

APS NEWSLETTER APRIL 2007

Welcome to the latest edition of the Newsletter and apologies for the fact that there hasn't been one for some time.

A huge thank you and well done to Pat Harris and her cast for a super production of Habeas Corpus.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES:

7.30 in the Clubroom: Give Us A Clue – an evening of riotous entertainment as members mime obscure or unusual titles of films, plays etc.
Organised by Stuart McCreadie

Friday 11th May 7 Monday 23rd April.30 in the Clubroom: Play Reading organised by Adrian Thorpe

Monday 28th May 7.30 in the Clubroom: Play Reading of 'The Waltz of the Toreadors' by Jean Anouilh (in English!) organised by Donald Warren-Knott. Donald is hoping that there will be a good turnout for this play reading since he is intending to produce the play as our autumn production and so is looking to see whether the play can be cast! But at this stage this is not an audition! According to the Programme of Events this is on Wednesday 27th June.

Thursday 7th June 7.30 in the Clubroom: American Workshop organised by Rachel Mortimore

Thursday 21st June 7.30 in the Clubroom adjourning to Paddock Gardens and evening of Shakespeare entitled 'Much Ado About Gardens' organised by Maurice Freeland

Friday 13th July AGM at Gainsborough House by kind permission of Jim and Gwyneth Schofield. Official notification of the AGM will follow from Adrian Thorpe but Members should not forget that they have a right to nominate candidates for the Committee. This year we'll be looking for a new Chairman and two new Ordinary Committee Members, as well as Secretary, Membership Secretary and Treasurer.

Other events: Julius Caesar to be directed by David Smith and produced by Stuart McCreadie is well on track in terms of casting. There is a read through next week at 7.30 in the Clubroom on **Thursday 26th April**. The production week is **Monday 23rd – Saturday 28th July** in the Cheap Street Church. This is an exciting venture and we all hope that it will be well supported.

We are now members of NODA (National Operatic and Dramatic Association) South-West region. Our regional rep is Peter Wheeldon, who used to be with APS. They produce both a national and a regional magazine: well worth a look: they will be displayed in the Clubroom. They also organise various events including a residential weekend with a choice of professionally run workshops and lectures on many aspects of the theatre at Bicton Agricultural College (near Exeter) 31 August to 2 September: anyone interested please contact Adrian Thorpe who has all the details.

We look forward to seeing as many members as possible at all our forthcoming events.