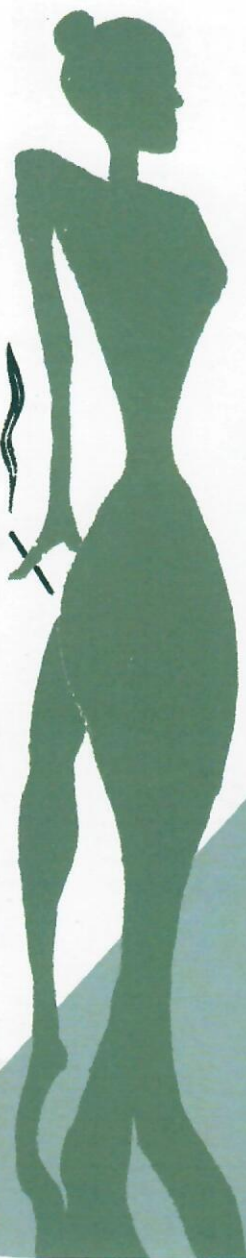


DADS PRESENTS



BY
JOEL COWARD

at The Winn Hall, Dunsfold
19 - 22 November, 2008

Blithe Spirit

Charles Condomine, a successful writer, and his wife, Ruth, have invited their friends Dr and Mrs Bradman to join them for drinks and dinner with a local medium, Madame Arcati. Charles is planning a novel about a spiritualist and wants to observe the behaviour of Madame Arcati during a séance. Madame Arcati arrives. She is absent-minded and eccentric. Dinner is served, and the séance begins. Much to the surprise of the two couples, there are supernatural manifestations... the table trembles, Madame Arcati falls into a trance, and Charles hears the voice of Elvira, his first wife, whom he loved dearly but who died several years ago. Frightened, he wakes Madame Arcati, and the party breaks up. That seems to be the end of the disturbances... or is it...?

The play is set in the living room of Charles Condomine's house

Act 1:

Scene 1 – Before dinner on a summer evening

Scene 2 – After dinner

Act 2:

Scene 1 – The next morning

Scene 2 – Late the following afternoon

INTERVAL

Scene 3 – Early evening a few days later

Act 3:

Scene 1 – Before dinner on a summer evening

Scene 2 – After dinner

*The performances are dedicated to the memory of
Beattie Enticknap, a lifelong supporter of DADS*

Directed by Tora Bray
Produced by Louise Enticknap

Cast

(in order of appearance)

Edith	Louise Enticknap
Ruth Condomine	Sue Packer
Charles Condomine	Paul Jenkins
Dr George Bradman	David Airey
Violet Bradman	Mary Murphy
Madame Arcati	Pip Ainsworth
Elvira	Judith Lahey-Bean

Behind the scenes

Stage Manager	Anne Cannings
Assistant Stage Managers	Gillian Kisch & Barbara Elliott
Lighting and Sound	Tony Cannings
Scenery	Jonathan Mason
Properties	Jo Jones
Wardrobe	Mary Hardcastle & Sarah Mason
Make Up	Jo Lavis
Box Office	Joanna Gardiner
Publicity	Richard Woof & Derek Gardiner
Artwork	Robin Mason
Catering	Shirley Jeffrey & helpers
Front of House	Jonathan Mason & helpers



*A Dunsfold Amateur Dramatic Society production
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DADS 2009 Productions

During 2009 DADS will be putting on two productions -

14 - 16 May 2009 - Neville's Island by Tim Firth

Four out-of-condition businessmen sent off on a team-building exercise in the Lake District succeed in being the first people ever to get shipwrecked on an island in Derwentwater.

What should have been a bonding process for Gordon, Angus, Roy and Neville turns into a muddy, bloody fight for survival. Because when night sets in, strange things happen out in the wilds. And what took place on Neville's island that foggy November weekend none of this particular middle management team would ever forget...

Are you interested in being in this production?

We will be holding auditions for the four male characters in this play in the Nugent Room, Dunsfold on Saturday 6 December at 10am and on Wednesday 10 December at 8pm. Please come along if you are interested in being involved.

19 – 21 November 2009

Details of our November production will be announced early next year with auditions being held in the Spring. Please look out for details in the DADS Newsletter and the Parish Magazine and on the DADS website.

The DADS website

You can find the latest information about DADS' activities, production reviews and photographs on the DADS website –

www.dadsweb.org