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Although the summer weather has not been particularly 'summery' on occasion, we hope that you had a chance to get out and enjoy the beautiful countryside or jet-set it away to relax in warmer climes!

Following the EGM in May, Tavonians committee members have been beavering away, and our application for Charitable Status has been submitted to the Charities Commission. We await formal notification of our new status as a registered charity in due course.

Much work has also been done on our plans for productions over the next year, and there are many exciting proposals up for consideration, as well as our ongoing social diary of events.

We would like to thank you for your support, and very much look forward to seeing you again over the coming season.

## Cheshire Cats **strut their stuff** **Autumn 2017**

Tavonians are back on the road touring in October/November with the moving and emotional comedy play, Cheshire Cats by Gail Young.

Camaraderie, frayed relationships and blisters are to be expected when a team of women from Cheshire decide to speedwalk their way to fundraising success in the London Moonwalk. Along the way, this cleverly crafted comedy will not only have you laughing out loud, but also feeling the deep emotion associated with the Moonwalk's aim which is to raise money for breast cancer.

In decorated bras and posh new trainers, the girls are up for the challenge - but when one of the team can't make it, the new member of the team doesn't quite meet the physical criteria!

Launched at the Edinburgh Fringe, *The Scotsman* wrote that this was 'A genuinely funny and even touching ensemble piece'.

Our very own Cheshire Cats will be raising funds for St Luke's Hospice from audience donations at each performance venue.

Tickets will be on sale from 1st October online, from Tavonians Box Office and from local outlets.



Tavonians Theatre Company  
**Cheshire Cats**  
a comedy by Gail Young

Callington PrimRaf Theatre  
Mon 30 Oct Kivells, Fore Street  
Lydford Nicholls Hall  
Wed 1 Nov Castle Inn, Farm Shop  
Meavy Parish Hall  
Thur 2 Nov Royal Oak  
Bere Alston Parish Hall  
Fri 3 Nov Premier Stores  
Upton Cross Sterts Theatre  
Thur 9 Nov 01579 362382  
www.sterts.co.uk  
Tavistock Town Hall  
Fri 10 Nov St.Luke's charity shop  
Okehampton Charter Hall  
Sat 11 Nov Donalds Menswear  
Tavistock The Wharf  
Wed 15 Nov 01822 611166  
tavistockwharf.com

All performances at 7.30pm  
Tickets £10  
from local ticket outlets,  
on the door, or online.  
Tickets for Sterts and The Wharf  
available from their box offices only.

Raising funds for  
**St Luke's**  
Hospice Plymouth  
This unique production of Cheshire Cats is  
presented by special arrangement with  
Sandra French Ltd

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Mon 30 Oct - PrimRaf Theatre, Callington

Wed 1 Nov - Nicholls Hall, Lydford

Thurs 2 Nov - Parish Hall Meavy

Fri 3 Nov - Parish Hall Bere Alston

Thurs 9 Nov - Sterts Theatre, Upton Cross

Fri 10 Nov - Tavistock Town Hall

Sat 11 Nov - Charter Hall Okehampton

Wed 15 Nov - Tavistock Wharf

All performances commence at 7.30pm

\* Tickets for Sterts and The Wharf are available from their box offices only.

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## Spring 2018

Plans are well underway for our Spring production:

### The Thrill of Love by Amanda Whittington

A tale of love and passion, this gripping play dramatises the true story of Ruth Ellis, the last woman to be hanged in Britain. A divorcee with a young child to care for, Ruth Ellis works in the kind of 1950s nightclubs where there's more

than just a drink on offer. The girls work hard, play hard and dream of a movie-star life.

Ruth meets David - a wealthy, womanising racing driver, with whom she becomes obsessed. But when he is murdered, Ruth does not plead guilty - but also offers no defence. Why? And who is she trying to protect?

We take a fresh look at the woman behind the headlines.

On tour from Saturday 24th February until Saturday 10th March 2018.

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## **SOCIAL DIARY**

A number of Social Events are being planned for 2017 and 2018, including playreadings, Christmas Party and another Pub Quiz Night.

### **PLAYREADINGS:**

#### **Wed, 6th September - Talking Heads/Office Suite by Alan Bennett**

These ever popular monologues and duologues are being considered for a special event outside our usual performance dates of Autumn and Spring. More details to follow in our next newsletter, but in the meantime, come along to read what are now classic plays by a master playwright.

This playreading will be held at 7.30pm at The Tavistock Enterprise Hub, Elbow Lane, Tavistock (Boardroom - 3rd Floor).

Elbow Lane is nestled between Clinton Cards and Continental Fruits and runs up from Brook Street to Old Exeter Road. The Hub's front door is the second on the right, often hidden behind parked cars.

#### **Wed, 4th October - The Thrill of Love by Amanda Whittington**

A sneak preview of our Spring Production, the details of which are above.

All playreadings are open to members, and those considering membership of Tavonians only. They are not open to the general public. Thank you.



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