

ILMINSTER ENTERTAINMENTS SOCIETY LTD – PROGRAMME COMMITTEE

Notes of Directors Meeting - 03rd April 2019

Present: Lyn Lockyer, Paula Denning, Chris Williamson, Julie Fowler, Malcolm Young,
Michael Wills, Irene Glynn, Mick Glynn, Ken Cooper, Sally Carruthers, Brian Perkins

Apologies: Celia Crookes, Jo Neagle, Stella Davies

2020 Provisional Dates

February 26-29 *One Act Plays*

April 22-25

June 24-27

September 09-12

October 21-24

December 08-12 (or the possibility of a two week run)

Proposals and Suggestions

Irene Glynn suggested 'Mixed Doubles' by various writers, a mix of duologues and monologues about marriage – possibility of different sections being directed by various directors.

Irene Glynn also suggested she is still interested in 'Hobson's Choice' by Harold Brighouse, which has been put forward before but the licence was unavailable at the time. It has a challenging set and large cast but if Dangerous Corner goes well she will consider putting it forward again.

Michael Wills proposed 'The Last Visitor' a 20 minute one act play with 3 characters (1 old male, 1 young male and 1 female).

Ken Cooper put forward 4 one act plays, 3 of which he has adapted and one which is a new play by himself which he has also entered into the SFD original writing competition.

'Speaking in German' by KC, 20 min; present; 1 m, 4 f

'The Mock Doctor' adapted from Henry Fielding/Moliere, 50min; 18th Century; 6m, 3f

'Sweet and Twenty' adapted from Floyd Dell, 25-30min; 1920s USA; 3m, 1f

'Tickless Time' adapted from Susan Glaspell & George Cram Cook, 45min; present; 2m, 4f

Ken has not directed before but would like to try.

Sally Carruthers suggested one act farce 'Housekeeper Wanted' by Philip King & Falkland L Cary; 1m, 4f, and a list of possible full length plays:

'The Hollow' by Agatha Christie, murder mystery; 6m, 6f

'Out of Sight, Out of Murder' by Fred Carmichael, mystery comedy; 4m, 5f

'Curtain Up' by Peter Quilter, comedy; 5f

'Proscenophobia (Stage Fright)' by Bettine Mankletow, thriller/whodunnit; 2m, 4f

'Five Blue Haired Ladies Sitting on a Green Park Bench' by John A Penzotti, comedy; 4m, 6f

Sally has directed before several times with her previous group(s) before moving to the area.

Scripts received for all plays mentioned except 'Hobsons Choice'.

Everyone reminded that the Programme Committee is happy to receive suggestions or proposals for plays at any time during the year.