

THE Artful DODGER

SEPTEMBER:2009

1.n. roystering young pickpocket from Charles Dickens' *Oliver Twist*. 2.n. printed handbill full of tidings from the W.M.I.&A.A. with a closing date for contributions of 25th of each month to Alan Cornell on 98444995 or alan@commercialventure.com.au

GETTING THE SHOW ON THE ROAD

This issue is pretty much all pictures. Pictures about being on the road, one way or another.

New Zealand ~ Bev Herridge, a stalwart of the Painting Group, is hitting the road back to New Zealand and will be greatly missed by her arty friends. E haere ra, Bev!

Foster ~ The One Act Players made their last appearance in the Foster One Act Play Festival in early August. There they enjoyed notable success, with Aldo King winning Most Outstanding Male Actor for his performance as Mike in *St Francis Talks to the Birds*, while David Howell as St Francis and John Milburn-Clark as Inspector Dexter in *The Mystery at Twickenham Vicarage* were also nominated. Naretha Williams (Sal in *Borneo*), Toni McSweeney (Angelica in *Borneo*), Naomi Oosting (Sarah Penworthy-Pikes in *The Mystery at Twickenham Vicarage*) and Simone Kiefer (Angela in *St Francis Talks to the Birds*) were all nominated for Most Outstanding Female Actor. David Tynan (*St Francis Talks to the Birds*) and Phyl Swindley (*The Mystery at Twickenham Vicarage*) both received Most Outstanding Director nominations and the plays they directed received Most Outstanding Play nominations. WTC also won the Most Outstanding Design award for *Borneo*. And Roger won the *Windy Ridge Wine* in the raffle!

Benalla ~ Another, somewhat earlier Warrandyte production took to the road in 1965. Those of you who read last month's Dodger from cover to cover will remember a letter from Michael Foulkes reminiscing about taking "Othello" to Benalla, directed by Harold Baigent. Well Michael, Ian Gedge has supplied some slides of that very trip. And a fine looking bunch you all were!



DATES TO REMEMBER

Follies Development ~ 11 September @ Hall
'Love Song' ~ 24, 25, 26 September 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, 10 October @ Hall
Bev Herridge lunch ~ 11.30am, 9 Sept @ Jill Chivell's
'Princess Georgious' Auditions ~ Sunday 11, Tuesday 13 October



Group reports.

Pottery



Two more “thankyous” to Jan and Denys for their generous donations towards the cost of rewiring the kiln.

Welcome to Weixing Huang known to us as Whey. Whey has moved onto us after doing the 3UA introduction to Hand Build course. We are

delighted to have her, she is doing very interesting work.

The resident possum is still living in the downstairs studio. Anyone with suggestions as to how to encourage it to find other accommodation I would be pleased to hear their ideas.

Marj Beecham 9844 3206

Painting



A fond farewell to our Bev. Beverley is returning to New Zealand in a few weeks time - has been a loyal member since 1994 when she arrived in Australia, we will miss her friendship.

We are getting together to wish Bev all the best. Jill Chivell has kindly invited us to her home, 59 Cambridge Road, Mooroolbark. Telephone 9725

6395, Wednesday 16th September, 09 around 11.30am. Please bring a plate of food towards lunch.

The inclement weather has kept us indoors these past weeks, we are looking forward to the warm Spring days.

Pauline Cross 9439 1775

Theatre



Quiet month, but still a number of things cooking.

1. Love Song

Rehearsals are in full swing, with the cast as follows. A special welcome to the newcomers Phillipa, Frank and Vanessa!

Aldo King as *Ben*

Phillipa Adgemis as *Joan*

Frank McCarty as *Frank*

Vanessa Alpines as *Molly*

Also, don't forget the Production Dates:

24th, 25th and 26th of September

1st, 2nd and 3rd, 8th, 9th and 10th of October

2. Panto Auditions

Just a quick diary note for those who are hoping to be involved in the panto. Keryn is working hard on her revised but still gorgeous script.

Audition dates are: Sunday 11th October and Tuesday 13th October

3. Follies 2010

After our first brainstorming session, we have successfully found a director, the fabulous Alan Cornell, to be assisted by myself. We are having a followup session on Friday 11 September to further discuss theme ideas - we look forward to seeing youse all there.

David Tynan 9844 5727

Craft



Rosemary Climas 9844 2154

Foster One Act Play Festival



Most Outstanding Male Actor, Aldo King



'Borneo', Most Outstanding Design Award

Next Production

Warrandyte Theatre Company Presents
LOVE SONG
BY JOHN KOLVENBACH
DIRECTED BY HELEN ELLIS
SEPT 24, 25, 26,
OCT 1, 2, 3,
8, 9, 10
7:30PM FOR 8PM START
WARRANDYTE MECHANICS INSTITUTE HALL,
Corner of Yarra Street and Mitchell Avenue, Melbourne P20, P11
Tickets \$18 Concession \$15
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"Othello"

Benalla, 1965.

1. Yvonne Reid (Mitchell),
Alison Bird

2. Michael Foulkes

3. Jack McKellar,
Julie Hutchinson,
Michael Foulkes,
John Golding

4. John Golding,
Michael Foulkes,
David Bird,
Jack McKellar

5. Ian Gedge



Foster One Act Play Festival

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