



Riverside Players News

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The 2009 Riverside Committee

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SHOW REVIEWS AND NEWS

Firstly a huge apology from all the committee for not issuing a newsletter in the last few months – while work continues on the current and future Riverside Players productions it is true that the personal schedules and commitments of the committee members has not helped in ensuring that news gets out to the members and friends of our society in a timely manner.

We were absolutely delighted that **SLICE OF SATURDAY NIGHT (SLICE)** was hailed as a great success by all who came to see it - well done again to all involved – on stage and off.

MOTHER GOOSE rehearsals are in full swing – our director Alan seems very *ganderish* and does not feel *his goose will be cooked* when we get to opening night – he also says “he is very pleased and feels Mother Goose will be a *honking good show*”. We have a great cast with the usual mix of young people and ummm “more experienced” cast members.

The box office is open and tickets are selling well so do call or text to reserve your seats on 07717 671765 or send your order form, cheque and SAE to Riverside Players c/o 295a Rochfords Gardens, Slough, Berks, SL2 5XH. The dates for your diaries are: Thursday 3rd through Saturday 5th and Thursday 10th through Saturday 12th December – all normal evening and matinee performances. The website or your *friendly box office operative* will help you with the complete details.

Stagework Sundays are 15th, 22nd and 29th November – please come and help – all sewers (i.e. people that sew!!), painters and muscle are welcome. If you can help out in the Bar, back stage, sweetie counter or FOH then please let us know as quickly as possible when you are available so we can fit you into the various rotas – all help is always gratefully received – ***but please do come forward now rather than waiting for the begging email and the physical arm twisting we need as many people off stage as we do on it – it’s not hard work and we do try to make it fun for all.***

‘ALLO ‘ALLO – Show dates 25th, 26th and 27th March 2010. As previously noted this is a hilarious play based on the popular cult TV series of the same name. All the regular characters are



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involved in the action. Directed by Susan Pickles the **READ THROUGH WILL BE ON MONDAY 4TH JAN** and the **AUDITIONS ON THURSDAY 7TH JAN**. If you want to know more about the characters and the opportunities then get in touch with Susan at any time. Susan is looking for a keen Rehearsal Assistant so if you want to have a first go at show production/direction then this would be a great opportunity.

SUMMER SHOW 2010 – sadly we have no offers for Director or even a show for June 2010. Unless someone comes forward fairly quickly we are going to be in the horrible position of not being able to offer anything.

PANTO 2010 – “Jock” Cooper will be directing Aladdin – he has found a great script and as we have not put on an Eastern pantomime for quite a while it will be good to dust of the harem pants and yashmaks.

If anyone wants to put themselves forward as a Director, MD or Choreographer for any future production then please do let us know – we are striving to formalise a 2 year rolling programme to ensure that we keep our existing membership interested and attract new members for future events. If we don't have an offering then people do not have to go far to find other groups that do. We are always interested to hear about the shows that you want to see or participate in, especially shows that are modern or perhaps less well known. We look forward to hearing your ideas.

MEMBERS NEWS

A reminder that **MEMBERSHIP FEES** are due for payment - Adults £30.00, Juniors £10.00 (under 16 or in full time education) and Associate members £6.00 – also **SHOW FEES** of £10 for those in the cast of “Mother Goose” need to be paid in the next week or so. See Jill at rehearsals over the coming weeks.

OTHER EVENTS AND SOCIAL CALENDAR

The OWLS have requested that we provide them with some seasonal entertainment again this year at their Christmas Party – they must have enjoyed last year's offering.

Vicki has kindly volunteered to put the “show” together which will be 45 minutes or so of what you all do best. Vicki already has some offerings so let her know if you would like to do something particular or if you simply want to be involved in any group singing that might be slotted in. The date of the concert is **MONDAY 14TH DECEMBER** and the venue is the Memorial Hall.

Riverside Players annual drinks gathering will be on **MONDAY 21ST DECEMBER** at the Oxford Blue (next to The Union)

See you all at Mother Goose !!

Thank you for reading this newsletter however if you no longer wish to receive it please do let us know. You can contact Vicki@riversideplayers.com or any committee member