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For every stage

SE REGIONAL NEWSLETTER

JULY 2026



Welcome to the Summer 2026 edition of the SE Regional Newsletter. What a fantastic start to the year it has been. I've seen some truly amazing shows and looking forward to seeing the autumn productions and pantos. On the Committee we have seen a few changes. Pauline Catterall has stepped down as Secretary and I'd like to thank her enormously for her help and support during my first year in this position. Eleanor Bradbury has stepped into the role and we welcome her with great enthusiasm. A full list of Committee personnel will be listed later.



## CELEBRATION DAY 2026 – ALTON, 31 MAY 2026

We were delighted to have the NODA National President, Kay Rowan at our Celebration Day where we celebrate our achievements during 2025. We have a short AGM and then the awards presentations and also some entertainment provided by various groups. Thanks to all the groups who attended, supported, performed and specially to AODS for their massive contribution in the success of the day. Put 6 June in your diary for next year when we do the whole thing again!



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As mentioned earlier, here's a list of Regional Committee members for the South East.

| Name             | Role(s)                                                             | Email                                                                          |
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| <b>Kay Rowan</b>        | <b>Awards<br/>Secretary<br/>National<br/>President</b> | <a href="mailto:kay.rowan@noda.org.uk">kay.rowan@noda.org.uk</a>               |

The changes are:

Pauline Catterall has stepped down from the role of Secretary and from the Council.

Eleanor Bradbury has joined the Council as Secretary. Keith Smithers has stepped down as the Representative for District 9, and from the Council.

Finlay Hilder has joined as the Representative for District 9.

Graham Botterill has stepped down as the Representative for District 19, and will continue as Assistant Rep for that district.

Cathy Hudson was previously the Assistant Rep for Districts 12 and 19, and will now be the Representative for District 19.

Mike Mullen is now Youth Co-ordinator, West

Simon Jones has had to step down as our Media Guru.



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### POSTER & PROGRAMME COMPETITION

If you've never entered before, why not? To take part in the competition, 5 copies of your entry must be sent to our Regional Councillor, either direct or via your District Representative, to be received no later than 14th January

following the end of the competition year.

Contact details can be found on the NODA website: [www.noda.org.uk](http://www.noda.org.uk) or by contacting NODA head office by email: [info@noda.org.uk](mailto:info@noda.org.uk) or Tel: 01733 374 790.



**NODA TODAY** Our Regional Editor, Chris Horton is ready and waiting to hear from you with stories, news and anecdotes. Please keep articles around 250-300 words with photos in JPEG form or similar.

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Deadline for the winter edition is 28 October for print distribution aimed at mid November.



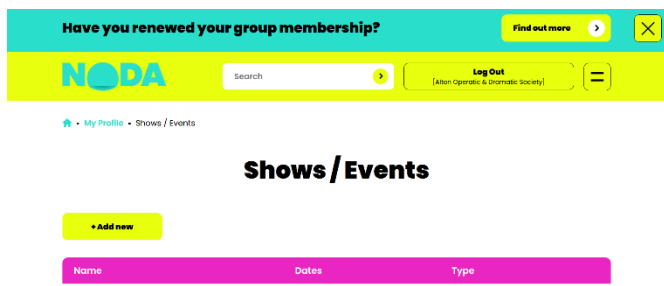
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### MEMBERSHIP

The Membership Secretary is now Mark Donalds and any changes to society officers or contact names should be sent to Mark Donalds AND head office. Your district rep is unable to do this for you. [Mark.donalds@noda.org.uk](mailto:Mark.donalds@noda.org.uk)

### ADVERTISE YOUR EVENTS – SHOWS/ONCERTS/AUDITIONS....



Please ensure all your productions are advertised on the Shows/Events section of the NODA website. This is what you are looking for.

### GENTLE REMINDERS



If you would like your District Rep to come and write a report on your show, please try to ensure that you give them as much notice as possible. And finally, we do hope that all the information we send out is shared with all your membership. That's all!

