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Dramatic News

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In Our 62nd Year

<u>"MOVE OVER MRS MARKHAM" in</u> <u>full swing</u>

The Drama Club is in full swing at the moment with all areas of preparation for "Move Over Mrs Markham busy getting things ready for what promises to be great production.

Rehearsals for this fast-paced comedy farce have moved up to two a week (Wednesdays and Thursdays) with the cast working from 7:30 p.m. until after 10:00 p.m. It's hard work, especially when most are coming straight from work.

For others it is also a big commitment, searching for costumes, designing flyers, etc. However judging by the effort put in by the directors, crew and cast, things are looking great.

Rehearsals can also be quite a laugh. The number of bloopers that occur are more than you might see on television or on a DVD. Unfortunately this is something we're not allowed on the nights of the performances. Gee, films are so much easier!

Here are a few more behind-the-scenes photos to let you, our members, see what is going on.





How can you help?

1. Tell everyone you know.

Please help us with publicising this fantastic performance by telling friends, family and everyone else you see about the Drama Club's production.

2. Print a copy of the flyer and post it everywhere.

On our website we have a copy of a tremendous flyer (see below) that has grabbed a lot of attention so far. Click on the link <u>Huntingdon Drama Club</u> (select the link by pressing CTRL and click) and print out a copy of the poster or send a copy to all the people you know.



3. Get your orders in for tickets

Note the play will be performed on 9th -11th November in the Commemoration Hall.

Tickets are only £7.50 (concessions £6.00).

Tickets can be booked online at <u>Huntingdon Drama</u> <u>Club Booking Office</u>, at the Card Gallery and the Commemoration Hall in Huntingdon





Drama Club Stratford Trip (by Caroline Harbord)



Last month a small but merry band of Drama Club members descended on Stratford-Upon-Avon to see a production of *Troilus and Cressida*. This was part of the "*Complete Works*" programme which is running throughout 2006 and into 2007.

The play was spectacular. I have been a Shakespeare fan for many years but had never seen or read this play so was both excited and a little nervous about whether I would like it. I needn't have worried. It was a very accessible production even for a philistine like me, with my limited knowledge of the Trojan Wars. We all enjoyed it thoroughly and were particularly struck by the set, which was dominated by a lateral wall which inclined during the final act to become a sloping battlefield.

The costumes were also fairly eye-popping, as they were conspicuous by their scantiness. I was big fan of the shimmering body make-up worn by all the Trojans, which gave them all a golden hue. I asked Michael if he saw a role for shimmer in the Drama Club's next production but alas, he felt that "Move Over Mrs Markham" wasn't really the stage for such excess!

Social And Other Events Still To Come

Christmas extravaganza at the Commemoration Hall

Our contribution to this show (on 16 December) will be Ronald's adaptation of 'The Greatest Gift' (the basis of the classic film 'It's a Wonderful Life').

Come to a read-through of this 15-minute play at 7.30 on Monday, **9th October**, at Ronald's.

For further information, contact him.

Shakespeare DVD evening

23rd November a "winter warmer"! This evening will be a good excuse to socialise with other members as the winter chill creeps in. More details to follow.

Pre-Christmas party

Again another excuse for members to get together and socialise, sharing their experience/inexperience from the year.

Expected to be **9th December** 2006, so please note this in your calendar.

