

Visit to Salisbury Playhouse on Thursday 10th November to see "Persuasion" by Jane Austen

A group of 37 members and guests enjoyed a day out in Salisbury to see "Persuasion" by Jane Austen at the Playhouse on Thursday 10 November. This was preceded by a morning of retail therapy and lunch at one of the many fine eateries that Salisbury has to offer. The adaptation of Persuasion by Tim Luscombe was well presented and enhanced by very clever set design, which enabled a flowing performance with instantaneous scene changes. By presenting the play as a comedy the director ensured it was well received by the men in the audience and not only the women Jane Austen fans. The matinee performance was another full house with a very high percentage of walking sticks indicative of the age of the audience. I wonder how many Probus clubs were there?

It was interesting to see the range of carrier bags being carried onto the coach, (M&S, Debenhams, Lakeland etc.) proving that the trip had been worthwhile for the ladies but maybe expensive for the men. It was nice to have David Finch of Solent Coaches driving us again as he has been taking us on outings for many years.

Congratulations and many thanks to David Jones, our social secretary, for organising a very enjoyable day out.

If you have not been on one of our theatre trips why not consider the next one on 23rd February 2012, again at the Salisbury Playhouse, where we shall be seeing "Design for Living" by Noel Coward.

Brian B.