



NEWSLETTER

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Hi Coasters present and past

I've been a bit slack again this month and as we're rapidly running out of November and of 2008, and as far as I can tell this will very likely be the last Newsletter for the year, I thought I'd make it a bit seasonal.

In fact, I haven't really been slack, I've been quite active - just not on Coasters business. The elections at the beginning of the month gave me an opportunity to do something I haven't done before - get actively involved with the voting process. I'm a fairly apolitical sort of bloke and I thought a totally impartial role would be fun so I signed up to run one of the mobile Advance Voting units that visit Hospitals, Rest Homes and the like and provide the residents with the opportunity to cast their votes in the comfort of their own surroundings.

It was an incredible experience. I had no idea how much it would mean to some of the folk we attended to be able to fulfil their right to vote without the need to be exposed to the hustle and bustle of the Polling Stations. One lovely lady said our visit was like being personally attended by Santa Claus. She certainly made my Christmas come early. But then, perhaps she was referring to my figure!

Then followed a few days in Oz where Tony (El Pres), Jill, Brenda and I watched and listened in awe as Andre Rieu and the Johann Straus Orchestra presented one of the most incredible examples of musical theatre I have ever witnessed.

So one way or another the Newsletter is late (again!) and Christmas seems to have come early so I'll sign off for the year with a big wish from President Tony, from me and from all our Board members that all you lovely Coasters or ex-Coasters out there:

HAVE AN ENJOYABLE, SAFE AND EXCITING CHRISTMAS AND YOUR NEW YEAR IS THE VERY BEST IT CAN BE.



Derek

Coasters Calendar

Coasters Christmas Party	Coasters #15 Saturday 29 th November From 7pm	Tony Lloyd - 904 2966
ANZAC 2009	Coasters #15 April 16 th to 25 th Pre-Audition Feb 2nd Auditions Feb 7 th	June Stewart - 298 7457
Legends 2	Coasters #15 June 18 th to 27 th	Tracy Farrelly - 905 3895
Wild West	Coasters #15 August 20 th to 29th	Graham Stevens - 905 6704
Best of British	Coasters #15 October 22 nd to 31st	Jo Sharp - 905 5518

As you will see from the calendar there is no major production planned for 2009. However, there is a very full Season of Cabarets and the programme is sufficiently varied that there must be something in it for everyone. The titles shown above should be regarded as working titles which may vary somewhat once directors come to grips with their projects.

Coasters Christmas Party

Just a final reminder that if you are reading this before Saturday 29th November and you still haven't registered your intention to come along to the Christmas Party, give Tony a call now on 904 2966.

Number 15

Last month we reported the progress being made by Lesley Warren and Diane and Peter Bain on the dressing room behind the stage at the theatre. At that time progress was very impressive but the project was not quite complete. Now it is.

And WOOOOW!

The average family lounge room should be this good! The whole area has been fully painted out; a smart cupboard houses the lighting gear and all the cables; there are gold-framed mirrors in strategic places; there are no squeaky steps and – the final transformation –there is wall-to-wall carpet you could comfortably sleep on.

Talk about home from home – and that is exactly how they want you to treat it when you are involved in a show – just as you would if it were own home. That means enjoy its comfort and its facilities as you would your own lounge room but, please;

No staples or pins in or sticky tape on the walls. There are special panels in place for song lists etc. If you drop something – anything – on the floor, pick it up, especially if it is liquid or likely to mark.

Next time you are at #15 it is well worth a look. So heaps of thanks to the team for a job well done!

And finally...

It's that time of year again when you deserve to give yourself a present that will last the whole year through. For a trifling \$20 (max) you can assure yourself of another year of secure financial membership of Coasters Musical Theatre Inc. You would be hard pressed to find a gift for yourself or a member of your family that will come close to being such good value for money.

A membership renewal form is attached to this Newsletter. Be in quick to avoid the rush. Don't worry about putting pressure on Peter Bain, who keeps our Membership records up to date. Since he has finished working on the dressing room refurbishment project he has nothing much to do so give him something to keep his day fulfilled by sending in your subscription so he has to record your payment.

The rates are printed on the form and the observant among you will notice that they haven't risen since last year. In fact, they haven't risen for several years which is a great reflection on the support we receive from members in a variety of ways not least of which is buying tickets for shows.

So send in your cheque now and rest easy that you will secure your membership and continue to receive our scintillating Newsletters.

Look for the form below.

You may be aware of the "Unsolicited Electronic Messages Act 2007". Its intent is to prohibit electronic spam. Our understanding of the Act is that, because you are a member of Coasters Musical Theatre, we are able to infer that you have given consent for us to send you our Newsletters or other information about activities associated with musical theatre.

However, if at any time you do not wish to receive any electronic messages from Coasters, please send a reply with UNSUBSCRIBE in the subject line.



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Membership to 31 December 2009

Name:	
Address	
Home Phone No:	
E-mail address: (for newsletter)	

Members at this address other than addressee(s):

Name _____

Name _____

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Membership Fees:

- \$25.00 – (discountable to \$20.00) – *Adult*
 - \$18.00 – (discountable to \$15.00) - *Student (17 and under)*
 - \$12.00 – (discountable to \$10.00) - *Student (17 and under living at the same address as an adult member)*
 - \$50.00 – (discountable to \$40.00) – *Family (defined as 'at least one adult member plus all or any children of the family 17 years and under and deemed to be living at the same address as the adult member(s)').*
- Discounts apply if paid by the last day of February.

Amount enclosed: \$..... Date.....

Signature.....

Please make cheques payable to: Coasters Musical Theatre Inc
 And post to: Membership Secretary, Coasters Musical Theatre, PO Box 658, Paraparaumu

If you require a receipt, please tick this box:

We welcome everyone to participate. What do you prefer to do within Coasters?

On Stage	Production Management	Musician or Musical Direction
Choreography	Wardrobe & Costumes	Back Stage, Set Construction
Front of House	Technical, Sound & Lighting	Administration

I have the following skills that may be helpful to the Society.

Any suggestions re productions / social events / your Society.
