Lancing Repertory Players

Present a Victorian Drama



THE DAY AFTER THE FAIR

by Frank Harvey

July 2008

Programme £1.00

Director's Message

Late Victorian England, in a Cathedral city in the West Country. At the Brewers House there's more brewing than the ale, ever since the mistress of the house, Edith, and her maid, Anna, set eyes on young up-and-coming barrister Charles Bradford at the Town Fair.

This being a play based on a Thomas Hardy short story from a collection called "Life's Little Ironies" we can be sure that fate will play inscrutable tricks with our protagonists.

So sit back and enjoy an era when transport was horse drawn and marriage was for life. When Victorian values were not just a nostalgic memory, but some thing that ruled our everyday lives.

Wendy Norton

Future Production Dates

The "Rep" will be presenting the following at Lancing Parish Hall:

The Retirement Party
by Ian Black
and other Short Plays
9th - 11th October 2008
Director – Ian Black

Bookings: 01903 820019

Panto. **Aladdin**
4th to 6th January 2009
to be directed by Julie Petrie

Full details on our web site:
www.lancingrep.co.uk

About the Author

Frank Harvey was born in Manchester 1912, son of Frank Harvey the well known actor and writer. His first connection with the theatre was as an actor and he made his first appearance at the Festival Theatre, Cambridge, in *The Young Idea*, in 1934. After a period as an actor he decided to try his hand at writing and his first play to be produced was in 1938. This was followed by the enormously successful *Saloon Bar* in 1939, a dramatised adaption of *Brighton Rock* in 1943, *The Poltergeist* in 1946, *The Non-Resident* in 1952, and *Norman* in 1963.

Apart from his writing for the stage Frank Harvey has many successful screen plays to his credit including *Seven Days to Noon, High Treason, Seagulls Over Sorrento, Privates Progress, Brothers-in-Law, I'm All Right Jack, Heavens Above* and many more. He and his wife lived for many years in a cottage in Devon.

The Programme

The action takes place in the front room of The Brewers House in a west country cathedral city. The time is the late 19th century.

Act I.

scene 1	A May evening.
scene 2	Morning, ten days later
scene 3	Sunday evening, six weeks later.

INTERVAL

Act II.

scene 1	Saturday afternoon, about two weeks later
scene 2	Three days later.
scene 3	The morning of the wedding.

During the Interval ***Refreshments*** will be available and the ***Raffle*** will be drawn.

Please remember to **SWITCH OFF** your **MOBILE PHONES**.

No photography is allowed during the performance



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The Cast



Edith Harnham by Sara Owen



Philip Norton as **Arthur Harnham**



Letty Harnham by Sue Duncan



Charlie Owen as **Anna**

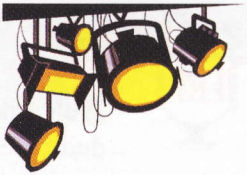


Charles Bradford by Gary Savage



Kellie Aylward **as** **Sarah**

The Crew



Director ----------	**Wendy Norton**
Prompt ----------	Mary Macpherson
Set Design ----------	Karen Howell
Set Construction ----------	Karen Howell, Mary Macpherson, Marion Taylor, Peter Taylor
Costumes ----------	Julie Petrie, Linda Oakley, Sue Duncan
Stage Manager ----------	Marlene Tincknell
Lighting ----------	Matthew Cumber
Front of House Manager --	Rosalind Dickinson
Props ----------	Patricia Lewis
Box Office ----------	Jean Sarfas
Refreshments ----------	Marion Taylor
Publicity / Programmes ---	Peter & Marion Taylor



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Actors and **Actresses** of any Size or Age!
Experience is useful but not Essential.

Also anyone interested in working Backstage with Props, Costumes, Scenery, Light & Sound, Prompt and much more!

Please come along to our HQ at Wembley Gardens, Lancing. Tuesdays & Fridays 7.30 – 9.30pm or ring Rosalind Dickinson – 01903 521221

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Mr & Mrs Pilliner – providing many of the props.