### **About ChorIton Players...**

We are a community theatre group established in 1963. We put on five productions a season, including our pantomime in the New Year and a comedy revue. Our low-ticket prices reflect the fact that we are a not for profit group. We meet and rehearse at The Spread Eagle every Monday and Wednesday evening and we always welcome new members. You don't need any experience and it is not all about the acting. We are always in need of all the other talents it takes to put on productions: backstage, costumes, front of house, set building, audio-visuals, make-up, advertising etc.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN US? If you are interested in joining Chorlton Players just go to our website: <a href="www.chorltonplayers.co.uk">www.chorltonplayers.co.uk</a> and email our membership secretary for further information at <a href="mailto:enquiries@chorltonplayers.com">enquiries@chorltonplayers.com</a>, come along to one of our rehearsals, or come and chat to us after this performance.

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## Choriton layers

# Present A comedy by Alan Ayckbourn



17th -19th October 2019 Curtain up 7.30pm

St Werburgh's Hall, St Werburgh's Road, Chorlton, M21 0TL £7 Adults £4 Concessions

www.chorltonplayers.com

### Welcome to Comic Potential!

I chose this play because it is clever and thought-provoking, whilst also being funny! Written twenty years ago (happy anniversary), and at the time based in the 'near future,' it's interesting to note where Alan Ayckbourn thought we would be, compared to where we are (for example, in his original script, there were no mobile phones – you may notice the upgrade - yet there were robot actors!).

A play with a good mix of female and male roles was important to me. So many plays are gender imbalanced so finding this one with an equal split was not easy (future playwrights, take note)! Coupled with the fact I wanted a large cast, as with a 40-strong membership and new starters too, I wanted to get as many people involved as possible. Our group is all about the people (as well as the production of the highest quality shows, accessible to all), but it's not always easy to find opportunities for so many! Everyone, both on and off stage, has worked their socks off and I hope you enjoy watching this show, as much as we have enjoyed putting it together.

Thanks for being here,

Laura Kelly Director Jacie 333 Maili Lavin-Bailey
Adam Trainsmith Charlie De Santis
Chandler (Chance) Andy O'Brien
Prim Spring Jess Taylor
Carla Pepperbloom Emma Thompson

V Lynch-Mathew Trudi Floote **Rohan Shenoy** Marmion/Waiter Mother/Mother Farmer Liz McDowall Doctor/Father Farmer **Tony Morgan** Brian Candeland Lester Trainsmith Alex/Waitress/shop assistant **Emily Starkie** Prostitute/Hotel receptionist Jean Hall Posh woman/Technician Chloe Reeley Posh man/Turkey Paul Bluer

#### **CREW**

Director Laura Kelly
Producer Juliet Ashton
Stage Manager Rob Hall

Stage Crew Simon Parkin, Tom Patchett, Louise

Derby, Lee Threlkeld and helpers

Props Heather Lee

Costume Jean Hall, Liz Walmsley

Technical Manager Annie Wallace Lighting and sound Adam Ion

Publicity Stephen Lewyckyj

Front of House Darren Evans and helpers

Photography Barry Pritchard

Finally, a big thank you to all the members and friends of Chorlton Players who have helped along the way.