



December 2013 - Abridged version

Editorial

It is hard to believe that Christmas is right on our heels and I am sure that many of you are in the thick of shopping, cooking and decorating for Christmas. In all of the hustle and bustle please do keep some important dates in mind. 20th December is Karnon Kidz' Khristmas Krackers. We will need help setting up on the 19th and some help in front of house, and of course at the end of the show to take everything down, but the most important thing is an audience, so make sure you book your seats. 12th January 2014 will be the double auditions for the two One Act Plays. Details will follow later in this issue. Stage works for the Pantomime.. there are a number of dates circulating around, if you can find a couple of hours please try to come and lend a hand, Pam is very good at arranging painting by numbers, so skill is appreciated, but not necessary!

Finally 25th December.. **Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year to you all.**

Esther

Karnon Kidz Khristmas Krackers REMINDER!!!

There will be a matinee (at **3:00pm**) and an evening performance (at **7:00pm**), so there's no excuse for missing it!

We can guarantee you Christmas carols, Christmas sketches, Christmas poems, Christmas songs, Christmas refreshments (including mulled wine - homemade by the very talented Elaine Gummow). . . in fact . . . just about anything that you can think of . . . and one or two things that you can't! But above all, we will guarantee you a good time that will be suitable for all the family.

So come and support our enthusiastic and talented young cast who will be giving their all for your enjoyment.

Tickets are available from the CDDG Box Office on **08454 500296** and are priced at **£6.00** for Adults and **£4.00** for Under 18's, which also includes the *seasonal refreshments . . . how cool is that !PS – Is there anyone out there who would be prepared to contribute to this event by providing us with some homemade mince pies or sausage rolls? We would be prepared to reimburse you for the meat (sausage or mince)!If you are able to assist then please contact **Linda** on **01872 870256** or SmeagleandPrecious@hotmail.com .*

Important - If anyone can help in any way for Khristmas Krackers on Friday 20th or Saturday 21st please contact Linda or Paul on 08454500296. A volunteer is always appreciated as it saves us having to twist your arm or resort to other methods!

Also -

Has anyone seen a box or bag of various sized jazz boots. These were at seen in the caravan a couple of weeks ago and we wondered if anyone has borrowed them, if so please contact Linda on the box office number as these are needed for the Khristmas Krackers show.

Many thanks **Linda**

CORNWALL ONE ACT PLAY FESTIVAL 4TH & 5TH April 2014

AUDITIONS: Sunday 12th January 2014, Perranarworthal Memorial Village Hall at 1.30pm

As you may recall, we are entering two plays in the next festival – “Hear My Voice” by Caitlin Rose, directed by Kath Frankland and “Ghosts of Bedlam” by Arthur Aldrich, directed by Ann Gwatkin. Quite a few people came to the play readings we held at the end of July and we hope that they and others who are interested will come along to the auditions on 12th January. We appreciate that Sunday afternoons are panto rehearsals but we are starting at 1.30pm and hopefully anyone in the panto who is interested will be able to audition. The festival is a wonderful opportunity for both experienced and not so experienced actors and directors to try their hand. It is always a worthwhile experience, from which one can learn a lot. I will be sending out all the necessary information about the plays and their characters, separately to everyone, so do look out for the email. It should arrive within the next few days. A.L.

Forward to 1914!

As the end of the year approaches, our thoughts turn to 2014 which will be, as most of you will have realised already, the one hundredth anniversary of the outbreak of World War One in 1914. The CDDG committee wanted to mark this anniversary, and pay tribute to those who served in the war, by staging an appropriate production. However most possibilities (*Oh What A Lovely War*, *Journey's End*, etc) are not currently available to amateurs as there will be professional productions during the year. Your committee therefore approached me to write something.

Perranwell Boys 1914 is a play set mainly in the trenches of France, and follows the fortunes of a section of the Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry through the autumn of 1914. There are also scenes set in a recruiting office, a field hospital and a French café, as well as in Perranwell itself, since both the junior officer and the youngest private in the unit come from the village. This will be a large cast production: there are roles for men, women, boys and girls, and a number of songs from the period are included, so there is scope for singing as well as acting.

We hope to arrange a meeting to gauge interest fairly early in the new year, with rehearsals starting in June or July. The production dates are 15 to 18 October 2014.

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