AMAITEUR PLAYERS OF SHERBORNE

newsletter July 2015

## Summer Party and AGM 2015

Our AGM - and Summer Party will take place at <u>7.30 pm on</u> <u>Friday 10 July at Gainsborough</u> <u>House, South Street</u> <u>Sherborne.</u> by kind invitation of Jim Schofield.

This is your chance to let your committee know what you think of how they have managed our society over the year, and also to air your views and ideas for the future.

This year we need to elect a new Chairman, Secretary and three new Committee Members: two for three years and one for one year.

Nomination papers have been sent out, together with the formal notice of the AGM and last year's AGM minutes.

A donation of £5 per person would be appreciated to cover food and first drink. Subsequent drinks £1. Of course, you can bring your own bottle - alcoholic or otherwise - for your second drink onwards.

Please also bring with you cutlery, plate (for main course) and bowl (for pudding) and take them home afterwards.
Plastic beakers will be provided.

Your presence is warmly welcomed.

This is your last newsletter of our current season. Your next newsletter will be for September and previewing our another exciting new season.

You'll receive any 'breaking news' by email, and via our website: www.aps-

sherborne.co.uk. Have a Happy Summer weather permitting!

#### **'OUTSIDE EDGE' AUDITIONS**

The auditions for those of you wanting to be on stage are on Tuesday 21 and Wednesday 22 July in the clubroom at 7.30 pm. Rehearsals are expected to begin early autumn.

#### A REQUEST FROM THE DIRECTOR

The Autumn production 'Outside Edge' is set in 1979 and is, as the title indicates, about cricket!



The production needs cricketing props and costumes from that period so if anyone has such items stored away in a cupboard and would be willing to lend them to us, please let me know.

Help is also needed behind the scenes and I would be grateful for any willing people to volunteer.

Patricia Harris patriciawallerharris@hotmail.com or 01963 210462

#### "The course of true love never did run smooth"

A disappointing turn-out for what was an engrossing talk on the theme of love in Shakespeare plays from Romeo and Juliet to Antony and Cleopatra and given by David Duff, and more than ably assisted where required by Gilly.



OPEN STAGES
NUFFIELD THEATRE
SOUTHAMPTON
SUNDAY 14 JUNE



It was a very long and exhausting day but ultimately very rewarding. We didn't get to perform until 9.45 in the evening, so by that time we were absolutely worn out having done a tech rehearsal, a dress rehearsal and a vocal warm-up (see photo opposite) and then had to wait around for over two hours before going on stage.

However, everyone felt that it had been a great experience and worth doing. There had been a great sense of camaraderie and we worked well as a team.

Our performance was pretty good. The standard generally was variable. There were a couple of really outstanding groups and a few at the other end of the spectrum.

All in all I think we did APS proud and even though we didn't win the trip to Stratford we will have given a lot of the other groups a jolly good run for their money. John Crabtree

The winners were Brownsea Open Air Theatre for Henry IV.

# APS 2015 Upcoming Events

#### Friday 10 July

Annual General Meeting and Summer Party at Gainsborough House, South Street, Sherborne.

## Tuesday 21 & Wednesday 22 July

'Outside Edge' auditions 7.30 pm in our clubhouse.

All events at 7.30 pm in our Clubhouse except where obviously not.

TIPI A

At Castle Gardens



## The Taming of the Shrew Tuesday 4 August

The performances starts at 7.30 pm. Gates open 6 pm. Running time (approx): 2hrs (inc 20 minute interval) Tickets call 01935 814633 or book online at www.illyria.uk.com

THE 39 STEPS AT THE SWAN

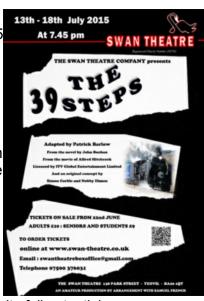
Monday 13th - Saturday 18th July 2015 This comedy thriller is based on the 1935 Alfred Hitchcock espionage film, but has been transformed into a hilarious theatrical triumph of the highest order.

The story remains very much the same, with all the familiar scenes from the chase on the Flying Scotsman, the escape on the Forth Bridge, and the tense finale at the London Palladium being re-enacted on stage.

However, all the action, suspense and comedy are brought together by just 4 extremely versatile actors. This is a very challenging play which requires split-second timing to achieve its full potential.

Doors open 7:15pm, show starts 7:45pm. Tickets on sale to the

public from June 22.





Shakespeare's witty classic is brought to life in Globe On Screen's final film of 2015. The Bard's much loved farcical play explores the chaos that unfolds between two estranged twin brothers, both called Antipholus, and one pair of estranged twin servants, both called Dromio. One Antipholus is astonished by his foreign hospitality; the other enraged by the hostility of his home town. Caught in the middle are the hapless Dromios, soundly beaten for obeying all the wrong orders. In their final film of 2015, Globe On Screen cap off a spectacular season of theatre with a refreshing dash of irreverent Shakespearean comedy. It's on at 7 pm Thursday 9 July.



### Tive Acineworld Yeovil



Alan Ayckbourn's award-winning satire on greed and corruption makes a triumphant return to the NT. Jack McCracken has just taken over the family business. At a celebratory party, Jack delivers an inspiring speech about the importance of integrity. But then he's approached by a private detective bearing compromising information. Before long, Jack learns that his entire extended family are greedy, adulterous crooks, happily bleeding the firm dry! As he too becomes tainted by their misdeeds, he's locked into an increasingly hysterical downward spiral from industrial

espionage to drug-dealing and murder!

It's on Wednesday 8 July. 210 minutes. Time TBA.

#### VIDEO OPPORTUNITY

David Graham is an experienced one-man-band filmmaker in Yeovil and would like to make contact with any actors who would be interested in participating in future 'not for profit' video productions for the community and charity sectors in Somerset.

If this interest you contact David on 07931 244144 or at <a href="mailto:post@davidgraham.net">post@davidgraham.net</a>

If you would like any local performances mentioned in the newsletter please email details to: jim.reville@btinternet.com or call me on 01935 814626. Please leave a message if I'm not available and I'll ring you back. SEPTEMBER Copy Deadline: Thursday 27 August 2015