



MARCH 2018

Hopefully, the dreadful weather which caused us for the first time in memory, to cancel a performance, is well and truly behind us! So, many, many thanks to the cast and crew and FOH and audiences of *Dangerous Obsession* - you were all very special.

We have just three productions left in our season, *Playhouse Creatures*, *Neighbourhood Watch* and *Ladykillers*, and I beg you to give them all your full support.

We have entered the Lighthorn Festival One Act Play Competition with *Badge of Honour* by Sue Downing and featuring Faye and Andy Bingham and Patrick Bentley.

We will give details of how to buy tickets and directions to Lighthorn shortly. Lighthorn is near Warwick and the Festival is rapidly becoming an important event in the Amateur Theatre calendar.

The Youth Theatre have plans for a production of *Charlie* etc etc. The whole

Nonentity family are encouraged to buy tickets for this event. (More info in Youth theatre news section -Ed)

The PAG committee is meeting to choose plays for next season. This is a very important responsibility since our productions need to continue the very high standards we have set in the last few years, but we also need to boost our financial resources.

Gary and Natalie are combining to make a great team in the office, please support them and show them respect. They are taking on numerous tasks which is making the administration of the company so much easier than in recent years.

In conclusion, after some dark days we can look forward with confidence to the remaining plays of this season and a bright 2018 /19 starting with in September with "The Hound of the Baskervilles"

Best Wishes.
Stephen

PS Sad to note the death of Michael Green who wrote *The Art of Course Acting* and whom I knew at the Crescent and Questors in the 1970s. I recommend his book to all amateur actors; it is both amusing and informative. There is a copy in the Green Room.



theatre' – specifically at The Rose and we called in [Colin Hill](#) to take some great shots of the girls.

Photos show a selection of roles : directors, technical and wardrobe. More photos to be found on our facebook page

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

We are pleased to welcome new members who are now involved in productions and FOH or are about to start.

[Tony Newbould](#)
[Janet Poole](#)
[Cathy Clarke](#)
[Courtney Anslow](#)
[Claire Tucker](#)
[Deborah Hill](#)
[Pauline Carrier](#)
[Charlie Southerton](#)
[Alex Thompson](#)

We also have three potential members in the pipe-line so that's great. We held a successful members night on 6th February with up-to date training for Front of House and a chance to meet new members. This is certainly something we would like to run again- perhaps with Props and Backstage training this time.

A reminder to all members to check that your membership subs are up to date. I will be asking all Directors to check all cast and crew for membership as it is not possible to be involved with a show or work on FOH without membership.

If anyone has any news or views please feel free to let me know.

[Hilary Thompson](#)

Membership Manager

Members night was a bit frantic as [Tori](#) had agreed to write a piece for the Express and Star about 'women in



Wedding

News!



Nonentities members **Andy Bingham** and **Faye Stanton** tied the knot on Tuesday 13th February with a beautiful civil ceremony at the picturesque Mill Lodge Barns at Alverley. They both looked very happy and stunning in their wedding outfits. Faye's dress was made by Nonentities member **Jen Eglinton** - A very talented lady! Andy and Faye can both be seen gracing the stage in many Rose performances; Andy is currently a KRYPT assistant and is on our Committee as a members' rep. Faye mans our box office on Saturdays and is members' Box office manager – always looking for new recruits! She has only just relinquished her KRYPT assistant's role – don't know how she does it all! We wish Faye and Andy every happiness in their married life together.

Below is the very cleverly put together piece from Pat:



Hannah and Jess looked lovely... as did Andy and Faye....



It was a real theatre family event as Pat Gale and Joe Harper presented some entertainment.

As we all know Faye is a real BLITHE SPIRIT and Andy unaware that this could be a LIASON DANGEROUS decided to ask her out and as there was no CHORUS OF DISAPPROVAL from his friends he thought ALLO ALLO this could be alright.

They went out for a meal and although it did give him WIND IN THE WILLOWS he decided to follow it up with another date and although tempted to say DON'T DRESS FOR DINNER decided it was a bit soon for that and was a bit of a DEATH TRAP.

The evening went well and he felt as if he were ENTERTAINING ANGELS, there were no NOISES OFF and he knew he was BREAKING THE CODE on how to win her hand and see if she were willing to become a WOMAN IN WHITE at a wedding.

She agreed and all went ahead with only a few set-backs, RELATIVELY SPEAKING .

So now his MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM has become a reality, though earlier in year and therefore A WINTERS TALE

They couldn't agree on all the wedding plans but let's hope they won't LOOK BACK IN ANGER on this, and instead say OH WHAT A LOVELY WAR that was!

There will be no need for a TAMING OF THE SHREW as Faye is sweet and adorable at all times!

She will be as merry as those MERRY WIVES OF WINDSOR, there life will be no COMEDY OF ERRORS though she

did say their first night together was
MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING!

SO as long as ANDY does NOT get as
TITUS ANDRONICUS! today, all will be
fine.

and as Will Shakespeare says

ALL'S WELL THAT ENDS WELL !!



YOUTH THEATRE NEWS

**'Charlie & The
Chocolate Factory'**
Junior Group Show
Sat 21st & Sun 22nd
April 7.30pm

Rehearsals are going well with just
7 weeks left until the first night!
Tickets are selling steadily for the
show but we'd like to see more
seats filled! Obviously, due to the
licensing restriction regarding

advertising this particular play we
are prohibited from advertising the
show on the website and in local
press so this will affect sales. So,
please, please spread the word as
much as you can. We look forward
to seeing you there!

**** VOLUNTEERS NEEDED****

If you are able to help out backstage
or front of house with either show,
please let Helen know as soon as
possible! Thank you.



LATER IN THE SEASON

'Pride & Prejudice'
Senior Group Show
Sat 23rd & Sun 23rd
June 7.30pm

We are delighted to announce that the senior group will be taking on the challenge of performing the wonderful Jane Austen story of 'Pride & Prejudice'. This will be a great opportunity for the members to really push their acting talents and immerse themselves in the world of The Bennett family and British society in the late 18th century. Obviously, costumes will be a challenge so it's possible we may do it in modern dress unless anyone has 22 Georgian outfits in their loft?! Sadly, Colin Firth is unavailable to play Mr Darcy (sorry ladies!) but fortunately our former youth theatre member **Thomas Powell** is available and we are delighted that he is able to take on the role. It isn't usual to cast someone from the Nonentities but for this play we are one male short and Mr Darcy needs an experienced young actor.

OTHER NEWS AND EVENTS

*SUNDAY 13TH MAY
EGM AND NEW SEASON LAUNCH!
OUR PAG – ANDREW DAVIE, JEN
EGLINTON, BOB GRAHAM AND
TORI WAKEMAN – WILL BE
PRESENTING DETAILS OF THE
2018-19 SEASON –
MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW BUT
KEEP IT FREE!*

We have managed to slot in a few outside bookings at the end of our season and hope that members will support the acts and volunteer to do some front of house or bar duties. We do struggle to provide staff for these nights but they do bring in the ££££ so get out those diaries and sign up using the app or call the office and Nat and Gary will sort you out.

*SATURDAY JUNE 30TH
BEWDLEY TOWN BAND*

*SUNDAY JULY 1ST
INTO CLIFF AND THE SHADOWS*

*SATURDAY JULY 7TH
TALON*

COMMITTEE FEEDBACK

Your hardworking committee meet nearly every month and keep the theatre and the Nonentities ticking over. A few recent discussions and approvals have involved

- Air-conditioning which might actually be installed this summer (watch this space!)
- Increase in ticket prices for new season – first one for several years so can't be helped. Extension of some concession nights so swings and roundabouts. We can no

**longer charge £1 booking fee.
Rose still SUCH good value!**

- **Purchasing of new dimmer switches approved**
- **Exciting links ahead with Town Hall to produce event to celebrate Armistice day**
- **Inclusion of Rose Theatre in next Heritage Trail bus tour.**
- **Donation made to Horsefair clock**
- **Communication book to be set up for Box Office staff/volunteers to exchange information and instructions**
- **AND LOTS MORE!**

Details of your committee members can be found on our web-site – we are still looking for a Maintenance Manager, a Technical Manager and that ever elusive Props Manager – could you help??