

1. Attendance

Present at the meeting were:

- Dave Barron (Chairman)
- Elliot Cohen (Secretary)
- Helen Claydon (Treasurer)
- Sharon Chernick
- Debbie Maya
- Marek Wedler

Apologies received from:

- Rod Burt
- Jane Myers
- Kim Wedler

2. AGM

It was agreed that:

- The AGM would be held at 8pm on Tuesday 24 July at Free Church Hall, Station Road, Radlett.
- Elliot/Jane to send notice of this to all members by 3 July at the very latest.
- Other than the standard agenda items, matters to be considered for the next committee might include:
 - How to encourage more of the membership to be active;
 - How to increase co-operation with other groups, particularly with regard to sale of tickets;
 - Fundraising, including ticket prices; selling ads in play brochures; car boot sales; quizzes; raffles; and
 - Moving from a traditional, chequebook bank account to electronic banking.
- Dave, Helen and Debbie indicated they would stand down from the committee. The committee expressed their thanks and gratitude for their service and contribution.
- Nominations to be sought for Chair and all the other positions by the AGM.

3. Winter Play

The Hotel of Countess Dracula is to be performed at the Pumhouse from 28 November to 1 December (including a matinee on 1 December).

- Director will be Marek
- **Auditions to take place at the Scout hut at 3pm on 1 July and 8pm on 4 July.**
- Early consideration of marketing activity is essential.

4. Spring Play

The Pump House has been booked for 21-27 April, but this begins on Easter Sunday. Rod and others to investigate possible alternative dates and venues, e.g. The Studio in St Albans or the new theatre being built in Borehamwood.

The new Committee to meet as soon after the AGM as possible to firm up ideas.

5. Other Dates for the Diary

- June 27: Play read of *Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead* - at the Red Lion.
- July 10: PUB QUIZ - to be compiled by Elliot and held at the Red Lion in Radlett. Date clashes with a World Cup semi-final. If England progress, attendance is likely to be hit. Elliot to consider changing date to Monday 9. ALL to sell tickets!
- September 24: RADIO PLAY - *Hitchhikers' Guide to the Galaxy* to be directed by Debbie. Auditions to take place at Red Lion on Monday 3rd September.
- October (tbc): RADIO PLAY - possibly *Private Lives* by Noel Coward to be directed by Omer.
- November 28 - December 1: WINTER PLAY (as above).
- December 5: CHRISTMAS PARTY - straight after the Winter Show as a post-show party, to include food and possibly some christmas sketches. At the Red Lion. Helen to co-ordinate planning.
- February 2019: PANTOMIME - Rod to investigate availability and cost of a possible venue in Borehamwood.
- April: SPRING PLAY (as above).
- April 21-27: THE ISLE OF MAN FESTIVAL - Dave to submit *Ben Hur* for entry (in Nov).
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6. Other Business

It was again suggested that we might put together material that can be set up as a stall at local venues such as fetes, supermarkets etc to publicise our presence and recruit members.

It seems that a sufficient number of the current committee are prepared to submit themselves for re-election at the AGM to ensure a viable future for the Company.

We need to set in motion plans for a celebration of the 60th anniversary of founding of Radlett Players (in 2019).

Helen and Marianne to arrange to assess the stock of costumes currently held at Willum's house.

Elliot to email Willum to ask which Sunday might be best to sort out the storage unit.

Committee decided that the "Player of the Year" award has reached a natural end. To be awarded at this year's AGM to someone the committee (nominated by Sharon) felt has given long service to the Society. In following years, informal ad hoc awards to be done at such events as the Xmas party.

Meeting closed at 9.35 pm