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Clubrooms: 6 - 8 Castle Hill Richmond North Yorkshire DL10 4QP
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Thu 3rd - Sat 5th November 2016

The Real Inspector Hound

by Tom Stoppard.

Black Comedy

by Peter Shaffer.

A double-bill - Directed by **Jim Brown**

Social Secretary's Snippets

I hope that everyone has had an enjoyable Summer. It is now that time of year to be thinking of Christmas!! I have provisionally booked the upstairs room in **Penley's** of Richmond (in the Market Place) for the **RADS Christmas Dinner**. They are opening especially for us, as they did last year, so a minimum number of 15 people are required. They are sending me the menu in the next couple of weeks so I will send out the menu and booking form to be attached to the October Newsletter.

Club nights:

Monday 12 September 2016: Suzy Brown will be conducting a make-up workshop concentrating on more specialised forms required e.g. bruises, wounds etc.

Monday 10 October 2016: One act play readings, hosted by Gary Winn - with a view to choosing one for The Georgian Theatre One Act Festival in February 2017. If anyone has a particular One Act Play they would like to read on this club night please let Gary know on 01748 818402 or e-mail winn@winnjulia30.orangehome.co.uk

Monday 14 November 2016: Read through for 'The Herbal Bed' to be directed by Gregan Davis.

Monday 12 December 2016: Christmas Dinner at Penley's, Richmond - more details to follow with October's Newsletter.

Please try to come along and support these events and please let me know if you have any ideas for future club nights and/or any other social events.

Contact me by email socialsec@richmond-ads.org.uk or by phone **01748 818402**.

Kind Regards,
Julie Winn

SEDGEFIELD PLAYERS present FOUR PLAYS & A PARTY at 7.30pm in Sedgefield Parish Hall

Thursday September 15th

Sedgefield Players Youth Section (SPYS) The Unravelling by Fin Kennedy

Sedgefield Players - Distracted Globe by N.J.Warburton

Friday September 16th

Bananadrama of Scarborough - The Library by Shari Gledhill
 Sedgefield Players - The Regina Monologues by Rebecca Russell and Jenny Wafer

Saturday September 17th

Party night with entertainment, bar and buffet

Tickets Thursday £7 Friday £7 Saturday £5

Season Ticket £15 (includes entry all 3 nights and a vote for the audience award)

Available from Tickety Boo or telephone 01740 621771 or book online at www.sedgefieldplayers.co.uk

PLEASE NOTE - No official adjudication or awards this year

Thu 23rd - Sat 25th March 2017

The Herbal Bed

by Peter Whelan

Directed by **Gregan Davis**

The Real Inspector Hound / Black Comedy Casting

After much deliberation and head-scratching, Jim Brown has cast the following members in each of the two plays.

A particular welcome to new member Tilly Greer who helped out backstage during the run of Wyrd Sisters.

INSPECTOR HOUND	CAST	BLACK COMEDY
Moon	Mike Walker	Harold Gorringe
Birdboot	Dan Cockett	Schuppanzigh
Simon Gascoyne	Scott Fenney	Brindsley Miller
Felicity Cunningham	Tilly Greer	Carol Melkett
Cynthia Muldoon	Ann Greer	Clea
Inspector Hound	Doug Clayton	Colonel Melkett
Magnus Muldoon	Martin Ash	Georg Bamberger
Mrs Drudge	Suzy Brown	Miss Furnival

Sedgefield 2016

Hi there.

I'm sure you'll be sorry to hear that, for the first time in 40 years, there will be no Sedgefield Festival this year. Due to the unavailability of several of our usual stalwart supporters, we have had to make different arrangements. Instead of a full week of plays, we will be presenting, from September 15-17, Four Plays and a Party. (See left)

I do hope some of your group will be able to come along and enjoy this reduced, but excellent, programme of performances. Please let me know if you would like tickets reserving for any, some or all of the nights. We'd be delighted to see some of our good Festival Friends in the audience. Hopefully, this is a temporary blip and we will be back next year with a full festival. In the meantime, I look forward to hearing from you and hope to see you and yours at our Four Plays and a Party.

All the very best with your own dramatic endeavours.

Norma Neal, Sedgefield Players



Chair's Corner

Greetings from your Chairman!

We have now started rehearsing for the Autumn production. It is a double bill of two one act plays within the Absurdist theatre tradition. I asked Jim Brown why he had cast two plays with the same cast for his double bill. He replied that we do not have enough members for 2 separate casts. Is this true? What do you think? If it is correct we are probably near peak capacity with three plays a year. Is this why we have struggled to enter this year's Sedgefield One Act Play Festival? There is a forthcoming opportunity for someone to direct a one act play for the Georgian Theatre One Act Play festival in the Spring. As it is our own festival, it would be a great shame if we could not organise an entry. Would you like to direct? Choose a one act play and bring your suggestion to the committee.

Another issue that faces the society is how we are managing our Succession Planning. No one member is or should be irreplaceable. For example, Jim Brown has worked for us for a vast number of previous productions without a gap. He suggests that he needs a holiday next year. We need to find someone to fill his shoes. Is this you? Training up successors is something the committee is well aware of. For those of us who have been disappointed and not been cast in a play, there is always the opportunity to develop your skills by volunteering for a backstage role. I am hoping we are all up for the challenges that arise as being a part of RADS.

Finally, I would like to thank all those who gave their time to the Summer production of "Wyrd Sisters". It was well received and we had good audiences. It was a departure from previous Summer productions but it certainly ticked all the RADS boxes. Many thanks to Beki Stevenson for her vision and hard work.

PS I commend our next Members' evening to you. It will be an interesting and hands-on experience. Please support your evenings and why not bring someone along?

Martin

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