



FORTHCOMING SHOWS

'Every Other Evening' a play by Francis Campaux

Thurs. 17th Sept – Sat. 19th Sept and Thurs. 24th Sept – Sat. 26th Sept 2009

The reading of the play was held on 15th June, with the cast list as follows:

- George – Phil Hammans
- Jackie – Leigh-Ann Johns
- Caroline – Lesley Wonnacott
- Sue Painter has agreed to do props, and David Moorley will be Stage Manager.
- Suzanne – Lynn Tyrrell
- Paul – Josh Waters
- Zourah – Stephanie Devoy
- William – Ian Croxton

Heather Prouse will sit in with Ken at rehearsals, as she did at the last play, offering her valuable assistance.

Ken Tyrrell would like to thank all those who attended the reading. He was very pleased with the turnout and would to pass a special thank you to those who unfortunately weren't successful in getting parts in the play. Rehearsals start 2nd July (Tuesdays and Thursdays).

Pantomime 2010

Robert Painter and his daughter Amy Clark are set to produce our next pantomime. It will be 'Queen of Hearts', script by Wilfred Miller. The show will run from the last week in January to the first week in February 2010. Rehearsals will start after the play has finished, at the end of September. More details will be given in the next newsletter.

Request: a pianist is needed to help Polly out during the pantomime. If you can help, or know someone who can, call Rob (01409 253840) or Amy(07879 877 303). Thanks!

Hats Musical Showcase

This production has had to be postponed for the present. It may now take place at the end of this year, or early next year. Watch this space!

CURRENT EVENTS

Club Nights Targeted at younger members, but all are welcome to join in. These will include script readings, stage movement and character development. They will be held every other Monday evening, through the summer, at the theatre, starting 29th June., 7.30. Turn up any evening you can make it.

Singing evenings Informal singalong, just for fun. You choose what you want to sing! Come along any second Monday evening, 7.30-9.00, from 6th July onwards. The more the merrier!

MEMBERS' NEWS

Chas Painter unfortunately suffered a stroke about a month ago, but is looking forward to going home soon from Holsworthy hospital. As a member of the theatre for some 40 years, many members will want to wish him a very speedy recovery. **Lia Painter and Richard**, celebrated in April the birth of their daughter, Poppy Grace. Congratulations! A future member of HATS, no doubt?!

THEATRE BUSINESS

Theatre Bookings: Amanda Brooks School of Dance Show 2nd, 3rd, 4th July 6.00pm.

Bradford and Bridgerule Schools Monday 20th July 2.00pm and 21st July 7.30pm.

Annual General Meeting. To be held early October. Letter and balance sheets to be sent out in advance.

Theatre building extension. Detailed plans are being drawn up; quotes will be invited for the building work in due course.

The foyer and toilets have been given a birthday: walls repainted, cupboards re-stained, all looking very clean and tidy. Let's see how long we can keep it like that!

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

- **Dartmoor Walks** As in previous years, we have the exciting opportunity to discover the hidden depths of the Moor, guided by Phil Hammans, a Dartmoor Ranger who is also a member of the Theatre. All funds raised will be donated to the Theatre.
 - **12th July** Okehampton YHA. Grid reference: SX592944. From town centre follow signs to railway station and YHA. Park in YHA car park at back of station.
 - **2nd August** Belstone car park. Grid reference: SX621938. Belstone is just outside Okehampton and the car park is opposite the village hall.

Each walk will last approximately 2 hours, starting at 10.00am sharp. Strong walking boots or shoes and a waterproof jacket are needed.

All are welcome at a cost of £5.00 per head. Dogs can come along too, but **must be kept under control at all times**. For more information call Phil on 01409 281418.

- **Wine and Wisdom evening.** A date for your diary. 7 November at the White Hart.
- **North Devon Journal Torridge Your Pics.** We have already received a cheque for £185 for the photos we have had published so far. Let's see if we can double that amount with our holiday pics!

To remind you that, up until 4th September 2009, anyone can send in photos of any subject to interest local readers, nominate HATS as their chosen charity, and earn £1 for HATS for every photo published. Digital photos can be sent by email to kfell@c-dm.co.uk, or prints can be sent with a SAE to: Your Pics Torridge, North Devon Journal, Avery House, Liberty Road, Roundswell Business Park, Barnstaple, EX31 3TL.

Remember to check the HATS website (www.holsworthytheatre.co.uk) for current news and information. Let us know your email address to receive the newsletter electronically, and send in details of changes of personal details to members@holsworthytheatre.co.uk, or phone Sue 01409 253840. If any member would like to include an item in the newsletter, the deadline for the next one is 20th September. Email your news to the theatre at info@holsworthytheatre.co.uk. Many thanks!