



THE PROMPT-

May 2012- Abridged version

Chairman's Message

Dear Everyone

Just a short message as I am very busy with Tempest stuff this month – it will be about 5 words in June!!)

Great AGM and lovely to see so many of the nominees for awards there. 2 very worthy winners in Natalie Ballet and Sam Barker but they were all so worthy it was a very hard choice. The pasty and wine went down well so we are going to do it again next year. I shall be stepping down as Chair – 3 years of me is enough for anyone!

We have re-elected most of the committee who have been so brilliant. To our regret, we have lost Linda Barker who always works so hard for CDDG who is taking a well earned rest (thank fully she has given us Paul, her husband, as treasurer!). Linda has been fantastic spending hours and hours on CDDG work and we shall miss her. This has left us with a space on the committee.

Could you be our new COMMITTEE MEMBER?

We have monthly meetings usually from 7-9 pm with wine, refreshments and nibbles so it is a good social event as well as strategy planning. We seem to have a lot of laughs and there is a lovely good-natured camaraderie even if we disagree it is done in a friendly manner. Please come forward – you will enjoy it and we need fresh approaches so new members are welcome too.

Anyway must dash, anchors to collect, cast to direct, backstage to bully, budget to creatively account, so that our treasurer does not realise that we are overspending, etc. etc.!

Yours directorially

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NODA Youth Workshops

As you will recall, CDDG sponsored three of our Junior members to attend this exciting event and asked them to send in their reports.

From Louise Barker:

Today (Sunday 15th April 2012) at the NODA South West Youth Workshop we began with acting. We did a scene from a script called 'Normal'. We were put into groups - rehearsed a part of the scene - and then had to perform in front of the others. I was with a girl called Megan and a boy called Jordan. It was a GREAT performance (well I thought so anyway!) and at the end we were given feedback on what we could do to improve the scene and were then given time to revisit it and make it better.

Following a five minute break, it was time to do something different . . . singing. First of all we listened to those people who wanted to sing a solo by themselves. They brought their own song and sang in front of the rest of us . . . they were amazing ! This I didn't do . . . TOO EMBARRASSING !!! After the solos we all sang as a group. We had a go at 'Money, Money' and 'All For the Best' and, even if I say so myself, we sounded pretty good !

Sadly, it had come to the time where we had to go. We all came together and had a few group photos taken and that it was time to go home. It was an eventful weekend and a great experience. I will not forget the many techniques we learnt and the great friends we made.

From Hatti Sydenham:

On the second day there were dancing, singing and acting workshops.

During the dancing workshop we practised moves to A Pencil Full of Lead. It was really energetic and fast and lots of fun.

During the singing workshop some people brought in their own songs to sing to the rest of us. Then together we sang a song called 'Money Money'. It was fun to sing because we had to put on a German accent for all the "th`s" and the "w`s". The singing really helped me by teaching me lots of warm up activities.

In the drama workshop we read through a script from a play called Normal. The play was about a mum and son planning how to answer the authority inspectors questions because if they were not 'normal' they would have been taken away from each other.

This day was my favourite day because we were busy and had lots to do.

It's a short news month this month but that doesn't mean to say we are not busy.

Keep watching our website for more updated information.

Until next month....

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