

# Canterbury Players Newsletter

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## Our Next Production

**Canterbury Players**  
Amateur Dramatic Society  
President: June Lucas  
est. 1949 ~ 60<sup>th</sup> Year ~ 126<sup>th</sup> Production  
Affiliated to: 126<sup>th</sup> Arts Association and National Operative and Dramatic Association

presents

**"Party To Murder"**

by arrangement with Samuel French Ltd  
A Thriller by Olive Chess and Stewart Burke  
directed by Diane Cornes on stage at  
Davyhulme (Wesley) Methodist Church,  
Brook Road, Flixton, M41 5RQ

**25<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> March 2009**  
Curtain Rises at 7.30 p.m.  
Adult: £6.00 ~ Child: £3.00 ~ Programme: free

tickets: **0161 748 8403**  
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Rehearsals for our March production are now well under way and director Diane Cornes says she is very pleased with the progress. Publicity posters have been printed in both A3 and A4 sizes and, as usual, we are looking for suitable places to display them. If you (or anyone you know) can display one or more in your

house, car, shop window or office notice-board, please contact Roger Finn, on 07764 310100. Roger also asks if anyone would like to help out with refreshments, raffles and other front of house duties to contact him. Also, don't forget to try and get friends and neighbours to come and see us.

## Priority Booking Form

The "booking office" is now open so please buy your tickets as soon as possible using the enclosed Priority Booking Form. Please return it before Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2009 with a cheque, made payable to **Canterbury Players** for the full amount, to the ticket secretary. You can use the form to reserve up to 6 priority seats plus any additional seats if required. Paying in advance greatly assists us especially in reducing the congestion at the door on the night.

## Play Reading Was Another Success

The society performed a play reading at Brook Road Methodist Church on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2009. Sue Carlson directed the three short plays and all proceeds went to Church funds. These play readings are always good fun and this one was no exception. We're hoping to arrange a similar event in the near future. Watch this space.

## Matt's Doing A Runner

Matt Fox is running the **2009 BUPA Great Manchester Run** in aid of Cancer Research UK on Sunday May 17<sup>th</sup> and would appreciate any sponsors! It's a 10km course and he's looking to do it in about an 1hr -1hr 10mins. He adds "Any sponsorship no matter how small would be fantastic!!!" For further details and to



sponsor Matt, please visit his fund-raising page at [www.runningsponsorsome.org/mattfox1](http://www.runningsponsorsome.org/mattfox1)

If you'd like to sponsor him but haven't got access to the internet, please call him on 07794 136087.

## 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration At Smiths



Our Theatre Dinner evening which was held at Smiths Restaurant in Eccles on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2009 was a great success. Professional actress Jackie Pilton entertained us with an unusual and clever Margaret Rutherford act,

and we enjoyed a delicious dinner and excellent service from the staff at Smiths. If you've got access to a computer and the internet, you can see some photos of the evening in the [online scrapbook](#) section of our website.



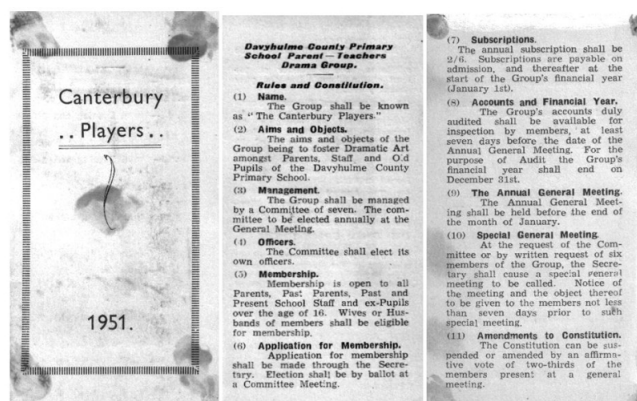
Jackie Pilton as Margaret Rutherford

## Break A Leg, Christine!

We were all delighted to learn that "*one of our own*", CP member Christine Perry has landed a part in a play to be performed at the Altrincham Garrick from 20<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> April. She'll be playing Ellen the housekeeper in "The Shell-Seekers" by Terence Brady and Charlotte Bingham. Congratulations and good luck, Chris!



## Constitution



The Society's Constitution was last published in 1951 and is now clearly out of date, so the Committee has recently drafted a revised and updated version. Copies will be distributed to all members with the next newsletter and, at the next AGM, (date to be arranged) we'll take a full vote on it's adoption.

## Diary Dates

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| 9 <sup>th</sup> to 14 <sup>th</sup> March 2009                          | Partington Theatre (Glossop)<br>"Mrs Warren's Profession" by George Bernard Shaw                |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> to 21 <sup>st</sup> March 2009                         | Players Dramatic Society, Cheadle Hulme<br>"Twelfth Night" by William Shakespeare               |
| 15 <sup>th</sup> to 21 <sup>st</sup> March 2009                         | The Club Theatre, Altrincham<br>"A Sting In The Tail" by Brian Clemens and Dennis Spooner       |
| 18 <sup>th</sup> to 21 <sup>st</sup> March 2009                         | Edgefold Players, Walkden<br>"Hobson's Choice" by Harold Brighouse                              |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> to 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2009                         | Heald Green Theatre Company<br>"Private Lives" by Noel Coward                                   |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> to 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2009                         | Stockport Garrick<br>"Haywire" by Eric Chappell   |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> to 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2009                         | CHADS Theatre Company, Cheadle<br>"The Life Of Galileo" by Bertolt Brecht                       |
| 25 <sup>th</sup> to 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2009                         | <b>Canterbury Players</b><br><b>"Party To Murder" by Olive Chase and Stewart Burke</b>          |
| 25 <sup>th</sup> to 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2009                         | Wilmslow Guild Players<br>"A Woman Of No Importance" by Oscar Wilde                             |
| 29 <sup>th</sup> & 31 <sup>st</sup> March to 4 <sup>th</sup> April 2009 | Northenden Players Theatre Club<br>"Breaking the Code" by Hugh Whitmore                         |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> to 4 <sup>th</sup> April 2009                           | The Club Theatre, Altrincham<br>"Dark River" by Alex Romanes                                    |
| 20 <sup>th</sup> to 25 <sup>th</sup> April 2009                         | Altrincham Garrick<br>"The Shell-Seekers" by Terence Brady and Charlotte Bingham                |
| 25 <sup>th</sup> April to 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2009                      | Stockport Garrick<br>"Death Of A Salesman" by Arthur Miller                                     |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> to 9 <sup>th</sup> May 2009                             | Partington Theatre (Glossop)<br>"The Canterbury Tales" by by Martin Starkie and Neville Coghill |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> to 9 <sup>th</sup> May 2009                             | Sale Gilbert & Sullivan Society (Altrincham Garrick)<br>"The Gondoliers" by Gilbert & Sullivan  |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> to 19 <sup>th</sup> May 2009                           | Players Dramatic Society, Cheadle Hulme<br>"Murdered To Death" by Peter Gordon                  |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> to 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2009                           | Heald Green Theatre Company<br>"See How They Run" by Phillip King                               |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> & 19 <sup>th</sup> to 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2009        | Northenden Players Theatre Club<br>"Daisy Pulls it Off" by Denise Deegan                        |
| 20 <sup>th</sup> to 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2009                           | Wilmslow Guild Players<br>The Wilmslow Festival Of One Act Plays                                |
| 20 <sup>th</sup> to 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2009                           | Edgefold Players, Walkden<br>"Caught In The Net" by Ray Cooney                                  |
| 24 <sup>th</sup> to 30 <sup>th</sup> May 2009                           | The Club Theatre, Altrincham<br>"Blythe Spirit" by Noel Coward                                  |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> to 13 <sup>th</sup> June 2009                           | Stockport Garrick<br>"The Servant Of Two Masters" by Carlo Goldoni                              |
| 15 <sup>th</sup> to 20 <sup>th</sup> June 2009                          | The Club Theatre, Altrincham<br>Hale One Act Festival   |
| 22 <sup>nd</sup> to 27 <sup>th</sup> June 2009                          | Partington Theatre (Glossop)<br>"Death and the Maiden" by Ariel Dorfman                         |