



Burning News from the Incinerator Theatre

November 2012



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**NEXT ILT
COMMITTEE
MEETING
7pm
Tuesday**

8 January 2013
(note: there will be no meeting in December)

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The winner of the free tickets for *Searching for Dr Branovic* is

Sharrin Linneweber
of Bundamba

Ipswich Little Theatre Society Inc

Annual General Meeting for 2012

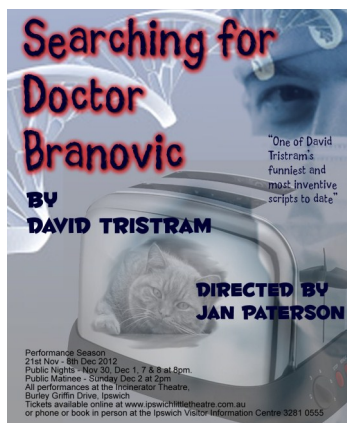
Members are reminded that the Annual General Meeting will be held in the Jean Pratt Building

at 3 pm on Sunday 9 December

All are invited to attend and to hear reports on the numerous and very interesting activities of the Society over the past year and to elect the Office Bearers for 2013. The meeting will be followed, at 5:30 pm, by a Christmas Party to which all are also invited. However, if you intend to come to that please let President Suzanne Matulich know so that there will be a sausage for you.

Nominations are called for the many important positions to be filled. A nomination form is included as page 5 of this Newsletter. Anyone nominating for one or more of the positions shown on the form is asked to complete one and to ensure it is in the hands of the Secretary at least 48 hours before the meeting. This can be done either by handing it to her in person or by mailing it to PO Box 154 Ipswich. Please do not put it in the Secretary's pigeon hole in the Jean Pratt Building because that does not provide confidentiality.

We look forward to seeing lots of you there.



... opens on Wednesday 21 November and runs until 8 December.

Bookings are already substantial, so potential patrons are urged to book early or be disappointed.

Bookings can be made on line at
www.ipswichlittletheatre.com.au

or at the Ipswich Visitor Information Centre in person or by ringing 3281 0555. Do book early to avoid missing out!!

Adults: \$20 Concession: \$16 Members: \$14



Alicia Dark seeking comfort from Lindsay Spencer-Matthews

Here is a foretaste of what you will see when you attend this highly unusual and entertaining romp.



Shane Mallory, Alicia Dark and David Paterson caught in the intrigue



From the President

I would like to thank those people who have put their hand up for one or more of the non-admin committee positions for 2013. These jobs are all very important if we are to maintain our loved theatre at the high standard that we strive for.

If you haven't taken on a position, you might like to consider working with someone who has, for two reasons – 1. it will ease the workload for them and 2. you will learn the role and feel really good being an active member of our theatre. Members don't have to wait until they are asked. You can just offer to assist the person in the position that you would like to help with.

Don't forget to put Sunday 9 December in your diaries, firstly for the AGM at 3pm and then for the free Members' Christmas Party starting at 5.30pm. Your family is also very welcome. Within that first half hour we will be presenting the annual Griffin Awards, this time in memory of our past President and Life Member, Judith Grant.

Just a reminder to all admin members who hold other positions, you are required to submit an annual report for that position to the AGM. If in doubt please check with Helen.

I was unfortunately not able to attend one of the S-Troupe performances, but feedback I have received shows that it was another triumph. Congratulations to Melinda and her crew for working so hard to make the show wonderful for the cast and emotionally involving for the audiences.

Thanks for everyone's input into our theatre activities so far this year and warm wishes for a wonderful season to the cast and crew of *Searching for Dr Branovic*.

Cheers

Suzanne

S Troupe

S-Troupe celebrated its 21st birthday in style on the weekend 9,10,11 November with *21-Coming of Age*. A wonderful production, written by Di Johnston, took us on a trip down memory lane with some of the highlights of the past 21 years. It's incredible to think that the Troupe has been operating for as long as that. In most of those 21 years there were two shows plus trips to nursing homes and other special events, so this show was just a snapshot of some of the delights presented over the years.

The presentation was a credit to all involved—the 35 troupers themselves, Director Melinda Park and their dedicated helpers: Gloria Cox, Chris Greenhill, Helen Greenhill, Di Johnston, Rosemary Lyons, Ruth Simpson and Holly Wojcicki.



The family celebrates 21 years of memories: Kane Wojcicki, Michele Besgrove, Steven Harley and Toyah Cox



"Food Glorious Food": Karen Evans, Gillian Marchetto and Grant Fullarton with helper Ruth Simpson



"You Can't Get a Man with a Gun": Vicki Milsom with Matthew Bowen under the watchful eye of helper Holly Wojcicki

WANTED - Any past helpers or performers of S-Troupe over the past 21 years!!

On Sunday 24 February 2013 S-Troupe will be having a 21st birthday party and we are looking for any past members/helpers of the group to come along and join in the celebration. If you could please email your current Name & Contact details to Melinda Park, we can post your invitations out in January.

Email: urmoo79@hotmail.com or Mobile 0419 650 441.

IPSWICH LITTLE THEATRE JUNIOR THEATRE GROUP PRESENTS ..



'BIG LOUIS AND THE CANTOUCHEMS'

WRITTEN AND DIRECTED BY DEIRDRE LOWE

SATURDAY 8TH DECEMBER 10.00 AM & 12 NOON

Jean Pratt Building ~ Incinerator Theatre.

Tickets: Gangs ~ \$14.00 (Mom, Pop, 2 Kids)

Hit Men ~ \$6.00 (singles over 12 years)

Mini Mobsters ~ \$3.00 (5 years to 12 years)

Free Loaders ~ Nuthin' (Pre-schoolers)

For advance tickets contact Deirdre Lowe 0409 202 380

Are you a member of Ipswich Little Theatre?

One of the most frequently asked questions from visiting groups is "How many members do you have?" And it is the one question I really can't answer. I'm not at all sure what they actually mean? Is it anyone who has ever had any active involvement with ILT - a large number indeed. Is it 179 - the number of financial members plus Life Members in 2012 ?

Is it the people who have worked for us in some capacity during the course of the year? Or is it the 20 people on the Administrative Committee who have worked tirelessly throughout the year to ensure the smooth running of our very complex organisation. Not only does every one of these members have a demanding responsibility for one or more of our activities but all too often these are the people who have to come to the rescue when we simply don't have enough support.

How encouraging it would be if even the same number of other members answered our pleas for assistance on a regular basis. We are struggling to find members willing to take on responsibility for the Front of House position because of the difficulty in finding volunteers to assist with this vital function.

Another area in which we need a wider group of supporters is when we have our annual working bee. This is crucial to maintaining our property and assets but was not held in January this year through lack of support.

Surely, ILT can do better than this!

Can we do it? Yes, we can!

How: by attending our massive working bee

When: Sunday 20 January from 9am

Why: to clean out all our storage areas and sort, select, and re-store only the vital props etc , and do any other work necessary to ensure a good start to the 2013 ILT year.

You will have such fun and feel so good that our second problem will be solved as you will be asking if you can please work front of house throughout the year. Trust me!

Helen Pullar

Secretary

Sub-Group Productions in 2013

Our Society is so busy, it is always difficult to schedule the presentations of all our sub-groups into our two performance venues — the Incinerator and the Jean Pratt Building – particularly when these have to be worked round school holidays as well. The following schedule has been approved:

Daytime Theatre Troupe: First season in the Jean Pratt Building 21, 22, 24, 15, 28, 29, 31 May and 1 June.

Second Season (JP Building) 22, 23, 25, 26, 29, 30 October, 1, 2 November

S-Troupe: First Season (JP Building) 16, 17, 18, 23, 24, 25 August

Second season (JP Building) 6, 7 December plus a special show after the AGM on 8 December

Junior Theatre: First Showcase (JP Building) 20 July

Second showcase (outside venue) 7 December

Young Theatricals: Showcase (Incinerator) 2, 3 August



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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 phone the theatre when there is a class or rehearsal

Phone 3812 2389.

NOTE: this phone is not staffed at other times.

Several more positions have been filled: Ann Collyer has taken on Licensee Nominee, Bar Manager and Catering Manager. Tony Erhardt has volunteered to be Properties Manager but needs YOUR help (see the appeal on page 3). We are still looking for a Front of House Manager.

DATES FOR BUDDING THESPIANS

As previously advised, there will be five major productions staged in the Incinerator Theatre in 2013. These present the opportunity for people to ACT—which presumably is the main reason for belonging to a theatre company. So here is advance notice of the opportunities—audition dates and parts available.

Amigos (Suzanne Matulich) Monday 10 December

3m 40 to mid-50s. 2f one 40 to mid 50s, one mid 30s.

Five Women Wearing the Same Dress (Doug Moses) Monday 4 February

5f 25 to 40 range. 1m late 20s

One Act Plays: **Big Cats** (Craig Taylor) 1m 60+, 1f 60+ 1f 30+ and **Pier 12** (Phil McCormack) 1m, 1f no particular age. Monday 11 February

A Few Good Men (Shane Mallory) Monday 25 March

13m aged 18 to 60. 1f mid 20s. (Please note that if insufficient men are available to cast, consideration will be given to casting females in some parts).

Good Things (Jane Sheppard) Monday 1 July

2m 2f all approximately 50 year old (40 to 60). One male and one female play multiple roles of 6 different characters each.

Butterflies are Free (Les Chappell) Monday 19 August

2m 20s, 1f 20s, 1f 45-60.

Note that the ages given are those of the characters; the players could be a different age — young people have often played elderly characters etc.

For more information, visit our website or contact the respective directors.

Notice of Proposed Amendment to Constitution

Notice is hereby given that at the Annual General Meeting a motion will be put forward to amend the Constitution of Ipswich Little Theatre Society Inc. to change the end of the Society's financial year from 30 September to 31 October.

Helen Pullar

Hon Sec

2012 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CONTACT DETAILS

President	Suzanne Matulich	3281 4748 (ah) 0412 792 264
Vice President	Majella Gee	3812 7821 0415 258 162
Past President	Jim Orr	0447 200 006
Secretary	Helen Pullar	3281 4437
Treasurer	Jan Paterson	3810 5884 0417 787 130

CONTACT DETAILS FOR OTHER IMPORTANT POSITIONS

Front of House Management Coordinator	Chris Austin-Greenhill	3812 9531 0427977007
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 Jane Sheppard	H 3281 4437 J 54645363
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

**Ipswich Little Theatre Society Inc
Annual General Meeting 9 December 2012
in the Jean Pratt Building
commencing at 3.00pm
Nomination Form for Elected Positions for 2013**

..... is nominated for the position of: **(Please circle)**

President

Vice President

Secretary

Treasurer

Administration Committee Member (No fewer than 8 and no more than 20)

Building Committee Member:

Rotation: Jim Orr & Colin Paterson (2013, 2014)
Alan Brown and Helen Pullar (2013)
Robyn Flashman and Ian Pullar to stand down but are eligible for re-election

Selection Committee Member:

Rotation: Alan Brown, Les Chappell , Chris Greenhill (2013)
Desley Cronon, Doug Moses and Jan Paterson to stand down but are eligible for re-election

I accept this nomination

Nominated by (Please print and sign name)

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Seconded by (Please print and sign name)

.....

NB: These nominations need to be completed and returned in person or by mail to the Secretary 48 hours prior to the meeting.

Paid Positions** NB These positions will not change unless current incumbents choose to resign/retire.

Cleaner

Gardener/ Maintenance Manager

Signed.....