



OCTOBER 2011

## **Ipswich Little Theatre Society Inc Newsletter**



### **RAFFLE DRAW DATE EXTENDED**

Our current raffle which was to be drawn on Sunday 25 September has been extended to give more people a chance to buy tickets.

Total value of the four prizes is over \$500.

See page 2 for details about prizes and tickets

### **NEXT ILT MEETING**

7pm

Tuesday 8 November

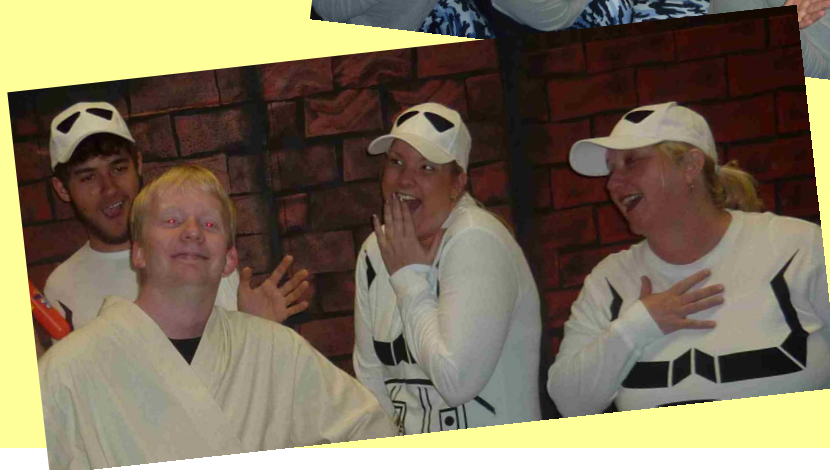
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## *The Force and I*



*The Force and I* cast and Director, David Austin enjoying rehearsals. See page 4 for booking details and which nights are already SOLD OUT! Book now to avoid disappointment





## RAFFLE TICKETS

New closing date for drawing the prizes: Sunday 11 Dec (after the AGM during afternoon tea)

### FOUR PRIZES!

#### 1st Prize:

vouchers from Ipswich Businesses (over \$300 value)

#### 2nd Prize:

Black and Decker Dustbuster (value \$78)

#### 3rd Prize:

Computer Laptop Bag (69.95)

#### 4th Prize:

Blokes Pack with a variety of items including a \$25 golf voucher and a bottle of quality red wine

### TICKETS

\$2 or 3 for \$5

Call Suzanne

0412 79 22 64

for tickets

or buy them from the Courtyard Bar or at the AGM

## Jean Pratt Building Activities (see page 4 for groups' contact details)

The Jean Pratt Building is used all year by four subgroups in ILT. It is also used for many other theatre activities. If you want to book it you must contact Desley Cronon (page 4).

### Junior Theatre

The JT's end of year production is to be *A Fridge Too Far*. It will be presented on 3 December. *Deirdre Lowe*

### Young Theatricals

*In recess until 2012..*

*Jan Paterson*

### Daytime Theatre Troupe

Daytime Theatre Troupe members will be having a Christmas break-up lunch on Wednesday 9 November. Past members are welcome to join us.

Phone Anne England 32817654 for further information.

### S-Troupe:

S-Troupe are in rehearsal for the end of year Xmas production of *Christmas in Small Packages*, 12, 13 November. See our website for booking details or call Melinda (p4)

## Daytimers Christmas Pantomime

Daytime Theatre Troupe cast members have been having great fun during the first week of performances of their production of "Goldilocks and The Three Bears' Christmas", with another 6 shows to go. Local kindergartens, schools and playgroups have booked, with over 1500 audience attending. It was wonderful to have members of our own Junior Theatre attend the performance on Saturday morning.

Children have enjoyed interacting with the characters and singing along with them accompanied by our talented "Mrs Music aka Mrs Claus", Chic Currie.

Director, Jane Sheppard would like to thank the cast for their dedication and enthusiasm and congratulate them on their wonderful performances.

Welcome to Andrea Lax and Stacey Kendall who are making their debut with the troupe. Special thanks are given to Trish Busch and Kay McAllan who stepped in to assist when a cast member had to be replaced at the last minute. Thanks are also given to Alan Brown, Col Paterson, Ron Sheppard and cast members for their work on the set and to Phil Holmes for setting the lights.

Cast members are: Chic Currie, Andrea Lax, Robyn Harm, Jane Sheppard, Sue Van Der Meer, Anne England, Trish Busch, Sandie Henwood, Margaret Martin, Stacey Kendall, Carol Culey, Cynthia Graham, Trish White, Jane Brown. As well as Goldilocks and the three bears, characters are Jingle Bell, Chrissy Tree, Ruby Roo, Santa, Mrs Claus, and a group of very unfit reindeer who are on boot camp trying to get ready to pull Santa's sleigh.



## AGM and Other Related Matters

You are invited to the Ipswich Little Theatre  
**2012 Annual General Meeting**  
**to be held 2 pm Sunday 11 December**  
**in the Jean Pratt Building**

(note the change of venue from the Incinerator Theatre).

If you want to be a part of the Admin Committee next year or take on a role on the Executive Committee - President, Vice President, Secretary or Treasurer, or if you would like to be on Building Committee or the Selection Committee you must have someone nominate you and second that nomination.

The Nomination Form is attached as page 5 of this newsletter and will also be available on our website.

Please note that the completed form must be with our secretary Helen, 48 hours prior to the AGM. (Written nominations take precedence over nominations from the floor at the meeting.) Forms can be posted, PO Box 154 Ipswich 4305 or hand delivered to Helen at the November Admin meeting or emailed [hpullar@bigpond.net.au](mailto:hpullar@bigpond.net.au).

Thank you to all members who have put their hands up to take on the positions advertised in a recent newsletter - most of those positions have now been filled but we still need other members to work as assistants to these jobs. Publicity in particular is an interesting and very important part of what we do at ILT. There is no point in people putting on an amazing play if there is no audience to see it! If you have any ideas of new and exciting ways to promote our wonderful theatre, then consider taking on a role as assistant to the Publicity officer. Let Helen (see above) know if you are interested in that idea or in assisting any of the other positions.

### The 39 Steps Report

The fast paced production of *The 39 Steps* has now finished and we are sure that the cast and crew are still trying to catch their collective breaths.

It was a very successful play and we welcome first time director, Shane Mallory, to the group of highly innovative directors who work with ILT.

The comments heard about the play were very complimentary and a positive indicator of how much it was enjoyed, not only by Ipswich people but also from the many who traveled from Brisbane and further away to see it.

*"Fantastic, clever, entertaining, talent. Everything a night out at the theatre should be."* Deirdre Lowe

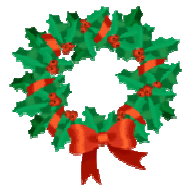
*"Outstanding work ...very slick and polished production"*.  
Mark Lucas

*"Better than the Twelfth Night production we saw two years ago"*. Kurt Lerps

Congratulations to Shane, Rebecca Noble, Phil Holmes and Nadine England for their great work in putting on this production and to the young and energetic cast for their commitment and talent. Special thanks to artist Nathan Parmenter from Bremer TAFE for the amazing brick backdrop - almost another cast member itself. It will be a shame to paint over it!

Watch out for more fast paced action in November /December from *The Force and I*.

### Christmas Afternoon Tea



After the AGM will be our final function for 2011.

This will be a Christmas afternoon tea, a time to share with friends and fellow members of ILT. A great chance to talk over the events of 2011, meet the new 2012 ILT Committee members and discuss the 2012 Program (to be released in the November issue of Burning News).

The last raffle for the year will also be drawn then.

Come dressed for a party if you like, the Courtyard Bar will be open and tea and coffee will be provided.

We do ask you to bring along a plate of sweet or savoury food to share.

The afternoon tea starts at 4pm so you can arrive then or stay on after the AGM.

Everyone is welcome!





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The Ipswich Little Theatre complex, including the historic Incinerator Theatre designed by Walter Burley Griffin, is located 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.



*Our esteemed President enjoying himself at the Theatre Festival Awards Dinner, Norfolk Island.*

*Words of Wisdom: from the Dalai Lama*

The Dalai Lama, when asked what surprised him most about humanity, answered "Man. Because he sacrifices his health in order to make money. Then he sacrifices money to recuperate his health. And then he is so anxious about the future that he does not enjoy the present; the result being that he does not live in the present or the future; he lives as if he is never going to die, and then dies having never really lived."



**DATE CLAIMERS**

|                           |   |
|---------------------------|---|
| 18 November - 10 December | <b>The Force and I Theatre Restaurant</b> : written and directed by David Austin. You can book <b>ONLINE</b> or contact David on 3812 9431 and Mobile: 0422 620 851. <b>NOTE: the following nights are SOLD OUT</b> - Saturday 19 November, Friday 9 December and Saturday 10 December. |
| 11 December 2pm           | <b>ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING</b> Note: the venue this year is the Jean Pratt Building. Afternoon tea follows the AGM at 4pm (the BIG RAFFLE will be drawn during afternoon tea)  |

**2011 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CONTACT DETAILS**

|                |                  |                              |
|----------------|------------------|------------------------------|
| President      | Jim Orr          | 0447 20 00 06                |
| Vice President | Suzanne Matulich | 3281 4748 (ah) 0412 79 22 64 |
| Past President | Judy Grant       | 3288 0717                    |
| Secretary      | Helen Pullar     | 3281 4437                    |
| Treasurer      | Jan Paterson     | 3810 5884 0417 787 130       |

**CONTACT DETAILS FOR OTHER IMPORTANT POSITIONS**

|                                       |  |                         |
|---------------------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| Front of House Management Coordinator | Majella Gee                            | 3812 7821 0415 258 162  |
| Group Liaison Secretary               | Robyn Flashman                         | 3812 3450               |
| Jean Pratt Building Bookings          | Desley Cronon                          | 3288 8754               |
| Junior Theatre                        | Deirdre Lowe                           | 0409 202 380            |
| Young Theatricals                     | Jan Paterson                           | 3810 5884 0417 787 130  |
| STroupe                               | Melinda Park                           | 3201 8861 0419 650 441  |
| Daytime Theatre Troupe                | Anne England                           | 3281 7654 0413 676 049  |
| Tourific Troupers                     | Helen Pullar or Robyn Flashman         | H 3281 4437 R 3812 3450 |
| Theatre number                        | NB: only during rehearsals or meetings | 3812 2389               |

**Sincere thanks to Cr Charlie Pisasale for the monthly printing of *Burning News*,**  
 For more details about Ipswich Little Theatre [www.ipswichlittletheatre.com.au](http://www.ipswichlittletheatre.com.au)





Please complete, then cut this page out and deliver to the secretary, at least 48 hrs before the AGM

**Ipswich Little Theatre Society Inc**  
**Annual General Meeting 11 December 2011**  
in the **Jean Pratt Building**  
commencing at 2.00pm  
afternoon Tea at 4.00pm

**Nomination Form for Positions for 2012**

NOMINEE NAME ..... (print name) is nominated for the position/s of:

(Please circle)

☐ **President**

☐ **Vice President**

☐ **Secretary**

☐ **Treasurer**

☐ **Administration Committee Member**

☐ **Building Committee Member:**

Rotation: Alan Brown and Helen Pullar (2012, 2013)  
Robyn Flashman and Ian Pullar (2012)  
Suzanne Matulich and Col Paterson to stand down but are eligible for re-election

☐ **Selection Committee Member:**

Rotation: Desley Cronon, Shane Mallory and Jan Paterson (2012)  
Alan Brown, Chris Greenhill and Ian Pullar to stand down but are eligible for re-election

I accept this nomination (signature) .....

Nominated by (Please print name) .....

(signature) .....

Seconded by (Please print name) .....

(signature) .....

**NB: These nominations need to be completed and returned to the Secretary 48 hours prior to the meeting.**

**Paid Positions**

- ☐ Cleaner  
☐ Gardener Maintenance Manager

**Name** .....

**Signed**.....