



What a fantastic year it has been for CAODS! What a team! Huge thanks to each and every one of you for helping to make 2019 so memorable and contributing to the Society's success! Enjoy a well deserved break over Christmas with your loved ones and we look forward to seeing you back in the New Year for a prosperous 2020 xxx



Congratulations to the following who won awards at the AGM: **John Sullivan - life membership.** John joined in 1989 for Irene - 30 years this year! As well as on stage as ensemble and principal roles, John has supported the society with sound over the years and more recently, has become our Technical Expert - which is so often needed with more modern shows. We don't know what we would do without him! **Fae Goldsworthy - members' member of the year** award. Fae is a constant amazing member, runs the tuck shop & is always happy and supportive! **Jessica Broad - committee's member of the year** for all her amazing work on the website, all in her own time. She has done an amazing job and we are so grateful for all her hard work. Well done all!

# AGM

Thank you to those of you who attended the AGM on Tuesday evening. It was lovely to see everyone and brilliant to celebrate the year, our wonderful society and all our achievements. It's been another full on year, but with amazing results productions wise, and financially we are delighted to announce that our accounts up to 31 May 2019 show a **profit for the year of £9502** which is amazing! This is even without the profit we made for Evita too, which falls into the 2019/2020 accounts. So all in all a great result. The Chairman's report that Claire presented at the AGM for the year is attached which also details some plans going forwards for next year. As you can see from the report, we have had a lot to celebrate and some interesting times coming up, especially with our Centenary Year events. Please read the report and familiarise yourself with all the details. At the AGM we sadly said **goodbye to Claire Carr as Chairman** and indeed from the Committee. Claire has exercised her right to step down at this time to further pursue her directing career which is keeping her busy. Claire will continue to be a member and part of the CAODS 'family' so we won't lose her, but she is very happy to hand over the **baton of Chairman to Jean Pinkney**. We know Jean will do a marvellous job as Chairman and know that you will continue to support her and the team. **Cassie Estall has taken on the role of Vice-Chairman**. Good luck to you both! **Kieran Bacon has also stood down** from Committee this year - thanks go to him for his efforts over the last year. Five new members were welcomed on to the team on Tuesday, so your new Committee now consists of: Jean Pinkney - Chairman & Treasurer, Cassie Estall - Vice Chairman, Corinne Dobinson - Secretary, Stephanie Yorke Edwards - Membership Secretary Christine Yorke-Edwards - Safeguarding and Social, David Yetton - Membership Liaison & 100 Club, Lynette Sullivan - Wardrobe Coordinator, **Katie Doran Frankie Mae, Becks Dixon, Michelle Von Kimmelman and Kevin Richards**. Roles will be established in the New Year for the rest of the team. Welcome on board !



### Tuesday 6 October - Sat 11 October 2020

We are delighted to announce that the production team has now been confirmed for this exciting new musical: **Director - Ray Jeffery, Choreographer - Claire Carr, MD - Bryan Cass.** Ray and Claire will be working together on the show. Ray will be attending only on Saturdays and will be setting dialogue and some principal numbers. The rest, including all full company and dance numbers, Claire will be undertaking.

**Open evening - Wednesday 29 April 2020**

**Auditions - Saturday 16 May 2020**

**Saturday rehearsal dates as follows:**

Sat 6 June

Sat 27 June

Sat 25 July

Sat 8 August

Sat 15 August

Sat 22 August

Sat 5 September

Sat 26 September

Sat 3 October 10-2

Sun 4 October band call and tech

(We are also trying to get another half day Saturday in July, but this is TBC)



### December winners:

Cassie Estall £30

Bryan Cass £20

Karen Mason £10

### AGM winners:

John Sullivan £75 & Gareth Barton £50



### Centenary Celebrations

The working group met for the first time a few weeks ago and it was great to generate ideas and discuss what would be suitable plans for the centenary celebrations. The team have proposed that **3 main events** take place across 2020/2021 and a planner of those 2 years will be out shortly so that you can get dates in your diaries. The three main events proposed are:

**Centenary Ball** ( Nov 2020 already booked)

**Alumni Afternoon Tea** for old and current members alike and a **CAODS themed** fundraiser . There will also be lots of other things going on too, including a photo book, souvenirs & memoirs, to name but a few. Full details of the current plans will be out shortly!



Rehearsals are going great and we are currently at **35% sold**, including the extra matinee on the Friday. So that's great news and is above our usual recent ticket sales for the same week. The Saturday matinee is near enough sold out, so don't delay getting your tickets - they are selling fast! **Thanks** to the entire team who are working so hard behind the scenes on all the technical stuff.

### Future Shows

We will be meeting on **7th January**.

Please send in any suggestions (that are available for application) for consideration.

Thank you!



### Members' Member, Fae Goldsworthy



### Committee's Member, Jess Broad