



RIVERSIDE PLAYERS NEWS

MAY 2011

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AGM – Thank you to everyone that attended this year's AGM, held at the end of February.

Firstly we must say a huge thank you to Jill for all her work on the committee over the past years and we welcome Amie to the committee for the first time. As discussed at the meeting we have made three charitable donations by gift aid to *British Heart Foundation*, *Alzheimer's Society* and *Thames Valley & Chiltern Air Ambulance*.

SHOW NEWS AND REVIEWS

Another production, another success! Congratulations to absolutely everyone involved in *Darling Mr London*. A huge well done to the directors, Alan Payn and Sam Somerville, who worked incredibly hard to stage the show. Many thanks to everybody who came to see the production and everybody who worked so hard behind the scenes to make it all happen. It was obvious from the audience's reaction that all the hard work was appreciated. On the final night, last minute cast changes had to be made as Sam Russell (Miss West Berlin) was unfortunately rushed to A&E. A special thank you goes to Sam Somerville and Lorna Cottrill who bravely took to the stage to ensure the show went on. We are very happy to report that Sam Russell has now fully recovered.

Morning campers. Hi-de-Hi! This summer Riverside Players are off to Maplins Holiday Camp - Susan Pickles and Kay Smith are directing the brilliant TV sitcom *Hi-de-Hi* from **Wednesday 22nd** until **Saturday 25th June**. There is something for everyone at Maplins, dance lessons in the Hawaiian Ballroom, competitions around the swimming pool...so get those knobbly knees and funny faces at the ready. Be prepared to smile and laugh the night away, until then Hi-de-Hi! (your answer is of course Ho-de-Ho!...)



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With rehearsals underway we still need to cast the parts of *Fred Quilly* and a *male or female Yellowcoat* – interested?? Also as we have enticed Jonathan onto the stage again we are also looking for a stage manager and some back stage help. If you are interested in any of these roles please get in contact with Susan as soon as possible at Susan@riversideplayers.com

Nearer the time we will be recruiting bar staff but if you want to put your name down now then drop Susan a line. Sam Somerville will be the dulcet tones on the Box Office telephone for this show which open on Monday 16th May - the number is **07717 671765** - so do place your orders as soon as you can. Dates for your diary - Set builds will be **Sunday 5th, Sunday 12th, Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th June** .

FUTURE SHOW NEWS

Panto season will see another new show for Riverside Players hitting the spotlight – Simon will be directing “*Scrooge – The Panto*” ably assisted by Jonathon in his first Co-Directing role. More news on this much later but the important dates are – read through **Thursday 30th June**; auditions **Thursday 1st September** [*Please note: this is a change to the dates in last month’s newsletter*]; show dates **Thursday 1st – Sunday 4th** and **Thursday 8th – Saturday 10th December**. Want to know more? Then contact Simon@riversideplayers.com or Jonathan@riversideplayers.com

2012 – the London Olympics. Help Riverside Players put on three gold medal winning productions.

At the AGM many of you expressed an interest in directing, we have now received some proposals but we do need to hear from everyone who expressed an interest so that we can issue our show schedule for the next two years. We now need **firm** commitments for 2012 shows, so please get in contact! The sooner you commit the longer you and your committee have to plan – you know it makes sense – we are waiting to hear from you ...

SOCIETY NEWS

Subs are now due from all members so please do contact Sam Somerville as quickly as possible – the show fee for Hi-de- Hi has been set at £15 also payable to Sam.



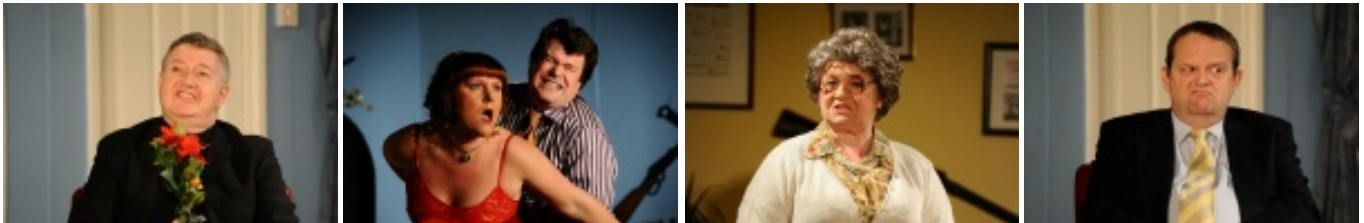
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Shed news – what is that we hear you say! Well the roof on the right hand shed for those that know the difference is leaking and has been causing trouble for some time now. At last we have a solution and the money to be able to pay for it – the cost equates to 1 years profits so not a small job or one that is being undertaken without a great deal of thought. The plan is – we clear the shed out on *Sunday 26th June* which is the Hi De Hi set clearance Sunday. The roof will be fixed that week with scenery/props put back the following *Sunday July 3rd*. Help will be required on both these dates so if you can lend a hand contact Simon or Jonathan.

OTHER NEWS

Old Windsor Carnival - As advised last month the 2011 Carnival will be held on *Saturday 11th of June*. The theme is 'Heroes or Villains'. Although the initial plan was to participate and enter our walking party as "James Bond" we have since discovered that 'M' has other plans for James. Instead we plan to attend as a box of Cadburys Miniature Heroes. So which one will you be? Get creative and come and join the fun, we look forward to seeing you there. *It's an excuse to buy a box – purely for research purposes of course !!*



Some of the great pictures from Darling Mr London – if you want to see more then go to the website www.riversideplayers.com

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