

Shenfield's Summer Spectacular

June 2016

'Jekyll and Hyde'

What a show!

Our sincerest thanks must go to **Kerry McGowan**, our Director & **Ian Southgate**, our Musical Director, for their dedication & vision in helping us to put on such a spectacular show. Particular mention must go to **David Pridige**, who played the two lead roles with such skill - by no means an easy task - but with the use of minimum props, and such excellent vocal talent, he pulled it off with amazing conviction.

Our two leading ladies must also be congratulated on their beautiful and sometimes poignant performances; **Rachel Watson** as Emma Carew, Jekyll's genteel fiancée and our latest new leading lady, **Kate Smith** as Lucy Harris, the 'lady of the night' to whom Jekyll is also attracted.

Congratulations should also go to all other cast members, the Board of Governors, some of whom had 2 parts, but all of them convincing in their differing roles. **Allie Smith** was a concerned & capable support for Jekyll; **Bob Southgate** - another welcome new performer with our Society - played Emma's father to perfection & **Rick McGeouch** was a surprisingly competent Priest! The skimpily clad dancers at the Red Rat night-club gyrated appropriately and the **Chorus**, as ever, was superb!

Thanks to **Brentwood Theatre** and all who helped in any way backstage to make this show a success.

Thankfully, we can all sleep safely in our beds, as Dr. Henry Jekyll and his alter-ego, Edward Hyde, are now at rest

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[we hope!]

FORTHCOMING ATTRACTIONS:

David Street, who will be the Artistic Director for our next show, held a [Dance Workshop at St. George's on Friday 24th June](#), & Libby Watts kindly offered to do 3 follow-up tap classes on [July 1st & 8th at St. George's & 15th at South Weald](#). I hope you grabbed your dancing shoes & sauntered on down!

This, of course is a lead up to '[Singin' in the Rain](#)', our Winter show, which we will be performing at the '[Queen's Theatre from February 1st - 4th 2017](#)'.

PLEASE PUT THESE DATES IN YOUR DIARY!

We start back after the summer break on [Friday September 2nd](#) with our [AGM & Intro Night](#), to be held at [St. George's at 7.30pm](#). There will be [pre-audition sessions on Wed. 7th; Fri 9th; Wed 14th all at St. George's, & Fri 16th at South Weald](#). We need you all there!

We're always willing to welcome new people onto the Committee; if you feel so inclined - **please** contact any Committee member & let her know your intentions!

The **AUDITIONS** will take place at [St. Peter's School on Sunday September 18th](#) - times to be arranged at a later date.

Start chatting up your family & friends so that they will be more than willing to part with a £ or two to buy tickets for our fabulous forthcoming show.

You can contact Suzanne our Box-Office lady on **07734 817481** or boxoffice@shenfieldoperaticsociety.co.uk & she might be willing to put you on the pre-booking list!

NEIL LOCKHART:

It is with great sadness that we heard of the sad and unexpected death of Jenny Lockhart's devoted husband, Neil.

Jenny was a wonderful character actress who had belonged to the Society for many years and Neil had always been there to support both her & the Society.

We send our love and sincerest condolences to Jenny and the family.

BABY BOOM!

We're delighted to announce the arrival of a Soprano & a Tenor in our midst.

Helen & James Sinclair had a daughter, Ella, in May - not only beautiful, but probably very talented too, if her parents are anything to go by

More recently, Dean Mobley became a proud dad to Hadley-Carter - we did say we wanted more men. - Thanks Dean & Shannen for our latest performer.

Congratulations from everyone in the Society to you all!!!

I hope you all have a happy & restful summer break & see you again in September.

If there's anything you'd like putting in the Newsletter, please send it to me at secretary@shenfieldoperaticsociety.co.uk

Many thanks!

Lynne