

The Green Room

The Unofficial Newsletter of the Lambeg Players

Summer special 2012

Editor's Welcome

It's true. The Green Room is back by popular demand. The previous Editor took a sabbatical and has never returned. He was last seen knitting jam pot covers with Phyllis and Jemima. So I feel it is my duty to resurrect the newsletter of the Lambeg Players to make sure you are all up to date with the latest info. You will notice some new features. Our highly popular slot called "Crawford Cares" has been replaced with "Hetty's How To" where Hetty Kette answers some of your tricky queries about how to avoid social gaffes and embarrassment. We have also introduced a "Breaking News" Section which will keep you up to speed with the latest developments (known colloquially as Gossip). Watch out for Recipe Corner too.

I hope you enjoy this latest romp through 50 shades of green. We've gone all hi-tech and I should point out only e-copies are available – there will be no hard copies printed (the double-dip recession hit Moore's budget especially hard as he had to pay up front for copies of our next script).

Yours truly FKD (Editor)



Cupid's arrow hits the target

The Summer Theatre season for LP has scaled new heights with our successful interpretation of Sam Cree's "Cupid Wore Skirts". This hilarious three act play sees Andrew Coulter (or is that Stanfield) advertise himself in the personal ads, in an attempt to gain a wife and win a bet. Honestly some men will do anything for money. After an above average turn out in Harmony Hill, Great audiences in Ballyearl and sell out performances in Portrush, we can declare 'Cupid' a massive success with congratulations to Colin and Ian for producing a fantastic show and well done to all the cast for turning up and mostly (Paul?) remembering their lines. We loved the addition of Anna and Alice, who joined the players and are welcome back anytime to add a bit of BOC (bit of class) to our show.



Genie – Us

With X Factor already underway, there's only one thing on our mind – CHRISTMAS!!!! If X Factor has started it can only mean that Christmas and Panto 2013 are just around the corner. This year we have a lad on our mind. Not just any lad – its 'a lad in' the Island Centre. Of course I mean 'Aladdin' is our next Panto. We look forward to welcoming Simon Cunningham to our team. Don't forget auditions start on 11 September at 7.30pm. I have heard that Catherine has been practising her Princess Jasmine solo and we can look forward to 'a whole new world' in January 2013 when her singing career overshadows her sewing skills and she leaves the costume team forever. Panic will set in and everyone will have to self costume. Here's hoping Gary and Louis will say no!



New member news

We are delighted to welcome our latest member to LP. She recently joined us at the beach with one of her first appearances amongst the group. She is of course the lovely Ariana and we look forward to many more starring roles where she will continue to be the centre of attention. (I would like to point out to Ian that Ariadne – goddess of labyrinths - did not show up that day as she got lost on the way through the maze of Portstewart streets to the Strand and missed out on the craic).

RECIPE CORNER

Here are two culinary suggestions for you to try out.

1. Nice buns

The recent news about the release of 'Calendar Girls' scripts to 350 Am Dram groups has inspired me to get baking. If you are thinking of auditioning I can strongly recommend my website which is designed to cater for all shapes and sizes. Recipes for everything from Top Hats to Black Forest Gateaux are there. A sliding scale is shown to the right to help you choose the right recipe for you.

2. Dandelion wine

2 quarts of dandelion petals
1 gallon of boiling (not just hot) water
3 pounds of deramera sugar
2 Oranges
2 Lemons
1 tablet of yeast
Mix well, simmer gently and stand uncovered overnight for maximum enjoyment.

Fiona



Joan



Hetty's "How to..?"

Hi I'm Hetty Kette and this is my guide to all aspects of social behaviour. All your questions are welcome and here are a few I have received recently.

TOP DOWN

Hi Hetty. Last week I exchanged my family saloon car for a sporty convertible. I'm just wondering if I'm too old to have my top down? EK, Maghaberry.

Hetty says... Hi EK. I had to consult my old friend Clive Bixby and he said "No you are never too old to have your top down, but I advise that you don't take Elton's recent bottom up approach. Mooning is never a pretty sight".

ON THE BLEACH

Dear Hetty. Just wondering if bleaching your paving slabs is best before or after your guests arrive? CB, Portrush part timer

Hetty says... Dear CB. The answer to your query lies within who are your guests? Are they the kind of people who eat their dinner off your patio? Or do they play football and roll around in a load of muck and then walk across your patio? Of course the answers to these questions are completely negated by the question "Will your wife berate you for making the whole place smell of bleach just before the guests arrive?" In which case the answer to your question is "Buy a large bouquet of very expensive flowers and a bottle of her favourite perfume".

IN BRIEF

To my friend Hetty. We have been buddies for a long time now and I hope you will be truthful with me. I once mentioned to the producers that I was good with briefs and since then I feel I have been typecast in roles that have involved wearing skimpy clothing. How should I raise this politely with the producer? FKD, Moira.

Hetty says... My friend – embrace your typecasting – it won't last forever and some day you will be frustrated and embittered and you will look back fondly at the times you were typecast.

GREETINGS

Yoo hoo Hetty! Is it acceptable to use the greeting "Toodle-oo" three times in the same sentence? IB, Belfast.

Hetty's fairy at the bottom of the garden says... "Only if you can't remember your lines or if you're fond of jam-making".

Breaking News

All wrapped up: Jasper has placed a bulk order with Lakeland Ltd for Clingfilm to help make Minarets for Aladdin 2013.

Brave new word: The Oxford English Dictionary has added 'Bling blang blong' to its 2013 edition as follows:

Bling Blang Blong: From the Ulster Scots meaning "Oh Golly golly gosh! I've messed up my words and what I really meant to say was 'I Belong'".

A Sharpe sense of humour: Cyril Sharpe has agreed to return as guest biographer for 2013 programmes.

Lose weight now - ask me how? Gillian Cherry answers all your questions about how Gladys sheds pounds each night right in front of your eyes.

Signing off

I hope you enjoyed this summer special edition of The Green Room for 'Summer Theatre' die-hards. I am hoping to produce a revised copy for wider circulation to all members once the panto is underway. Please do hesitate to contact me and think twice before writing to me. In the meantime I am yours truly

FKD the editor!