



Manx Amateur  
Drama Federation

Festival of  
One-Act Plays

Adjudicator  
Billy Burns MBE

**Friday February 22nd 2002**

**Arbory Players  
Conscience Stricken  
By Neil Fitton**

**15 minute interval**

**Castle Rushen  
To Thine Own Self be True  
written by themselves**

**15 minute interval**

**Manx Youth Theatre  
Backstage Broadway  
by Bradley Hayward**

**5 minute interval**

**Adjudication by Billy Burns MBE**

**Please remain in your seats during the  
shorter intervals**

**Saturday February 23rd 2002**

**Arbory Players  
In Need of Care  
by David E. Rowley**

**15 minute interval**

**Legion Players  
Alas Poor Geoffrey  
by Alistair Faulkner**

**5 minute interval**

**Adjudication by Billy Burns MBE**

**Short interval**

**Prize Presentation**

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## One Act Festival

Each team has a maximum of 10 minutes to set their stage before their play and must clear the acting area within 5 minutes after their play.

Because of the confines of the Arts Centre, the main fire doors in the auditorium may be opened during the intervals to allow the teams to move their larger items out of the Centre.

At the end of each evening, the adjudicator, Billy Burns MBE from Northern Ireland, will adjudicate the evening's plays. After Saturday's adjudication, there will be a brief interval followed by the prize presentation.

### Prizes to be awarded

MADF Rosebowl for the best play

Simon Cain Trophy for the best director

Jean Webb Trophy for the best female performance

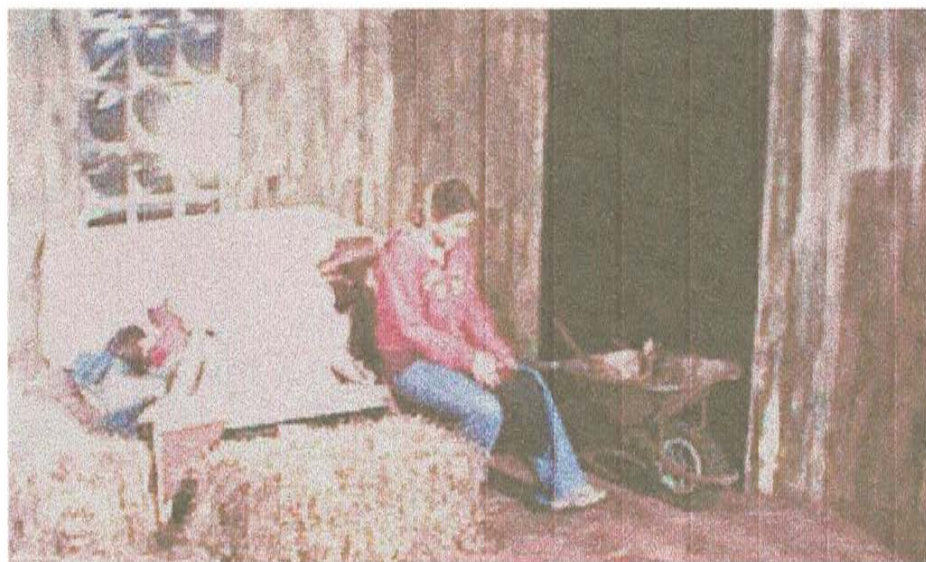
Mark Clift Trophy for the best male performance

Daphne Clark Memorial Trophy  
for the Adjudicators award

Cyril Spencer Memorial Trophy  
for the best under junior (under 21) performance.

Best Supporting Role

**The Arbory Players Present:**



# **"In Need of Care"**

**A play by  
David E. Rowley**

## The Play

The action takes place in a semi-derelict barn on Jeff's father's farm, a few miles outside the sleepy little village of Frampton. Dawn is breaking on a Saturday morning in early spring. It is set some years in the past, but things do not change much around here.

### The Cast, in order of appearance.

Shirley: Kimberley Manktelow

Rita: Nicola Hamlett

Nobby: Jason Moore

Jeff: Andrew Pickett

All the characters are teenagers of about thirteen or fourteen years of age.

Director: Carole Bridson.

# The Actors

## Kimberley Manktelow: >

This is Kimberley's first appearance with us. She happened to wander into a play-reading to return a key borrowed by the Young Farmers, was introduced to the Players, and made the mistake (?) of admitting that she liked drama. Of accidents like this are Hollywood careers born!



## < Nicola Hamlett:

Nicola first appeared for us as a cat in a Pantomime. That was some years ago. Unfortunately we have been without her company since. So this is a very welcome return to our ranks.

## Jason Moore: >

This is Jason's second appearance with the Arbory Players, his first being as a young curate in "Outward Bound". That was a very different part from what is being asked of him this evening. But "Variety is the Spice of Life", or so they say - there is certainly plenty of spice for him in this production!



## < Andrew Pickett:

Andrew is also returning for a very-welcome second appearance on stage with us, and for this we should also thank his family, who have provided the transport to bring him from his home in Laxey for the numerous rehearsals as well as performances. In fact, his first association with us was as a guide for a "Murder Mystery Evening" at the Nunnery ... There are many doors into our "fold"!



# The Arbory Players

With this production the Arbory Players have come "full circle", for we began life in 1971 as an off-shoot of the Moonshiners Youth Group. That was with the one act light-comedy "*This Desirable Cottage*," which marked the first occasion that the Arbory Parish Hall had ever seen the use of either scenery flats or theatrical lighting - all home made! Now it is our youth section who represent us.

The Players are a versatile and friendly organisation. We have taken part in this annual Festival several times in the past, and learnt much in the process. The Group has even represented the Island across in England. Our members normally stage one or two three-act plays each year in the Arbory Parish Hall ... We are now in the early stages of preparing the pantomime "**The Changeling Princess**" for production next Christmas. In addition there are play readings held during the summer, and we have now-annual "*Dinner and Drama*" evenings in cooperation with the Colby Glen Hotel.

Our latest venture is the production of some very successful, specially written "MURDER MYSTERY EVENINGS" at various locations. If you belong to, or know of, an organisation who might enjoy such a social activity (lasting about 4 hours), including plenty of wine and food, then give Diane Brown a call on 823395, and we would be very pleased to arrange one for you.