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# Dad's Army

Classic Comedy by Jimmy Perry &

**David Croft** 

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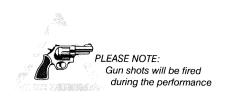
Renee Bartlett

Front-of-House Personnel

& Stage Crew Members of the Little Theatre

#### We acknowledge the invaluable help we have received from:-

Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council; the Staff of the Princess Royal Theatre; our Patrons; Sabre Militaria (Southsea); Compton Players (Newbury); Ace Costumiers; Mr Dennis Parsons; Mr Arthur Rees (Port Talbot Historical Society); Jennifer Rees; Thomas Butler; Gethin Williams; Bill Adams; Pam & Martyn Jones; Neath Little Theatre





GERMANS

### SYNOPSIS

The action of the play follows three episodes of the classic television series *Dad's Army* and also includes the *Floral Dance* sketch which was performed on stage as part of the Dad's Army production at the Shaftesbury Theatre, London.

In **The Deadly Attachment** it is 1940 and the members of the Walmington-on-Sea Home Guard come face-to-face with the enemy when a group of German submariners become their prisoners. Will Captain Mainwaring and his crew keep the upper hand or will their prisoners turn the tables?

In **Mum's Army** Captain Mainwaring decides that the platoon could do with the assistance of some of the female residents of Walmington-on-Sea and looks to the men to find him suitable recruits. However, little does he realise the effect that one of the new recruits will have on him.

The **Godiva Affair** finds the residents of Walmington-on-Sea attempting to raise money to buy a Spitfire through a week-long festival and procession. The platoon are secretly practising Morris Dancing whilst Mr Hodges and the Town Clerk are planning a rather more risque contribution to the event. All is not well though for Lance Corporal Jones, whose love life begins to cause him and his long suffering Captain more than a little trouble.

The **Floral Dance** finds the rivalry between Captain Mainwaring and Mr Hodges in full flood as they vie to command the residents of Walmington-on-Sea as they prepare to give a performance for the benefit of wounded soldiers

#### CAST

Captain Mainwaring ... John Jones Sergeant Wilson Ken Rees Lance Corporal Jones Mike Sheppard Private Frazer **Lawrie Evans** Private Walker **Daniel Iones** Private Godfrey **Howard Davies** Private Pike **Aaron Matthews** Chief Warden Hodges **Hugh Jarrett** Vicar **Martin Wodehouse** Mr Yeatman, the Verger **David Hughes** Mrs Pike **Ivy Thompson** Mrs Fox ... Avis lenkins **Private Sponge Ron Constant** Private Hancock **David Scott** Private Desmond Ron Jarrett

# Additional Characters in . . . THE DEADLY ATTACHMENT

U-Boat Captain ... James Evans
Colonel ... John Adams
German Submariners ... Alan Jones, Drew John,
Ken Tucker, Marc Jones,
Martin Wodehouse,
Diane Boyd, Ian Rees

#### **MUM'S ARMY**

Mrs Gray ... ... Janet Jarrett
Edith Parish ... ... Zakhyia Begum
Miss Ironside ... ... Diane Boyd

Ivy Samways...Rachel MackrillWaitress...Pat KerrPorter......James EvansCouple at the Station...David Hughes,<br/>Renee Bartlett

#### THE GODIVA AFFAIR

Private Cheeseman ... David Hughes
Mr Gordon, the Town Clerk
Private Day ... David Scott
Mr Hodges ... Dan Jones
Waitress ... Pat Kerr
Girls at the Audition ... Diane Boyd,
Katherine Headon,
Rachel Mackrill

#### THE FLORAL DANCE

Mr Waters, the Pianist ... Gary Waters Mrs Hart ... Katherine Headon Ladies ... Zakhyia Begum, Renee Bartlett, Jean Mulcahy, Pat Kerr **ARP Wardens** Marc Jones, Drew John, Alan Jones, John Adams, Ian Rees, Elizabeth Mackrill, Ken Tucker, Janet Jarrett, Diane Boyd, Rachel Mackrill

There will be a 15 minute Interval during which the Riverside Bar will be open. You can pre-order Interval Drinks before the Play commences.

#### **Director's Notes**

Welcome to Walmington-on-Sea in the company of all your old favourites. 'Stupid Boy' Pike, 'Don't panic, don't panic' Jonesey, 'Doomed, we're all doomed' Frazer, 'May I be excused' Godfrey and all under the command of the redoubtable Captain Mainwaring and the self-effacing Sergeant Wilson.

The object of the exercise tonight is to join in the shenanigans and have fun. There are several fast changes of costume and to cover this you will be entertained by the Port Talbot Little Theatre Concert Party. We hope this will add to your evening's enjoyment and of course you will be expected **TO JOIN IN!** 

As you can see from the cast list, like Topsy we just 'growed and growed.' We extend our warmest welcome to our new members and hope that they will remain with us for many years. My grateful thanks, as always, to the cast and crew for their hard work, dedication, loyalty and support.

Carol Scott

## The Society is saddened to note the passing of **Harold Salisbury**

long-time member and Stage Manager, and first recipient of the Dr Frederick Award. We extend our condolences to all his family and friends.

#### NO PRIZES —

but do you know where the cover photo was taken? It's somewhere in Glamorgan!

Find out more about Port Talbot Little Theatre:www.ptlt.org.uk — or ask any Front-of-House Personnel



