the more mature ages of 50 and above! Costumes and props will also be a key element of this production so if you are interested in helping in these roles or in other way please talk to Diane. More details of the cast will be included in a future Newsletter.

Pantomime Publicity

Two dates to note as we prepare for the pantomime are:

Thursday 19th November: Yate Shopping Centre
Launch of Christmas Shopping

Friday 4th December: Chipping Sodbury
Victorian Evening

We are hoping for a good turn out of members on both nights to help publicise our show. Cast members will be in costume and we also hope to provide some entertainment. Please support both these events, even if you can only stay for a short while.

Rose Bowl Nominations

The Rose Bowl Awards evening was held on Sunday October 18th in Weston Super Mare and was well supported by 10 members of Sodbury Players. Unfortunately this was not our year - none of our nominations won awards but well done again to all those who received nominations.

Bonfire Party

Tickets are still on sale from Stephen and Debbie Bashford for our annual Bonfire Party to be held at Rob and Diane's on Saturday November 7th. Tickets are £5 each and the cost includes a burger, hot dog and baked potato plus of course the fireworks!

Timings are:

6.30 pm Light fire
7.00 pm Fireworks begin

No sparklers please.

Christmas Dinner Dance

Bookings are now being taken for our annual Christmas dinner dance which is being held at Chipping Sodbury Golf Club on Saturday 12 December. This is an event not to be missed—we all dress to impress, have a good meal and then dance (and drink!) the night away. Please contact Stephen or Debbie to reserve your place—copies of the menu are now available and were recently sent out by e-mail. Stephen or Debbie have copies if you haven't seen one. The cost is 22 pounds.

Diary Dates

2009

18 Oct	Rose Bowl Awards Evening
7 Nov	Bonfire Party
19 Nov	Yate Shopping Centre
4 Dec	C/S Victorian Evening
12 Dec	Dinner Dance

2010

15-23 Jan	Jack and the Beanstalk
11-13 Feb	Swindon One Act Festival
26-28 Feb	Avon One Act Festival (at the Playhouse, Backwell)
19-22 May	Pygmalion