



# ***BURNING NEWS***

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**MARCH 2009**  
Ipswich Little Theatre Newsletter

**SEX,  
DRUGS &  
RICK 'N'  
NOEL**  
Public nights

1, 2, 8, 9 May

Bookings at the  
Visitor Info Centre  
3281 0555



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Our second play for 2009, directed by Doug Moses. No sex or drugs in the play but certainly Rick'n'Noel.

The play is the story of Richard Branson, no, not the Richard Branson, but a redundant foundry worker whose wife has left him for another women.

In a desperate attempt to regain his self esteem, Richard applies to do a history course at University. There he meets Noel, another mature age student with an entirely different outlook on life.

Together – well, together they learn more than either could have imagined possible. About life. About women. About themselves.

Not too much about history, though.

Two of our favourite comic actors, Shane and David take the lead roles so you can

expect to leave the theatre with aching sides.

The full cast is:

Rick	Shane Mallory
Noel	David Austin
Maxine	Lucia Grant
Rachel/Helen	Lauren Roche

*This play is an emotional roller coaster of thrills, and a barrel of laughs.*

**Tickets are on sale at the Ipswich Visitor Information Centre from 16 March 2009. Get in quick and don't miss out. This is one show not to be missed! Our very popular Wine & Cheese Night is 1 May. Please note: as this is becoming a night that many members choose to come to, the tickets go quickly,**



Mark it in your diary  
Saturday 22 August - Ipswich Little Theatre 40th celebrations

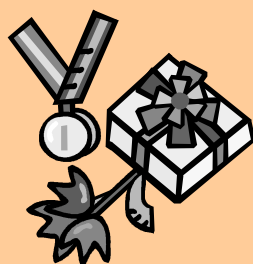


### She's a WINNER!

The winner of the RAFFLE held during A Stage of Life to raise funds for the ILT entry in the SE QLD Festival circuit is

Bev Alfrey – staunch supporter of our ILT One Act Play Festival and other productions

Watch out for another raffle for the same cause on the public nights of *sex drugs 'n' ric & noel*



### STILL LOOKING FOR NAMES

Don't forget the mammoth task that Craig Taylor has undertaken.

He is compiling ALL the names of cast and crew members for EVERY play that ILT has done!

If you have an old program or script or newsclipping that might be of use to him, please give him a call

3201 4444

## News from the groups within Ipswich Little Theatre .... four groups all based in the Jean Pratt Building

### S-Troupe

The next production for S Troupe is *Mary Pops-in* (our version of Mary Poppins), bring a picnic hamper along with you, drinks will be available from the bar.

Keep in mind the performance dates - Friday 22 May 6 pm, Saturday 23 May 2 and 6 pm, Friday 29 May 6pm, Saturday 30 May 2 and 6 pm. Tickets will be \$6 each, bookings through Di.

Di Johnston

### Daytime Theatre Troupe

DTT'S are now into rehearsal for their production of *Sleeping Beauty* written and directed by Kay McAllan. Season 19<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> May, 2009. **Book** your tickets early to avoid disappointment – ring Chic Currie 32889783 - 0409725315. The commemorative birdbath is still **a work in progress** and we thank all of those who have donated to this wonderful idea. We will keep everyone up-dated.

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Jan Paterson

### Crossfyre Young Theatricals

There are 22 members, and membership fees have been collected. Tony is organizing workshops in areas such as stage lighting and voice production. There will be productions for Youth Week and in June.

Tony Erhardt

### Smart Arts

No news is good news in the theatre. However, there is a good enrolment for 2009 and the children are having fun.

Kyle Breese

*Many thanks to Di, Jan, Tony and Kyle for the amazing amount of time and enthusiasm that they donate to running these four sub groups of Ipswich Little Theatre. Without their work and that of their helpers the theatre would be a poorer place. Ed*

## The cast of Robin the Hood

Auditions were successfully held for our mid year theatre restaurant.

The director is Di Johnston and here are the lucky ones who get to sing, dance and wear tights...

Harry Risson	Robin the Hood
Brendan Dieckmann	Ben – town crier
Dave Dunkerley	Little John
Ryan Bopf	Will Scarlett
Jim Orr	Friar Tuck
Aaron Evans	Alan A'dale
James Miles	Sheriff of Snottingham
Matt Shield	King John
Elizabeth Ball	Maid Marian
Elizabeth Murphy	Greenie

Kerri-ann MacDonald	Greenie
Kate Mallory	Greenie
Stephanie Groves	Greenie
Venessa Stoeve	Greenie
Kahli Williams	Marlene the Magician
Relle Scott	Queen
Ian Ryan	S&D group
Tracey Spence	S&D Group
Relle Scott	S&D Group
Chris Greenhill	S&D Group

The cast is having a fun time in rehearsals and the show is going to be a wonderfully funny take on a traditional tale of goodies and baddies with lots of singing and dancing.

Season dates are: 26 June - 18 July

## NEWS that YOU need to KNOW



### Alternative route to the Theatre

Access to the Incinerator from Griffith Road via Burley Griffin Drive will be blocked from 16 March to 20 April (and perhaps beyond). This will allow the Ipswich City Council to improve the entry point from Griffiths Road and install kerbing and channeling to try to remedy the ongoing problem of seepage in Burley Griffin Drive.

During the roadworks, our Theatre can only be reached via Goleby Avenue in Queen's Park, round Nerima Gardens and then down to the back of the Incinerator. Ipswich City Council has indicated that there will be signage to remind and direct you. We are hoping that the work will be finished well before our second play of the 2009 season begins!



ILT members hard at work during our recent working bee to have the theatre looking wonderful for the 2009 seasons of plays

## All about Robin the Hood



"Watch Robin the Hood and his merry men romp through Sherwood Forest - not necessarily robbing the rich and giving to the poor!

Watch out for those environmental greenies in the forest."

Based very loosely on the traditional tale, our Robin the Hood Theatre Restaurant will have audiences ogling men in green tights and the petite Maid Marion (not), while enjoying a fine feast of food and drinks.

*Celebrate Christmas in June /July*

*Bookings  
available  
for tables  
of 14  
through Di  
Johnston  
3812 9141  
\$40 per  
ticket.*



### Social Night for all ILT Members

17 April 2009 - 7:00pm till late

2009 Celebrates 40 years since the conversion from ICC Incinerator to ILT Community Theatre.

This is the first of many social nights for 2009 and we will collect information and talk about the good old times and how far we have come in 40 years. This social night will be the first step towards putting together a DVD for the 40th Celebrations - so have your favourite and funniest stories about ILT ready.

There will be a free BBQ but please RSVP to Melinda 0419 650 441 or email [mpark@ipswich.qld.gov.au](mailto:mpark@ipswich.qld.gov.au) for catering purposes.

The bar will be open for drinks to be purchased.

A great night is promised and we look forward to seeing you all there.



## CONTACT DETAILS

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The Ipswich Little Theatre complex, including the historic Incinerator Theatre designed by Walter Burley Griffin, is in Burley Griffin Drive (off Griffiths Road) Ipswich.

To ring the theatre when there is a class or rehearsal **PHONE 3812 2389**.

NOTE: this phone is not staffed at other times.

**NEXT ILT  
COMMITTEE MEETING:  
14 April '09  
7.00 pm**

## 2009 DATES TO PUT IN YOUR DIARY

17 April	7 pm <b>Social Night</b> for all members past and present to share ILT stories. Free BBQ. RSVP Melinda 0419 650 441
22 April—9 May	<b>Sex, drugs 'n' rick &amp; noel</b> Director Doug Moses. Bookings at Ipswich Visitor Information Centre
1 May	Wine and Cheese night for <b>Sex, drugs 'n' rick &amp; noel</b>
26 June - 18 July	<b>Robin the Hood</b> - Director Di Johnston. Theatre restaurant. Details pages 2,3
22 August	Saturday - details to follow but keep it free for the 'Ipswich Little Theatre—40 years in the Incinerator' celebrations

## IMPORTANT NOTICE TO MEMBERS

Please note the following message:

*There have been some problems with lights and air-conditioning units not being switched off when buildings are locked up. Members were reminded to check this when leaving the theatre.*

Leaving lights and air-conditioners on, when buildings are not in use, not only causes unnecessary wear on the items left on for long periods of time but also could cause overheating, possibly resulting in a fire. Not to mention that large electricity bills could ensue and the environment suffers again from wasted fossil fuels

So, come on members who are responsible for the buildings - we all know how nice it is to go home after a long rehearsal or class, but this really is a major responsibility which you take on when you accept the keys.

## '09 Contact details that you might need

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Daytime Theatre Troupe Coordinator	Jan Paterson	3810 5884.
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Front of House Management Coordinator	Desley Cronon	3288 8754
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