SEPTEMBER:2008

THE Artful DODGER

1.*n.* roystering young pickpocket from Charles Dickens' *Oliver Twist*. 2.*n.* printed handbill full of tidings from the W.M.I.&A.A.

with a closing date for contributions of 25th of each month to Alan Cornell on 98444995 or alan@commercialventure.com.au

14 SEPTEMBER FOR A BRUSH WITH A BARGAIN!

Have Crazy Pauline and her arty friends got a deal for you! Check out page 3 for a sneak peek of their upcoming Bargain Sale!

WMI&AA RECEIVES TWO GRANTS IN ONE MONTH!

At the end of July, the Warrandyte Community Bank (Bendigo Bank) announced its annual sponsorship program. Our association is very grateful to be the recipient of $1,350 from this round. The sponsorship is towards the staging of the 2009 Follies which is, of course, where our chief funds are generated for hall maintenance and improvement. Specifically, the cash will be spent on maintenance of the committee room, where the floor boards have rotted.

Meanwhile, Nillumbik Council, at its meeting on 26th August, announced a grant of $1,750 towards the replacement of our theatre lights. Those of you who work with these lights know that our existing lights are very old. The mirrors have corroded, the lenses deteriorated, the cables are frayed and they overheat. They are expensive items and our plan is to replace them all over the next few years. This grant will allow us to replace 5 immediately.

The hall has seen a lot of refurbishment over the past few years from which all users benefit but it is good that some of the recent improvements such as the lighting board, dimmer and the digital projector, as well as electrical upgrades are enhancing the theatrical productions, as well as improving safety. After all, it is these productions that generate more funds than anything else.

In addition to this upgrade of theatre lights, the central committee, at its August meeting, approved the purchase of further projection and sound equipment - specifically for a projector enclosure, projection screen, DVD player/recorder, microphones and cabling – all subject to a ceiling amount of cash that is. Our dear old hall, with all its heritage value is screaming into the twenty first century on the inside.

ED: Thanks Pat for this excellent news, and for the time and effort you put in submitting for such valuable funding.

Dates to Remember:

Painters' Bargain Sale - 10-4pm 14 Setember @ the Hall

Sketch Writing Workshops - 5, 19 Sept, 3 Oct @ the Hall

Group reports.

Pottery

We have had a busy month continuing with the St. Helena Historical Panel plus a rash of Japanese garden lamps. The felting day Amanda is running will be held early next term. Watch this spot for the date. All members welcome.

Bon voyage to Melissa who is off for her annual Bali fix.

Marj Beecham 9844 3206

Painting

We have had a chance to paint the golden wattle down by the river this last month, the weather has been quite pleasant on some Wednesdays. It has been amazing this year, there has been a glow in the bush since early July with the various species.

It is on again - our great BARGAIN SALE - 14th September at 10 - 4. Come one and all for some great bargains.

Painters - works to be at the Hall between 9 and 9.30am.

Pauline Cross 9439 1775

Theatre

Ahhhh - a relative quiet time this month! However, there are a number of exciting things in the very near future.

1. Writer's Workshops

One of the clear bits of feedback from the Follies this year was people's desire to learn more about the art of writing Follies skits, and writing for the theatre in general. We are proud to announce that our very own Alan Cornell and Bill Connolly are conducting 3 Friday evening workshops to help us all develop our skills. These will be held in the hall on the following dates. We look forward to seeing youse there!

Friday 5/9 Workshop 1

Friday 19/9 Workshop 2

Friday 3/10 Workshop 3

Workshop 1 will focus on starting the process of writing and set tasks. 2&3 will look at what has been produced, editing and refining, completing. These dates are set to make the process effective. It is a sequence of workshops and you should try and attend all but of course we are flexible. You will of course get more out of it if you come to all three.

Please bring along a bottle and a plate to share.

2. Directors Workshops

We have been lucky (via the hard work of our Creative programs Minister) also to secure the services of Chris Baldock and Helen Ellis to run Director Workshops in November for us all. More details to follow, but please put these dates in your diary!

Sunday 9/11

Sunday 16/11

3. 'Memory of Water'

Rehearsals are progressing well, with Jennifer, Lisa, Lea, Naomi, Jack and Nick treading the boards under Bill's careful direction. A reminder of the production dates below.

Thur-Sat 9-11 October

Thur-Sat 16-18 October

Thur-Sat 23-25 October

4. Christmas Party

Tentatively posted as Friday 12/12. The Committee is asking for suggestions for this years Christmas party - please drop us a line if you have any ideas.

5. Productions DVDs

Ian and I have made progress with some DVDs of past productions. If you would like a DVD copy of any of these, please send me an email.

Hey Nonnie Nonnie Follies ($25)

OAP 07 ($15)

OAP 08 ($15)

Same deal as usual - no cash, no DVD for you!

6. WMIAA Committee approves AV equipment funding

The Central committee has approved the purchase of more AV equipment for the hall - especially a new video screen and housing for the projector, and improvements to sound recording and production resources - more details when they arrive!

7. Follies 09 - Brainstorming evening

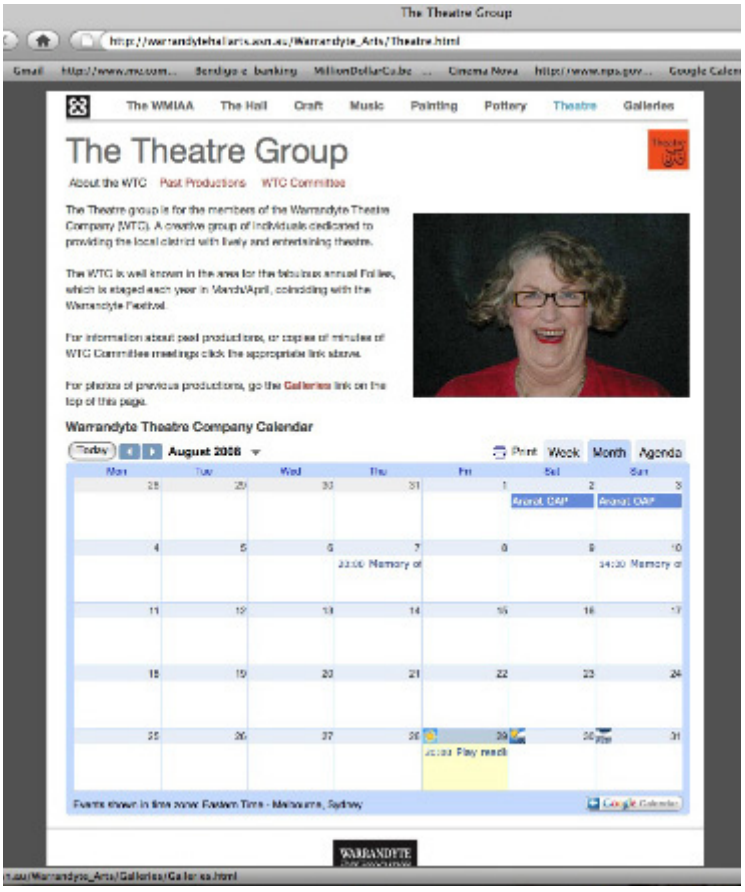
Thanks to all sixteen people who attended the Follies theme brainstorm recently at Lea and Jack's - a terrific response and thanks

everyone for their input. Adrian has circulated a summary of some of the ideas raised - at least what was fit to print ...

8. WTC Web calendar

Don't forget that all upcoming events are listed in our on-line calendar on the web site. Go to

http://warrandytehallarts.asn.au/Warrandyte_Arts/Theatre.html



David Tynan 9844 5727

Craft

Rosemary Climas 9844 2154

From the Painters' upcoming Bargain Sale.

And from rehearsals of the Theatre Company's October production of "Memory of Water".

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houses sleek
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that's rich in
CLUTTER
of family things
and comfy like
our science
fiction queen

WARRANDYTE HOUSE: of Jean Chapman Taroona Avenue Warrandyte, rich in CLUTTER of FAMILY THINGS, and COMFY.

COMFY: Concise Oxford 1976 p.201 (colloquial) Comfortable "Cuddle up a little closer, like to make you COMFY, cosy" No.27 Ulverscroft Large Print Song Book Music Edition Jan. 1981 Published by F.A.Thorpe, England"this year we going score niff niff goals, cause last year we de lacking in a finisher, he said in a marked change to his COMFY, colloquial Guyanese lingo (Google)

THINGS: "These are a few of my favourite THINGS. Girls in white dresses with blue satin sashes, snowflakes that stay on my nose and eyelashes"THE SOUND OF MUSIC 1965 Rodgers and Hammerstein film directed by Robert Wise, starring Julie Andrews, Christopher Plummer, Eleanor Parker. Music 1959 Richard Rodgers, lyrics Oscar Hammerstein, based on autobiography of Maria von Trapp set in Austria 1938 (Google)

SCIENCE FICTION QUEEN: Author KERRY GREENWOOD likes to close herself in a nice COMFY womb; it has all my FAMILY THINGS in it that make me what I am." Kerry Greenwood is patron of the CRIME AND JUSTICE Festival. Saturday Age July 2008 A2 My Space

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MUNCHKINS: "the natives of the fictional MUNCHKIN country in the OZ books byL. Frank Baum. They first appeared in the 1900 novel THE WONDERFUL WIZARD OF OZ. After a 78 year wait, the actors that played MUNCHKINS in the 1939 film, The Wizard of Oz, starring Judy Garland, have received a star on the Walk of Fame. The stage version was in 1902. (Google)

MUCH: Concise Oxford 1976 p. 714 "existing in great quantity: somewhat excessive or immoderate (Middle English from French 'muchel'; Mickle)" Google

MUCHNESS: p.714 "greatness in quantity or degree; much of a MUCHNESS - very nearly the same or alike (Middle English)

TAUTOLOGY: P.1185 "saying the same thing twice over in different words, expecially as fault of style; statement necessarily true, hence TAUTOLOGICAL (from Latin from Greek 'tauto" (logia -logy)

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African Sanctus
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no mention of
worship or
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outdated
does St. Stephens
Anglican Church
in Warrandyte
have to be
FUN
to survive

AFRICAN SANCTUS: "It's alot pf FUN" Peter Bandy interviewing conductor Andrew Wailes on The Score, 3MBSFM 9AM Monday 25 - 08 - 2008: Royal Melbourne Philharmonic Choir and others, Melbourne Town Hall 5pm Sunday 31 - 08 - 2008

REHEARSALS: Composer David Fanshawe, 'the Kodaly of the Nile', wrote The Lords Prayer in the Godspell (1970) style; merging Kyrie of the western tradition with Muslim call to prayer, based on his travels in north and east Africa (1969 - 1975), ethnomusicologist collected 2000 tapes, creating a highly original work in which very different cultures have been imaginatively and ingeniously...(Google and 3MBSFM)FUN

ST. STEPHEN'S: "Church Still in Limbo. Amalgamation may be ST. STEPHEN'S only future hope" by Karly Hickman. WARRANDYTE DIARY July 2008 p.3 "visiting priest Rev.Neville Mellor will continue Sunday morning services at ST. STEPHEN'S as the parish and community nervously await the Archbishop in Council meeting in August."