

Henry's life is getting exciting...

Our High Street may not quite match the Champs-Élysées, but Huntingdon Drama Club is doing its bit to attract people into the town centre. The Club hopes its Saturday afternoon performance of *Travels with my Aunt* on 14 July will appeal to people who aren't keen on going out in the evening. And to make things easier, it's put bus times from various towns and villages on its website, www.huntingdondramaclub.org.uk.

Little does Henry Pulling realise, when he retires from the bank at the age of 55 to cultivate his dahlias, that his elderly aunt Augusta will be at his mother's funeral and turn his world upside down!

For Henry, a day trip to Brighton from his home in the London suburbs is an adventure. Now his aunt takes him to Paris, Istanbul – to fund a coup – and eventually Paraguay, much to the interest of the CIA. Here Henry meets Augusta's lover and realises his life will never be quite the same again.

Travels with my Aunt was originally a comic novel by Graham Greene. Adapted for the stage by Giles Havergal, it's Huntingdon Drama Club's next production, directed by Michael Black.

Bob Pugh and Ann Monk are Henry and Aunt Augusta, and the numerous other characters are played by eleven more Club members, some familiar to audiences, some appearing on the Commemoration Hall stage for the first time.

Like the Club's production of *Jane Eyre*, *Travels with my Aunt* will use lighting and music (under the control of John Morgan) to suggest the many different scenes, as the audience, like Henry, is taken on a journey from suburban tranquillity into an exciting world of love, crime and political intrigue.

Travels with my Aunt will be performed in the Commemoration Hall on Friday evening, 13 July, at 7.30, Saturday matinee, 14 July, at 2.30 and Saturday evening, 14 July, at 7.30.

Ticket prices are still £9, or £7 for non-earners and groups of four or more. Visit www.huntingdondramaclub.org.uk and click on 'Buy tickets', phone Michael Black and John Morgan on 01480-454486, or buy at the door. There's no charge for booking online. For more information visit the Club website, www.huntingdondramaclub.org.uk, or phone Michael and John.



Aunt Augusta (Ann Monk) and Henry Pulling (Bob Pugh), with the ashes of Henry's late mother