

SHENFIELD'S SEPTEMBER SNIPPETS

Well it's the start of another SOS year & we began with a different approach by having the AGM much earlier than usual, followed by our Intro- Night. This saw a very welcome number of people at the AGM & we were lucky enough to have sufficient numbers to vote in new members onto the Committee!

You will be pleased to hear - in this time of everything escalating in price - that our fees remain the same, and details can be found on the website. It is updated regularly, so please keep an eye on it . . .

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After the AGM, we met our new MD for 'Singin' in the Rain' - **Ben Summers** - then spent a happy hour & a half singing through the show numbers.

The new Committee comprises:

CHAIRMAN:	Kerry Cooke
V-CHAIR:	Claire Rose
SECRETARY:	Lynne Barry
TREASURER:	Steph Ironmonger
MEMBERSHIP:	Tracy Richardson & Libby Watts
PRODUCTION CONTROLLER:	Louise Byrne
PUBLICITY & BOX OFFICE:	Suzanne Gunn
SOCIAL:	Sarah Nuzum
COMMITTEE:	Caroline Green
COMMITTEE:	Louise Miles
COMMITTEE:	Dean Mobley

Thank you to everyone who came to the AGM - it is your Society after all - & we really welcomed your input into the meeting.

'JEKYLL & HYDE'

No - he's not gone yet . . . !

We have been very fortunate to have been nominated for 4 Awards for this show, at "The Brents" this year.

Our congratulations for their Nominations go to **David Pridige**, who played the dual role of Jekyll & of Hyde and was nominated as best leading Actor in a Musical; **Kate Smith** as best Supporting Actress in a Musical; our third nomination was for **Costumes** & finally we were nominated for **BEST MUSICAL!**

Well done to everyone in the cast who helped to make these possible & huge congratulations to our Director, Kerry Mc Gowan & M.D. Ian Southgate, whose expertise made these a real possibility.

This is what happened

DAVID PRIDIGE won the award for **BEST ACTOR**

KATE SMITH won the award for **BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS**

WELL DONE FROM EVERYONE IN THE SOCIETY!

Unfortunately, other Societies claimed the two further categories for which we were nominated, but winning two out of four nominations is fantastic!

'SINGIN' IN THE RAIN'

In the afternoon of September 18th at St. Peter's School, Wigley Bush Lane, we will be holding the Auditions for 'Singin' in the Rain'. The show will be performed at the 'Queen" Theatre' Hornchurch

from Wednesday 1st - Saturday 4th February 2017, with a matinee & evening show on the 4th.

In our next brief news sheet will be the Cast list for the show!

You can book your tickets from Suzanne - please contact her either by email - suzannegunn14@gmail.com or by 'phone - 07734 817441.

N.B. Show tickets make most welcome Christmas presents, so please book them early!

PETER MAY

We were very sorry to hear recently, of the death of Peter May. He was a most likeable man, who had performed with our Society on a number of occasions, usually when we did Gilbert & Sullivan operettas, which he loved.

I believe he left 'His Stage', most appropriately, to a rendition of 'A Policeman's Lot is Not a Happy One'.

Our sincerest condolences go to his family.

If there is anything you would like including in the next newsletter, please send it to me at secretary@shenfieldoperatocsociety.co.uk

Many thanks!

Lynne Barry Secretary