

## Theatre Notes

Hugh Stephens has, again, brought together the Farndale ..... Dramatic Society for another evening of "dramatic" entertainment. It is a pleasure to welcome you to our theatre and to Ruth Thorp as a newcomer to our stage.

For a two year trial period the Society has decided to perform three plays each season. Dates for next seasons productions are the weeks commencing:-

8th November 2004; 7th February 2005;  
18th April 2005

Ticket prices for next season are:

Theatre Books: £13-50 (on sale in the foyer),  
Single tickets: Adults £5, OAP & Child (under 16) £4-50.

Booking for the first play will commence on Monday 25th October for Theatre Book holders and a week later for the general public.

The Annual General Meeting of the Society will be held at this theatre on Thursday 15th July at 7-30pm. A warm welcome is extended to you all. The British Final of One Act Plays is being held on 25th and 26th June in Aberystwyth. I am sure your support would be appreciated.

Everyone connected with our theatre has been saddened by the recent death of John Maddocks. John was a gentleman in every sense of the word. His passion for, and dedication to, the Society was unbounded. I know I speak for everyone in the Society when I say we are really going to miss him.

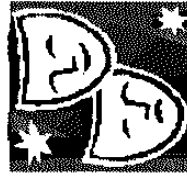
Thank you for your continued support and I look forward to seeing you next season

Martin Jones  
Chairman

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**POWYS THEATRE**  
Canal Road,  
Newtown  
Presents



# The Farndale Avenue Housing Estate Townwomen's Guild Dramatic Society Murder Mystery

by **David McGillivray & Walter Zerlin Jr.**

This amateur production is given by arrangement with Samuel French Ltd.

**Week commencing 26th April 2004**  
**Each evening at 7.45pm**

This is the fourth play of our 33rd season at Powys Theatre

### The Farndale Avenue Housing Estate Townswomen's Guild

The ladies of the Townswomen's Guild have clear views about their priorities. They are there to deal with those fundamental women's issues : household management, cookery and cosmetics. When not sharing their wide knowledge of these matters with others, they relax together with group activities, such as playwriting and acting. As you are entertained by their home-grown Murder Mystery production tonight, you will surely come to know them better as individuals and to appreciate their wide and varied talents.

#### Cast (in order of appearance)

Felicity ..... Ruth Thorp  
 Audrey ..... Gill Thorp  
 Mrs Reece ..... Julie Lloyd  
 Thelma ..... Shirley Crowther  
 Gordon ..... Rob Wilson

#### Cast (Farndale)

Clarissa Rook, Regine ..... Mrs Reece  
 Patricia Bishop, Letitia Bishop  
 Mr. Goodbody  
 Lady Doreen Bishop, ..... Audrey  
 Violet Bishop,  
 Mrs. King, Joan Bishop  
 Pawn, Colonel King.....Felicity  
 Daphne Bishop,..... Thelma  
 Rose Bishop  
 Inspector O'Reilly.....Gordon

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*Refreshments will be served in the foyer after  
 the fashion show*

#### Behind the Scenes

Director .. Hugh Stephens  
 Set Designer .. Phillip Lumdsden  
 Stage Manager .. Gaynor Tinker  
 Stage Assistants .. Gareth Woodhouse, Aled Hughes  
 Maurice Hayling, Gaynor Tinker  
 Doreen Davies, Frank Capener  
 Jacob Capener, Jan Fursler  
 Mike Beal, Alma Conboy

Prompter .. Kathleen Arthur  
 Properties & .. Mary Turner, Doreen Davies  
 Off - Stage Effects .. Marjorie Meredith  
 Lighting .. John Woodhouse  
 Sound .. Aled Hughes  
 Wardrobe .. Heather Hughes, Pam Beves  
 Emma Capener

Original Recordings Instrumental : John Sparks  
 Vocals: Barrymore Lee,  
 Shirley Crowther

#### Front of House

Managers ..... Martin Jones, Gareth Woodhouse  
 Publicity ..... Gaynor Tinker  
 Booking ..... Tourist Information Centre  
 Floral Decor ..... Sylvia Davies  
 Refreshments ..... Society Members supervised by  
 Sylvia Davies, Marion Pryce

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We are grateful to the Nationwide Building Society for advertising this play