



Old Shire Hall  
Gympie Rd  
Strathpine

# Act 1 Theatre Newsletter

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## Notes from the President

As Pat O'Callaghan is passing on the Membership Coordinator role to Judy Muir and Marg Toovey, we firstly thank him for his great work in this important area.



One change we have been working on will come in the near future. When you book you will need to enter your membership number which will be assigned to you. This should help us avoid having people incorrectly claiming member price whilst not being a member or booking extra tickets for non-members. So if you notice a new button on Trybooking, that is its purpose. (Does not apply for **Cracula's Castle**.) Members will be notified of their number soon. Hope this helps everyone.

Our own Square terminal will be alive and active by **Cracula** to take online payments. We hope all gremlins have been found.

Long-time member **Anne Wilson** is leaving to live in Atherton with family. We wish her well and thank her for many years of service in many roles. A bring-your-own-sweets-and-drink barbecue to farewell Anne will be held at Pine Rivers Park on **18 September**. Theatre will provide meat rolls, bread and salad.

Those who came to the trivia night were well entertained and had a great night. Thanks to Kay for finding Gina Vanderpump for our enjoyment, to Trisha for organising the evening, and all our FOH and other helpers.

Our next social night is in planning. Mark **23/24 September** in your calendar and watch this space for more information.

Yours in theatre.

*Terry*

## Act 1 Theatre 2022

### Management Committee

#### **President**

Terry Frawley

#### **Vice President**

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#### **Bar Coordinator**

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#### **Stage Manager**

Deb Hossack

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#### **Bookings Coordinator**

0458 579 269

#### **Membership Coordinator**

Judy Muir, Margaret Toovey

#### **Newsletter Editor**

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#### **Front-of-House Coordinator**

Margaret Toovey

#### **Webmaster**

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#### **Patron**

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**BOOKINGS: 0458 579 269**

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## **Coming events:**

**Cracula's Castle Theatre Restaurant** – September 2-17

**Auditions – Secret Bridesmaids' Business** – September 3 & 5 (see page 3)

**Committee meeting** – September 12

**Anne Wilson Farewell** – September 18

## **Book now for theatre restaurant**

1 Act 1 Theatre presents...

# CRACULAS CASTLE

Dates: September 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 16 & 17  
 See website for times. Tickets are \$40 per person or \$280 per table  
 Tables are for 7 people & 2 platters per full table included.  
 4 or less people - one platter (as pictured)

Tickets on sale at [act1theatre.com.au](http://act1theatre.com.au) or <https://www.trybooking.com/CBDCA>  
 Please note due to catering requirements no walk-ins will be allowed and bookings for each show will close the day before that particular show. If you need assistance with a booking, email [act1theatre2@gmail.com](mailto:act1theatre2@gmail.com) or leave a message on mobile phone 0458 579 269

**7.30pm, September 2, 3, 9, 10, 16, 17; 2.00pm, September 4 & 11**  
**All tickets \$40 (includes meal).**

## **2022 Program**

**This year, shows will open on Saturday night the first weekend instead of Friday (except One-acts, TheatreFest and Theatre Restaurant), with two Sunday matinees.**

**Note: Confusions cancelled; new dates for Secret Bridesmaids' Business.**

### **Cracula's Castle Theatre Restaurant.**

**Sept 2, 3, 4(mat.), 9, 10, 11(mat.), 16, 17:** Vampires, castles, werewolves, Hollywood wannabe's, a Vampire hunter, a hapless tourist, terrible Dutch accents, the Hunchback of Notre Dame – oh, and dinner. Another show of comedy and music, back to our traditional theatre restaurant format. Tickets \$40.

### **Secret Bridesmaids' Business** by Elizabeth Coleman, dir. Lilian Harrington.

**Nov. 12, 13(mat.), 18, 19, 20(mat.), 25, 26:** (Australian comedy/drama.) A friend of the bride is in a dilemma whether to tell her about an affair the groom has had with someone else in the bridal party. Talk about a can of worms!

**Full information in the newsletter in the lead-up to each play.**

## **Auditions for *Secret Bridesmaids' Business* by Elizabeth Coleman !!**

**Dates:** Saturday 3 September 11 am and Monday 5th September 7 pm at Act One Theatre.

**Director:** Lilian Harrington, 0411 753 892/ 07 3856 4659

**Cast Required:** 5 females and 1 male

*While the bride, Meg, prepares for the biggest day of her life and her mum, Colleen, fusses over ribbons and shoe fabrics, Meg's bridesmaids, Lucy and Angela, stumble upon some information that has the potential to shatter Meg's dream. Should they tell or not tell?*

*In the hilarious yet painful push and pull that follows, Lucy and Angela discover that sometimes there is no right answer when it comes to doing what's best for your friend.*

### **Cast details:**

Bride's Mother, Colleen Bacon (55 ish)

Bride, Meg Bacon (33 ish)

Maid of Honour, Angela Dixon (34 ish)

Bridesmaid, Lucy Dean (34 ish)

Friend, Naomi Bartlett (28)

Groom, James Davis (35 ish)

House maid (walk on)

**Production Dates:** Weekends 12 November - 26 November at Act One Theatre. (includes matinee Sundays)

**Rehearsals:** 12 September to 10 November. Opening 12 November.

**Audition preparation** - prepare a monologue from text you are comfortable with.

Read a selected scene from the script that shows interaction between characters.

**Please ring ahead** - Lilian on 0411 753 892 or email her at [stagebox@optusnet.com.au](mailto:stagebox@optusnet.com.au) for details and an appointment time.

### **Calling for 2023 play proposals**

We will soon be arranging our 2023 program and are calling for proposals for plays to be included. We are after one-act and full-length plays and a musical theatre restaurant show. Submissions must be in by the end of September so that the program can be discussed at the October Committee meeting.

You are asked to submit two plays, the second as an option, if required, to enable us to present a balanced and varied program with wide audience appeal. The Director's Proposal Form is attached.

### **Position vacant – Newsletter editor**

I would like to relinquish the role of Newsletter editor and invite anyone who thinks they would like to give it a go to contact me at [toby6@bigpond.com](mailto:toby6@bigpond.com) or 0438 290 649. Pat O'Callaghan.

## UQ Theatre Survey

The University of Qld is conducting a survey on Young Adults' Experiences and Perspectives of Theatre. They are interested in the views of people of all ages. All respondents will go in a draw for tickets to a show at Queensland Theatre. If you would like to participate, click on this link. [survey \(through this link\)](#).

## Successful Trivia Night enjoyed by all.



*Line-up of beauties for Best Drag Queen judging by Gina Vanderpump.*

*L. to R.: (Names have been invented to protect the guilty.) Blue Wiggal, Turquoise de Light, Honey Suckle, Marlene D. Trick, Fantasy Nancy, Debbie Duzz, Kate Bushy, Gina.*

## Act 1 polo shirts available

New polo shirts, navy blue in colour, with Act 1 embroidered logo are now available. They can be worn when working front-of-house or for special events like TheatreFest or any time you want to look flash. Cost is \$30. See illustration below. Available for inspection at the theatre and purchase if we have your size or ordered if not. If interested please call Terry, [5433 0655](tel:54330655) or message on [0488 222 596](tel:0488222596) or [tezzasf@gmail.com](mailto:tezzasf@gmail.com), with your size and male or female.



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## Share us on Facebook

**Please share** any Facebook posts about Act 1 with all your contacts. Facebook is one of the main ways we publicise Act 1 and our shows. If you can spread the word to all your Facebook contacts; that will help us greatly. Many thanks for your assistance.

## Encourage your friends to join Act 1.

Act 1 members receive our monthly newsletter and a significant discount on tickets to Act 1 shows and also at Mousetrap, Sandgate and KSP theatres.

Act 1 ticket prices: Full - \$20; Concession - \$17; Member - \$12; Child (12 & under) - \$10.

Membership: \$20 full, \$15 concession.

Membership forms are available at the theatre, on [www.act1theatre.com.au](http://www.act1theatre.com.au), or by e-mail request at [acttheatre2@gmail.com](mailto:acttheatre2@gmail.com).

## Booking Assistance

*If you have any problems booking on line for Act 1 shows, send an e-mail to [acttheatre2@gmail.com](mailto:acttheatre2@gmail.com) or ring 0458 579 269 but be sure to leave a message as unknown numbers may not be called back.*

## Act 1 Containers for Change drive

Refunds from empty bottles and cans from our bar are donated to the **QIMR Berghofer Medical Research Institute** in Brisbane.

Drop your refundable items at the theatre or use QIMR's customer code **C10182560** when you return your bottles and cans to a refund point and the refund will be paid directly to them.

## Suzy and Johnny on the radio

**It Takes Two** with Suzy & Johnny on 99.7 Bridge FM is on **6-10pm on Sundays**. They concentrate on the Arts & Entertainment, promoting community events, particularly theatre. If you have something you would like them to help promote, contact them at [suzyandjohnny@997fm.com.au](mailto:suzyandjohnny@997fm.com.au) or mobile 0408 718 351. Listen in on Sunday.

### Join 99.7 Bridge FM

You can become a member of 99.7 for just \$5. Details at [www.997fm.com.au](http://www.997fm.com.au) .

### What's on at local theatres

We have reciprocal arrangements with these theatres to charge their members' ticket price for Act 1 members (theatre restaurants excepted).

**Mousetrap Theatre, Redcliffe:** *Curtains, School Edition*, 23 Sept – 9<sup>th</sup> Oct.  
[www.mousetraptheatre.asn.au](http://www.mousetraptheatre.asn.au), ph. 0439 954 719.

**Sandgate Theatre:** *Anything Goes Talent quest & Trivia*, 10 September  
[www.sandgatetheatre.net](http://www.sandgatetheatre.net), ph. 3283 2608.

**KSP Theatre, Burpengary:**  
[www.ksptheatreinc.net](http://www.ksptheatreinc.net), ph. 0434 885 802.

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