



Newsletter: July 2020

We hope that you are enjoying the longer, warmer summer days and that you have had the opportunity to get out and about (albeit limited by the pandemic restrictions).

At the beginning of 'lockdown' we created a Covid-19 area on our website. This gave links to various free online performances so that you could watch them at home. We hope that you found this a helpful resource. However, the performances that are available is dwindling. So, we are closing this section of the website at the end of July. A big thank you to Gareth for his hard work adding new productions over recent months.

Current events: Since our June newsletter some members have taken part in another online play reading, (Little Grimley in Lockdown) using the SHADDO zoom account. Those who took part tell us it was a very funny script and the event went well. Members have also put on 'murder mysteries' using the SHADDO zoom account.

We have plans for more online play readings and murder mysteries. Anyone is welcome to join in or organise one themselves. If you are interested contact any of the committee members (details on our website).

Just a reminder that members can access the zoom account if they are hosting an on-line get together with friends and family. Our sessions can extend beyond the usual 40 minutes! If you would like to use this facility please contact a committee member.

Plans for the 2021 SHADDO Pantomime: Towards the end of June we spent an evening reading/performing a potential script "The Snow Queen" for the next pantomime. Those involved said it was an interesting and 'different' script with great potential for a stunning production. However, we don't know how Covid-19 will affect our lives over the next few months. Therefore, with great sadness,

the committee has decided that we will not be organising the traditional SHADDO pantomime in January 2021.

Future events: We are currently exploring the options for a Christmas Show, which could be online if Covid-19 prevents physical attendance by performers and audience. We are also thinking about an outdoor production in the spring/summer 2021 (perhaps with a 'bring your own' picnic).

Finally, as always, we welcome feedback. So, if you have any ideas of things we could do or just want to make some comments, please let us know as soon as possible.

Our next committee meeting is planned for 7.30 on Wednesday 12 August, through zoom. Anyone is welcome. If you would like to join us, please contact a committee member so that we can send you the zoom invitation.

The committee