

Key Diary Dates:

<u>Weds. 8th June to Sat. 11th June:</u> Margaret Field is directing a Mediaeval Mystery Play by Tony Harrison to be performed in the Powell Theatre. This is on this week – tickets available from Tourist Information Centre and Marshes.

<u>Weds. 15th June:</u> Future directors evening at 7.30 in the Clubroom. <u>Please make every effort to attend</u> if you wish to direct and have a particular play in mind for consideration by the committee. However, if you have in mind a play you would like to see performed by APS but do not wish to be involved as a director <u>please attend the evening</u> and make your ideas known. It really is crucial to have ideas for future productions as well as people to direct them!

Friday 17th **June:** Two performances of 'Four Queens Wait For Henry' by a corner of the Abbey outside the Sue Ryder shop at 7pm and again at 8pm. This is in conjunction with the events for the Sherborne Festival. The play's duration is only 25 minutes so PLEASE come along and support us – there are many pubs close by and there is a party afterwards! There is no charge but a hat will be passed round in a aid of a children's charity.

Monday 20th & 30th June: Auditions at 7.30pm in the Clubroom for the autumn production. This is to be 'A Busy Day' by Fanny Burney produced by Sarah Finnegan. This is a newly discovered Restoration Comedy that has therefore hardly ever been performed. There is a cast of about 7 women and 7 men across the age ranges so there should be plenty of scope for all actors.

Friday 15th **July:** 7.30pm Annual General Meeting of the Players at Nether Compton Village Hall followed by the Summer Party at Horns Hill, Nether Compton. Please bring a knife, fork, spoon and a bottle! Please let a Committee member know if you can help with the victuals. At the AGM a new Chairman will need to be elected as Jennie Ward has come to the end of her tether, sorry tenure!

Other news: a) Vivian Vale has been really quite unwell since Easter and has been in the Willows unit at the Yeatman. Hopefully by the time you receive this newsletter he will have been discharged and will be at home. Our best wishes go to him and his wife, Pat.

b) Sadly, our most senior member Meg Hulme died last week in the Abbey View Residential Home. This now makes Joan Miller 'Mother of the House' so to speak!