Ustinov play club's choice

'Halfway Up The Tree,' a comedy by Peter Ustinov was presented by Wimborne Drama Club at the Allendale Centre on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

It was produced by Arthur Brooks, a long-standing member of the club, who also took over one of the parts after another member dropped out.

The play deals with a domestic crisis that an Army general finds upon returning home after a number of years in the Malayan jungle and the 1967 West End production, which was directed by Sir John Gielgud, starred Robert Morley and Ambrosine Phillpotts.

The first night on Thursday was not particularly well supported, but first nights never are and with competition from the 'Miss World' contest on television the club didn't stand much of a chance.

However on Friday and Saturday there were more than 100 people for each performance.

Until recently the club have had their headquarters in the old station premises, but have since moved to the Allendale Centre where they hold regular meetings.

The cast of last week's play was Elizabeth Anthony, John Anthony, Spencer Hare, Julia Cave, Tricia Marshall, Ian Corcoran, Eric Wright, David Green and Arthur Brooks.