

Full monty required for local actors



The Harlequins

COME on lads – get your kit off!
Young men are wanted to expose their assets. . . all in the name of art.

Warton-based amateur dramatics society the Harlequins are hoping to recruit some much needed new blood in time for their next production.

This is no still life role however, the male performers are being asked to go "full monty" for a part in the play.

Harlequin member Garry Norris said: "We are hoping to put on a production of "The Giggleswick Players do Full Frontal" by Valerie Goodwin.

"The high point of the play, which is a musical comedy, is a Full Monty scene where three men are required to do a tantalising strip tease.

"The trouble is it's difficult to get young men into a drama group at the best of times, but when you want them to get their kits off as well, it gets almost impossible! Although we do have some older men in the group, the script calls out for some fresh blood, particularly for the full monty part."

Although the thought of stripping off for am dram could have some would-be thespians running for cover, Garry tried to calm any fears.

"People needn't be shy, the play is very tongue-in-cheek," he added.

"It's all in the spirit of fun and will be done in the best possible taste. Those worried about not measuring up can relax too, the actors won't actually have to expose that much, except maybe their bottoms!

"If you've got a good bum that's a bonus, but it's not a prerequisite.

"If you've ever fancied trying your hand at acting, come and give it a go, rehearsals are really very enjoyable."

The cast of the play varies in age from over 60 to 17 years old. The Harlequins are looking for at least three men, preferably in their early 20s although any men can audition if they still dare to bare.

The Giggleswick Players Go Full Frontal was written to be an affectionate but slightly tongue-in-cheek look at the people that enjoy amateur acting.

A "carefully written comedy", it focuses around the problems caused by ambition although most areas of on-stage am dram life get some fun poked at them at some point.

From lighting through to the various acting "types" and direction styles, nobody in the amateur theatre world is safe.

If you think you've got what it takes to bare all on stage, auditions are being held at 2pm on Saturday July 14 at Freckleton Memorial Hall.

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