

THEATRE IN HENLEY

SEASON 1973/74

HENLEY-IN-ARDEN AMATEUR DRAMATIC SOCIETY

present

"THE SECRETARY BIRD"

A Comedy

by

William Douglas Home

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Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday

29th, 30th April & 1st May

at

7.30 p.m.

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1974

CHARACTERS

HUGH WALFORD	...	Ron Boroughs
LIZ WALFORD	...	Beryl Butler
MRS. GRAY	...	Annette Walker
MOLLY FORSYTH	...	Hilary Royston
JOHN BROWNLOW	...	Alan Butler

Directed by BOB RILEY

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Stage Manager	John Shuttleworth
Properties	...	Catherine Fox
Prompter	...	Gill Ghee
Lighting	...	Howard Terry
House Manager	...	Denis Horobin

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

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The action of the play passes in the Garden Lounge of the Walford's country house.

ACT I

Scene 1. Friday Night.

Scene 2. Saturday Morning.

--- INTERVAL ---

ACT II

Scene 1. Saturday Night.

Scene 2. Sunday Morning.

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Coffee will be served in the Interval between
Act I and Act II

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Our grateful thanks to all those kind friends
who have assisted us in this production by loans
of furniture, facilities and in other ways.

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And so we come to a landmark in the history of the Society for this production marks, not only the end of the present season but also the end of the twentieth season since the Society was formed in the Winter of 1954. In that time we have put on some 50 full length plays as well as numerous one-act festival productions.

Many have come and gone - actors, producers, backstage helpers - audience members, but we are fortunate to have five original members still active in the Society - all, in fact, working in this production - Beryl and Alan Butler and Ron Boroughs on stage, Catherine Fox, as ever, looking after our props, and Joe Green a stalwart of the Scenery Section. One sees many faces in the audience too who have followed us throughout and whose support and encouragement through lean years helped us to carry on. We do not forget the many able and talented newcomers, of course, who have continually infused new life into the Society but we are sure they will forgive us this touch of nostalgia.

Our grateful thanks go, as ever, to those who give us such regular support, in particular to Neville Manning of the Baccy Shop for the kind, tactful, and efficient way he handles our bookings, to Messrs. K.Terry & Son who, father and son have kept our lights bright, to our genial hosts Anne & Colin Squires at the Blue Bell, to those who display our posters, and above all to you our audience, whose support and appreciation makes all our efforts worth while.

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A reminder that the Annual General Meeting will be held in the Memorial Hall on Monday 13th May at 8 p.m. Audience Members will be especially welcomed as well as any prospective new active members for next season.