



STOKE-ON-TRENT REPERTORY THEATRE
College Road, Shelton, Stoke-on-Trent.
Box Office: Stoke-on-Trent 44784

1981 — 1982 Season



Habeas Corpus

by
Alan Bennett



Restaurant
325, Hartshill Road
Stoke-on-Trent
Tel: 0782 634925

*The perfect place to dine
after the play*

Open seven days a week, twelve till midnight

Serving:

- Starters
- 14 Different Hamburger Dishes
- Steaks
- Pastas
- Daily Specialities
- Desserts

- Apéritifs
- Coffee
- Liqueurs

from

The Hollywood Bars

also at



Restaurant
94, High Street
Tunstall, Stoke-on-Trent
Tel: 0782 810663



Restaurant
18, Hospital Street
Nantwich, Cheshire
Tel: 0270 627016



Restaurant and Wine Bar
Greyfriars
Stafford
Tel: 0785 40091

Habeas Corpus

by
Alan Bennett

January 26th — February 6th, 1982

Alan Bennett was born in 1934. He was one of the founder members of his satirical revue 'Beyond The Fringe'. His plays include two elegiac comedies about the decline of old England, 'Forty Years On' (1968) and 'Getting On' (1971), and this fast-moving but densely plotted farce 'Habeas Corpus' which was written in 1973.

'Habeas Corpus' was first presented at the Lyric Theatre on 10th May 1973. The cast included Alec Guinness as Arthur Wicksteed, Patricia Hayes as Mrs. Swabb and Andrew ('Manuel') Sachs as Mr. Shanks.

OBITUARY ALAN SWANN

It is with sadness that we record the death in October, 1981 of Alan Swann who was one of the Repertory Theatre's longest serving members.

Although Alan was a non-acting member, he had an unflagging interest in the administrative and business side of the Theatre. He was the Theatre's first House Manager and held the post for many years. He was later elected as Treasurer of the Theatre and more recently held the position of Treasurer to the Social Committee.

Alan will be greatly missed at the Theatre and the Repertory Players would like to extend their condolences to his family.



PROGRAMME CHANGE

We regret that, due to circumstances beyond our control, we shall be unable to present the advertised production of *Salad Days* by Dorothy Reynolds and Julian Slade.

However, details of our next production can be found on the inside back page of this programme.



Habeas Corpus

by Alan Bennett

CAST

Arthur Wicksteed JOHN WALLEY
Muriel Wicksteed LINDSAY JANE KENNERELL
Mrs. Swabb JACKIE CLARKE
Dennis Wicksteed KELVIN HALL
Constance Wicksteed MADELEINE POTTINGER
Canon Throbbing GEORGE GOODALL
Lady Rumpers SUZANNE DAVIES
Felicity Rumpers ANTHEA TURNER
Mr. Shanks DEREK LANGSTON
Sir Percy Shorter TREVOR BARLOW
Mr. Purdue LOUIS SASSI

*Directed by Mary Bartholomew
Setting designed by Siân Davies*

The action takes place in and around the Wicksteeds' house in Hove.

Time: Mid-Sixties

PRODUCTION CREDITS

Stage Manager SIÂN DAVIES
Assistant Stage Managers HUMPHREY KENNERELL
TINA RICHARDSON
and STEVE BROTHWELL
BILL HANCOCK
JUNE HODSON
SUE THOMPSON
Properties ALISON TOWNSEND
NORMA ROGERS
Wardrobe Mistress SANDY HOLLAND
Sound EDWIN DUTTON
Lighting TINA RICHARDSON

Dances arranged by GREG WALKER

*Programme designed and edited by Simon J. Meadon
and printed by Panda Press of Stone.*

Car Park

The part of Beresford Street between St. Jude's Church and the schools may be used for parking, but please ensure that cars do not obstruct the entrance to the Vicarage.
No responsibility is accepted by the Repertory Theatre. No charge is made for parking.

Refreshments

Confectionery is always on sale and coffee will be served during the interval. Coffee tickets available from the attendants.

Smoking is permitted during the intervals only.

Smokers Please Note:

A new carpet has been fitted in the auditorium. Please use the ashtrays provided. Smokers on the front row should ask an attendant for an ashtray.

A Special Edition of a Print by Anthony Forster

'THE LAMPLIGHTER'



The entire proceeds from the sale of this special print are to aid in local projects and research specifically to benefit local people.

Access for the Disabled and Research into Multiple Sclerosis.

Available from the publishers at:

HOOD AND BROOMFIELD LYME GALLERIES
1 CHETWYND STREET, WOLSTANTON, NEWCASTLE, STAFFORDSHIRE
Telephone 626859

**SUPERB
VALUE**
£4 each

Our next production
March 23rd — April 3rd, 1982

**TONIGHT
AT
8.30**

**An evening with
Noël Coward**

Two One-Act Plays
'Still Life'
and
'Fumed Oak'



OUR FAIR LADY IS A HIGHLY POLISHED PERFORMANCE TOO.

Royal Doulton figures, together with a host of beautiful giftware, tableware and crystal are available from your local branch of

Lawleys

The China and Glass specialists.

54 IRONMARKET, NEWCASTLE,

STAFFS. TEL : 0782 611458

AND IN MOST MAJOR TOWNS

AND CITIES

THROUGHOUT THE UK.



*'FAIR LADY' FROM THE ROYAL
DOULTON FIGURES COLLECTION*