

THEATRE IN HENLEY

SEASON 1971-72.

HENLEY-IN-ARDEN AMATEUR DRAMATIC SOCIETY

present

"SEMI-DETACHED"

A Play

by

David Turner

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday,

7th, 8th & 9th February, 1972.

at

7.30 p.m.

CHARACTERS

FRED MIDWAY	Alan Butler
HILDA MIDWAY, His Wife	Margaret Auckland
TOM MIDWAY, Their Son	Alastair Duncan
EILEEN MIDWAY, Their Elder Daughter	Annette Walker
ROBERT FREEMAN, Fred's 'disciple'	Ron Cadman
AVRIL HADFIELD, The Midway's Younger Daughter	Jane Lester
NIGEL HADFIELD, Her Husband	Paul Holtom
GARNET HADFIELD, Nigel's Mother	Beryl Butler
ARNOLD MAKEPIECE, Her Brother, Nigel's Uncle	Ron Boroughs

Directed by BOB RILEY

Stage Manager	John Shuttleworth
Prompter	Jenny Davies
Properties	Catherine Fox
Lighting	Howard Terry
House Manager	Dennis Horobin

Setting designed by Vic Oliver and built by
the Scenery Group under his direction.

The action of the play takes place in the sitting-room of Fred Midway's house, 12 Woody Lane, Dowliahull, one Sunday morning in the Spring.

Time ----- The Present.

The play is divided into three Acts but the action is continuous.

Director's Notes.

"Man in his modern culture" may appear a sombre theme for a play, but don't let that put you off! "Semi-Detached" is a comedy and meant to be enjoyed as such.

It is an interesting play technically for it borrows much from the Classical Tradition of Theatre. It uses blatant theatricality to achieve its purpose, rather than employing the intimate techniques of much modern drama.

In plain terms, our style of presentation is deliberately pronounced and the characters are types rather than real people. Even their names may give us food for thought. After all, how many of us are "mid-way" to some goal we wish to achieve?

Coffee will be served in the interval between Act I and Act II. The curtain will only be lowered briefly between Act II and Act III.

Our next production on Monday, Tuesday and
Wednesday, 17th, 18th and 19th April, 1972 will
be "Trap for a Lonely Man".

This is a thriller with an unusual twist and will
be directed by Monica Greaves.

A reading of this play, for casting purposes,
will be held on Monday, 14th February, 1972.

As reported in our recent News letter, a pearl
ear-ring was found in the Memorial Hall after
our last play "Brush with a Body". If this is
yours, please apply to the House Manager.