

## CALENDAR GIRLS



### The Player's AGM Come and Enjoy the Party A very un-AGM evening out!

This is like no other AGM you will ever attend!

A fun night out at Dulverton Town Hall  
Thursday 12th July 7.30

Food, drinks, cabaret.....with the odd report about a  
great sell-out year

### Players Rumour No.1

A musical next Spring?

## MURDER at the MARRIAGE



## Casting

### Casting is going well Final Auditions

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> July 3.00 pm

Dulverton Town Hall

Sight of script and questions to Directors,

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For characters see News on our website

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Performances 16th to 20th October

Rehearsals start Sunday 5th August

Watch out for the Players Charity Calendar this  
Summer

### Dulverton Players' 85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Summer Ball September

### Young People

After last year's youth drama workshops, and 14 young people performing in Cinderella, there are some stagestruck young performers thirsting for the next show.

Antony Bartlett is running drama sessions at this year's summer camp at the Northcombe Camping Barn from August 28th to 31st culminating in a performance on the final evening. Contact Antony at [ab\\_antony@hotmail.com](mailto:ab_antony@hotmail.com)

Marion Silverlock is talking to Exeter Stage School about a possible collaboration with their students.

Dulverton Middle and Community School might respond well to the Players restoring their stage and encouraging joint drama productions again.

It began with a proper marriage ceremony conducted faithfully by John Thorogood. Then suddenly past lovers rudely interrupted from the congregation of 60 guests.

The wedding aborted, the father of the bride said "Let's not waste the wedding breakfast" so everybody adjourned for a three course dinner! The maid of honour collapsed and died during the first course, the police arrived, and everybody present was under suspicion and investigated for murder.

Full marks to all the performers improvising from their scripted outline and helping or misleading the guests to find the killer and the motive.

Delicious food and wine, beaming faces and eventually one smart detective took home the winning bottle of champagne for puzzling out whodunit. There was universal praise for the evening as guests departed, particularly for the feast, organisation and backstage work, the costumed actors, the sweating scriptwriter, and the beautiful setting of All Saints Church.

## Theatre Trips

Look out for a new feature in the Dulverton Players activities. Last autumn we went to see a professional performance of 'Calendar Girls'. In May we took a sponsored trip to the Brewhouse to see Alan Marks' school drama teacher's production of 'Rift'. Ridders Coaches got us there on time to follow the fortunes of two runners, a poor barefoot boy in Kenya, and a grief stricken woman running in the footsteps of her past lover on Exmoor.

The Players are going to the Brewhouse to view trailers on the forthcoming productions and work on the possibility of more trips.

Steve Hall is also exploring Stratford's autumn Shakespeare schedule for a Players overnight trip to an evening performance and matinee the next day.



## Costumes for Hire

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## Players Rumour No.2

*Open air theatre summer 2013?*



## Players Rumour No.3

*Cafe theatre Autumn 2013?*

Every performance was sold out, dozens of people reluctantly turned away. The feedback has been overwhelmingly admiring from the almost 500 people who attended the four performances. Appropriately, the stars were the Prince and Cinderella, closely followed by the Ugly Sisters and their terrible Mother. However, it was the performances of the young Players – Buttons, The Page, the Dogs, the Fairies, and the Villagers which delighted the audience. Kate Ansell's solo singing enchanted every evening. Her real-life mother proved her versatility as Dandini. The Punk Fairy, Tamsin Blackmore, became more outrageous with every performance.

Bernie Martin cut out 110m of fabric, did no housework for six weeks, and could be found dazed constructing giant spiders in his shop Nimble Fingers. The backstage team led by Chris Dubery, Steve Hall, Liz Stanbury, Colin Denham, with designs from Amanda Graham, managed the hugely demanding scene changes, sound and lighting without a hitch. Departing audiences praised the bold show and the professionalism of Tom Lock's professional souvenir programme. 50 people staged this production including our new pianist Hugh Davies, musical director April Golding, and choreographer Nicola Smith.

## Watch out for The Adult Nativity at Dulverton by Starlight

*Sunday 2nd december*

*Joseph & Mary will tour the town by Exmoor Pony visiting Exmoor House, the Bridge Inn, Lewis's, the Lamb, Tong Dam, the Rock, Tantivy, the Town Hall, the Lion, Woods, Stanbury's, Copper Kettle seeking shelter for the night to birth their baby. Gabriel tells the sheep and shepherds where the couple have fetched up. The Three Kings follow the star with their gifts, calling on Herod, chat with the scribes and priests, before discovering the crowd singing the Hallelujah Chorus*

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