



Overton Dramatic Society

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# ODS Newsletter

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or speak to any member of the committee

Welcome to the latest edition of the ODS Newsletter. We hope you find it informative and interesting. Let us know if you prefer to receive it on paper or by email (to save the trees!)

## Dates for your diary:

### ODS Social Events:

**Oct 22nd**— ODS Bazaar, marking the start of public sales of tickets to our 2011 Panto, come along and help out!

**Oct 29th**— ODS Halloween Disco at St Mary's Hall. See page 2.

**Dec 3rd** — Dave's Winter Warmers Beer Bus— See page 2

Lots more being planned for the year ahead! Any ideas for fun events? Let Kayleigh know!

### Other dates:

**Murdered to Death** - Silchester Players. 14th 15th 21st 22nd October at Silchester Village Hall

**Guys and Dolls** - BATS  
9th – 19th November 2011  
The Haymarket, Basingstoke

**Hound of the Baskervilles** - AODS  
Alton Operatic and Dramatic Society. 10th – 12th November 2011  
Assembly Rooms, Alton

### ODS Panto Week

The show opens on 22/11/11 and runs for six performances including a Saturday afternoon matinee

Do you know of other AmDram societies or groups and events that we could feature in this section?

Let us know: talk to Paul or another member of the committee, or email:

[newsletter@ods-online.co.uk](mailto:newsletter@ods-online.co.uk)

## ODS Bazaar

October 22nd is the date for your diary for the ODS Bazaar. This is our regular event where we formally release tickets for "Panto at the OK Corral" to the general public (see panel for more info) and we run a wide variety of stalls...

This year Jim Wheatley is coordinating the event. Jim says "we'll be having all the normal stalls so start collecting for Tombola, Prize Draw, "nearly new", books, etc. There'll be a cake stall as usual, so if you fancy baking some cakes (or cheese scones, etc) for the cake stall, that would be great. Give a thought to recycling good condition toys and games for the kiddies corner, too... Volunteers are needed for the day—both to help set up, and to staff the stalls."

So please let Jim know if you can be there, and how you can help.

We'll be in the hall to set up between 8am to 10am, and doors open to the public at 10am ... the prize draw will be held just before 12, and help is also needed to clear away after we close at noon.

Donations, ideas, and offers of help to Jim please.

If you have any items for inclusion the grand draw, please let Lesley Peters know. Ideally, draw prizes should be given to Lesley in advance, so please do get in touch.

Jim can be contacted on 771073

Lesley is on 771025

## Panto Tickets

As usual, Panto tickets will be available to the general public from the date of the Bazaar, but **ODS members** can get their tickets up to two weeks in advance of the general release!

If you would like tickets, come on down to rehearsals (Tuesdays and Thursday) from **11th October**.

Remember that ticket sales are limited for some shows to ensure we don't sell out a performance before tickets are publicly available. So come on down to rehearsals to secure your tickets. Of course even if you miss out between 11-22nd, you can buy them just like anyone else at the Bazaar, and afterwards at Eden Forest on the High Street.

## Spring Show Announced!

*"He shaved the faces of gentlemen  
Who never thereafter were heard of again.  
He trod a path that few have trod,  
Did Sweeny Todd..."*

*"The Demon Barber of Fleet Street"*

Yes! The spring show for 2012 has now been confirmed... It's Sweeney Todd! Marc Edens has assembled a top production team, and casting and rehearsals will begin from 10th January. Show week is 22nd to 26th May 2012.

Look out for more details to follow shortly!

## ODS Hallowe'en Disco



Yes, it's coming up to that spooky time of year once again!

ODS are holding a Hallowe'en Disco in St Mary's Hall on Saturday 29th October. Fancy Dress is most definitely encouraged, there'll be a licensed bar, and the entertainment will be provided by a professional local DJ.

Tickets will be £5 and available from Jenna and Kayleigh as well as being on sale to the general public in October. Watch out for posters around the village, and we'll also send more details by email very soon.

For more info or offers of help, please contact Jenna or Kayleigh on 07545090777 and 07507601134 respectively.



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## ODS Family Day

Well done to everyone who braved the weather to attend the family afternoon. Great fun was had with a BBQ, welly wanging, Frisbee, a bouncy castle and quiz. The afternoon was finished off with a game of Rounders, played with nearly 40 people.....

Thanks to Kayleigh, Jenna, Dave and everyone else who made the afternoon a success.

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## Dave's Beer Bus—Dec 3rd

Beer Bus – Saturday 3rd December. The plan is for a less rushed (slightly more formal) Christmas-style evening, including dinner.

Please keep the date in your diary as numbers will be limited. More details to follow.....

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## Winter 2012

We have a couple of really excellent shows coming up—*Panto at the OK Corral* opens in November, and we've just secured the license for *Sweeney Todd*, our spring show in May 2012.

But it's not too early to be thinking about the Winter 2012 production...! Do you have any ideas for a show you'd like to direct or help stage? Pantomime or play, musical or farce, we're looking for ideas and would-be directors...

Never directed before? Don't worry, the committee are here to help! Don't want to direct, but want to help out in some other capacity?—let us know!

So—put your thinking cap on, and if you have any ideas or suggestions, have a chat with Jenna or one of the committee members.

Contact "committee@ods-online.co.uk" or ring Jenna on 07545 090777

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**Don't forget**, the society has a website where you can find news, details of past shows, an extensive photo gallery, and even a merchandising area where you can pick up an ODS t-shirt!

Visit <http://www.ods-online.co.uk> today!

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## Other local events

If you have any events, news, or other items for inclusion in the ODS newsletter, please get in touch (contact details can be found at the top of the front page). Publication of the newsletter usually follows a few weeks after the ODS Committee meetings and is produced roughly every 6-8 weeks. Below are some local village events coming up in the very near future that we thought you'd be interested in...

### Ladies Night

7:30pm 7th October in St Mary's Hall

Once again, the ladies have selected some lovely treatments and unique stalls to make a very special Pamper and Indulgence evening... Hand, shoulder, and Indian head massages, Tarot readings, manicures, reflexology and nail art... Taster tables from the Hampshire Chutney Co and the Purple Olive Deli... Stalls piled high with hand-made chocs, bath and beauty products, shoes, handbags and jewellery. The perfect place to start your festive gift shopping!

With all proceeds to the Motor Neurone Disease Association. Tickets (£5 each) from Overton Fireplaces, Overton Gallery, and the Red Lion pub.

For more info call Maggs 771457 or Becci 770401