

May 2010



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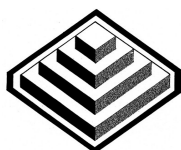
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Gippsland Associated Theatre  
Musical Productions 2010

Leongatha Lyric  
**HIGH SOCIETY**

30 April—15 May

Mushroom Crafts 5662 3940

Warragul Theatre Company  
**LES MISÉRABLES**

14 — 29 May

West Gipps.Arts Centre 5624 2456

Production Line Bairnsdale  
**THE PAJAMA GAME**

21 — 30 May

0419 626 892

Wonthaggi Theatrical Group  
**OLIVER!**

28 May — 12 June

W'aggi Workmen's Club 5672 1083

## FAMDA Annual General Meeting

Tania Pell has become the young face of FAMDA when she was elected president AGM in March. Joining her on the committee is Andrew Oldroyd as secretary plus new members, Nicole Cooper, Louise Harfield, Amanda Mahomed, Jane Park and Peter Rushen.

Linda Giddy, Dianne & Jennifer Paragreen, Barbara Partridge and Norm Willoughby and remain on the committee providing a good blend of youth and experience.

The committee is now enriched with some vibrant and enthusiastic young blood, keen to take on the challenges ahead for FAMDA.

Outgoing acting chairman, Max Hastings, paid tribute at the AGM to the much valued work of Max Adam and Raymond Dunstan on FAMDA's behalf. For all the details check the FAMDA website, [www.famda.org.au](http://www.famda.org.au).

## PLAY READING INVITATION

FAMDA's first play reading for the year will be held at The Rhythm Café at 2:00pm on Sunday 23 May.

The literary menu will involve one-act plays, perhaps entries for our Tenth One-Act Play Festival, and is guaranteed to provide lots of fun and laughter.

New participants are always welcome and you can volunteer to read or sit back and be thoroughly entertained, just as you choose.

Lyn will provide afternoon tea finger food at a cost of just \$6 with drinks and coffee available at bar prices.

For catering purposes, we do need some idea of numbers planning to come along. Please call Tania on 0427 832 303, Andrew 0439 884 319 or email [famda@dcsi.net.au](mailto:famda@dcsi.net.au).

### JOIN US

FAMDA is keen to hear from people interested in being involved in staging our entries in the South Gippsland One Act Play Festival in August and possibly touring the plays to other play festivals.

Anyone willing to direct a full length play for FAMDA in the second half of the year will be welcomed with open arms. Just get in touch with Tania or Andrew.

Remember membership subscriptions are now due!

## FAMDA presents the ARTY-FARTY



## PARTY

Saturday 17 July at 7:00 pm  
Foster War Memorial Arts Centre

The night will include:

**A Silent Auction**  
featuring Art Work by Local Artists  
**Door Prizes, Raffles**  
**Games & Trivia**

**\$10 per Person**  
**BYO Drinks and Nibbles**

For table & individual bookings email

[famda@dcsi.net.au](mailto:famda@dcsi.net.au) or call

Tania 0427 832 303 or Andrew 0439 884 319



**A MESSAGE TO PROM COAST SINGERS**

Many choir members would like to meet up in our usual place just to enjoy an informal evening singing familiar songs. The Reverend Tim, rector of the Anglican Church, is very happy to hear us singing again, any Tuesday. We could pay \$3 each as usual and make a donation to the Church.

Choice of songs depends on availability. Anne can recommend and I have volunteered to help to organise the music. Please mention it to any of the choir that you meet to ensure that as many as possible know about it and have the chance to meet up again for an evening of music.

Suggested singing time: 7:30 on the first Tuesday each month, beginning 1 June. *(To be confirmed)*

"Wouldn't it be lovely?" Cheers and warmest wishes,

Shirley Wilson (5682 1363, 1413 278 204, email: saw@tadaust.org.au)

**Anyone interested in working as either the choral director or rehearsal pianist for the Prom Coast Singers is invited to contact Andrew Jamieson on 5683 2683 or acjammo@ozemail.com.au**

**FAMDA DIARY DATES**

***Play Reading***

2:00 Sunday 23rd May at the Rhythm Café, Bridge Street, Foster.

Featuring a selection of one act plays, this social event should be great fun. Anyone with a theatrical bent is most welcome.

***The Arty-Farty Trivia Party***

7:00 Saturday 17th July at the Foster War Memorial Arts Centre.

General knowledge, fun and games with fabulous prizes.

***The South Gippsland One Act Play Festival***

This will be held on the weekend of 21 & 22 August 2010.

Sponsorship from the Toora and District Branch of the Bendigo Bank makes it a very enticing competition. The standard of entries last year was impressive and already there is huge interest from companies from many parts of the state.

***Cabaretro***

A sophisticated cabaret reminiscent of Paris in the 1890's and Berlin in the 1920's., planned for October, using a vast array of local talent and promising diverse entertainment combined with an inviting atmosphere and quality dining.

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**Membership \$ubscriptions are due from the time of the AGM**

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**Adult: \$20.00  
 Concession: \$15.00  
 Family: \$35.00**

*Mail your form & subscription to:*

The Treasurer  
 FAMDA Inc.  
 P.O. Box 186  
 FOSTER 3960

**OR**



*Leave your form & subscription with Deborah at:*  
 Main Street Revelations, 31 Main St., Foster

You are invited to FAMDA's Friendly Play Reading.  
2:00pm Sunday 23 May at The Rhythm Café, Bridge St., Foster.  
Cost: \$6.00 for afternoon tea. Drinks @ bar prices.  
One-act plays on the menu.

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*As in the case of Mark Twain, the report of the death of Break A Leg Theatre has proved to be a gross exaggeration.*

**Break A Leg Theatre & City of Traralgon Band are joining forces to present**  
**BRASSED OFF** (Remember the 1996 movie with Ewan McGregor, Tara Fitzgerald and Pete Postlethwaite ?)  
7:30pm 28, 29, May & 3, 4, 5 June (also 2:00pm matinée 30 May)  
**Latrobe Performing Arts Centre, Traralgon**  
Bookings: 5176 3559 or email [boxoffice@latrobe.vic.gov.au](mailto:boxoffice@latrobe.vic.gov.au)

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Prom Coast Singers are invited to a monthly song fest at the Anglican Church Hall in Station Rd. Foster.  
Suggested first get together (*subject to confirmation*) is Tuesday 1 June.  
Contact: Shirley Wilson - 5682 1363, 1413 278 204 Email: [saw@tadaust.org.au](mailto:saw@tadaust.org.au)

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### Matt Hillman

winner of 2007 Gippsland Associated Theatre best actor award  
for his performance as Max Bialystock in FAMDA's *The Producers*,  
plays the Engineer in *Miss Saigon* with Windmill Theatre Company.

Who: Windmill Theatre Company

What: **MISS SAIGON** by Claude Michel Schönberg & Alain Boublil ~*Madama Butterfly* meets *Les Misérables*

When: 11, 12, 13\*, 18, 19, 20\*, 25, 26, 27\* June (\* = matinees)

Where: Drum Theatre, Dandenong (Formerly Dandenong Town Hall)

How: Book via: [www.wtc-theatre.com](http://www.wtc-theatre.com) 9771 6666

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### Gippsland Theatre productions ~ May 2010

**Leongatha Lyric ~ HIGH SOCIETY**

Remaining shows – 8:00pm 13, 14, 15 May

Bookings: Mushroom Crafts 5662 3940

**Warragul Theatre Company ~ LES MISÉRABLES**

14, 15\* 15, 16\*, 21, 22\*, 22, 23\*, 28, 29\*, 29 May (\* = 1:30 pm matinée) 7:30 evenings

With: Charles Gruen - the Narrator in FAMDA's 2009 *Into the Woods* as Jean Valjean

John Black - Franz Liebkind in FAMDA's 2007 *The Producers* as Javert

Bookings: West Gippsland Arts Centre 5624 2456

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Bookings: Wonthaggi Workmen's Club 5672 1083