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Chairman's Note

Once again I do not have any holiday trips to report on. I really must try to get away more! Heather and I did go to Calais & Boulogne on a shopping expedition one day, but I won't bore you with 'tales from a French hypermarket'.

A Chorus of Disapproval has now beencast, with the exception of two parts, Linda & Crispin. There was a good turnout for the auditions, and it was a shame that anyone had to go away empty handed, so good was the standard of all the audition pieces. Details of the cast can be seen overleaf.

On the 12th of July, We went to the Festival Hall in Petersfield, for the NODA Southern Area Awards evening. This year it took place in our (Roy Brown's) area, and was well supported by members of societies across the South of England. Various workshops took place during the day, sadly not as many as had originally been planned, however, we were assured that all those who took part found them good fun. I will try to ensure that details of

next year's event and workshops are published in good time in this newsletter. The evening was rounded off by various cabaret acts, specially chosen by Roy Brown to 'show off' the talent in his area, and featured, amongst other things, highlights of the Haslemere Players' recent Music Hall, and two songs performed by our own Alexandra Legat.

The holiday season is now upon us, and that means that the AGM is not far away. Details are enclosed with this newsletter. As I write this piece, I know that two of our existing committee are not standing for re-election, and we therefore have vacancies. If any members would like to take part in the running of the Stagers, please don't be shy; find two members to sign the enclosed nomination form, and send it to Melanie. If any members think that others would make good committee members, go and talk to them and ask them to stand.

I look forward to seeing everyone on Wednesday 3rd September.

AGM

The A.G.M. will be held on Wednesday 3rd September 2003 at 8.00pm in the Small Hall of the Grayshott Village Hall. The Agenda, Nomination Form and a copy of the Minutes of last year's meeting are enclosed.

Following the main business, members are invited to stay on after the Meeting and partake of some wine and cheese.

Please remember that only fully paid up members are eligible to vote, take part in the A.G.M. or to submit nominations. You are reminded that any fully paid up member is eligible to stand for election to the Committee. Please note that all current Officers and Committee Members resign at the end of each A.G.M. and have to be nominated for reelection. Also, don't forget that if there is any matter that you wish to be discussed formally and added to the Agenda it must be submitted to me, the Hon. Secretary, in writing, properly proposed and seconded, not later than 7 days prior to the Meeting (ie: by 27/8/03). Any other matter may be discussed at the Meeting without notice being given, by leave of the Chairman or on demand by not less than two thirds of the members present and voting, of any matter which may have arisen meanwhile subject to Rule 13.

As a reminder, the current Officers and Committee are:

OFFICERS: Chairman - Tony Legat; Vice Chairman - Richard White;

Hon. Treasurer - Stephen Penny; Hon. Secretary - Melanie Tyrrell.

COMMITTEE: Barbara Badger, Jennifer Charters, John Hilder, Alexandra Legat,

Heather Legat, Thelma Robertson, Jane Sergeant, Alan Stone and Marian Walker (co-opted after Shirley Jelliss's departure).

The Treasurer would like to remind all members that subsriptions are now due:

Ordinary Members £13 Junior Members (under 18) £6.50 Patron Members £16.00+

Cheques payable to Grayshott Stagers please, to be sent to:-

Stephen Penny, Honorary Teasurer, Odessa, The Avenue, Grayshott, Hindhead, GU26 6LA.

A Chorus of Disapproval

The auditions for the November production A Chorus of Disapproval were held on June 27th and the following cast was chosen:

Dafydd	. John Hilder	Ian	. Marcus Shepperdson
Hannah	. Jane Sargeant	Fay	. Margot Tringham
Guy	. David Protheroe	Jarvis	. Barry Penny
Ted	Peter Gardner	Rebecca	Barbara Netherwood
Enid	Teresa Marsh	Mr Ames	Tony McIntee
Bridget	Jacky Protheroe		-

Unfortunately there were no auditionees for the roles of Linda and Crispin. However, fortune has been smiling on us and Emma Wheelhouse, who many of you will remember for her appearance as Ann in La Cage aux Folles, is available and has agreed to play Linda. We still do not have a Crispin at the moment so if you know of a youngish man who would be interested please let me know.

A small chorus is also needed for the production and if you are interested you will be made very welcome, please don't hesitate to get in touch with me.

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PLAY READING On the 16th July, at Barbara Badger's house,

a few of us enjoyed a pleasant evening read-

ing the play 'Celebrations' by Keith Water-

house and Willis Hall (of Billy Liar fame

varying degrees of success, for this very

ing about the 'good old days'

etc.) We all attempted Northern accents with

funny play, which, although 60's, produced a

good deal of laughter during the evening and

when we'd finished we all had fun reminisc-

It was a little disappointing that only 6 people

attended the play reading (4 of them being

committee members)! It was arranged for

me know. Marian tel. 01428 605046 e-mail marian@grayshottstagers.co.uk

your entertainment - do you want us to con-

Don't forget

The production will be on at Grayshott Village Hall from 20-22 November 2003.

Bits and Pieces

Wild West Barn Dance

An advance date for your diaries!

A Wild West themed Barn Dance will be taking place on Saturday 3rd April 2004. This should a great evening with lots of dancing, a bar and dinner. Details of how to get tickets will follow later in the year.

.. Supper Theatre... The Haslemere Thespians are organising an evening of plays and sketches with dinner. The anu skeitines with uninter interest of August 23rd at the Haslemere Hall. Why not get a table together? The bar opens at 7pm and the entertainment will begin at 7.30pm. Tickets are £9.50. Tickets are available from Anne Leggett: Sempera, Wood Road Hindhead, GU26 6PX 01428 608643

Theatre Trips

tinue to arrange such evenings? Please let There are two trips to the theatre on the horizon: Romeo & Juliet (Ballet) 02/10/2003 Copacabana 18/12/2003

Both productions are on at Woking. Please let Jane Sargeant know if you would like to go.



Dates for your Diary

2003

03 September, Grayshott Small Hall

10 September

17 September

11 October

20-22 November, Grayshott Village Hall

19 December, Grayshott Village

Annual General Meeting

Copacabana Presentation

2004 February One Acts Read-through

Copacabana Auditions

A Chorus of Disapproval

Carol Singing

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