



# NOISES OFF

AMATEUR PLAYERS OF SHERBORNE

newsletter June 2015

## Summer Party and AGM 2015

Our AGM - and Summer Party - will take place at **7.30 pm on Friday 10 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 a Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Secretary and four new Committee Members: two for three years, one for two years and one for one year.**

Nomination papers will be sent out late June by the Secretary, together with the formal notice of the AGM, last year's AGM minutes.

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.

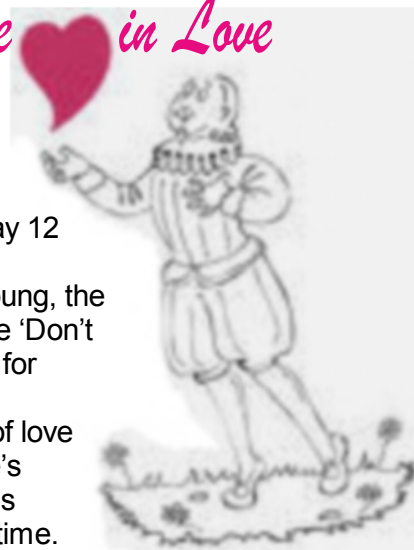


## Shakespeare in Love

That's the fascinating subject of David Duff's talk at 7.30 pm in our Clubhouse on Friday 12 June.

Subtitled 'The Young, the Middle-aged and the 'Don't ask', it's a rich vein for exploration.

The treatment of love in the Shakespeare's plays and sonnets is remarkable for the time. He mixes courtly love, unrequited love, compassionate love and sexual love with skill and heart. Love in Shakespeare is a force of nature, earthy and sometimes uneasy.



## HIGH TIMES AT CASTLE GARDENS

Two score and five members and friends enjoyed a delightful evening of delicious food, fun and laughter.

Many thanks to Helen and Gilly for organising a most enjoyable Annual Dinner.



## 'OUTSIDE EDGE' AUDITIONS

Audition dates for 'Outside Edge', our autumn production, are Tuesday 21 and Wednesday 22 July.

They will be held at 7.30 pm in our clubhouse.

Rehearsals are expected to begin early autumn.

'Outside Edge' will be directed by Pat Harris.

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## APS 2015 Upcoming Events

### Friday 12 June

David Duff presents a talk on 'Shakespeare in Love: The Young, the Middle-aged and the Don't ask.'

### 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.**

**ILLYRIA** At  
Castle  
Gardens

**The Sorcerer's Apprentice**  
Saturday 20 June

**Iolanthe**  
Tuesday 28 June

**The Three Musketeers**  
Thursday 2 July

**The Taming of the Shrew**  
Tuesday 4 August

All performances start at 7.30 pm.  
Gates open 6 pm. Tickets call  
01935 814633 or book online at  
[www.illyria.uk.com](http://www.illyria.uk.com)



### OPEN STAGES SHOWCASE

This will take place at the Nuffield Theatre, Southampton on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June.

In all,

16 groups will be taking part, performing a 10 minute extract

From the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of the

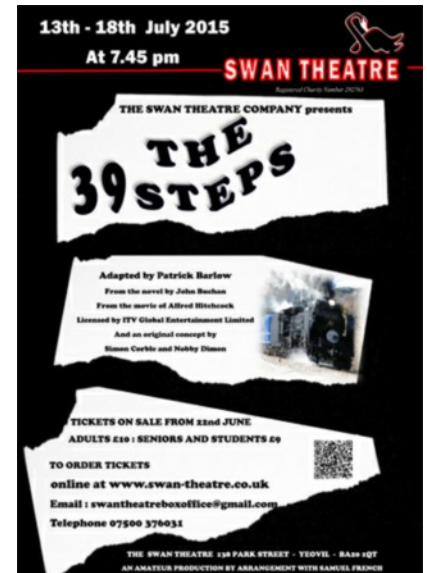
**Sherborne Town Council held at the Digby Hall on Tuesday evening 22 April.**

"The Digby Hall was originally built in the 1970's and has served the community well, remaining a venue of which visitors are envious.

However, it is looking sad and in need of a face lift so that it can continue to serve the community for another 40 years. The Council agreed in September of 2013 to carry out a phase 1 feasibility study to refurbish and possibly extend this venue, holding discussions with DCC, WDDC, SCACT and Artslink.

With the SCACT project now on hold, this refurbishment is even more important. This is why the Town Council needs to canvass the existing users of the venue, seeking their views on what improvements should be made. A questionnaire has been produced and is available from the Town Council Facilities Officer.

This refurbishment will not be a quick process, and is not likely to take place until 2015/16, having appointed Construction Consultants, developed plans, obtained planning permission and finalised the funding package it is likely to be in the region of £750,000."



### 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.

Doors open 7:15pm, show starts 7:45pm. Tickets on sale to the public from June 22.

<http://www.nuffieldtheatre.co.uk/whats-on/open-stages-regional-showcase>

Following the performances groups (but not non-cast) will be asked to vote on which extract they think the best. The group in each region which get the most votes will go forward to the National Showcase which will take place at Stratford on 9<sup>th</sup> August 2015.

**Deadline** Newsletter If you would like any local performances mentioned in the newsletter please email details to: [jim.reville@btinternet.com](mailto: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. **JULY Copy Deadline: Friday 26 June 2015**