

The Gondoliers News

"And we may take our friends with us and give them places around the Court"

Undoubtedly, that's always done!"

Oh, dear, who says Gilbert and Sullivan is out of date! Everything Gilbert wrote still applies to incidents to-day so we should all be in for lots of "loving and laughing" in this fun show. Don't miss the gondola and ring Jess ASAP for an audition time on 7th or 8th December at Eastwood U.C. Hall. If anyone needs assistance in learning the set songs, please contact me.

The Production Team is already hard at work and will be meeting for our first planning session this month and I'm delighted to tell you that Peter Drakakis will be our Stage Manager and Wayne Chee is our lighting designer.

As usual, we are especially anxious to have a great chorus to support the principals and will need both men and ladies who enjoy an exciting "sing" - no sitting around backstage in this show.

I'm already having fun looking at the possibilities for "Gondoliers" and hope you will be a part of the whole exciting venture.

"The work is light and I may add, it's most remunerative" (Well, not financially of course!)

See you at auditions

Elaine

The Gondoliers Scores

As the vocal score for *The Gondoliers* is currently commercially available, you are expected to bring your own score for your involvement in the show. A score could be purchased new or second-hand or borrowed from someone you know who has one.

IMPORTANT: We are using the Kalmus/Chappell version of the score NOT the Schirmer version.

Some ideas for sourcing a score are as follows:

Adam Wilson says: *I have found a couple of stores on the internet where you can purchase a new score for just under \$30. Please contact me if you want that info or look on our website for the links.*

Alternatively, you can download a scanned score for free at: <http://imslp.org/wiki/> and print your own!

If anyone else has a score or libretto they would like to sell or are willing to lend, please let Jess Allen know.

Note that there is a mistake in the Score page for the Duke's audition. Be sure to check the Duke's solo is "In Enterprise of Martial Kind." It should be P.60 NOT 40.



EUCMS News

EUCMS Christmas Party



The Christmas party is approaching fast – only about three weeks to go! Can we strongly encourage you to get your RSVPs in now. Payment in advance is appreciated but not essential – as long as we know you're coming!

To remind you of the details:

Date: Sat, 12th December

Time: 5pm start for **dinner at 6:30** (come after Jenny and Nathan's wedding!)

Cost: \$15 for dinner, dessert, soft drinks, and nibbles (\$10 for catered young kids)

Some things you can bring:

- A money donation for Christian Community Aid
- A picnic rug – if you'd like!
- Other drinks

We are still looking for some extra tables – do you have any foldable tables? Could they fit in your car? We are also trying to find some extra chairs (the sort that can fit at a table).

Some other ways you can help:

- Making a slice
- Helping decorate
- Helping set up
- Picking up the catered food from Epping
- Helping for part of the night

Just let us know when you RSVP.

RSVP to Caroline - 9449 4561, 0401 307 088 or cazhelion@hotmail.com (or another member of the social committee – i.e. Jessica Allen or Beth Madden)

EUCMS Christmas Service

EUCMS members are invited to join together with the Eastwood congregation at 6.30pm on December 20 for our annual Celebration of Christmas service. Please contact Penny or Adam Wilson if you would like to be involved in this service. Contact details are on the last page.

New Members' Auditions

Bring your friends and family along to New Members' Auditions on 20 November, THIS FRIDAY. Contact Caroline to register names for this on 0401 307 088 or 9449 4561 or cazhelion@hotmail.com

If we miss anyone now, we will hold a second date if required before rehearsals commence early next year.

Homecoming

Sincere thanks to all who have given up their precious Saturday time to assist with the return of costumes, archives, props etc. This band of dedicated members has gone beyond the call of duty to bring order from some degree of chaos and we can't thank you enough.

The work is still continuing but on a reduced scale so if you would like to see the results, feel free to visit the dungeons and marvel at how much is fitted into the space.

Our particular thanks to Steve Mead for his tremendous contribution in fitting out the costume area (the ladies are delighted) and to the Bock and Bongers families for storing so much of our property over the past few years.

Jess Allen would still love some help as she sorts through all the props!

Donations

The Executive are pleased to announce that we have given \$500 donations to the following charities: Beyond Blue, Allowah Children's Hospital, Christian Community Aid, Technical Aid to the Disabled, Riding for the Disabled and the Oncology Cancer Research at Westmead Hospital. In addition we have purchased a Community School in Laos, Pakistan or Zambia from Tear Australia for \$550:



No computers - and, sometimes, not even desks. Just a dedicated teacher, plus simple learning materials, to give children the opportunity for a quality primary or pre-primary education. Includes teacher training, salary and a year's running costs.

Members' News

A Wedding Invitation

Jenny Byron and Nathan Jenkins invite you all to their wedding on the 12th December, at 2pm, at Eastwood Uniting Church. An afternoon tea reception will follow and all are welcome, however an RSVP to Jenny at jenniferabyron@hotmail.com or to Julie on 9876 1350 would be appreciated in order to estimate numbers.



We in sincerity wish you both prosperity and many blessings for years of love and happiness together.

Deathtrap

Do you know, this could be a good thriller!

Neil Litchfield (Moonface Martin) has asked me if I would pass on the information regarding his upcoming play called DEATHTRAP written by Ira Levin at Castle Hill. Nov 20 - Dec 12. Tickets - \$23/\$18 on 9634 2929.

Neil is the director, and included in the cast is Ken Bock, husband of Lynn (Evangeline Harcourt), our wonderful treasurer!

Your News?

A reminder for members that they can let us know of their news or other items they wish passed onto members via the bulletin. If so, contact Elaine Gow on 9872 6453 or eebeegee@bigpond.com

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Next Executive Meeting: 14 December, 2009