ALTRINCHAM LITTLE THEATRE

SEASON 2018—2019 NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

Chairman's chat

It has been a difficult period for us all, especially the actors and back stage team from the first play. I would like to give a special thank you to a member of the audience who was a nurse (unfortunately we didn't get her name) and Steve Smith out Vice Chairman who gave David prompt CPR. We are actively raising money for a defibrillator to be kept available at the theatre.

The next question is what happens about money paid to us for tickets. Well, we have refunded all but one credit card payment (wrong contact details) and none of the cheques have been cashed. These will be returned or destroyed. That leaves a small amount of cash which we will be refunding shortly – as soon as we can identify who paid by cash.

With our busy schedule we are unable to rehearse and build a set for an additional play. However we are planning an additional event to replace Fondly Remembered. It will be on February 10th to 16th and will be a film of a well-known play, though we have yet to finalise the actual production. With regard to vouchers, we know who booked for Fondly Remembered and will be able to credit the vouchers already sent in against this production.
Looking forward, on 1st December we will be showing a recording of the Royal Ballet's Nutcracker. A flyer and booking form is enclosed for this event. There will be a matinee and an evening screening.

PLAY NO. 2 PRIVATE LIVES BY NOEL COWARD

1930. Deauville, France. Two newly-married couples occupy adjoining honeymoon suites in the same hotel. As a distant orchestra plays, Sibyl gazes adoringly at charismatic husband Elyot, while Victor admires his new wife, the vivacious and sophisticated Amanda.

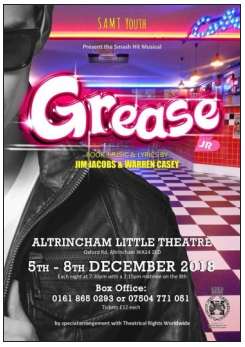
Champagne flows and the sea shimmers in the moonlight as the newly-weds prepare for the evening ahead. But when Amanda overhears a familiar voice singing a forgotten song, an old spark re-ignites, with spectacular consequences.

We are delighted to welcome back Malcolm Cooper as Director of this play and to introduce to you several new actors, who we hope will come back and act with us again in the future.

It was with deep sadness and shock that we had to report the sudden recent death of David Garner. David was a well-known local amateur actor who performed with several local drama groups. He collapsed in the dressing room during the interval of the first night of Fondly Remembered and died peacefully the following day with his family round him. David was a delight to know. Friendly, funny, an excellent actor in whatever part he played, and when he was not on stage he could be found, immaculate in dinner jacket and black tie, selling programmes and serving coffees to members of our audiences. There were about 150 at his funeral and his family asked that donations be given to a fund to buy a defibrillator for Altrincham Little Theatre. That fund is still open should you wish to add to it. David will be sadly missed by all who knew him and we send our love and condolences to his family and friends, who were numerous.

We are delighted to welcome back our friends from Sale and Altrincham Musical Theatre with their new venture—a production of the musical GREASE (Junior) by their newly formed Youth Group.

This will be presented here from Wednesday December 5th to Saturday December 8th, with a matinee on the Saturday. Further details on the enclosed flyer or from www.samtheatre.co.uk.



300 Club There wasn't an opportunity to hold the first draw so we will be holding two draws during the second play of the season. There is still time to join—£10 buys you one chance in each draw to win between £15 and £100. Ask Ian behind the bar for further details.

CONTACT DETAILS

Should you need to get in touch with us at any time, these are the relevant contact details;

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The Nutcracker Ballet

Dec 1st at 2.30pm/7.30pm

See flyer for ticket prices