It’s been a busy month... seriously - the Arts Centre should provide a new clothing range with that as a ‘T’ shirt slogan!

At last that leak in the roof of the Wellesley has been fixed! In all seriousness though, it was a fantastic week - hope everyone has finally recovered from ‘post-show-blues’! What stood out for me was the inclusion of so many new faces to the WAA and I hope everyone can carry on and be fully involved!

The Civic players have news regarding their next production coming up at The Arts Centre; Panto will soon be at audition stage for ‘Scrooge’ and it wouldn’t be the summer without Genesis Youth Theatre and their Musical nor, Spectrum Arts and Crafts and their annual summer exhibition.

Plenty to get involved with!

On the subject of getting involved (or not!) - this is the last WAACry Susan and I are producing. The magazine needs someone who can produce it on time and sadly with all of the other things we do both inside the WAA and outside, we can’t give it the time it needs (or indeed wait for more copy not to materialize) - so if this challenge is for you, have a word with the WAA Management team via Margaret Liddel and express your interest!

Have a lovely summer, we look forward to seeing you at the WAA soon!

Kevin, Susan and Elvis The Cat
DEADLINES & CONTACTS

The next edition is due sometime in July/August... Please continue to email your submissions so the new editors will have something to put in it!

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“SINGIN’ IN THE RAIN”
What a fantastic show! Congrats to all involved, on stage and off - another show we can be really proud of.

“SHAKEN NOT STIRRED”
A John Walker devised show, with assistance in direction and choreography from Christina Green, this promises to have all the excitement of an 007 movie!! Rehearsals start on Monday September 8th and continue on Mondays & Thursdays until the show November 11th – 15th. All are welcome to take part.

AGM
This takes place on Monday July 7th at 7.30pm at the Arts Centre. Please see the AGM notice in this edition of WAACry and think about standing for the committee – new “blood” is always welcome.

SOUTH PACIFIC
Please note, that due to circumstances beyond our control, the date of the show has had to be changed and will now be MAY 12-16 2015.
The LAUNCH PARTY takes place on THURSDAY 4th at the Arts Centre, 7.30pm.
A pre-audition rehearsal will be held on Monday 8th December with a Read-through on Thursday 11th December.
AUDITIONS will be held on SUNDAY 14th December.
This is a well known, traditional musical and needs a strong cast of actor/singers. There are plenty of parts for men especially (not all singing roles) and it is expected that competition for the leading female roles will be fierce!! Also there are parts for a young boy and girl (it is anticipated to have two sets) and a young lady of about 16.

There is a reading copy out there somewhere!! It may have been left at The Arts Centre – please look out for it and/or check it is not in your possession!!

**NODA SW WEEKEND**

This will take place 19 – 21 September at a hotel in Torquay. Details should be arriving soon. Please note, you can just go for the Saturday Workshops if you don’t want to stay for the whole weekend. These are always well worthwhile, and you meet other like-minded people!!

**TOURING**

June 1\textsuperscript{st} at the Wellington Street Fair (lunchtime)

June 7\textsuperscript{th} (possibly) St John’s Hall for Wellington Twinning Association (morning)

June 27\textsuperscript{th} at the URC Church hall (evening)

June 30\textsuperscript{th} Bulford Hall (2.30pm)

July 17\textsuperscript{th} Rockwell Green Pensioners (evening)

For details of rehearsals please contact Monica Spalding or Charlie Green

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**PHOTOS OF SINGING IN THE RAIN**

THANKS TO ANDY JONES

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FOR HIGH RES PRINTED COPIES - CONTACT ANDY
While many of you were lying in the lake of Sing In The Rain, a group of representatives from Wellington Pantomime Group went to The Cinderella Awards Evening in Weston Super-Mare. The group had many nominations and one award, a full list below.

- Best Lighting (Matt Redstone) NOM
- Best Choreography (Charlie Evans) NOM
- Best Theatre Musicians (Jo Buck, Oli Redstone, John Skittrell, Geoff Cross, Ian Webb-Taylor) NOM
- Best Female Singer (Lizzie Harvey) NOM
- Best Comedy Duo (Jim Hawkins and David Waring) NOM
- Best Costumes (Penny Bradnum) NOM
- Best Villain (Mary Lewis) NOM
- Best Principal Girl (Lizzie Harvey) NOM
- Best Musical Direction (Ian Webb-Taylor) NOM
- Best Male Singer (Ian Jones) WIN

Well done to all the nominations and congratulations to Ian Jones on the win.

AGM – Well attend as always!

Members attended, a review of the past year was given and the committee were elected. The new committee is listed below.

Chairman: Colin Marshall
Vice-Chairman: Crispin Buttle
Treasurer: Kevin Stratton
Secretary: Rob Spurway
Committee Members: Dawn Morton, Fiona Hobday, Lynn Henden, Abi Lockyer, Alice Cribbon

**ONTO PASTURES NEW**

Our next production is ‘Scrooge the Pantomime’, directed by Colin Marshall. There seems to be a lot of interest already, lots of enquiries about dates. Hopefully everything below will satisfy all questions.

**Read – Through, Tuesday 8th July, 7.30pm, Wellington Arts Centre**

This your chance to get to know the characters and just to have a bit of fun. See how the plot develops and hear some of the ideas from the director.

**Auditions, Sunday 13th July, 10am-6pm, Wellington Arts Centre**

Do you want to get on stage with an award winning pantomime group? Yes! Get yourself along to the auditions, and give it a go. We ask that you contact the group to register your interest and give us a time that you will be auditioning. We cannot promise this is the time you will be allocated but we will do everything we can for you.

When getting in contact please make sure you leave a name, number, time for audition and, if 16 or under, your age and school (possibly tell us what part you may want to go for [principal boy/girl, dame, link man, brokers men, villain or chorus]) We will also be looking out for puppeteers.

So how are you going to get in contact?

You can email us on waapanto@outlook.com

or you can call us on 08449979000 [Please leave a message for Colin]

Looking forward to seeing you there.

If you have any queries, please don’t hesitate to approach any of the committee members.

Rob Spurway
A huge thanks to Margaret for taking this on and making progress with the membership processing. Even Susan and I slipped the net - fully paid up now!

If you haven't received a Membership Reminder lately - don't panic - you soon will! If you need to contact her, especially regarding change of address or contact details, her e-mail address is:

Secretary@w-a-a.co.uk

or pop a message in the box at the Arts Centre - by the Bar-room door marked 'Membership'. We will look forward to receiving your money!
GENESIS YOUTH THEATRE

Our Summer production hits the Arts Centre stage later this month, written by ME (Kevin) - come and support the future of the WAA in this musical feast - ticket info on the poster opposite!

The Show MUST Go On
Rundown is a small village, nowhere in particular, that like many, has grown over the years. Many years ago, eccentric Mary Tuffway saw spirit in a young man and donated some land for him to build a school with arts at the heart of it... Years later, the money has gone and Rundown Middle School is stumbling by through a myriad of government cutbacks - more so since ‘The Authority’ opened a new Academy and now has to fund both! Damon Tuffway, Mary’s money hungry son has now returned to reclaim the land, passed onto the school on a simple handshake. But to do this, he must force The Authority to close it.!

The Academy, run by cricket mad Aussie ex-pat Dr Hardthorpe, is a big white elephant - full of ICT with no-one, least of all Hardthorpe having a clue how to use it. !

Plus new arrivals too at Rundown with a new girl Poppy and her mum joining the group of misfits - and that’s just the staff! !

As Tuffway’s plans bear fruit, much to the despair of his estranged daughter, the school find the will to fight on and even if the school must close, the new show simply MUST go on.!

Thursday 19th, Friday 20th, Saturday 21st June @ 7.30pm - £5 each
The Wellington Arts Centre presents

Genesis Youth Theatre

The show must go on!

Centre Wellington Arts
19th-21st June at 7.30

or 07540 432394
Wellington,
Box Office (G) Fore St.

Tickets £5
(From Peace to War)

JW3

(John Walker, Tony Woollard & Andy Bearne)

Annual Charity Concert

TO COMMEMORATE THE CENTENARY OF WW1

With songs, anecdotes and poems

All proceeds to SSAFA

Wellington Arts Centre

Saturday 2nd August 2014

Matinee: 2:30 pm Evening: 7:30 pm

Tickets £6- Box Office: Cloud 9 – Fore Street, Wellington or call 01823667112

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THE CIVIC PLAYERS – WELLINGTON THEATRE COMPANY

As the dust has now settled on SINGLE SPIES, I am delighted to be able to inform everyone that we managed to make a healthy profit from the show. This is really pleasing as it was only ever our intention to break even, so a bit of a bonus. It seems there is a real appetite in Wellington and the surrounding area for great plays, so we are very happy to continue doing so!

BEDROOM FARCE

By the time this edition is published we hope that we will have completed casting for our next production, Alan Ayckbourns classic, BEDROOM FARCE.

With Graham Hart at the directorial helm, I think we are in for great fun! The prospect of a set containing three different bedrooms is a fascinating one, but if anyone can make it really work then I am sure Graham can!

For those who do not know, this is one of Ayckbourns earlier plays, but has become regarded as one of his very best and concerns 4 couples, their relationships, tricky situations and high jinks in the bedroom. It will be a scream!

Performances will be from 3 – 6 September at The Arts Centre and tickets are all £8 and will be available from 1 July on 0844 997 900 and from www.ticketsource.co.uk/wellingtonartscentre and from 4 August from Cloud 9
AGM

Just as rehearsals get under way for BEDROOM FARCE we will be holding our AGM on Thursday 10 July at The Arts Centre at 7pm. We hope we have a decent turnout. We are looking for a couple of new members of the Committee so do come along if you would like to join us! Notice is attached.

That’s all for now folks!

To keep in touch or to find out more information give Paul a call – paulawsmith@gmail.com or 07931 425471
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE WAA OPERATIC SOCIETY WILL BE HELD AT THE ARTS CENTRE, EIGHT ACRE LANE, WELLINGTON ON MONDAY JULY 7TH 2014 AT 7.30PM

AGENDA

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of the AGM 2013
3. Chairman’s Report
4. Treasurer’s Report
5. Election of Officers

Present Committee

Chairman Simon Spalding*
Vice Chairman John Walker*
Hon Secretary Monica Spalding*
Hon Treasurer Heli Vile*
Minute Secretary Margaret Liddel*
Committee Yvonne Shire*, Matt Redstone*, Hannah Green, Brian Green*, Carol Watkins* Kirk Shepherd* Roland Bath* Richard Matravers*
* Denotes members willing to stand again

NB. All the above posts are open for election.

6. Chairman’s Closing Remarks

A Members’ Meeting will follow

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NOMINATION FORM

Position..........................................
Name...............................................
Signature..................................................
Proposer.............................................. Seconder..................................................

Nomination forms should be handed to the Secretary before the Meeting

NB. Only fully paid up members of the WAA are eligible to vote.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF THE 2014 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
OF THE WAA CIVIC PLAYERS
Which is to be held at the Arts Centre, Eight Acre Lane, Wellington on
Monday 10th July 2014 at 7.00pm

AGENDA

1) Apologies for absence
2) To confirm the minutes of the 2013 AGM
3) Chairman’s Report
4) Treasurer’s Report
5) Election of Officers

Officers and Committee voted for 1 year at the 2013 AGM were:

Chairman: Paul Smith *
Vice Chairman: Swannie*
Hon Secretary: Penny Bradnum *
Treasurer: Christina Green
Committee Members:

Mary Lewis *
Graham Hart *

All of the above posts are open for election — those marked * are willing to stand for re-election. We would welcome further committee members. All nominations should be handed to the Secretary before 7.00pm on 10th July. A members’ meeting will follow.

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Nominee’s Signature …………………………………………………

Proposer …………………….. Seconder ………………………………………
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF THE 2014 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE
WAA GENESIS YOUTH THEATRE

Which is to be held at the Arts Centre, Eight Acre Lane, Wellington on
Wednesday 25th June at 7pm

AGENDA

1. Apologies
2. Confirm minutes of 2013 AGM
3. Chairman’s Report
4. Treasurer’s Report
5. Election of Officers

Officers and committee voted for 1 year at the end of 2013 AGM:

Chairman Kevin Stratton*
Vice Chairman Crispin Buttle*
Hon Secretary Susan Green*
Treasurer Carol Watkins*

Committee Members: John Skittrell*
Kirk Shepherd*
Christina Green
Monica Spalding

All of the above posts are open for election – those marked * are willing to stand for
re-election. We would welcome further committee members. All nominations
should be handed to the Secretary before 7pm on 25 June 2014.

A Members meeting will follow.

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