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# Marreau

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# Tregalleon Inheritance

By Rob Farrow

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## Marreau and the Tregalleon Inheritance

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### Previous Productions

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| 1991 | Marreau and the Chocolate Policeman<br>(co-production with Phoenix Theatre Company)  |
| 1992 | Marreau and the African Moon   |
| 1993 | Marreau and the Curse of Cardiff<br>D.F.C. / Moby Dick : Double Bill   |
| 1994 | Marreau and the Bloody Carpet<br>Blithe Spirit   |
| 1995 | Marreau and the Sword of Carthage<br>Sweeney Todd, The Demon Barber  |
| 1996 | Farnedale Avenue .... Macbeth<br>Marreau and the Clouds of Death<br>Party Piece  |
| 1997 | The Importance of Being Earnest<br>Knightsbridge / Never the Twain / Pastiche : Treble Bill<br>Farnedale Avenue .... Christmas Carol |
| 1998 | Arsenic and Old Lace<br>A Murder Has Been Arranged<br>Marreau and the Chocolate Policeman (revisited)                                |
| 1999 | How the Other Half Loves<br>Trivial Pursuits   |
| 2000 | Habeas Corpus<br>They came from Mars .... Farnedale Avenue   |
| 2001 | Requiem for Marreau  |
| 2002 | Lady Windermere's Fan  |



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*Frayed Knot Theatre Company*

every success with their production of

*Marreau*  
*and the*  
*Tregalleon Inheritance*

Will the miscreants be called to account ?

## *Marreau and the Tregalleon Inheritance*

Cornwall 1930s.

**Act I Scene 1:** A country lane in deepest Cornwall  
**Act I Scene 2:** Outside, then inside Tregalleon Manor  
**Act I Scene 3:** Tregalleon Manor, the next morning.  
**Act I Scene 4:** Tregalleon Manor, a little later

*An interval of approximately 20 minutes*

**Act II Scene 1 :** Tregalleon Manor, some while later  
**Act II Scene 2 :** Still there - a little later  
**Act III Scene 1 :** They haven't moved  
**Act III Scene 2 :** No prizes for guessing ...

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### Director's blurb.

So, here we are performing the eighth Marreau - more than eleven years since the first one saw the light of day (actually it was dark and snowing !). For those of you who have seen some or all of the preceding Marreaus, you will notice that there are quite a few new faces in this production. In fact casting proved quite difficult - especially as one actor discovered rather late in the day that he wouldn't even be in Britain for three of the planned performance nights !

But we've got there - and if you're reading this, hopefully we have an audience - in spite of the best efforts of those responsible for putting up Tring's Christmas decorations - who decided to take down our banner the day after it was put up ! Eventually it returned and Santa was sent packing ! It has been a pleasure as always to direct this play - and I would particularly like to welcome the new members of the cast - of which there are several. I hope you as the audience enjoy watching this latest Marreau adventure - and I hope we'll see you next year for *Marreau and the Terror of Tring* .... well that's the plan anyway !

Rob Farrow

# Marreau and the Tregalleon Inheritance

## The Cast

( in order of appearance )

Marreau	The great detective	<b>Ian Wells</b>
Gwendolyn	Friend of Marreau	<b>Margaret Sabatini</b>
Seth Digory	A local	<b>Kevin Cook</b>
Mrs Dalwithers	The Housekeeper	<b>Helene Guojah</b>
Stanley Tregalleon	The Host	<b>Mick Sane</b>
Amelia Tregalleon	Sister of Stanley	<b>Jan Jones</b>
James Newport	A Guest	<b>Dave Reece</b>
Cecil Tregalleon	Cousin of Stanley	<b>Chris Noble</b>
Josephine Tregalleon	Wife of Stanley	<b>Claire McKnight</b>
Mary White	A Nurse	<b>Regina Dobbs</b>
Simon Simpson	Friend of Marreau	<b>Jeremy O'Gorman</b>
Millicent Clamforge	A Guest	<b>Zed Herbert</b>
Diana Pringle	A Guest	<b>Naomi Glasser</b>
Doctor Protheroe	A Doctor	<b>John Ross</b>
Inspector Farmer	Local Policeman	<b>Rob Farrow</b>
Henry Big	Family Solicitor	<b>Dave Reece</b>

# Marreau and the Tregalleon Inheritance

## For the production

Director	Rob Farrow
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### Ian Wells (Marreau)

A regular with Frayed Knot, Ian has been in many of our shows including nearly all the Marreaus. As well as playing the title role once before, he has played various villains including Marreau's Arch Enemy, Prof. Maurice Hearty. Ian will soon be appearing in not one but two pantos which he is rehearsing at present.

### Margaret Sabatini (Gwendolyn)

Margaret has performed with many societies in the area as well as becoming a regular with Frayed Knot. Surprisingly however this is her first rôle in a Marreau - though hopefully she will become a regular fixture now ! In addition to acting, Margaret has also written and produced her own play, staged here at Pendley a few years ago.



### Kevin Cook (Seth Digory)

Kevin was originally going to be in the very first Marreau back in 1991 - but work commitments got in the way and it has taken eleven years and seven Marreaus to finally get him involved ! This is Kevin's first rôle of any sort for several years - though he used to be quite a regular, especially in the Festival Fringe.

### Helene Guojah (Mrs.Dalwithers)

A complete newcomer to the society, this is Helene's first rôle for some years. Her Cornish background has been most helpful in giving the part of the mysterious Dalwithers an authentic air - as well as one of the few genuine accents to be heard !



### Mick Sane (Stanley Tregalleon)

Mick has been in a number of the Marreaus, but this is by far his largest part in one to date. Mick's first appearance in a Frayed Knot production was as one of the few to survive the murderous attacks of Sweeney Todd in our production of the famous melodrama - so he should be at home doing the Marreau plays !

### Jan Jones (Amelia Tregalleon)

Another Marreau regular, Jan's appearances include the lively Larkspur Simnal in *Bloody Carpet*, Catherine de Tavaré in *Clouds of Death* and most recently Mrs.Gruttock the cook with attitude in last year's *Requiem for Marreau*. Jan has acted with several companies around the area.



### Dave Reece (James Newport & Henry Big)

Dave finally got to play the Honorable Edward when we revisited *Chocolate Policeman* - a rôle he was originally going to play the first time round, but couldn't. He is a familiar face on this stage most notably in TFC productions including being Pop Larkins in their version of *The Darling Buds of May*.

### Chris Noble (Cecil Tregalleon)

Chris nobly (sorry about the pun) agreed to play the part of Cecil half way through the rehearsal period when the original actor discovered he'd be out of the country for the show ! Chris has appeared in dozens of shows, recently playing Private Pike in the TFC *Dads Army*. His last outing with F.K. was in *Knightsbridge*.



### Claire McKnight (Josephine Tregalleon)

In the last Marreau (*Requiem*) Claire played the mysterious ghostly maid; this play sees her in a far more vocal part ! Claire has been in several Frayed Knot productions - most recently in *Lady Windermere's Fan*. She has also appeared in various productions with other companies.

### Regina Dobbs (Mary White)

A Frayed Knot stalwart, Regina has appeared in most of the Marreau plays, perhaps most famously as Countess "Kitty" in *African Moon*. Regina has also been an enthusiastic participant in the *Farndale Avenue* coarse acting plays that we've performed. She was also a wonderful Helga in TFC's *'Allo 'allo*.



### Jeremy O'Gorman (Simon Simpson)

Jeremy made his Marreau debut last year in *Requiem* playing the unfaithful Murdo Gruttock complete with genuine kilt. His last outing with F.K. was as Lord Darlington in *Lady Windermere's Fan*. As well as taking on the arduous part of Simpson, Jeremy has been most helpful in set construction.

### Zed Herbert (Millicent Clamforge)

Zed is no stranger to Pendley - amongst her many rôles she played Ma Larkin opposite Dave Reece in TFC's *Darling Buds of May*. This, however, is not only her first Marreau, but also her first part in a Frayed Knot production. I hope we'll see her again in many future F.K. shows.





### Naomi Glasser (Diana Pringle)

Naomi played the spirited Lara Taft in *Requiem for Marreau*, her first play with Frayed Knot. Her new rôle as Diana in this play is quite different - but with a similar effect on Simpson!  
*Requiem* was Naomi's first acting rôle for a number of years, but hopefully she will remain a Marreau regular.

### John Ross (Dr. Protheroe)

Apart from the author, John is the only member of the cast who was in the original Marreau adventure. John has certainly made the part of Dr. Protheroe his own, with a debonnaire nonchalance that gives the character an undefinable quality.



### Rob Farrow (Inspector Farmer)

A glutton for punishment, Rob not only writes, directs and acts in the Marreau plays, but also ends up making half the scenery. He stepped into the rôle of Farmer in the first Marreau when Kevin Cook found he was unable to do the part - and has played him in every Marreau since. Rob has been in various other shows too.



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