

FADS Newsletter – August 2020

Greetings all and welcome to our latest Newsletter.

Hi Everyone

I do hope you are all continuing to stay safe and well. The committee thought it was time to update you as we look to return to some kind of normality.

Regretfully we will not be able to perform 'Absurd Person Singular by Alan Ayckbourn in November, as we had hoped, due to Covid-19'. There has been no information yet from the government as to when theatres can open up safely but it has been agreed by the committee to move it to March 24th -27th 2021, regulations permitting. The cast continues to rehearse safely outside and are determined to keep the flag flying. It is such a great play and we are committed to performing it for your pleasure.

Please note: If you have bought tickets for November and are still willing to hang on to them until next March , or alternatively wish to have a refund, please contact Pat Atree on 01903 245973 or email <u>attree-slc@tiscali.co.uk</u>

Future Productions

There is an opportunity for both a play and a director for June 2021 and would like to invite suggestions from our members. Alternatively we could put on another very popular 'Murder Mystery Evening' instead of a play. We welcome any ideas. **If you are interested please contact Graham Batchelor on**:-

01903-523757 07713-501212 Or email on <u>grabatch1@gmail.com</u>

The next question is whether we can continue **Play Reading.** It has been suggested that we could hold one in the open air (weather permitting) in the park opposite the village hall one afternoon. People would need to bring their own chair and refreshment. It could be great fun and if you would like to be involved please let me know by contacting me on email <u>roellistoon2770@gmail.com</u> or telephone. 01903245343.

Social activities

If anyone has suggestions for social activities using zoom or any other socially distancing methods please let Graham know (contact details below).

A request for New Directors

FADS have directing vacancies for **2021/22** and would like to invite potential applicants to put their names forward and also suggestions for particular plays they would like to direct. Experience is obviously an advantage but we would also like to hear from those of you who would like to add another string to their bow. If you find first- time directing too daunting a task we can arrange for you to sit in initially as " assistant director " or " assistant Stage Manager " with one of our more experienced members. If you are interested please contact Graham Batchelor on:-01903-523757

07713-501212 Or email on grabatch1@gmail.com

A request for a new Secretary

We are currently looking for a new Secretary for the FADS Committee Meetings. The post would involve taking and distributing minutes from meetings and other secretarial duties as mutually agreed. If you are interested in joining our very proactive committee please contact Graham Batchelor on:-01903-523757 07713-501212 Or email on grabatch1@gmail.com

I will keep you informed of any changes as and when we know more.

In the meantime keep safe and enjoy the summer.

Best wishes

Elizabeth