



1934 - 2026 | Clubrooms: 6-8 Castle Hill Richmond North Yorkshire DL10 4QP

Current and Future Productions

Summer 2026 23 - 25 July and 29 July - 1 August | **The Tempest**

by William Shakespeare | Directed by Beki Stevenson

Sedgefield Festival 2026 7 - 12 September | **Check Please**

by Jonathan Rand | Directed by Chloe Reid | and **To be, or not to bother?**

by David Tristram | Directed by Anthony Monarch

Autumn 2026 5 - 7 November | **The Cavern**

by Jean Anouilh | Directed by Gregan Davis



RADS Social Events

Monday 11th May - Read-through / Auditions for Sedgefield (7-12 Sept 2026)

Our entry this year will be *Check Please* by Jonathan Rand, directed by Chloe Reid. An episodic comedy about dating, with a Girl and a Guy, and multiple dates played by the other two cast members. Audition and character info is on the RADS website [Member's Info](#) page. Should be fun! Please [email Chloe](#) for alternative dates if you can't attend on this date.

Monday 8th June - RADS AGM

Notices and documentation will be sent out nearer the date.

Monday 13th July - The Cavern read-through

Our Autumn 2026 production is *The Cavern* by Jean Anouilh, a very different play indeed from Spring 2025's *Antigone*. Gregan Davis will host a read-through and attempt to explain the play and his vision for it. Audition info will follow at a later date.

Monday 10th August - No Club Night

Monday 14th September - Treasure Hunt

Details to follow nearer the time!

Clarice Grimshaw

We are sad to announce the passing of Clarice Grimshaw. Clarice was very active in the society in the 80's, 90's and early 2000's.

She appeared in plays, directed plays, worked backstage and was a dedicated committee member serving as chair and president. We remember her with affection.

Warnock Kerr, President

Heavy Polythene Wanted

Our lovely costume team are currently rationalising our wardrobe and moving some items into remote storage. To help protect these costumes, Georgie Sale is asking if anyone has any large sheets of heavy polythene spare, could they bring them to the Club Rooms for her. The wrapping from e.g. a new mattress would be ideal!

The Tempest - Cast Announced

After a strong set of auditions, Beki is pleased to announce the following cast and crew (below). She is also still looking for a prompt, a flyman and one or more people to be in the control box - please contact her direct or through any committee member.

Prospero	Mike Walker
Ariel	Eleanor Harland
Miranda	Chloe Reid
Ferdinand	Archie Amery
Alonzo	Alan Paine
Gonzalo	Charlie Grumbley
Antonio	Sarah Webber
Sebastian	Jennifer Roberts
Caliban	Dan Westgarth
Trinculo	Aaron Harland
Stephano	Gary Winn
Iris / Boatswain	Suzie Merritt
Ceres	Julie Winn
Juno	Carole White
Director	Beki Stevenson
Stage Manager	Alex Caffery
Props	Beki Stevenson
Set	Bryn Turner
Lighting Design	Tony Wilcock
Costume	Georgie Sale & Team
Music	Mike Walker
Backstage Crew	Debbie Bowman, Coral Lincoln

Another Play for Sedgefield!

We are delighted to announce that another of our members, Anthony Monarch, will be making his directorial debut at Sedgefield this year with a new play featuring David Tristram's Little Grimley Players '*To be, or not to bother?*', a tragical comedy featuring the same characters who we last saw in '*Strictly Sex Factor (on Ice)*' in 2023.

Anthony will be holding a read-through and auditions on Thursday May 14th at 7:30pm. The cast is two women, two men and we are reliably informed there is little Shakespearean dialogue and little to no ice-skating!

"Little Grimley's Amateur Dramatic Society decides to tackle Shakespeare. The world's greatest playwright. The world's worst amateur dramatic society. What could possibly go wrong?"

Chair's Corner

Hello everyone, May is upon us and another RADS year is flying by!

I wish to start this month's Chair's Corner with an update to you all that Max Walker has unfortunately had to step down from his role as Chair and on the Committee, and I want to extend my thanks to him for his time and efforts for all the years he has been a part of the Committee. As Vice-Chair, I now step into the role and am honoured to do so for this wonderful society.

I hope you all manage/managed to come along to see our *Robin Hood* performance? It's a great tradition that we are involved in, and thanks once again to Gill Page for helping pull the merry group of players together once more! Same time next year?!

In other news, Beki has cast *The Tempest* and is super happy with who she has under her stewardship, I do hope you all have a brilliant time pulling this play together over the coming months. There are various backstage roles she is looking for, so please reach out if you are available to help.

We also will be putting at least one play into Sedgefield this year so make sure you look out for updates on that, including this month's clubnight being led by Chloe. Don't forget to check out the recent podcast too, detailing all things '*Check Please*', on YouTube and also now on Spotify! Episode 10 '[Nervous Energy](#)'

Finally, if any RADS directors have a yearning to put any plays on next year, we do currently potentially have a couple of free slots we are looking to fill so please reach out to me or anyone else from the Committee with any play proposals for us to consider.

Looking forward to seeing you all at next month's AGM.

Scott Fenney

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