



Shiplake and Dunsden
Dramatic Organisation
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Minutes of Meeting of Executive Committee held on 15th March 2012
at Plowden Arms, Shiplake

Present: Liz James (Chair), Harriet Thomas (Vice Chair), Neill Wilkinson (Treasurer), Pip Collings (Secretary), Rosemary Appleby, Beryl Lawson, Fred Lawson, Pam Hudgeell, Angela Cadman, Ashley Irons

Guests: Gareth Jones, Angela Jones, Niall Wright, Neil McAdam

Apologies: Simon Classey, Hilary Tucker

1. Minutes of previous meeting and actions

The 'Book of the Pantomime' is on the website. Please can we all update with any additional things we learnt this year.

The check list was very useful and should be added into the 'Book'.

Gareth to add the check list to the book.

ACTION

Gareth, All

Pantomime 2013

Ashley and Harriet agreed to direct the pantomime again with enthusiastic support from the committee.

A script meeting will be held in June to decide on the production and start the ball rolling.

ACTION

Ashley & Harriet

New members

To attract new members, casting notification needs to go out in the local area in September. Pip will develop leaflets and posters for Binfield Heath and Shiplake Post Offices and draft a press release for the Village Newsletter and Belfry.

ACTION

Pip

An extensive discussion was held around attracting new members. This is a problem for most community groups. Word of mouth seems to be the most effective method.

It was also suggested that events could be publicised in advance on the Memorial Hall website, to encourage members to get involved. Also Simon's Events Updates could include SHADDO productions prior to casting.

Hall Bookings

The Memorial Hall needs to be booked for the pantomime production, rehearsals and set building.

Mon.	7th January	7-10.30	Rehearsal
Thurs.	10th January	7-10.30	Rehearsal
Sat.	13th January	All day	Stage extension
Tues.	15th January	7-10.30	Rehearsal
Thurs.	17th January	7-10.30	Rehearsal
Sat.	19th January	All day	Set up
Sun.	20th January	All day	Set up
Mon.	21st January	7-10.30	Rehearsal
Tues.	22nd January	7-10.30	Rehearsal
Wed.	23rd January	6-10.30	Rehearsal
Thurs.	24th January	6-10.30	Performance
Fri.	25th January	6-10.30	Performance
Sat.	26th January	All Day	Performances
Sun.	27th January	9-1.00	Get out

ACTION

Rosemary (done)

Costumes

Ashley has arranged for the Memorial Hall to be available to costume returns on Saturday 21st April. The committee are asked to help for a couple of hours on that day to develop a detailed inventory. Pip to let the cast know.

ACTION

Pip, All

Sets

All agreed that the pantomime sets looked fantastic, but were a bit heavy to shift. Liz suggested that consideration of scene changes in advance would be helpful next year.

Staging

Ashley has made a list of everything under the stage.

This needs to be typed up and sent to Pip.

ACTION

Ashley & Harriet

DVD

Neil McAdam has produced a DVD of the pantomime. 14 copies have been sold. It was suggested that an order form could be included in next year's programme.

ACTION

Pip

Church Rooms tidy up

Pip has been in touch with Mark Manson about this, who will take it forward.

2. Comedy Evening

Unfortunately this has been cancelled/postponed, due to a lack of interest at this time. Hall bookings have been cancelled.

3. 'An Inspector Calls' play reading

UPDATE

Due to the overwhelming interest in this event, two readings have been scheduled

Monday 19th March Pip's House

Tuesday 27th March Steve Matthew's House.

If you would like to come along, please let Pip know asap.

A decision about whether we stage this play will be made after the reading.

4. Trial By Jury

Chris Irons has expressed an interest in staging this Gilbert and Sullivan production.

A musical director is needed.

Simon and Ashley volunteered to speak to their contacts to see if there is anyone interested.

Neill agreed to ask the church organist – Tony

Liz J agreed to contact Bob Barnes.

ACTION

Simon, Ashley, Neill, Liz

5. Pantomime

Already covered

6. Memorial Hall Fundraising Event

Shiplake Memorial Hall is planning to develop its kitchen facilities and is in need of funds.

A fundraising variety evening has been suggested.

Co-ordinators are sought – Pip to contact Simon.

Liz to write a letter in support of the scheme for the hall.

ACTION

Pip & Liz

7. Social events – summer BBQ?

Deferred until next meeting

6. AOB

None

7. Date of next meeting

Thursday 26th April 2012

Gateways, Station Road, Lower Shiplake at 8.00pm