



Te Aroha Dramatic Society



TADS TATTLER

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Domain Day 2018

Well what a great day Te Aroha had on Sunday March 4th. The sun was shining and the smiles were bright. Good to see the children having fun without a tablet or xbox in sight. Coconut Shy (or is that Shie? Both mean to throw so take your pick), Fishing or Splat the Rat, it doesn't matter when there is a prize and lollypop at the end.



TADS 2018 AGM is on Tuesday 27th March at 7.30pm. A little later than usual because everyone is tied up with Snake In The Grass (see below). Please come along; we have a glass of wine during, and more wine and nibbles after. The meeting doesn't usually take more than an hour and there is no pressure to go on the committee though if you would like to that's great. It's just another opportunity to get together and find out what we are up to. Look forward to seeing you there.

Reminder Subs for the 2018-2019 year are due from February 1st.

Individuals \$15, couples \$25, families \$30.

Pay on line at 03-1573-0041082-00 ref. your name and subs.

Next on stage at Te Aroha Little Theatre

SNAKE IN THE GRASS



'A creepily, scarily, eerily enjoyable evening'
(Sunday Times)

“Snake in the Grass “

Currently in rehearsal, and on stage next week, this suspense-thriller was written by Alan Ayckbourn and is directed by Ian Harrop. The old house has become dilapidated and the garden overgrown when Annabel Chester returns to her former home in an outer-London suburb to catch up with her sister Miriam following their father's death. But all is not well and ghosts of the past and more recent present crowd in on her as events take an unexpected turn. Julie Payze, previously mentioned as being in the cast, has had to pull out because of a bad fall; we wish her all the best. Ivy Coombe (Enchanted April – Te Aroha 2017) and Sandra Clark (Remain in Light – Te Aroha 2017) are now joined by Lucy James who is secretary of Waihi Drama Club. Stepping in at this late stage is an incredibly brave thing to do and we are extremely grateful. It is also great to be working with someone from a neighbouring club. Welcome Lucy.

The play opens on **Wednesday March 14th** and runs through till **Sunday 18th**; then again from **Wednesday March 21st, 22nd, 23rd**. The Sunday performance is a matinee at 2.00pm, the evening performances start at 8.00pm. As always there will be a cash bar, and coffee/tea and biscuits during the interval.

working Bee ---- on Saturday March 10th at 9.30 am. The more people we have the less time we are there so please come and give us a hand to tidy up. It isn't strenuous just basic housework really and we give you real coffee. See you there.

Our next production

Midyear we are producing the wonderful pantomime **Peter Pan**. Director Phillip Legg, well known for producing pantomimes full of colour and brilliant costumes, will be calling auditions later in the month so keep an eye out for advertisements. He needs a big cast of men, women and children for a panto rich in fun and music. Come and join in, you'll be pleased you did.



On stage at other theatres in the region:

March 10 - 24: The Gaslight Theatre, Cambridge - *12 Angry Men*. A drama by Reginald Rose. Tickets at Paper Plus, Victoria Street or Eventfinda. A rollicking one-woman musical journey that will fulfil all your expectations and have you smiling all the way home. Tickets at Positive Paeroa and Arkwrights Antiques.

April 21 - 28: Matamata Little Theatre - *Biggles Flies Undone*. A comedy by Michael Isle.

April 11 - 21 : Morrinsville Little Theatre - *Into the Woods*. A sophisticated musical by Stephen Sondheim. Tickets at www.iticket.co.nz, search Into The Woods.

July 8: Paeroa Little Theatre. Sheryl Krisansen's Academy D Showcase. An entertaining variety show for all ages.

August 4: Paeroa Little Theatre – *No Holds Bard*. A glorious tour de force which brings four of Shakespeare's greatest creations kicking and screaming into the deranged brain of a single man. Includes a 30 min. Q and A with **Michael Hurst** after the performance.

November: Paeroa Little Theatre. Popular panto Cinderella. Auditions in July.

Play Reading: Paeroa Little Theatre is looking for people interested in a play reading of the classic Greek comedy *Peace By Aristophanes*. There will only be a couple of practices and scripts will be in hand for performance. If interested in trying something a little different contact the theatre on (Google the play title or appropriate theatre for more details)

Costume Hire

This is a great time of year for dressing up. Easter, summer cruises and parties. Because of the nature of our wardrobe you are not restricted to a particular costume. We can mix and match and create a costume that suits you personally. Bring in an idea or a picture and we'll help you assemble your personal "character".



Prices are very easy on the pocket and remember that not only are you getting a great costume you are helping to support a group in your own community. Phone numbers below direct you to the ladies who can help you. Give them a call.

Marilyn: 027398051 or 884 8004;

Eileen: 0274880504;

Jocelyn: 0211315133

Our Building

So, have you driven past the Little Theatre? Is it amazing or what? Te Aroha artist Julia O'Sullivan has done us proud. She is an extraordinary artist, taking the dream we have had for years and turning it into a beautiful reality. The life size figures depict characters from the most loved plays of William Shakespeare plus Andrew Lloyd Webber's Phantom of the Opera. Thank you Julia, you are incredible.



Paul Power, Marilyn Barclay and Max Barclay and Les Munro
"painting by numbers"



Julia O'Sullivan adding those all important details that make the images 'pop'.



Our plain building now alive with colour! (from left Cleopatra, Romeo & Juliet, Hamlet)

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call in to the theatre any Tuesday morning between 10am and 1pm. (we have real coffee!)

See you at the AGM March 27th at 7.30pm. (was yours red or white wine?)

Best regards

Eileen (Editor)