



# Burning News from the Incinerator Theatre

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## NEXT ILT COMMITTEE MEETING

7pm

Tuesday

14 January 2014

Note: there will be no meeting  
in December

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Remember the Christmas  
Party which will follow the  
AGM.

A flyer for the function can  
be found on page 6

## Ipswich Little Theatre Society Inc

### Annual General Meeting for 2013

Members are reminded that the Annual General Meeting will be held in the Incinerator  
at 3 pm on Sunday 8 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 following positions:

President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and members of the Administrative Committee (up to 20). Nominations are also called for the two vacancies on Building Committee for three year terms (Helen Pullar and Alan Brown to stand down) and the three vacancies on Selection Committee for two years (Alan Brown, Les Chappell and Chris Greenhill to stand down).

A nomination form can be obtained from our website, or by contacting secretary Helen Pullar (3281 4437). 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 at the meeting.



## Butterflies Are Free

by Leonard Gersche

Our final production for the year, directed by Les Chappell with Desley Cronon as assistant director, is now under way. This touching play is a MUST for all our members.

Bookings are solid, but seats are still available. Bookings, as always, can be made on line at [www.ipswichlittletheatre.com.au](http://www.ipswichlittletheatre.com.au) or through the Visitor Information Centre (3281 0555)

**Performance season: 20 November—7 December**

**Public performances 29, 30 November 6, 7 December Matinee 1 December**



## WORKING BEES

We are about to undertake a major refurbishment of our auditorium by removing the unsightly and redundant electrical conduits and sound proofing the side walls. While the major work will be done around Christmas time, help would be appreciated to clear the space on **Monday 9 December** (the day after the AGM) from 8:30 am. In addition, we will be holding our annual working bee on **Sunday 16 February** to prepare the site for the 2014 season. Help is needed to clean, paint, stock-take and organise properties and other important chores depending on the help available. Please note these dates in your diaries.



*Di Johnston, Jane Sheppard, Marie Mortimer*



*Sandie Henwood, Robyn Harm, Margaret Martin*



*Karen Peart, Eleanor Currie, Lesley Mahaffey, Anne England*



*Jay Mair, Anne England, Jane Sheppard, Pam Woolgar*



*Chic Currie, Bette Rose, Trish Anning, Margaret Martin*



*Lorraine Wilson, Alan Brown*



*Jan Stevenson, Jan Paterson, Chris Salent*



*Carol Culey, Marie Mortimer, Geraldene Fitzpatrick*

## Daytime Theatre Troupe

The Strand Hotel was the scene of much revelry as members past and present of our Daytime Theatre Troupe celebrated their Pearl Anniversary. Trish Anning flew down from Townsville and Chris Salant (Forsdick) from Sydney to join in the fun and share some memories. Jan Paterson prepared a commemorative book and some wonderful photo albums displaying a bright and zany snapshot of productions over the past 30 years. Good food, great company and a celebratory cake – a very apt DTT birthday gathering.



*Ron Sheppard, Lorraine Wilson, Col Paterson, Alan Brown*



*Karen Peart, Anne Wall, Jane Sheppard, Jan Paterson*



## S-Troupe



There was much fun at the last class/break-up party held for S-Troupe, with approximately 45 guests attending. S-Troupe is now in recess until 2014 (although I hear a whisper that Di is conducting poetry classes for some of the students, in readiness for the Silkstone Eisteddfod in 2014).

S-Troupe were treated to some special guests recently: teachers and students from Brigidine College in Brisbane came for a visit and to see how our classes work.



## Junior Theatre

Rehearsals for "YOHOHO and Other Stuff" are progressing. Not necessarily well, but progressing. Set is in place, costumes are well in hand, lines are learned and it is just a case of practise, practise, practise. Thanks to wardrobe for their assistance. It is appreciated. Thanks to Jacqui for the music and sound effects, and Ann for assistant director and back stage tyrant.

Dates have been set for 2014. Juniors will repeat the visit to one of the retirement communities for our June production on the 21<sup>st</sup>. There will be a preview performance for family and friends on the Friday evening, 20<sup>th</sup> June at 6.00pm. The format for this production will be a series of short skits based on age and interests of the students. They will have a major say in the content of the skits.

Our December production is called 'A Greasy Christmas' and will be performed on December 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>.

*Deirdre Lowe*

## Programme for Sub-groups

The delicate task of scheduling the many users of the Jean Pratt Building has been achieved. Once again a busy year is coming up. Performance dates for the sub-groups have been agreed as follows:

**Daytime Theatre Troupe:** This group will again meet on Wednesday mornings.

Performance season: July - Tues 29, Wed 30. August - Fri 1, Sat 2, Tues 5, Wed 6, Fri 8.

Family & Friends night - Monday 21 July

**Young Theatricals:** This group meets on Wednesdays from 6 to 7:30 pm. Sign on day February 25.

Performance dates (Festival plays) - Fri June 13, Sat June 14

Major showcase production Friday October 24, Saturday October 25

**S-Troupe:** Classes Sunday 3 to 5 pm. Sign on date to be advised.

Performance at Festival Sunday August 10

Showcase - Saturday August 30, Sunday August 31, Saturday Sept 6 at 1pm and 4pm.

**Junior Theatre:** Classes Saturday 8:30 to 10am. Sign on Saturday 18 January.

First production - Friday June 20 at 6pm; Saturday June 21 morning at Nursing Home

Second production - Friday December 5 at 6pm, Saturday December 6 at 8am



The following cast has been selected for

## Sin, Sex and the CIA

directed by Doug Moses and Sheryl Roche

Luke James	Aaron Evans
Daniel Warren	Paul Davis
Margaret Johnson	Traci Dolan
Rev. Samuel Abernathy	Shane Mallory
Millicent	Lauren Roche
Heather Anne Faraday	Toni Maguire
Ranger Don	Rebecca Noble

## Help!

**YOUR** Society is in urgent need of help. We need people who are prepared to assist with lighting our shows and to undertake set construction. These activities are vital to our core business.

PLEASE

anyone who is prepared to be involved, contact Phil Holmes for lighting or Ian Pullar for set construction.

# DIARY DATES

20 November to 7 December	<i>Butterflies are Free</i> season
7 December	Junior Theatre <i>Yo Ho Ho and Other Stuff</i>
8 December	Annual General Meeting
9 December	Working Bee in auditorium
16 February	General Working Bee

## Calling Aspiring Actors

*There are many parts available for aspiring actors in 2014. In order to assist potential players in planning their year, the available parts are listed below. More detail is available on our website or by contacting the directors. More details about the characters will also be published with the audition notices.*

**Double Bill** (8 May—24 May). Auditions Monday 3 February

**A New York Minute** Director Phil McCormack

**Melissa Burns:** 32 American. **Harry Conner:** 32 American.

**A Day to Remember** Directors Helen & Ian Pullar

**Marianne:** 16 **Dorothy:** 34 **Vera:** 60 **Frank:** 69

**The Extraordinary Revelations of Orca the Goldfish** (Festival Play). Auditions Monday 24 February

Director Jan Paterson **Henry:** 35+ **Alice:** 35 +

**Dial M for Murder** (9 July—26 July). Auditions Monday 31 March Director Les Chappell

**Sheila Wendice:** 25-35, **Max Halliday:** 25-35, American accent. **Tony Wendice:** 35-40, English accent.

**Captain Lesgate:** 35-40, English accent. **Inspector Hubbard:** 40-55, English accent.

**Cosi** (24 September—11 October). Auditions Monday 7 July Director David Paterson

**Lewis:** early 20s **Lucy:** early-mid 20s **Nick:** early-mid 20s **Justin:** 30s-40s **Roy:** 40s-50s **Henry:** 40s-50s

**Doug:** 20s-30s **Cherry:** 20s-30s **Julie:** 20s **Ruth:** 30s **Zac:** 20-30s

**Entertaining Angels** (19 November—6 December). Auditions Monday 11 August Director Jan Paterson

**Grace:** 61 English accent **Bardolph:** 60 something English accent **Jo:** early 30s English accent

**Ruth:** early sixties English accent **Sarah:** early thirties English accent

### 2013 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CONTACT DETAILS

President	Suzanne Matulich	3281 4748 (ah) 0412 792 264
Vice President	Robyn Flashman	3812 3450
Past President	Jim Orr	0447 200 006
Secretary	Helen Pullar	3281 4437
Treasurer	Jan Paterson	3810 5884 0419 787 130

### CONTACT DETAILS FOR OTHER IMPORTANT POSITIONS

Front of House Management Coordinators	Pam Floris Kate Mallory	5467 2895 0438 886159 3201 7998 0479 048 979
Subscription Secretary	Di Johnston	3812 9141 0407 074 752
Group Liaison Secretary	Robyn Flashman	3812 3450
Jean Pratt Building Bookings	Desley Cronon	3288 8754
Junior Theatre	Deirdre Lowe	0409 202 380
Young Theatricals	Craig Taylor	3201 4444
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

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For more details about Ipswich Little Theatre [www.ipswichlittletheatre.com.au](http://www.ipswichlittletheatre.com.au)



# Christmas Sale



## A Bright Idea for Christmas

Why not give a voucher for tickets to our productions in 2014?

That way, your gift will last all year and keep giving pleasure.

**Single Show Voucher \$18 Full Season Voucher 6 Shows \$100**

If you don't like shopping for Christmas Gifts: No time in your busy life to go shopping:

Don't know what to buy that special person—This is an easy way to shop.

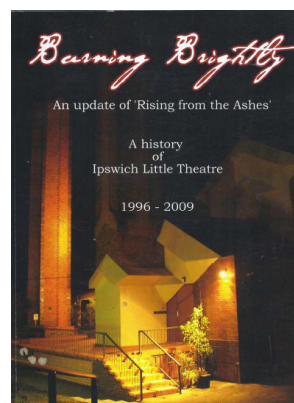
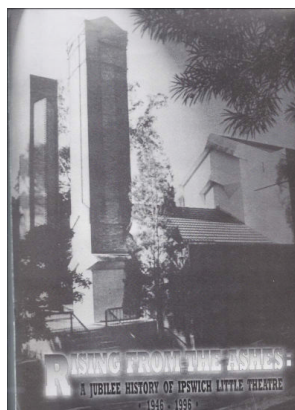
Purchase Front of House throughout “Butterflies Are Free” Season or at the AGM  
or e-mail Robyn Harm <robyn@mansol.net.au> or phone her on 3812 3516

Your voucher will be delivered before Christmas.

## Books for Sale



Daytime Theatre Troupe booklets to mark their Pearl Anniversary and Silver Anniversary are available for sale at a mere \$10 plus postage if applicable. Simply contact Jan and she will be happy to supply as many copies as you like.



Also available are copies of our histories covering the periods 1946-1996 and 1996-2009 at \$15 from Jan.


Why not treat yourself to an Ipswich Little Theatre T-Shirt and wear it on all social occasion?

This will demonstrate your pride in the theatre group and advertise our wonderful product.

The shirts are available across the bar counter at every performance. Even out of hours viewing can be arranged for special customers.

Various sizes are available and one can be yours for a mere \$15.





**Ipswich Little Theatre** invites all  
Members and their families to the

2013

# CHRISTMAS PARTY

including presentation of the  
2013 Griffin Awards  
in memory of Judy Grant

**Sunday 8 December**  
from 5:30 p.m. (after the AGM)

- ★ ***Complimentary drinks (5.30-6.00pm)***
- ★ ***Nibbles***
- ★ ***Sausage sizzle***
- ★ ***Courtyard Bar open***

Please RSVP by 5 December to Suzanne at  
[info@ipswichlittletheatre.com.au](mailto:info@ipswichlittletheatre.com.au) or  
call 0412 792 264