



AMATEUR PLAYERS of SHERBORNE

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Dear Member

We are now fast approaching the **Annual General Meeting**, which will be held on Friday 5th June at 8.00 p.m. in the Clubroom, so this will be the last Newsletter for this Season.

The Spring Production of "**Dead Ringer**", produced by Pat Harris, was most successful and enjoyed by one and all. We offer our congratulations to Pat, together with her cast and crew for a very entertaining production. An extra round of applause goes to Pat personally who had more than her fair share of hurdles to leap before this play was finally presented. We also made a small profit - well done.

It was with great sadness that, on the evening of 7th April at the start of our Committee Meeting our Chairman announced the tragic news of the death, earlier in the day, of our talented member **Peggy Gibbs**, and her husband, Alan, as the result of a car crash at Middlemarsh. The A.P.S. sent a donation to Barnardo's, the charity chosen by her family and several members attended the cremation in Yeovil. She will be greatly missed. In recognition of her contribution to the A.P.S. and her unflagging enthusiasm, the Committee has decided to accept Margaret Field's offer to produce one of Peggy's favourite plays as our Spring 1993 production. Details of this will be announced later.

We are delighted to report an excellent turn-out at the meeting held on 6th April to discuss the **Autumn Production**. Pam Richardson, who is producing a Revue, outlined her ideas for the event. She is happy to announce that the back-stage crew are lined up and also that Angela Lindley, who will be in charge of choreography, plans to begin dance rehearsals in June. Other essential areas are being attended to now and Pam is desperately seeking someone to take on the responsibility for Publicity. She has had offers of assistance for this, but no-one willing to take the reins. Therefore, any member who feels that they would be prepared to take on this important and vital job, please contact Pam.

Also, if there are any other members wishing to participate in this production who were unable to attend the initial meeting, please contact Pam on Sherborne 812745. Her address is: The Old Pound, Marston Road, Sherborne, Dorset.

All the 'social' evenings for this season have now been completed and we thank all those who have contributed so enthusiastically. Outstanding dates are: **A.G.M.** to be held on Friday 5th June at 8 p.m. in the Clubroom. **End of Season Party** to be held on Friday 19th June at the home of David and Pam Richardson with entertainment provided by Tony Manns. Start time is 8 p.m. and please bring finger food and a bottle of your favourite nectar.

Get Well messages go to all members of the Amateur Players who have not been too well of late and to Joan Snelling and Muriel Davies who have been in hospital.

Looking to the future - Michael Quinn has kindly offered to produce our entry for the **Dorset Drama League**, to be held during Spring 1993. He will be producing Act II of "Young Woodley". Michael has had a lot of experience in this area and will be looking for people willing to participate. Details of auditions will be in the September Newsletter.

Our Chairman, Meg Whittingdale, and our Treasurer, Michael Quinn, will both be retiring from their respective positions at the AGM and do not seek re-election. If any member has any nominations for these offices please contact the Secretary, Vivian Vale, before the AGM.

Subscriptions are due on, or before, the Opening Evening in September (date to be announced later). Please watch the Notice Board outside the Post Office for details.

We wish you all a wonderful Summer and look forward to seeing everyone at the AGM in June and the Opening Evening in September.

As always, if any Member has a problem, query or would like any information, please contact our Secretary, Vivian Vale. Telephone No. 0300 341 722.