



THE PROMPT-

November 2013- Abridged version

From the Chair

The first thing to say is a big well done to everyone who was nominated for and received awards at the CDA awards Dinner last month. I am sorry that I couldn't be there myself as it was my parents Emerald Wedding anniversary that weekend, and parties don't organize themselves, but I understand that a good time was had by all.

As I said last time I don't believe that any of us do what we do for this kind of award, but it is very gratifying to receive them when they come! Couldn't be more proud.

I suspected The Deep Blue Sea would put the Drama back into Caron Down Drama Group and it did that in spades. Much will be said, and has already been said, by other people about the show itself, which I personally enjoyed immensely, but my own lasting impression is the huge commitment that is made by everyone to make such a show happen.

To transform Perranwell Memorial Village Hall as we did was incredible. If we could count the man/woman hours involved it would run into hundreds. Then there were the people who turned out each night to do the front of house and ensure that the back stage worked. The hard work of the actors, director, director's assistants, wardrobe, props hunters, lighting and sound crews are not seen by our audience but are all part of the cogs that drive the show.

But my lasting impression is that as soon as the last of the audience had gone home, most of those people who had worked so hard to put the show together, immediately set to work to take it all down again in the fastest "get out" I have ever seen.

I guess what I am trying to say is that a show like this is a bit like an iceberg, the bit that you see above the water, or in this case, the performance itself, sits on top of a tremendous amount of hard work below. I'd also like to think that a good deal of fun is also had as well.

Thank you all. Esther

The Deep Blue Sea

Yet another excellent production from director John Frankland and his hardworking team.

We have received the following message from Life Members, Ann & Derek Yates who came all the way from Shaldon, Devon to see it.

This is just to say that Derek & I had a most enjoyable evening last night.

We thought that the production and acting in this production was exceptional. It was Carnon Downs Drama at its absolute best! It's always a good sign of a first class show when you keep talking about it the next day, which is what we have been doing all the way home today!

It was very 'John' to have such innovative ideas for the set and front of house, but it made the evening an experience rather than just sitting in the village hall (the chairs don't improve do they!!)

I appreciate that there would be a front of house rota so it was unlikely that we would see you all but it was good to see some 'old faces' again and catch up on news. Lovely to hear Trevor & Jenny are married. Thank you again for an excellent evening's entertainment it was well worth the journey and the overnight accommodation. Please pass a copy of this to John & Mike Stanger, because as far as Derek was concerned the star of the show was the gas fire!

With our best wishes and congratulations on the nominations for Calendar Girls - I'm sure that there will be more coming your way next year after this production.

Ann & Derek Yate

And from Mike Stanger:

I would like to thank the cast of THE DEEP BLUE SEA and all the others who made such a splendid effort in clearing the hall floor, If I put my drill down for a moment some-one would be using it.

THANK-YOU ALL.

Karnon Kidz Korner

Who would have thought it . . . Christmas Day is now only a few weeks away! What's that we hear you say? You're not feeling Christmassy yet? Don't worry . . . we have the perfect answer to get you in the festive spirit . . . come and see the **Karnon Kidz Christmas Crackers**, which is taking place at **Perran-ar-Worthal Village Memorial Hall on Saturday 21st December 2014**.

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 .

Pantomime Neverland And Back

Well can you believe that it's that time of year again? Rehearsals for "Neverland and Back" have started and whilst we are small scale at the moment just blocking out scenes with the principles, it will be all systems go for everyone very soon so please, all of you involved, keep an eye on your emails for more information about when you will be needed.

It's early stages but I can report that Nana's enthusiasm for barking is just a little scary and the Darling children are seriously thinking of renaming her "nanny gruff woof".

Peter, Wendy, John and Michael have all had their first flying lesson. Luckily they were still on the ground floor when they tried to take off; it was not a very pretty sight, especially when shadow forgot to let go. Mr & Mrs Darling stunned from learning that they had to sing a duet (and not laugh) watched on in amazement whilst Michelle, our very able director collapsed in a heap of giggles.

At this point in proceedings we would like to formally apologise to Mr & Mrs Tinkerbell as Anna learns her lines and summons up all possible teenage angst to really make the part her own. Sometimes the art takes over. It is a very thin line between what is real and what is not..... I think this week we crossed it!

Until next month, have fun and remember to keep your bedroom windows unlocked just in case Peter Pan is out there waiting to visit. Cheers Pam.

Carnon Downs Merchandise

Stuck for ideas for Christmas? Absolutely no idea what to get a loved one? Have you considered a CDDG hoodie or a CDDG t-shirt? Or what about a CDDG fleece or a CDDG hat?

Did you know that a local firm (Trophy Textiles) are able to embroider the CDDG logo into (just about) any garment that you could think of! Wouldn't this make a nice Christmas (or Birthday) present?

All you need to do is contact them by telephone (on 01209 713341) or by email (enquiries@trophytextiles.co.uk) or you can pop into their office / shop (Unit 2D, Pool Business Park, Dudnance Lane, Pool, TR15 3QW) to place an order.

All you pay for is the price of the garment!

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