As usual East Bridgford Drama Group would like to thank:

Frank Smith, Landlord at the Royal Oak and Geordie of the Greyhound, Aslockton for providing our rehearsal facilities.

East Bridgford News and East Bridgford Post Office for selling tickets, also members and friends of the group who have kindly loaned furniture, props, and costumes, not forgetting all those who have helped with the set build and serving refreshments.

Special thanks to Clive Holland of Radcliffe -on -Trent Drama Group for help with the special effects.

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#### Would you like to join us?

We are always in need of new members to act or to work backstage. As you can imagine there are numerous jobs that take a variety of skills for each production and there is always someone to teach any inexperienced person, all you need is enthusiasm, we were all new once! Don't just watch the telly,

get involved in live theatre! If you would like to join the group please ring our secretary, Michael Clarke, on: 01949 20682 or ask any member of the group.

#### **Next Production**

#### 18th-22nd November 2003

Don't bother with the Bull or the Boar's Head, round off your evening, visit the Royal Oak, East Bridgford. The group recommend it's friendly atmosphere.

Why not take a few steps down the road to St Peter's? East Bridgford's 13th Century church.

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Why not pay a visit? You will be warmly welcomed.





## East Bridgford Drama Group

Presents



A Farce By Alan Ayekbourn

Tuesday 13th - Saturday 17th May 2003

# Taking Steps

by Alan Ayckbourn

## Cast

Elizabeth Sarah Taylor

Mark Michael Clarke

Tristram Mick Quinn

Roland Len Jackson

Leslie Jeff Casterton

Kitty Jean Starbuck

## Produced and Directed by

## David Darby

The action takes place in *The Pines*: the attic, the bedroom, the lounge and the linking stairs and passageways

Act 1: Friday Night.

Interval

Act 2: Saturday Morning.

### **Production Team**

Prompter Ruth Casterton

Set Design/Set Build Director Peter Salter

Lighting Design Jeremy Rowe

Lighting/Sound Kate Thornburrow

Props Molly Wood

Stage Manager Valerie Allen/Molly Wood

Front of House Reg Bee

Ticket Sales Alan Haydock

Refreshment Manager Sandy Hall

### Tonight's Cast

Sarah Taylor. A very accomplished actress, dividing her talents between us and Radcliffe Drama Group. East Bridgford audiences will remember her last summer as the cheating wife in 'Murder by Misadventure.' Last autumn she starred at Radcliffe as the horrendous Beverley in 'Abigail's Party'.

Michael Clarke. Michael is a very versatile and longstanding member of the group, equally at home as Baines the Butler in 'Lord Arthur Savile's Crime' or Rev. Lionel Toop in 'Pools Paradise'.

Tonight he gives us Mark Boxer from his 'hapless' collection! Don't nod off!

Mick Quinn. Pressure of work sadly keeps Mick away from our stage but he did manage Mr Podgers (the palm-reader) in 'Lord Arthur Savile's Crime' quite recently. Tonight there is a prize to anyone who can understand a word he says — but take care — to understand may mean you need help.

Len Jackson. Len is a seasoned player of many years experience. Last summer he played the lead role in the thriller 'Murder by Misadventure'. Tonight he is Roland, big in buckets—the real McKay—some people say McCoy—but he says McKay!

**Jeff Casterton.** Since joining us in 1999, Jeff and his wife Ruth have become invaluable members both on stage and off. Jeff's skill as an actor is self evident, as he shows tonight, playing the obsequious Les Bainbridge.

Jean Starbuck. East Bridgford audiences know Jean well. Always delighting us with such a variety of roles, tonight she is the forlorn Kitty. I fancy Jean is the Dustin Hoffman of the group capable of tackling anything from a tortoise high on lettuce to the Empress of China!