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## **BALLOON FUN!**

Our recent publicity day at Hylands House was blessed with glorious sunshine and had a positive impact on ticket sales, as well as providing those visitors to the courtyard with a great afternoon of entertainment - a couple were even spotted jiving whilst our amazing sounding cast strutted their stuff! A reminder that our **next publicity day** is on **Saturday 2nd September in the bowl, just outside John Lewis, in Bond Street. Performances will be at 11am, 12.45pm, 2.15pm & 3pm.** We need a good turn out from members on the day to help with giving out flyers for another much needed boost to ticket sales - we are just over 30% - so if you can help in any way, please get in touch with a member of the publicity team. Thanks.



#### MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS DUE BY 1ST SEPTEMBER!

Please remember to pay or you will no longer receive any formal communications from the society. Thankyou



Special ASU Preview Night for all Life Members & current Vice Presidents of CAODS, Wednesday 13th September, 7pm for 7.30pm including a glass of wine (or coffee) upon arrival. We hope that our LMs and VPs will enjoy this little treat - hopefully the first of many - watching a complete run of the show in rehearsal.

Formal invite to follow.



Our chosen charity for this year will be Farleigh Hospice. Each year the committee selects a charity to which discretionary donations are made throughout the year and to which members invited to donate at are christmas of giving instead cards. As charitable а organisation ourselves, this is an act of good will on our part to share our efforts with other good in the community. causes Remember that Dannii Carr is our Charity Liaison Officer and any suggestions for ways we can promote our links with local charities should be directed to him to bring to Committee for discussion. Thank you.



# This month's winners are:

1st Kevin Sammon £30

2nd Frank Parsall £20

3rd Sue Buxton £10



### **\*OPEN EVENING 4th October\***

For potential, new and current members - all welcome! Wine and nibbles on arrival. Ray will be running through his vision of the show - so if you are still undecided - come and find out more!

(Please note that a number of local councillors are expected to attend this event in response to an invitation sent by the Committee to highlight our plea against redevelopment of the Meteor Road site)

#### \*AUDITIONS 21st October \*

We hope the DRS box office will be open during ASU show week. Please note that our ticket price structure has been adjusted (re-introduction of group booking offer, buy 9 get one free on all performances) and a concession price (£13.50 on Tuesday and Wednesday) to try and boost sales early in the week. We will review how this change affects sales and share with you.

NEXT COFFEE MORNING

Monday 18th September

@ 10.30 - 12.30





#### 14th October

Another date for your diaries. Tracey Perry is busy organising our annual quiz night fundraiser. Teams of 8 @ £12 per head - price includes ploughman's supper. If you are able to donate any raffle prizes for the evening it would be much appreciated. Thank you.

#### NEXT FUNDRAISER

Following on from their recent success with 'Abigail's Party', the Rejects Theatre Company will once again be performing for us as a fundraising social, on Saturday 3rd February 2018 - put it in your diary now! More details to follow nearer the time. Talking of fundraising - **Tash** would love to hear from anyone interested in becoming part of a CAODS **fundraising group** - sharing and suggesting ideas as to how we may promote ourselves and our shows in the community, whilst at the same time adding to our coiffers.



And finally...... I wasn't going to mention it (but Claire Carr insisted!) Thank you for all your lovely birthday messages xxx





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