



Frant Pantomime and Dramatic Society *Newsletter – August 2008*

Welcome

Hello everyone. It's a while since we had a newsletter and a few things have been and gone since the last one so it's time for another.

Most importantly, don't forget the AGM on Thursday 4 September 2008 at 8:00pm.

Barbecue

The Moores family very kindly offered their garden for the barbecue in June. Having had very dodgy weather in the week leading up to the barbecue we were all a little apprehensive.

Clive had put up a gazebo, just in case, and, indeed, the morning of the barbecue dawned with some heavy cloud. Our usual barbecue luck held out however and the clouds cleared, the sun came out and the grass dried up nicely by the time everyone arrived.



We had a wonderful afternoon and a lovely meal so our thanks go out to Clive and Linda for putting up with us all.

I have it on good authority that Clive might be regretting not having taken the gazebo down straight after the barbecue so there's no guarantee that we'll be welcome back next year!

Clearing Up Day

Val has asked me to include the following note in the newsletter.



I should like to express my sincere thanks to the members who turned up to the Hall on July 26th.

Although there were only about 11 people (the usual suspects!) much was achieved. Sticky labels were removed from the chairs (a rather fiddly, time-consuming task), scenery sorted (a rather noisy task) and rubbish removed (a rather dirty task). Everyone

worked hard despite much joking and ribaldry – thank you all.

A special mention must be made of Maggi who excelled herself by preparing a delicious picnic for us. We were fortunate enough to have reasonable weather and, therefore, enjoyed our picnic on the Green, most pleasant.

Well done to all concerned, for although there are further tasks to complete, much was achieved.

AGM

As mentioned at the beginning of the newsletter, the AGM is on 4 September and we're looking forward to seeing you all there.

As usual, following the formal part of the evening we intend to have some entertainment which will include Jackie's introduction to the Pantomime.

The Old Man of the Mountains

Heather Woodward has asked me to let you all know about a play which is being performed at Wadhurst Parish Church on Friday and Saturday 7 and 8 November. It's about Elijah and the Raven and, should you want further details, it's probably best to contact Heather.

The Pantomime 2008

In the last newsletter I said that we were likely to have an eastern theme to the pantomime – how wrong can you be!

There has been a change of plan and the panto will now have a western feel to it.



I know that Jackie is still keen to find anybody who would like to take part, either on or off stage so, if you're interested, please contact her on 01892 782946.



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Spring Play 2009

We are hoping to put on 'Murdered to Death' on 23, 24 and 25 April 2009. It has a reasonably large cast so the sooner people can let me know whether they would like to be in it or not, the sooner I can relax a bit!!



A Plea

Does anybody have a copy of the Parish Plus which include Nick's review of 'Busybody' please? If so, I would be grateful if I could borrow it, temporarily, as I haven't, yet seen it.

Show Pairs

NODA members (which includes us) now receive 'Show Pairs' which entitle people to 2 tickets for the price of one at selected West End shows.



If anyone is interested, I have discount vouchers for Stomp, Never Forget (the Take That musical) and the stage version of Disney's High School Musical.

Please let me know and I'll pass the vouchers on.



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