



AMATEUR PLAYERS of SHERBORNE

1991

Over the next few months, the process of updating and improving our information on Club Members will be in progress i.e. obtaining correct names, addresses, interests etc.

In order that this exercise may be completed efficiently and as accurately as possible, the Membership Secretary requires your help. It is therefore intended to distribute forms at the **AGM on Thursday 6th June** when the Membership Secretary would ask most kindly that you fill in the necessary details, returning same to her before leaving the Meeting. Those who are unable to attend the AGM but still wish to be registered as Members, please contact the Membership Secretary, Jill Bain-Hudson, on Yeovil 23453 when a form will be sent to you.

We apologise for asking you all to fill in yet another form but in order to make the Membership Department work effectively, thereby ensuring you are always well informed of the Club's activities, your co-operation is most desperately needed. Thank you for your patience.

Our Autumn Production will be **UNDER THE GREENWOOD TREE**, an adaptation of Hardy's novel, to be produced by Gerald Pitman, 'in the round' at the Digby Hall on 27th/28th/29th/30th November 1991.

Auditions will take place on Wednesday 15th May and Friday 17th May at 8.00 p.m. in the Clubroom (above Eldridge Pope, Cheap Street). There will also be a meeting for everyone interested in taking part in this production, in whatever capacity, on Wednesday 8th May at 8.00 p.m. in the Clubroom.

On Saturday 9th March a small group of enthusiastic Players filled their cars with costumes, scenery and props, and drove to Weymouth College to take part in the **DORSET COUNTY DRAMA FESTIVAL**. Our entry was a period comedy in one act for women entitled 'Her Majesty's Pleasure' by Barbara van Kampen. Produced by John Riley, the cast consisted of Ann Brookes, Jane Shulldham, Jean Harrap, Dod Pearson and Tracey Warren. Costumes were supplied from the Wardrobe by Pam Richardson and Mary Micklewright. Jean Wittaker very kindly created a beautiful wig to complete Queen Elizabeth's costume and Jim and Gwyneth Schofield helped with the scenery, props, special effects and prompting.

The cast commented on the problems of performing on an unfamiliar stage and competing with other Dorset Drama Groups, but on the whole found the experience rewarding and instructive. They were pleased to be supported by those Members who came to join the audience.

The Adjudicator, after a critical dramatic appraisal, awarded the APS the Anna Lyle Trophy for the Best Dressed Play and Ann Brookes was one of those considered for the Best Individual Performance Award for her performance as Queen Elizabeth I. The Chairman of the organising committee thanked the Players for participating and looks forward to the next Festival which will be held in the Digby Hall, Sherborne in Spring 1992.

'AN INSPECTOR CALLS' by J. B. Priestley

Our Spring Production is in the Digby Hall on Thursday, Friday and Saturday 25th, 26th and 27th April at 8.00 p.m. It will be performed 'in the round' and will be produced by Margaret Field with the following cast:

Arthur Birling	Tony Field
Gerald Croft	Stephen Kettle
Sheila Birling	Kirsty Abbott
Sybil Birling	Peggy Gibb
Edna	Mary Walker
Eric Birling	Keiran Millar
Inspector Goole	Michael Quinn

Your support is needed, particularly in encouraging family, friends and acquaintances to buy tickets - don't just leave it to the publicity team, bring a party.

On Saturday and Sunday 20th/21st April it will be 'moving in' weekend at the Digby Hall. If you can help, please telephone Tony Manns on 74206.

If Members could help by supplying any of the following PROPS we would be grateful:-

- 6 Champagne glasses - wide bowl
- 6 Port glasses
 - Port decanter and silver label
 - Whisky decanter and silver label
 - Cruet set - silver
- 6 Dessert plates
 - Cigar box - silver
 - Candlesticks
 - Candle snuffer
 - Large damask tablecloth, white

- Leather armchair
- Coat and hat stand
- Dining Table, Set of six chairs
- 2 Side tables - perhaps semi-circular
- Desk. Chair - swivel
- Table lamp with pink shade

If you can help please contact one of the following:

Gwyneth Schofield	812051
Angela Clarke	814067
Jill Service	816579
Mary Walker	096 322 480

A reminder to all Members that after the performance on Saturday evening we shall, as always, be holding a small get-together for the cast and Members and we extend a warm welcome to you all. Please could we ask that each person brings some snacks, finger-food etc. and that they be handed into the kitchen at the Digby Hall on Saturday evening.

16th May - Open play - reading, Clubroom 8.00pm.