

All set for Ayckbourn

WITH a change of season comes a change of theatrical direction for a Moorlands amateur drama group. Longsdon Amateur Dramatic Society (LADS) last November took a walk with Shakespeare in an accessible and enjoyable rendition of *The Merry Wives Of Windsor*. The production was a challenging one, to say the least, but was executed with all the professionalism audiences have come to expect from the group. With a huge cast of 23 employed, *Merry Wives* also proved to be a real family affair with two real-life husband and wife combinations, and a number of fathers, sons and grandsons all playing alongside one another with, of course, other stalwarts familiar to the Longsdon stage.

Now, with a 'spring' in its step, LADS has decided on another diverse change of theatrical direction for the scheduled March production. The society has announced it will be turning to the most prolific British playwright of modern times for its next show by presenting *Table Manners* by Alan Ayckbourn from Wednesday, March 16, until Saturday, March 19, at Longsdon Memorial Hall.



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This play is part of the trilogy under the heading the *Norman Conquests* which includes *Round And Round The Garden*, a previously very successful production for LADS. As well as using the normal ticket outlets and telephone bookings 01538 373212 or 01782 503969, LADS are now on line for bookings and further information on its website at www.longsdonlads.org.uk



Challenging itself further, the society has announced it will be turning its hands to an Alan Ayckbourn offering for the spring show