



President ~ Sir Derek Jacobi

## Newsletter – February 2024

**Hi!** The committee has been busy in the last couple of months – here's an update of what to look forward to in 2024 – including the 120<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of the Club!

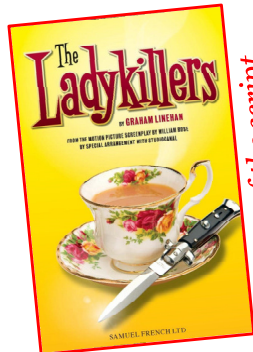


### New year – new membership season

Hopefully, you have now received the annual request for your membership renewal fee. We ask for renewal monies to be sent before the end of January ideally, but if you have yet to action yours – we are happy to receive them! Please also ensure we have correct contact details for you (by completing the form either online or by paper) so you can be sure to get all the latest club information first. See website homepage for instructions.

### 120<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION – 15 March 2024

You should also have received an invitation to the gala dinner that we are arranging to mark the origin of the Marlborough back in 1904. On 15 March, from 6:45pm, we will be gathering at the **Mount Avenue Banqueting Suite (CM13 2NS)** near Shenfield Station ready for an evening of food and entertainment, with a glass of fizz thrown in by the Club. Please **book by 23 February**. Tickets are **£40** each and you find all the details on how to secure your space on our website – linked from the homepage. All welcome!



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### Spring Production: **The Ladykillers** - postponed

You may have gathered that our plan to perform Graham Linehan's play, has had to be re-scheduled yet again. We were unable to fully cast it this Spring and we anticipated issues with constructing our set, which whilst ready to go, will need extra people with carpentry skills to build on the stage (know anyone who can help?) We made the difficult decision to postpone the play, but – read on for some positive news...

### SPRING PRODUCTION 2024 – 'Visiting Hour' 11-13 April

With June Fitzgerald in place as director, the Club will be producing Richard Harris' play in our usual home – Brentwood School. A very well-attended audition was held in early January, and we now have a full cast for this show which comprises six interlinked plays. Set in an NHS hospital during visiting hour, each playlet contains elements of tragedy and comedy. Keep checking our website for updates on when you can book any additional tickets and remember – each full club member has one ticket included as a benefit.



### Autumn 2023

#### Quiz Evening

Thank you for helping us to raise £263 towards our next production.

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