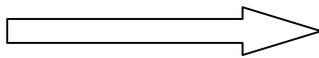




Roleystone Theatre

CALLBOY

December 2005



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The Teahouse of the August Moon: Auditions

The production of this play, directed by **Kim Martin**, is to go on in May 2006 with rehearsals beginning late February. This play is a very funny comedy about the American occupation of the island of Okinawa (former Japanese territory) after WWII. When first produced on Broadway in 1953/54 it won a Pulitzer Prize and Tony Award for 'Best Play' and was subsequently made into a film with Marlon Brando and Glenn Ford.

The cast is a bit like that of a musical – several principal roles with a 'chorus' (who **don't** sing) of villagers, some of whom have small speaking roles, so there is the flexibility to involve a fairly large number on stage. All the locals speak in Okinawan and one of the main characters, Sakini, interprets for the Americans.

Major characters are:

Sakini – Interpreter (age 25+)

Captain Fisby (20's)

Colonel Purdy (40+)

Sergeant Gregovich (20's)

Captain McLean – Psychologist (30+)

Lotus Blossom – Geisha (20's)

Miss Higa Jica - Pres. of Ladies Democratic League (30+)

Auditions will be on January 28th and 29th. Ring Kim Martin on 93975669 to book a time. Kim also has some scripts available if anyone wishes to borrow one. Also, give Kim a ring if you wish to find out more about the play or the characters.

Please phone through or email your submissions for next month's callboy. These need to be forwarded to me by the 20th or so of each month so there is plenty of time to get the edition completed and to the printer. Any information or photos are welcome and remember the callboy is a great way to let other members know what is going on in the world of theatre *and* 'normal life'. Bree Hartley: 9495 2510 or 0402014666, bree_hartley@iprimus.com.au

President's Report

I think I must be getting older. Lately I find myself saying things like "The flies are worse this year", "This humidity is terrible on my knees", "Why are all these people at the shops?" and "My, hasn't the year whizzed by". Yep! I've joined the ranks of the stiff and complaining. Energy, enthusiasm and spare time is definitely wasted on the young and the retired ☺ Only Joking!!

But the year has been a busy one. I think the committee is definitely looking forward to a well-earned break and some yummy Christmas pud! By the time you get this, our fantastic pantomime will be a distant memory and the hangovers from our Hawaiian Christmas Party will be long gone – hopefully! Thank you to everyone who came to the theatre this year to audition, watch, mop, build, serve, whipper snip, plant, sew, direct, light, dance, sing, paint, tile, carpet, clean, make-up, sell tickets, decorate, and a million other things. Without you we are just an empty building waiting to come to life.

Have a wonderful Christmas. Enjoy your time with your family and come back next year refreshed and ready for another great season at Roleystone Theatre.

Sonja Reynolds



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'Alice in Wonderland' is in need of the following:

- Stage Manager
- Backstage members
- Lighting person
- Sound person
- Props manager



Rehearsals will be 7-10pm Monday & Wednesday.
You must be available for day performances during July School Holidays.

REWARD: THE THRILL OF BEING PART OF THE FIRST EVER ROLEYSTONE THEATRE SCHOOL HOLIDAY SPECIAL!

Front of House

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have stepped in to work on the kiosk this year. The kiosk profits go right back into theatre coffers, so you have directly helped your theatre financially!!

We really could not do it without you, Thank you.
Daniel Ramsell (Front of House Manager).

This is a reminder that no item from the theatre may be borrowed or taken from the premises without direct permission from the President. This will hopefully stop any future problems.

Government Health Warning

It has come to the attention of the committee that some people are not paying attention to the new government regulations to do with smoking. Please understand that these are GOVERNMENT regulations and do not reflect the personal opinion of any of our committee however we are obliged to enforce them. Breaking of these regulations can result in hefty fines for our theatre and surely no member would want that to happen.

No smoking is permitted on any ramp or stairway, near any doorway or undercover area.

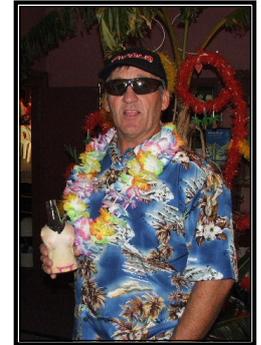
The rules are becoming more and more strict, with new regulations being updated all the time. Please remember we are not out to ruin your evening and try to be polite when asked to move on. We are all here to have fun. ☺

End of Year Function

This year we had a Hawaiian themed evening on Sunday 4th December. The food was to die for with catered spit roast, salads, deserts, tea or coffee and chocolate. In addition, June Cranfield kept the tropical punch flowing.

The winner of the Life Member's Award was Mark Peacock and the Gold Roley recipient was Bree Hartley.

A big "thankyou" must go to Rachel Wright for being the point of contact and money collector!! Also: Kim Fletcher must be thanked for once again he was the mastermind behind the decorating, Sherrill Wallis did the beautiful floral arrangements on the stage and Daniel Ramsell created the stake for the Jack and May Hart Memorial Plaque. **Thankyou to everyone** who helped make the evening a success.



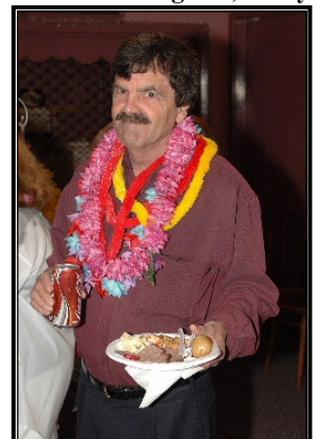
Thankyou - Jean & Al for all your hard work



Left:
Bob Hart, Gerry Chapman
and Kim Fletcher plant the
'Peace Rose' in memory of
Jack and Mavis Hart.



The food was great, really!!



Editor's note: *Well, I am happy to say that I have finished my exams **and** I'm not working 'retail' this Christmas... everything's going my way!! I'm really looking forward to a Christmas that has not been prefaced with 8 hours a day of Christmas carols, anxious shoppers and artificial lighting ☺ This year has been a busy one for all of us and I'm sure we are all looking forward to a little bit of a break.*

The Teen Workshop starts rehearsals in early January and I'm really looking forward to seeing what we come up with for our performances in March 2006!

Lastly, I would like to thank everyone for their kind words at the Xmas do after I received the Gold Roley. I was sincerely touched.

*Thankyou, **Bree.***

The **Roleystone Chamber Choir** is **still** looking for **new members**. The choir is female only at this point and we have a repertoire including choral works, spirituals, modern songs, Latin ones *and* more traditional pieces. The commitment is only a fun two-hour rehearsal once a fortnight. *Following another successful performance at the Season Launch we will be on hiatus until early next year so you have plenty of time to think about it!!*

Please contact Bree Hartley on 9495 2510.

Finley Awards Night

This prestigious night of nights is set for the 21st January 2006. The venue is to be Penrhos School and tickets will be \$15 if you contact Sherrill Wallis (our secretary) by the 30th Dec.

GREEN ROOM

Our refurbished green room does indeed look wonderful & if we all are a little house-proud it will continue to look great for many years to come. Ensuring you wash your own cup, make sure the floor is clean and generally looking after the place will also show you *value the time and effort* of those who made the transformation possible

News

- Pete and Val Gregory are off to Europe on a well-deserved holiday.
- Maureen Plummer and Penny Ramsell both went under the knife recently but are on the road to recovery.
- James Graham can currently be seen on TV starring in an ice-cream ad!
- The Longman family are now in Malaysia and have lots of room for anyone visiting the east coast of Malaysia ☺
- Ann Taylor and Colin Sims are engaged and will be tying the knot on 15th January 2006!
- Sarah Oxley and Kristen Twynam-Perkins have recently returned from their overseas stints.

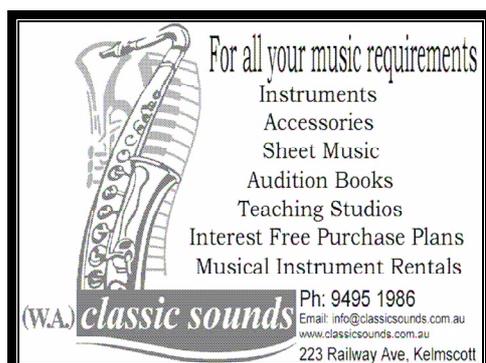
COSTUME AMNESTY

WOULD ANY MEMBER OF WHO HAS COSTUMES BELONGING TO THE THEATRE FROM PAST MONTHS AND YEARS PLEASE PHONE MAUREEN ON 93908386 TO ARRANGE A TIME FOR THEM TO BE RETURNED. THERE WILL BE NO QUESTIONS ASKED BUT I WOULD LIKE THEM RETURNED.

MAUREEN (WARDROBE MISTRESS)

Annual General Meeting

There will be notification of the actual date in the January Callboy however this is an early reminder that this important meeting will be coming up in February. You therefore have a couple of months to consider whom you would like to see on your Committee for 2006 and whether you would like to have a go yourself.



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Season Launch

The Theatre once again hosted a season launch for 2006 on the 27th November 2005. Thankyou to Sherrill Wallis for all her hard work organising the event and also to all the directors for 2006. If you know of any groups who may be interested in next year's event please contact our secretary with their details. If we all work together we can keep our theatre viable in today's competitive world. *Committee.*



Left: Sonja Reynolds, Kim Martin.
Right (from top): Roleystone Chamber-Choir, Gerry Chapman.
Below: Sherrill & Maureen, Montana.



Okay, this is a bit of an odd request but if anyone has 2 goats they are willing to lend "The Teahouse of the August Moon" come May next year then please contact George Harrison on 94595219 or 0427330447 (or if you know of anyone who does and will!!)

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MOTHER GOOSE

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 cleaning and are located at

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Interviews for the Teen Workshop

We would like to invite teenagers aged 13-17 to contact Bree Hartley regarding being part of the January to March workshop. The workshop will cost \$60 and cover all aspects of theatre including performance, backstage, construction and sound & lighting.

We will be having more interviews on Saturday the 17th December.
For more information please call Bree on 0402014666 or 9495 2510.



William John (Jack) Hart

Born 31st October, 1923



“Everyone called me Jack, except my sisters to whom I was John Willie.”

Jack felt sure that he was born accident prone as he always seemed to be getting hurt and this was more so when at the age of 10, he was given a bicycle – by default as his father had bought a bicycle to save money in going to work at Canning dam and he kept falling off in the gravel. He said to Jack “If I fall off that bugger again, you can have it” Jack recalled that he had it a week later. Unfortunately Jack had as many catastrophes as his father – one that resulted in a split lip, a black eye and 4 missing teeth.

Jack’s school life went from Roleystone Primary to West Perth Technical College and when he gained his Junior certificate he worked as a telephone operator in Fremantle until he joined the Air Force (1941) under the pre enlistment scheme. He was sworn in and went to camp on 7th December 1941 – the day that Pearl Harbour was bombed.

Jack completed his training in Cunderdin and was posted to Cootamundra, NSW. Eventually he was posted to a Beaufighter Training school. After the Douglas Bostons that he flew were destroyed at Morotai by a Japanese bombing raid, the pilots were equipped with Australian built Beaufighters which Jack flew and which held a special place in his memory. Unfortunately, his flying days were cut short by Japanese anti aircraft fire and the war ended while he was recovering in hospital. However, Jack made the greatest decision of his life- he married Mavis Harding. They came back to Jack’s home in Roleystone. In 1954, his son Bob started school at Roleystone and Jack dutifully attended a P & C meeting – from which he returned as the new President.

Work on the orchard was arduous but Jack still had time for his community. He was instrumental in the beginnings of the Roleystone Bush fire brigade, (He was the first captain and President). After a short stint in Carnarvon Jack and his family returned to Roleystone. Jack was involved with the restarting of the Choral and Dramatic Society (Roleystone Theatre), was president and – later – a life member. He played bowls and was on the committee for some years, he was a sometime golfer, treasurer of St Christopher’s’ Church, and was always willing to help in community endeavours. Jack and May were always together and always available.

My family came into Jack’s life in 1976. Our common interest in the theatre resulted in many years of friendship, which involved the theatre, bowls and caravanning. Many of the stories I have of Jack involve the Theatre, which was a focal point of his days from 1968 to about 1995. From the day we bashed out a door at stage right – telling the Shire Engineer that it was to create a necessary fire exit – to clearing out pigeons in the theatre, with a rifle(!)...we had a plague of pigeons. I found Jack above the stage with a rifle – happily shooting the pigeons in the theatre. It was an effective extermination solution.

Jack loved the bush and was always happiest when we were caravanning in the country. He also enjoyed fishing and in this we were kindred spirits – very unsuccessfully! Jack and May, Bobbie and I – we just clicked and the number of happy experiences we shared were uncountable. Jack had many qualities and therefore many friends, Bobbie and I were blessed to be numbered among them. Jack Hart was a great friend who will be missed in many areas. His passing saddens a lot of people but he will be remembered for a long time by a lot of people.

*A wise man, a pillar of the community, a great friend, a good Christian and a thoroughly nice bloke.
...What else is left to say?*

Gerry Chapman

What's on and Where

- **Bunbury Repertory Club**

Pantomime: *by Pat Marshall, directed by Pat Marshall*

2:00 PM - 4:00 PM January 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29

The Little Theatre, 24 Molloy Street, Bunbury WA

Tickets: \$15 adults, (\$10 seniors), \$5 children

Bookings: Theatre (08) 9721 2156

- **ITA Finley Awards Night**

7:30 PM - 10:30 PM January 21

Penrhos Performing Arts Centre, Thelma Street, COMO. WA

Tickets: \$15 ITA Members/Groups Discount UNTIL

31st December 2005 or \$22 from BOCS 9484 1133

Robert Whyte-Bookings: 9490 6662 / 0410 647 490

Please note the discount tickets for Members and Member Clubs are ONLY AVAILABLE FROM THE ITA UNTIL THE 31ST OF DECEMBER, any unsold tickets will revert to BOCS to be sold at the full price of \$22.

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- **Wanneroo Repertory Club**

" 'Allo 'Allo! "

by Lloyd and Croft, directed by Sue Mainwaring

8:00 PM - 10:20 PM February 10, 11, 15, 16, 17, 18, 9

Limelight Theatre, Civic Drive, Wanneroo WA

Tickets: Adults \$13, Concessions \$11, Child \$8

Susan Mainwaring (President) Bookings: 9305 5336

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- **Araluen Botanic Park**

- Carols by Torchlight – 7pm

Sunday 18th December. Come and join in the spirit of Christmas in the picturesque setting of Araluen Botanic Park.

- Children's Activities

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If you are interested please either email me (Bree) or let Sherrill Wallis (our secretary, details on back page) know and we will get you onto the electronic mailing list and off the paper mailing one!



We are pleased to announce the Season for 2006.

- March 10th & 11th **Teen Workshop.**
Facilitator Bree Hartley
- May 5th – 13th **"Teahouse of the August Moon"**
Director Kim Martin
- July 10th – 23rd **"Alice in Wonderland"**
School holiday special.
Director Lys Tickner
- Sept 8th – 16th **"Old Time Music Hall"**
Directed by Gerry Chapman
- Nov 17th – Dec 3rd **"Class of 77"** (musical)
Directed by Sherrill Wallis & Maureen Woltersdorf

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The Roleystone Theatre Committee 2005

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Vice-President	Zyg Woltersdorf	9390 8386
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Secretary	Sherrill Wallis	0419935178

Committee Members

Rachel Wright	Maureen Woltersdorf	Kim Fletcher
Daniel Ramsell	Bree Hartley	June Cranfield

Life Members

Jock Pettigrew	Mavis Hart	Jack Hart
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Alice in Wonderland	July 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22
Old-Time Music Hall	September 8, 9, 13, 15, 16
Class of '77	Nov 17, 18, 22, 24, 25, 29, Dec 1,2

Bookings:- Bobbie & Gerry Chapman 9397 5730