

Walmsley Church Amateur Operatic & Dramatic Society



Newsletter June 2015



Hello

Congratulations must firstly be offered to everyone involved with our production of 'Chess'. Yet again a triumph for Walmsley and the all-round talent that this society is blessed with.

A new season is here with us and we look forward with optimism and the enthusiasm that befits this exceptional society.

We have two fantastic shows to come, those being Irving Berlin's 'White Christmas' in November, a show that's brimming with a plethora of songs that everyone knows and for our Spring 2016 show, the great favourite 'Me And My Girl'. (Get practising your Lambeth Walk)

Our AKT continues to be healthy and strong and have been again great ambassadors for the society in going out and about the community with their singing programmes which have brought much pleasure to many people.

Also we have lots of social activities which have been planned by our social committee in which there is something for everyone.

AKT



Our AKT never cease to amaze. They produced a super show 'The Pied Piper' on 18th, 19th and 20th June to appreciative audiences who were also treated to witness some great talent with their own mini 'Britain's Got Talent'. It certainly was an eye-opener in many aspects. It was a credit to them, Ruth, Lorraine, Julie, Hannah, Beth and the whole support team mainly from the adult section of the society.

Well done AKT.

The logo for 'Irving Berlin's White Christmas the musical' is set against a red background with white snowflakes. 'Irving Berlin's' is in a small, white, cursive font. 'White Christmas' is written in a large, white, cursive font with a blue outline. 'the musical' is in a smaller, white, cursive font at the bottom right. There are two green holly leaves with red berries to the left of 'the musical'.

'White Christmas'

Already people are asking about tickets for this show, so make sure you get your requirements to our Box Office Manager Christine because we don't want anyone disappointed at not getting a seat for this wonderful 'feel-good' musical.

We had a great night of auditions for 'White Christmas' and the casting committee was delighted to cast the show from within our own society. Added to which we can again boast an extremely talented and accomplished cast as follows

Bob Wallace
Phil Davies
Betty Haynes
Judy Haynes
General Henry Waverly
Martha Watson
Susan Waverly
Ralph Sheldrake
Rhoda
Rita
Ezekiel Foster
Mike
Tessie
Jimmy
Cigarette Girl
Snoring Man
Mrs Snoring Man
Train Conductor
Dance Captain
Seamstress
Assistant Seamstress
Ed Sullivan Announcer
Sheldrake's Secretary

Steve Benson
Tristan Nixon
Adrienne Wormald
Vicki Wilson
Mike Taylor
Kathy Turton
Lizzie Glover
David Wilson
Julie Ogden
Val Greenhalgh
David Witt
Andrew Turton
Louise Steggalls
David Reeves
Holly Marsh
Joe Davies
Eileen Reeves
Stewart Ball
Lara Crombie-Syddall
Jane Bickerstaffe
Joyce Walters
Roger Higginbottom
Barbara Martin

Company

Mike Bailey, Katie Ball, Carole Brooks, Meredith Collinson, Charlotte Davenport, Gill Davies, Jake Dufton, Michelle Foster, Alice Higginbottom, Zara Horn, Barbara Martin, Helen McGrath, Gill Pollitt, Zoe Pollitt, Mary Pycroft, Katie Ryding, Helen Shaw, Trish Shorten.

This will be the first time that this show has been performed in the Bolton area...what a coup for Walmsley.

Social

Diaries and pens at the ready, as Barbara and our very active social committee have organised some super events for the coming year. So here we go.

2015



18th July BBQ at the McGreavys'
£6 adults £3 children



2nd August Cream Tea and Scones at Mary Pycroft's
£3



12th September Bowling Match at The Waggon and Horses
£4



19th September Music and Dancing with Eagley Brass Band
£7



25th November Craft Fair in the Founder's Room

2016



30th January Quiz Night in The Founder's Room
£3



27th February (morning) Table Top Sale in The Hall
£10 per table



5th March Dinner Dance at Dunscar Golf Club
£28

For further details please see the notice board or contact Barbara

Website/Archives

Ours continues to be the most informative and up-to-date amateur operatic society website and I challenge anyone's to be any better. Webmaster Steve keeps everything ship-shape and Archivist John continues to provide Bolton Museum with all our hard copy of materials relevant to Walmsley society. So visit our website or pop into Bolton Museum and have a browse. Our future and our history is there for all to enjoy.

AGM

Rev. Karen continues to be our President and at our Annual General Meeting held on 12th May 2015, the following members were elected to serve in the official posts of the society as follows:

Vice President	Mike Taylor
Chairman	Nora Howcroft
Vice Chairman	Jane Bickerstaffe
Secretary	Audrey Hudson
Assistant Secretary	John Cocking
Treasurer	Irene Bowers
Box Office Manager	Christine Taylor
Stage Director	John West
Wardrobe Manager	Mary Pycroft
Publicity Managers	Joe Davies and Don Howcroft
Programme Manager	Don Howcroft
Social Secretary	Barbara Martin
Refreshment Secretaries	Audrey Hudson and Anne Cocking
Bar Manager	Margaret McGreavy
Cast Rep	Barbara Martin
Archivist	John Tustin
Auditor	David Witt
Electrician	John Cocking

General Committee:

Norma Dootson, Ruth Kay, Julie Kirby, Sulwyn Mann, Audrey Mason, Helen McGrath, Dorothy Pitfield, David Witt.

Please support your Committee Members as they are all dedicated to the smooth running of our society.

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