



Upstage 2009

October/November Issue

Presidents Message

With only weeks to go before the opening night for Spamalot, it's time to get those booking orders in.

Apologies for the lateness of this Newsletter (my fault) – I have been in Geelong for the last two weeks looking after Annie and Rosie. I'm now home for a short REST before doing another short stint.

I'm delighted to report that the Spamalot rehearsals are going really well and the cast are loving it – always a good sign. Mike Fletcher is doing an amazing job constructing the sets – well done Mike.

I would be more than happy to book tickets for PLOS members so don't hesitate to email your order through to me – asedyer@aapt.net.au.

It was so hot in the Shed last night that we had our monthly Committee meeting at the Armstrong's – much more enjoyable and hard decisions are easier to make when the perspiration isn't dripping on the Agenda!

Thanks to everyone who is working so hard to make Spamalot a success. You will be rewarded I'm sure when the audiences rave about it.

I had the pleasure of performing the marriage ceremony for Andrew Tunks and Kelly Stephens last week at Sages Cottage. The whole wedding party looked beautiful and it was a very special day – particularly for mother of the groom – Marissa. On behalf of everyone at PLOS we wish Andrew and Kelly a very happy life together.

Sincere congratulations to Chris Tunks and Serenity Harbour on their engagement. I don't think I've ever seen a happier couple. Serenity is decidedly left handed these days! Well done guys – enjoy every moment of your engagement.

I've had a busy time with weddings over the last few weeks. I was also delighted to officiate at the wedding of Chris Brown's sister Nicole. Again a beautiful wedding but the weather wasn't nearly as kind to us. Fortunately the big black cloud that hung over the gardens managed to contain itself until I was able to say "I now pronounce you man and wife"!

Our mid 2010 show – Singin in the Rain – promises to be a smash hit. We will keep you posted with details of Info Night and Auditions very soon.

A huge thank you to everyone who helped with or came along to see Cabaret Cafe. I'm thrilled that we were able to make close to \$70,000 for Peninsula Hospice. A fantastic effort with most of the credit going to John Beaney. Well done John.

I look forward to seeing everyone over the next few weeks, either helping out or attending Spamalot.

Happy Christmas planning!

xx Sue

Angela's Update

Well here I am again doing the newsletter!! I also apologise for the lateness. We have all been so busy with Spamalot that we haven't had time to scratch ourselves!

Unfortunately Peter Nicholls could not continue with the role of King Arthur however the very talented Colin Armstrong has stepped in to help out and is doing a fantastic job



picking everything up! His whole family are learning the dances and practicing with him at home! Thank you to Colin and his family for all of your support!

I would also like to say thank you to our amazing Marketing team! Anthony Scundi has taken charge of it this show and we are going great guns!! Let's hope all of our hard work pays off!

Keep your eye out for two big Spamalot road signs on Nepean Hwy at Bon Beach and Carrum!! We are very excited to see them go up during November and December!!

Hurry up and book your tickets as the Marketing Campaign has just been launched and tickets will start selling fast!

See you at the show!!

Angela G

SPAMALOT

Director: Danny Ginsberg

Musical Director: Mal Fawcett

Choreographer: Karen Taylor Pottinger



Follow this link to see our video ad on youtube:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PeLs3sgYxfY>

Thank you to Paul Congdon for filming and editing the video, the cast involved, Brett Wingfield for arranging costumes, the Frankston Arts Centre for the use of the venue and the marketing team!.....And anyone else I may have forgotten THANKS!!

Cast List



King Arthur – Colin Armstrong

The Lady Of The Lake - Emily Doran

Sir Robin The Brave - Ashley McPherson

Sir Dennis Galahad - Chris Tunks

Sir Lancelot - Anthony Scundi

Patsy - Mike Fletcher

Sir Bedevere - James Williams

Prince Herbert - James Davies

French Taunter/Tim The Enchanter/ Knight of Ni - Peter Jenkins

Ensemble

Chris Brown, Josh Mulcahy, Chris StClair, Luke Vare, Ash Roussety, Peter Jenkins.

Sarah Fortnam, Serenity Harbour, Cara Johnston, Ang Lang, Bronwyn McMillan, Kim Rawiller, Jodi Raynes, Ashlee Smith

TO BOOK TICKETS CALL 9784 1060

SPAMALOT SHOW DATES

Thursday 31st December @ 5pm – (New years eve)

Saturday 2nd Jan @ 1.30pm & 7.30pm

Sunday 3rd Jan @ 1.30pm

Wednesday 6th Jan @ 7.30pm

Thursday 7th Jan @ 7.30pm

Friday 8th Jan @ 7.30pm

Saturday 9th Jan @ 1.30pm

TICKET PRICES

\$23 Under 16

\$31 PSSU

\$36 Adult

For 20 tickets or more for one performance - PSSU price.

November Spam recipe

Is it bad that this look appealing to me??

Spam and eggs



- 1 can of Spam
- 6 eggs
- 1 package of frozen hash brown patties

1. Defrost hash brown patties in microwave for 1 minute.
2. Brown hash browns in skillet.
3. Place hash brown patties on a plate and cover with a paper towel.
4. Open Spam and cut into slices.
5. Spray skillet with butter spray
6. Brown both sides of spam slices
7. Place spam slices on plate with hash browns.
8. Spray skillet again with butter spray.
9. Fry eggs to your desired method.
10. Serve with toast and a bit of salsa.

Member in Focus - Colin Armstrong

Colin has recently stepped into the role of King Arthur in our upcoming production of Spamalot! While he's focusing on getting his lines correct I thought we could spare a section to focus on him!!

What was your first production with PLOS?

My first show with PLOS was Barnum which is over 13years ago now. I was a member of the ensemble.

How many years have you been involved with PLOS?

I have been associated with the company since that production. I joined the committee shortly after that and have held a number of roles including two years as The Pres.

Tell me about your most embarrassing moment on stage?

My most embarrassing moment on stage was probably when I played Maurice in Beauty & the Beast. The steering pin fell out of the front of my car and I lost total control. I think I nearly drove the bloody car into the pit or into a piece of the set. Fortunately it was the last show when this all happened

What do you think is your best feature?

You will have to ask Naomi what my best feature is. If I have to choose I would choose Mississippi Burning with Gene Hackman and Willem Defoe!!!!????

What is your favourite musical?

My favourite musical would have to be Les Mis as it has stood the test of time. I must say though that after seeing Billy Elliot recently it is right up there. Not for the music really but more about the characters and how it all depicted a real life situation. I found it all very moving.

Here are some photos of the cast sweating it out at the dance day!





















- Congratulations to Serenity Harbour and Chris Tunks on their engagement!! We wish them a long happy life together.
- PLOS would like to welcome their newest member to committee, the very lovely Fran Boyd.
- A big well done to Hannah Sabbatucci on getting a Guild commendation for staging Greased lightning, for our January production of Grease! It was a great number and we are very happy for it and Hannah to be acknowledged!
- Andrew Tunks and Kelly Stephens were married last week at Sages Cottage. On behalf of everyone at PLOS we wish Andrew and Kelly a very happy life together.

If you have any other news for this section please forward to mail@plos.asn.au

PLOS Musical Productions July 2010 show

Singin' In the Rain

PLOS Costume and Set Hire

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Vice President - Angela Ginsberg

Secretary - Brett Wingfield

Treasurer - Colin Armstrong

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Fran Boyd

Chris Brown

Anthony Scundi

Kylie McMillan

Karina Stroot

James Williams

Minute secretary - Jan Lavender

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Email me and let me know what you want to read about!

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That's a wrap!