

Summer Party and AGM 2014

Our AGM - and Summer Party - will take place at **7.30 pm on Friday 11 July at Gainsborough House, South Street Sherborne.**

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 three new Committee Members: two for three years and one for one year.

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

A donation of £5 per person would be appreciated to cover food and first drink. Please bring a bottle - alcoholic or otherwise - for 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 exciting new season. In the meantime, you'll receive any 'breaking news' by email and you can always keep up-to-date via our website: www.aps-sherborne.co.uk. Have a Happy Summer - weather permitting!

AN EVENING WITH...

An Evening With... Gary Shail, Robin Stewart and Francoise Pascal.

Gary has starred in the cult film 'Quadrophenia', children's 80s hit comedy 'Metal Mickey', and also co-starred twice alongside Sir Michael Caine, appeared in 'Give My Regards to Broad Street' with Sir Paul McCartney and Sir Ralph Richardson.

Robin first acted in 'Camelot' with Richard Burton was Mike Abbot in 70s hit comedy 'Bless This House'.

Francoise was star of hit comedy 'Mind Your Language' and starred with Peter Sellers in 'There's A Girl In My Soup'.

All the celebrity's are giving their time for free. The aim is to raise awareness and funds for APS. Roy is the host for the evening.

Date is Saturday 9th August in the Digby Hall. Doors open at 7 pm show starts at 8 pm. Tickets will be on sale at Marshs and Abbey Shop price £12.50. Includes signed souvenir programme.

A couple of events in the development stages for our 2014/5 season calendar.



We will be marking the centenary of WW1 with two part-rehearsed, play readings of one act dramas in our clubhouse. The date to note in your diaries is Friday October 17 at 7.30 pm.

Yes folks, Wednesday 19 November 2014 marks our 80th birthday and to celebrate this historic occasion a programme of variety of is being devised to reflect our glorious past.



Scenes from our part-rehearsed play readings of the two Arnold Bennett farces last month. And what a lot of fun was had - and that was just the cast!

Bennett, a great writer of the Edwardian era, is sadly, known now for an omelette named after him.



WHAT'S ON

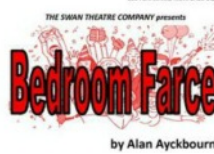
A selection of what's on around and about

'BEDROOM FARCE' AT THE SWAN 14 TO 19 JULY AT 7.45 PM

Ernest and Delia go out to dinner to celebrate their wedding anniversary. When this is a failure they return home and prepare to celebrate with pilchards on toast in bed. Super!!

Malcolm and Kate are preparing a house warming party; Nick and Jan have been invited to this but Nick has hurt his back and prepares to rest quietly in bed - Shame!

All three preparations are doomed, however, to disaster by the marital problems of Trevor (son of Ernest and Delia) and his wife Susannah, who descend on each couple in turn leaving chaos in their wake, finally taking over the bedroom (and bed) of the long suffering Malcolm and Kate.



KAFKA'S DICK THEATRE ROYAL BATH 9 - 26 JULY

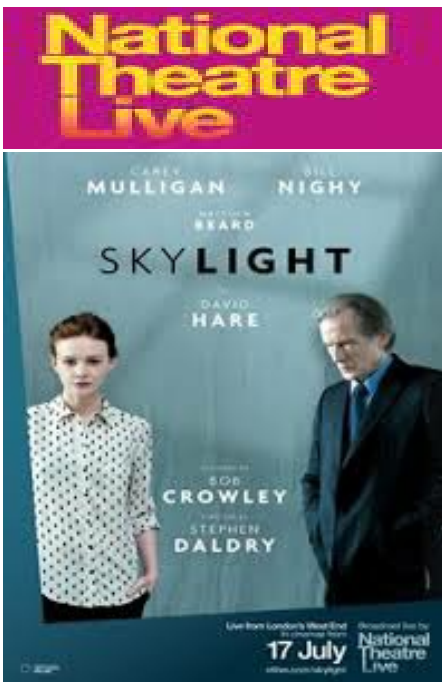
Insurance man Sydney and his wife Linda are leading perfectly ordinary lives in 1980s suburban Leeds when the esteemed (and long-dead) author Franz Kafka suddenly pitches up. With the great writer is his (also long-dead) friend Max Brod, he who ignored Kafka's dying wish that all his work should be burned and, as a result, made him one of the best-known writers of the 20th century. Things get even stranger when Kafka's father, Hermann, arrives and threatens to reveal some very personal details about his son, details that Kafka would prefer kept private.



This fizzy concoction takes the classic ingredients of romantic comedy, love, humour, coincidence and fantasy and serves them up with a surprisingly touching twist... **Strawberries in January**

This is a biting heartwarming comedy about four romantically challenged singletons who stumble through contemporary Montréal in search of love.

Cygnets Theatre, Exeter: see Diary dates for details.



AWARD-WINNING SKYLIGHT

'Skylight', David Hare's biting and award-winning play will be performed as National Theatre Live 7 pm Cineworld Yeovil on Thursday 17 July.

On a bitterly cold London evening, schoolteacher Kyra Hollis (Carey Mulligan) receives an unexpected visit from her former lover, Tom Sergeant (Bill Nighy), a successful and charismatic restaurateur whose wife has recently died.

As the evening progresses, the two attempt to rekindle their once passionate relationship only to find themselves locked in a dangerous battle of opposing ideologies and mutual desires.



in a fictionalised totalitarian state, Katurian Katurian writes stories that both captivate and horrify in equal measures. When these works of dark fantasy begin to become hideous reality Katurian is hauled in by two sardonic secret policemen who resort to increasingly absurd methods of interrogation to uncover the truth. Real life is not as black and white, good and bad as it is in fairy tales.

The Pillowman is on at 7.45 pm Fri 8 and Sat 9 August in the Merlin Theatre, Frome.

★ cineworld Yeovil

Thursday 17 July at 7 pm
Bill Nighy and Carey Mulligan feature in David Hare's *Skylight*, directed by Stephen Daldry, Running time: 180 minutes


Cineworld, Yeovil: Call 0871 200200 or save 10% by booking online, Google cineworld yeovil

This summer Castle Gardens hosts Illyria productions. There's the 'Pirates of Penzance' on Thurs 17 July, and Thurs 14 August it's 'Robin Hood'

All productions in the open air at 6.30 pm for 7.30 pm start.
Box Office: 01935 814633.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**July 2014**

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| Wed 2, Fri 4, Tues 8, Fri 11 | Strawberries in January Comedy | Cygnnet Theatre, Exeter 7.30 pm |
| Mon 7 to Sat 12 | Oh What A Lovely War Next Stage Theatre Company | Mission Theatre, Bath 7.30 pm Mat Sat 2.30 pm |
| Tues 6 to Thurs 10 | A Jump to Cow Heaven Frome Drama Club | The Silk Mill, Frome 8 pm |
| Mon 9 to Sat 26 | Kafka's Dick Alan Bennett play | Theatre Royal, Bath 7.30 pm |
|  Friday 11 | APS AGM and Summer Party | Gainsborough House 7.30 pm |
| Mon 14 to Sat 19 | Bedroom Farce Alan Ayckbourn comedy | The Swan Theatre, Yeovil 7.45 pm |
| Mon 21 to Sat 26 | Ladies Day Comedy | Studio Theatre, Salisbury 7.30 pm |
| Fri 25 | Private Lives Wessex Actors Company | The Exchange, Sturminster Newton 7.30 pm |

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| Mon 4 to Sat 9 | Oh What A Lovely War | Salisbury Playhouse 7.30 pm Mat Sat 2.15 pm |
| Fri 8 to Sat 9 | The Pillowman Tic Tac Toe | Merlin Theatre, Frome 7.45 pm |
|  Sat 9 | An Evening With... See Page One | Digby Hall, Sherborne 8 pm |
| Sun 10 | La Traviata Glynbourne Live | Cineworld, Yeovil 5.30 pm |
| Thurs 14 | Robin Hood Illyria - outdoors | Illyria/Castle Gardens 6.30 open for 7.30 pm |
| Thurs 21 to Sat 23 | RENT Rock musical | Strode Theatre 7.30 pm |
| Tues 26 to Sat 30 | Grease The musical | Bridport Arts Centre, 7.30 pm |

Merlin Theatre: Call 01373 465949 www.merlintheatre.co.uk

Bridport Arts Centre: Call 01308 424204 www.bridport-arts.com

Frome Drama Club/Frome Festival: Call Festival Box Office 01373455420 www.fromedrama.com

Cygnnet Theatre: Exeter Visitor Information 01373 277189 www.cygnnettheatre.com

Studio Theatre: Salisbury Information Centre 01772 342860 www.studiotheatre.org.uk

Illyria/Castle Gardens: Call Castle Gardens on 01935 814633 www.illyria.uk.com

Salisbury Playhouse: 01722 320333 www.salisburyplayhouse.com

Strode Theatre: Box Office 01458 442846 Mon-Sat 10 am to 2 pm www.strodetheatre.org.uk


Mission Theatre: Box Office 01225 428600 www.missiontheatre.co.uk

Sturminster Newton Exchange: Box Office 01258 475137 www.stur-exchange.co.uk

Theatre Royal, Bath: Box Office 01225 448844 www.theatreroyal.org.uk

The Swan Theatre: Call 07500 376031 or book online www.swan-theatre.co.uk

NB: As Diary Dates are compiled in advance, do check with the venue for any programme changes.

 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 28 August 2014**