

## Welcome

**Hello**, and greetings once more from your committee with updates from recent summer events, and Egerton Players' plans for later this year! Coming up: news of the Music Hall Evening this November, and early ideas for the festive season.

### But First This . . . *Once Upon a Wizard of Oz*

Yes, remember that dim and distant extravaganza with Toto the talking dog, dreary Dot and her dozy doppelganger, and our very own tribute to the Village People? If not, you don't know what you've been missing (for a whole four years – ed.) Well, now you can relive the cheesy jokes, rampant sexual innuendo and lacklustre audience participation! For one night only, we'll be showing the International (and only) Premiere of the DVD, complete with special effects and bring-your-own popcorn! The date for your diaries is **Friday 23 October**, at 7pm in Egerton Millennium Village Hall. Usual rules apply – no dress code, no shenanigans in the back row, no drink or grub unless you bring your own! Genuine original copies will also be available for sale at £5 per disc; please let the secretary know if you would like to pre-order a copy: [secretary@egertonplayers.com](mailto:secretary@egertonplayers.com)



**Money Matters:** Our finances are in robust health with total funds currently **£4756.88**. This means we can confidently underwrite the costs of planned future productions, and invest in assets to support these where required. The June Quiz netted close to £380, contributing to the previous figure, while providing a great opportunity to socialise, and promote our group between productions. Many thanks to Neil and his family for organising and running it.

### Egerton Village Fête 2015

Thanks to all of you who visited us at The Egerton Village Fête on 4 July, where volunteers bravely endured good-humoured humiliation and wholesale ridicule – not to mention bruised backsides and walloped heads, courtesy of the '*Tip The Lady Out Of Bed*' attraction. Oh how we suffer for our art ....

### Coming Soon



#### Music Hall Evening

Planning for this production is now at an advanced stage, and we are ready to begin rehearsals at the start of September. Can we remind you that the production dates are **Friday 27** and **Saturday 28 November**. More news of progress, with details of ticket prices and availability (online and in-person) will be published soon. Volunteers are still very welcome to join this production, especially to assist backstage and looking after our audiences. Please contact the secretary for more information: [secretary@egertonplayers.com](mailto:secretary@egertonplayers.com).

**Singing Workshops:** We hope to have more dates available for budding soloists, to run alongside the Musical Hall Evening rehearsal schedule. More information will be sent out by email, and published on the group website, as soon as these have been arranged. Please feel free to contact Elaine Graham for information: [elainedgraham@btinternet.com](mailto:elainedgraham@btinternet.com)



#### Yuletide Yearnings

There are, at the time of writing, just 121 shopping days until Christmas is once again upon us! So – come and join us for the **2015 Egerton Players' Christmas Party**. Plans are underway for a **Saturday in December**; we expect to give full details in the next newsletter. Entry by invitation only: these will be sent by email in November. **Monday 14 Dec.** is carol singing time: entertaining Egerton from the back of a tractor. Again, full details will follow in a later newsletter.