SEASON 1968-69

The Society presents for your enjoyment

"BASINFUL OF THE BRINY"

by

LESLIE SANDS

A sea-side comedy set "somewhere in the north".

Monday - Wednesday, 18th to 20th November 1968 at 7.30 p.m.

The Memorial Hall

Henley-in-Arden

(Monday, 25th November at 8 p.m. in the Memorial Hall. First)
(Playreading for "Shop at Sly Corner". Newcomers welcome.

THE CAST

Sheila Davies Mrs. Austin Margaret Auckland Florrie Rosemary Ensell Louise Smith Jackie Boardman Daphne Pepper Alan Butler Henry Pepper Ron Boroughs Joe Hemingway Bervl Butler Clara Hemingway Margaret Edwards Miss Windermere Ray Auckland Syd Collins

Director ... Hugh Davies

The Set built by the Scenery Group, under Vic Oliver, with the Decor, Design and Street Scene by Ann Cutler.

Stage Manager ... Geoff. Browell
Asst. Stage Manager ... Sue Maddison
Properties ... Catherine Fox
Wardrobe ... Margaret Auckland
Lighting ... Howard Terry

The scene is set in Mrs. Austin's boarding house "up north".

ACT I "Seaview", Saturday evening

ACT II Sc. I Monday morning

Se II Wednesday afternoon

Sc.II Wednesday afterno

COFFEE INTERVAL

(coffee will be available in the Coffee Lounge)

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ACT III Sc. I ... "Seaview", Friday night

Sc.II ... "The morning after"

As seen by "Q" from the wings:-

A touch of nostalgia -

It was as long ago as 1956 that Henley saw the first of Leslie Sands sea-side comedies "Beside the Sea Side". Of the cast from twelve years ago Beryl Butler, Sheila Davies and Ron Boroughs are 'on stage' again tonight. It is, perhaps, a sign of the times that whereas 12 years ago Sheila Davies played the bride, tonight she assumes the mantle of the domineering old landlady. Tempus fugit - albeit unwillingly for all of us !!!

Not only but also

Involved in tonight's presentation are four more who were active in the Society in those far off days - Catherine Fox, Joe Green, Alan Butler and Hugh Davies. Howard Terry was also there - although only in the role of "switch-minder" for his Dad !!!

Despite "those were the days" it is vital to the life of the Society to introduct ow blood. Margaret Edwards, Rosemary Ensell and Ray Auckland will be 'on stage', whilst Sue Maddison, Geoff. Browell and Brian Brazier will be 'back stage'.

Thank you and Hello !

Tonight is perhaps an ideal opportunity to thank the ex-High Bailiff and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. J.M. Whitehouse, for the unstinting support they have given the Society during his years in office. We are indeed grateful. The Society was able to demonstrate this in a more concrete form when on Friday, 8th November, Mr. and Mrs. Whitehouse fulfilled one of their last official engagements as Guests of Honour at the Society's Annual Dinner and Dance.

Our congratulations to Mr. D.K. Sharman, J.P., on his election as High Bailiff.

On the lighter side - a Denial

There is no truth in the rumour that Joe Green was not cast for tonight's play because of his self-confessed habit of learning his lines whilst waiting in the wings on each production night!!

And finally (figuratively)

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Since 1955 nearly 25 full length productions have been mounted - the figure is nearer 40 when the one-act plays are included. Most of the people mentioned earlier have been involved with every production in some way or other. Quite a record !!

OFFICIALS and COMMITTEE of the SOCIETY

Chairman: Hugh Davies Hon.Sec: Jackie Boardman

Hon. Tre: Ron Boroughs Business

Wardrobe: Margaret Auckland Manager: Sheila Davies Scenery: Vic Oliver Com. Mbrs: Beryl Butler,

Alan Butler, Ann Cutler, Howard Terry, Joe Green

Our thanks are due to the continuing support of the Audience Members. Sheila Davies will be pleased to enrol any of you who may wish to join this scheme.