

NOTES FROM THE CHAIR

Welcome to today's MADS 2018 performance of Katie's Party at The Nog Inn. To arrive at this point, we have to turn the clock back nine months when the MADS committee started pouring over scripts, exchanging ideas and experimenting with casting variations in an effort to decide on our autumn production. After many unsuccessful attempts, we realised that the solution was under our very noses in the form of our own, home grown, playwright, author and poet, Adrienne Howell.

Katie's Party is a one act play that pays tribute to all those who served in the two world wars. It will be followed by an interval, during which refreshments will be available in the front hall. I then invite you to return to the main hall where MADS members will present Adrienne's selection of writings and songs from the first world war.

I trust that you will enjoy this evening and that some of you will be tempted to join us and find a role within our group. Unfortunately the number of society members who can learn lines is dwindling and we would welcome anyone with a good memory, regardless of age, so that we can widen our repertoire of plays. Back stage helpers are also welcome so talk to any of the society members if you are interested.

Our spring production has been decided on but we still expect it to be a great mystery.

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MERE AMATEUR DRAMATIC SOCIETY

Proudly presents

KATIE'S PARTY

By local author Adrienne Howell



A POIGNANT VILLAGE TALE LINKING THE TWO WORLD WARS

followed by

MADS Tribute to the Centenary of 1918

*Thursday 22nd, Friday 23rd November at 7.30 pm
& Saturday 24th November 2018 at 2.30 pm & 7.30 pm*

APRIL 1978

1st
Lucius wins the
Grand National

Amoco
Cadiz
Clean up
continues

Beer is
96p a
Pint

3rd
BBC
Broadcasts from
House of
Commons

Milk is
25p a
Pint

13th
Labour hold Glasgow
by-election

Red
Rum
Retires

25th
Corporal Punishment
Abolished

"Upstairs
Downstairs"
Wins US
Peabody
Award

19TH KATIE'S 75TH BIRTHDAY

But why has she spurned the usual family arrangements and chosen a "none-to-grand" country pub for her celebrations? You are invited to join the regulars at The Nog Inn for Katie's Party

INTERVAL

MADS TRIBUTE

To the centenary of 1918
In words and Music

CAST IN ORDER OF APPEARANCE:

MARGARET
GEOFFREY
JAMES
DIZZY
AGGIE
VERA
KATIE

JULIET BOOTH
JON NOBLE
MATT GLIDE
LES MANWARING
PENNY ALLEN
LESLEY LOVE
MARY WHITE

PIANIST
BARMAN
BARMAID
THE REGULARS

ALAN BENSON
DAVID LAMB
ROSE HEESOM
BILL PIKE, HOWARD SMITH
& CHRIS WOOD

DIRECTED BY
LIGHTING
SET

PIP BROWN & ADRIENNE HOWELL
ALLAN GLIDE & DAVID FARNFIELD
JANE & HOWARD SMITH
JON NOBLE & DAVID LAMB

COSTUMES
PROPS
ON THE BOOK
POSTER
FRONT OF HOUSE
INTERVAL REFRESHMENTS

MARY WHITE
THE CAST
BILL PIKE
ERIC KINCAID
DI POTTER
MADS MEMBERS

OUR THANKS TO

MARK & SAMANTHA OF THE WALNUT TREE INN, MERE,
FOR THE LOAN OF THE MOBILE BAR

SPECIAL THANKS TO

SALLY JOHNSON & SANDRA CATLEY
OF THE MERE LECTURE HALL TRUST

MERE LIBRARY & SPROUT & FLOWER FOR TICKET SALES