

Theatre Notes

The society welcomes you to the first play of the 46th season at Powys Theatre. We are also very pleased to welcome Carmel Hill and Esther Stephenson as newcomers to our stage.

This dramatic mystery by Francis Durbidge, and directed by Jan Fursier shows the author at his finest. It is little wonder that Durbidge is often described as one of the masters of suspense.

The summer break once again proved to be a busy one for the society. We had some electrical work to complete and a full re-vamp of the lighting distribution system to fix the problems that have hampered us for a few years. We have also commenced some repairs on the boundary wall, after the removal of neighbouring trees highlighted some concerns. It is always great to see the enthusiasm and commitment of the members to tackle these jobs and help keep the costs of the theatre upkeep to a minimum.

In October 2014 our president, Marjorie Meredith, reached a major milestone and celebrated her 90th birthday. As you may be aware, Marjorie is no longer able to be an active member of the society, but the support she gave whilst she was able was invaluable to the success of the theatre over the years. On a personal note, the advice and direction she gave me since I joined the society some 15 years ago clearly demonstrated her excellent knowledge of all aspects of the theatre. It is no wonder that she commands so much respect from her peers.

Again I remind you that we are always looking to welcome new members to our society to ensure its continued prosperity. So if you or somebody you know would like to try acting, help backstage or even just come for a social chat and a cup of coffee, you and they would be most welcome. The next play will be performed in the week commencing 2nd February 2015, so keep an eye on the local press and the notice boards at the front of the theatre.

It now leaves me to wish you all a pleasant evening and enjoy the show.

Gareth Woodhouse - Chairman

NEWTOWN AMATEUR DRAMATIC SOCIETY
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POWYS THEATRE



Canal Road,
Newtown, Powys
www.powystheatre.co.uk

Presents

THE Small



HOURS

by **Francis Durbidge**

Week commencing 3rd November 2014
Each evening at 7.45pm

This is the first play of our 46th season
at Powys Theatre

**The Cast
in order of appearance**

Ronnie Sheldon	.....	Peter Withers
Carl Houston	.....	Gareth Woodhouse
George Westwood	.....	Martin Jones
Vanessa Houston	.....	Carmel Hill
Ruth Wyatt	.....	Esther Stephenson
Bernard Decker	.....	David Morgan
Millie Decker	.....	Barbara Stephens
Oliver Radford	.....	Clive Bundy
Man	.....	Brian Davis

The play directed by Jan Fursier

With the exception of two seats in an aircraft the entire action of the play takes place in the living-room of Carl and Vanessa Houston's apartment at The Orchard Hotel in Chichester.

Time: Mid 1990's

Synopsis of Scenes

ACT ONE

Scene 1Coming Home... Night
 Scene 2Several days later. 7pm
 Scene 3The following morning.
 Scene 49pm that night
 Scene 5The next morning
 Scene 6In the small hours of the next day

INTERVAL

ACT TWO

Scene 1Several hours later the same morning
 Scene 2Evening of the same day
 Scene 3An hour later
 Scene 4Later the same evening

Refreshments will be served in the foyer during the Interval.

Behind the Scenes

Set Designer	.....	Philip Lumsden
Stage Manager	.....	Pat Jones
Stage Crew	.....	John Barnes, Philip Lumsden, Mike Beal, David Snowdon, Gaynor Tinker, Tom Rothwell, Tony Maher, Adam Evison,
Prompter	.....	Sue James
Properties	.....	Jackie Barnes,
Wardrobe	.....	Val Snowdon
Lighting	.....	Philip Lumsden, John Barnes
Sound	.....	Adam Evison,

Front of House

Managers	....	Gillian Thorp, Annabel West
Publicity	....	Val Snowdon, David Snowdon
Floral Decor	Sylvia Davies
Refreshments	Members & friends of the Society

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