



NEWSLETTER

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Winners of the 2009 Kapiti Arts & Culture Civic Award & Supreme Award

Hi Coasters

Congratulations to all of you involved with *Land of Make Believe*. From the comments coming back to us from members of the audiences it has been another winner.

If you have seen the show (or, if you haven't there may still be time) you cannot help but be impressed by the costumes created by June Kelly. A more colourful and spectacular scene would be hard to imagine. All the Make Believe characters appeared in outfits perfectly matched to the original story book magic. June certainly has the magic touch where costumes are concerned. And the good news is that all the new ones she created just for the show will become part of our Costume Hire stock when it is all over.

If you, or anyone you know, are still deciding about going to see *Land of Make Believe* - do it. There are still tickets available, particularly for next weekend. Don't forget Thursday's 4-for-the-price-of-3 deal.

Next up we have Kiss The Blarney Some More. See below for details of auditions and a pre-audition meeting to let you know just what Jo has in mind this time. Jo Sharp has been working hard to create a programme that will be a worthy follow-up to her previous Kiss the Blarney two years ago and Best of British last year. Take note of the dates and be a part of a second helping of KTB.

Remember, too, that, if you want to secure tickets for Kiss The Blarney Some More, you need to organise yourselves and your parties as soon as possible. Tickets will be available to cast and members before going on sale to the general public so you should be ready to take advantage of the opportunity to secure the best seats at the performances of your choice.

Keep in touch

Derek

Coasters Calendar – 2010

Land of Make Believe

Coasters #15

Graham Stevens – 905 6704

June 10, 11, 12

Special celebration by Coasterettes	Coasters #15 Friday 18 th June – 8pm	Margaret Simpson – 905 5575
Last Night of The Proms	Southward Theatre July 31 st 2pm & 7pm	Lesley Warren – 902 2894
Kiss The Blarney Some More	Coasters #15 Pre-Audition – 9 th June Auditions – 12 th June Show dates – August 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22, 27, 28	Jo Sharp – 905 5518
Reflections – Thirty Years of Coasters	Coasters #15 November 12, 13, 14, 19, 20, 21, 25, 26, 27	Derek Cavanagh – 06 364 3939

Coasterettes

*We want to celebrate.
Friday 18th June
Coasters Theatre
8.00pm
All welcome*

We have just finished our rehearsals for this year's show, and are about to go on the road. All fourteen of us have been working hard since Feb (it takes us a wee while, you know, with all the laughing and carrying on), we are now going on the road, ready or not.

This year we would like to share our show with the home crowd. Over the years most of us will have trodden the boards with you, at some time or other, so if you thought we had quietly slipped into the background, forget it. Come and see what we've been getting up to.

For those of you who don't know what we do, we travel between Raumati, and Levin, singing to Senior Citizens, Rest homes, R.S.A.s, and many clubs. With our suit cases bulging, we can perform anywhere. This year we have 24 sing outs, so we're pretty popular.

Over the years Coasterettes have raised many thousands of dollars for the community. At the end of each year we divide up our donations, and choose which needy cause we will donate to.



So you see, we are having fun, keeping our brains, feet and voices going at the same time (mostly) plus serving the community.

The show is just under an hour (we know our audiences), so there will be plenty of time to have a drink and a catch up after. In fact a good old fashioned Coasters Friday night.

All we ask is for a small donation, a standing ovation, and to let me know if you are coming, just so we can sort supper. Plus bring your own drink. Any extra nibbles are always welcome.

Looking forward to seeing you,

Margaret Simpson 04 905 5575

Kiss The Blarney Some More



Auditions* Auditions



Whether you were part of the cast or the audience of Kiss The Blarney a couple of years ago then you will know very well that you won't want to miss this second helping. As a director with Coasters Jo Sharp has a reputation for creating clever comedy and mixing it with beautiful music, in this case the music of Ireland both traditional and new. Some songs will tug at your heartstrings and some will make you want to tap your feet and join in.

You'll be giggling with us as we bring you a mix of fantastic Irish humour with skits and daft jokes and witty songs.....to be sure to be sure! Arragh go on, go on, go on.....don't miss it.

Last Night of The Proms

We are pleased to be able to report that Last Night of The Proms is back this year looking better and brighter than ever. After a break last year this erstwhile annual epic has undergone a few changes and Lesley Warren has organised a new programme with a fresh format.

The show will feature a great line-up of local artists, including some well-known Coasters, and a choir performing with Trust Porirua City Brass. Add in the grand sound of the mighty Wurlitzer organ and we can promise a "Night" to remember.

Make a note in your diary for Saturday 31st July at Southward Theatre. There will be 2 performances – 2pm and 7pm. Tickets prices are \$18 for the 2pm performance and \$20 for 7pm. Tickets will go on sale at Coastlands Customer Service Desk on 21st June.

And if you would like to have dinner before the evening show, a 3 course set menu will be available at the restaurant from 5.30. at a cost of \$18.50. Here is the Pre Show Express Dinner Menu.

Entree - Pumpkin soup with crusty roll

Main - Pan fried chicken breast with bell roasted capsicum sauce rested on a bed of risotto, or
- Rib eye steak with mushroom sauce rested on a herbed potato cake

Dessert - Mini sticky date puddings with warm fudge & cream

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Reflections - Thirty Years of Coasters

Thinking about the title of our 30th Anniversary show - Reflections - I started to wonder, "Who's reflections?" What we are really talking about here are memories of shows during the life of Coasters. Up to now it has been me dredging up memories, with some valuable input from my better half, but how would they match up with yours?

So I would like to find out. I'd like to challenge you to think back across the years you have been associated with Coasters and tell me about your favourite or most memorable acts or items from any show. It doesn't matter whether it is from music hall, variety, musical or cabaret, last year or decades ago, I'd like you to remind me of the things that really stand out in your mind as memorable. I'm not talking about your favourite show here - just a particular act or item.

If it is possible to do so I'd like to try to re-present some of them in the show one way or another.

If you are willing to join in the game and share your ideas, please let me know in the next two or three weeks so I can look at how to fit them into the programme.

Email me brenderek@clear.net.nz or call 06 364 3939. I look forward to hearing from you.

And finally

Because I've enjoyed the privilege of being the main source of communication with Members for so many years my email address appears in the list of contacts on many hundreds of computers. Consequently I am often the recipient of some of the stuff that circulates in cyber space that demands to be passed on to all your contacts.

You have probably seen them yourself - the promise of a new laptop just for sending the email to 20 other addresses; the dire consequences of not telling all your contacts how to avoid viruses, etc, etc. They seem to come in batches, none for ages then several in a short space of time.

May was a bit like that for me. I received 3 or 4 last month although 2 were the same thing from different sources. If you are aware of the pitfalls associated with these items then I may be preaching to the converted but many people are not as evidenced by the fact they keep circulating.

Please be aware, if you are not already, that these items are almost always hoaxes. Most of them are fairly harmless and cause no more grief than to generate vast amounts of unnecessary traffic on an already crowded Internet. They are capable, though, of spreading the very viruses they purport to warn about. If you receive one I strongly recommend you do not send it anywhere except to your Deleted Items folder - and then delete it from there.

If you are in any doubt and want to learn more about something you receive, just copy the subject line heading into Google and see what comes up. For example Googling the heading "Huge Virus Coming. Please Read and Forward" brings up over 200,000 entries almost every one of which will declare it to be a hoax. One site I find very informative is "Hoaxslayer" Be careful out there.

Derek