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## ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2015

The Society's Trustees changed from 2014. At the Society's Annual General Meeting on February 26th 2015 Patricia Grady resigned the chair but was re-elected to vice-chair in place of John McManus who resigned the position but was re-elected as a committee member. She was replaced as chair by Kathryn Wilkinson. Marjorie Kieran resigned as Assistant Secretary and was not replaced. Gary Harvey resigned from the committee and David Tomlinson was elected to replace him. There were no other changes made to the composition of the Society's Management Committee and Trustees.

The Society operates by means of a Constitution which defines the Society's purpose and governance as follows:

**Purpose** - *To promote an appreciation of the dramatic and musical arts within the local and wider community. To provide a resource and encouragement for local people to display and develop their musical and performing skills and, wherever appropriate, to support other charitable organisations.*

To this end, in 2015, the Society staged two performances by BCMCS Youth Theatre, each of which was very successful. They were *THE ADDAMS FAMILY* in March and *YE-HA!* in October. BCMCS Musicals were unable to present a show in 2015 because of the closure for refurbishment of their usual venue the Albert Halls in Bolton. BCMCS Choral performed Elgar's *DREAM OF GERONTIUS* with Bolton Symphony Orchestra to a very appreciative audience in May.

2015 was rounded off by the members forming a choir for the annual Bolton Hospice's *LIGHT UP A LIFE* ceremony. The Society continued donations to the Hospice throughout the year maintaining its "Gold Patron" status.

One of the performance venues used by BCMCS is the theatre of the Parish Hall of Christ Church Walmsley in Egerton, Bolton. The demountable tiered seating system used in this hall was showing signs of wear and was becoming unsuitable for the purpose for which it was manufactured. Being an old "home made" system it was not designed to meet the current regulations for such systems and a decision was made to withdraw its use for safety reasons. In the interests of maintaining the long term viability of the Parish Hall as a community theatre the Society's Management Committee decided to purchase a state of the art demountable tiered seating system for use in the hall to enable the Parish Council to continue to offer its facilities to BCMCS and other local theatrical societies.

**Governance** - The Management Committee consists of a President, Chairman and Officers, together with representative members drawn from the three sections of the Society. The President is appointed annually by the Management Committee with the others being elected by Society members at AGM.

**Summary** - In summary, 2015 was artistically a very successful year. Financially, BCMCS Youth Theatre made a loss, whereas BCMCS Choral broke even. BCMCS Musicals did not present a show.

A full programme of events for all three sections of the Society have been planned for 2016:

- BCMCS Youth Theatre will present *HONK!* in March.
- BCMCS Choral will perform Verdi's *REQUIEM* in May in collaboration with Bolton Symphony Orchestra.
- BCMCS Musicals will be performing *GODSPELL* in October.

Neville Grady  
General Secretary and Trustee

INCOME		
2014		2015
£ 100.00	Opening Balance Current Acct	£ 100.00
£ 4,567.90	Opening Balance Reserve Acct	£ 16,314.59
£ 82.64	cheque to be paid out	
£ 4,585.26	Total in bank	£16,414.59
£ 100.00	float	£ 100.00
	Petty cash	£ 2.00
£ 6,327.55	Youth Theatre	£ 7,614.37
£ 6,947.58	Choral Section	£ 2,151.54
£ 36,080.65	Musical Section	
£ 9,239.85	General Accounts	£ 27,379.80
£ 63,280.89	Total	£ 53,662.30

EXPENDITURE		
2014		2015
£ 7,815.15	Youth Theatre	£ 13,420.18
£ 3,689.00	Choral Section	£ 2,123.37
£ 29,416.54	Musical Section	£ 1,502.97
£ 5,833.61	General Accounts	£ 31,953.40
	Heritage Account	
£ 46,764.30	Total	£ 48,999.92
£ 100.00	Closing Balance Current Acct	£ 100.00
£ 16,314.59	Closing Balance Reserve Acct	£ 4,410.38
£ 16,414.59	Total in bank	£ 4,510.38
£ 102.00	petty cash and float	£152.00
£ 63,280.89	Total	£ 53,662.30

I certify having examined these accounts and this income and expenditure sheet and all of the books and vouchers, and have verified the bank and cash account are correct and give a true and accurate statement of BCMCS financial affairs for 2015

Signed R K Bowmer

R.K. Bowmer.  
6th April 2016

Auditor