



ST DAVID'S PLAYERS

A GILBERT & SULLIVAN SOCIETY

NEWSLETTER

Dear Members and Patrons

Following our **Annual General Meeting** held at Kalendar Hall on 24th February 2009, the Committee was elected as follows:

Chairman: Brian Small

Secretary: vacant

Treasurer: Mike Redman

Committee Members:

Caroline Avery, Graeme Barnell, Peter Johnson, Gina Redman, Jackie Turner, Gillian Weale.

Thank you to all of you who were able to attend the A.G.M. and join us for a drink afterwards.

Last year's nominated **Charity** was FORCE. St David's Players were delighted to donate a total of £1,200 to FORCE in 2008, made up of £1 donated from every seat sold on the Tuesday night, the proceeds of a nightly raffle during show week organised by FORCE volunteers, bucket collections after every performance and a society donation of £356.

Planning for this year's production of **The Rose of Persia** is well underway and will be performed at the Barnfield Theatre, Exeter, from **Tuesday 13th to Saturday 17th October 2009**. We are very pleased to welcome back Ian Bond as Producer and Nicky Perry as Musical Director.

Rehearsals for The Rose of Persia will commence on:

Tuesday 21st April 2009 7.30pm to 9.30pm

at Kalendar Hall, South Street, Exeter.

Music familiarisation rehearsals will be held on

Tuesday 17th March 7.45pm St James Church, Mount Pleasant

Tuesday 24th March 7.45pm St James Church, Mount Pleasant

Tuesday 31st March 7.30pm Kalendar Hall, South Street

Rehearsal schedules are available on www.stdavidsplayers.co.uk

Membership of the Society will this year be £30 (£20 for non-singing, unwaged and senior citizen members), which is due at the first full rehearsal on 21st April. If you require a musical score, please bring an additional cheque for £12 (non-returnable) or source your own copy from the internet: see www.stdavidsplayers.co.uk and click on Full Libretto on the right of the homepage.

Auditions for new members will be held during the 2nd or 3rd week of rehearsals. Principal Auditions will be held on Sunday 10th May 2.30-5pm at Kalendar Hall. Audition pieces can be viewed on www.stdavidsplays.co.uk. Members are welcome to audition for a principal role if they have paid their membership fee and attended at least one rehearsal.

Social Events – members will have the opportunity to propose and discuss suggestions for social events in 2009 at rehearsals during April and May.

Patrons – Thank you once again for your continued support. Information about tickets for the show and social events will be sent to you as soon as they are available.

Thank you all once again for your support & we look forward to seeing you in 2009.

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