



ST. BLAZEY A.O.S.

NEWSLETTER April 2023

Firstly we send our congratulations to St Austell AOS for their wonderful production of Young Frankenstein at The Keay Theatre. It was a fantastic show and received excellent reviews. Well done to everyone involved for a very entertaining, colourful, funny musical show.

As many of our members were involved in this production we are sending out a revised March Newsletter as it was unfortunately not sent earlier.

Wow! What an amazing show we had in **Cinderella**, well done to everyone involved in the making of such a wonderful pantomime. We had such great reviews and audiences that were really enthusiastic in their comments and reactions to the cast. We had beautiful, colourful costumes, fabulous scenery and so many amazing props and magic tricks.

Many thanks to our Director, Mike Meer who wrote the script and produced the pantomime, to Nigel Read, Musical Director and Nicky Murphy, Choreographer. They all brought out the very best in everyone and gave the newcomers confidence in what they were told to do and the singing and dancing were brilliant. The words to the songs were mostly relating to the situation we have all been in for the last couple of years and were very emotional. Many thanks to Sheila Gill and Andy Martin for their amazing costumes and scenery. In fact it is impossible to name everyone who contributed to the success of Cinderella so please know that your help is invaluable to the success of our Society.

We are very pleased to announce that next year's pantomime is **Snow White** and we are really happy to have Mike, Nigel and Nicky with us again, so all looking good for another successful pantomime in 2024. All three are very excited and even now sorting songs and music and have lots of thoughts of storyline and costumes. Snow White will be performed at The Keay Theatre from 20th - 27th January 2024

Our **Dinner Dance** held at Carlyon Bay Gold Club on 10th February was a resounding success and all had a wonderful meal and then enjoyed the Disco that followed. Thank you to all the staff at the golf club for looking after us so well and to Rob French for providing the music which kept the dance floor full for the rest of the evening. Thank you to Geraldine, Anne, Sheila and Denise for all their hard work in the organisation of a great evening. Thank you also to everyone who provided raffle prizes.

During the evening our Chairman Paul Pearce presented Long Service Medals to the following members :

Andy Gill : 35 year Silver bar,
Mandy Raikes : 25 year Medal,
Alex Pearce : 15 year Medal,

Sarah Locks : 30 year Badge,
Elaine Rowe : 20 year Badge
Olivia Coon : 10 year Medal

5 year Badges : Perran Bate, Sabrina Burrell, Anne Griffin, Sarah Griffin,
Mahala Griffin, Denise Martin, Josh Martin, Hannah Matthews,
Tracey Shakespeare, and Cumara Stevens

Congratulations to them all.





Diary Dates

Our **Annual General Meeting** will be held on **Thursday 15th June at St Austell Band Room at 7pm**. This is a very important meeting when members have a chance to say how the Society should be run and how we can plan for the future. So please come along and support our Society. Letters and Minutes will be sent out in May.

Dates of our **Launch Day and Audition Day** will be announced nearer the time, So watch this space !

As reported in the last newsletter we have been very fortunate to have been nominated to be part of Asda's charity, **Asda Foundation Green Token Giving**. The vote will go live from Sunday 1st January and close on 30th April. The group with the most online votes will receive a £500 donation with second place receiving £400 and the third place £300. Supporters can vote for our Society by visiting : www.asda.com/green-tokens and selecting St Austell from the drop-down box.

You can vote once every seven days, so we encourage you to return and revote in the following weeks. Only a couple of weeks left so please vote now.

Thank you Meg for this information from Asda and we ask you all to kindly vote for the Society every week.

Thinking ahead to next year's pantomime we are asking if you or, any of your family or friends, would be willing to help in some way, either before or during the run of the show. We always need stage hands, help with sewing of costumes and any Mums who could help chaperoning during the run of the show. You will be made very welcome to join so if interested please contact me or a member of the committee.

Please contact me on : angela.moon164@btinternet.com if you want to send us your pantomime memories or amusing stories for us all to read in future newsletters. Go on, you know you want too ! Oh yes you do !!

Information will be posted on our Facebook page : St Blazey AOS, and our Website : www.stblazeypantomime.co.uk