



East Norfolk Operatic Society

Newsletter - Spring 2008

Hello and welcome to our 2nd newsletter. We hope that you enjoyed the first new-look edition back in November and plan to make issues bigger and better - with your help, of course, as news can only be generated by you, the patrons and members. This time, we have a caption competition (!) and a photo of a dashing Gondolier - but can you guess who? No prizes for this one!

With our best wishes

Ros and Clive

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EAST NORFOLK OPERATIC SOCIETY

Patience : 30 April - 3 May, The Maddermarket Theatre.

Colonel Calverley
Major Murgatroyd
Duke of Dunstable
Reginald Bunthorne
Archibald Grosvenor
The Solicitor
Lady Angela
Lady Saphir
Lady Ella
Lady Jane
Patience

Robert Collingwood
Dennis Abley
Patrick Monk
John Bill
Matthew Plunkett
Colin Plunkett
Margaret Collingwood
Marion Jackson
Gennie Plunkett
Janet Grant
Rachel Goodchild

Eagle eyed readers may note that Ian Roberson, who had been cast as the Solicitor, has had to withdraw from the show. His place has been taken by Colin Plunkett, husband of Vivienne and father to Gennie and Matthew. As we have said before, ENOS produces shows for all the family!

Reherarsals have been going well under the direction of Andy, Julie and Stella. The men have also benefitted from the drilling of local historian Neil Storey, who has made soldiers of each one of them! As we would expect from Team Weston, the usual traditional version is laced with their own special touches.

Tickets are selling well so if you haven't got yours yet, telephone the Maddermarket Box Office on 01603 620917 to book.

The Mikado 2009

By the time the next newsletter is published, the cast will have been announced for the 2009 production, what a thought! The Society will be celebrating its Golden Anniversary and the Committee is already hard at work planning events to mark fifty years of productions. More details to follow....

**And who can this be?
No prizes but he's looking Good!**



It is probably some time since a newsletter has reported the sadness of a death, as well as the joy of a birth and two forthcoming weddings. ENOS was shocked to learn of the recent death of Margaret Johnson. Margaret and her husband Dennis had been the musical team for the Society from 1984-1999, Dennis as MD and Margaret as the stalwart accompanist. We send our sincere condolences to Dennis and the family.

On 4 April, Teresa Cardene gave birth to son William James at the Norfolk & Norwich Hospital. Congratulations to John and Teresa, not only on the safe arrival of William but also on the announcement of their wedding planned for Friday, 27 June.

Finally, the second wedding announcement is that of your editors on 31 May!



Teresa, John and William.

Caption Competition

What was Lady Saphir REALLY saying?
Best answer gets a bottle of wine or box of chocs!



Answers by 1 July, please.

Photograph: Courtesy of Mike Stevens

Bits and Pieces

Thanks to Robert and Margaret Collingwood for hosting the post rehearsal Christmas party on 18 December, a great time was had by all!

And another big thank you to Patrick and Mrs Monk for welcoming us to their home for the 26 January New Year celebration party. Another lovely evening was enjoyed by members old and new.

As for the summer, we have a concert booked at Martham Church on 28 June at 7.30 (funnily enough, John and Teresa won't be joining us!). Musical Director will be David Kett.

Finally...best wishes to Graham Anderton who has undergone a hip operation and to Julie Weston who is recovering from a knee op!

News from Other Societies

Sheringham Savoyards present The Yeomen of the Guard at Sheringham Little Theatre from 10-14 June, curtain up at 7.30 pm. The Box Office number is 01263 822347 and tickets are £10.

Livewire Opera Company is performing Die Fledermaus at the following venues:

Wymondham High School ~ Friday 27th June & Saturday 28th June 2008 at 7.30pm

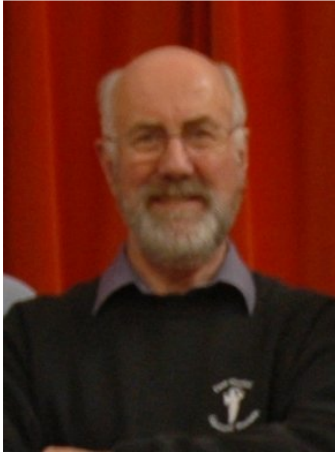
Aylsham High School ~ Friday 4th July & Saturday 5th July 2008 at 7.30pm

Queens Hall, Watton ~ Friday 11th July 2008 at 7.30pm

The Canopy Theatre, Beccles ~ Friday 12th July 2008 at 7.30pm

Norwich Playhouse ~ Friday 18th & Saturday 19th July 2008 at 7.30pm

Ring 01953 851543 for details £9, £8, concessions £7.



Member Profile

Jim Barley

10 things we bet you never knew!!

1. What was your first show with ENOS?

The Sorcerer, 1992

2. What was or is your favourite ENOS show and why?

The Mikado – I think Gilbert's lib shows him at his

very best.

3. Your most disliked food?

Semolina – memories of school dinners!

4. Your favourite film or TV show?

Master & Commander – The Far Side of The Earth

5. The part you would most like to play on stage (not necessarily G&S but anything, anyhow, anywhere)?

Ko-Ko

6. Any irritating habits, that is - your own??

Ask Janet!

7. Most embarrassing moment?

Too many to choose from!

8. Favourite animal?

Our three cats

9. First musical memory?

Playing the triangle (I was never given the drums!) in the nursery school band

10. What did you have for breakfast (day not specified)?

Muesli & a cup of coffee

Committee for 2009
or
Your Committee Needs You

I know it is a little while before our next AGM but it gives us time to think and plan.

For next year we will need a new secretary as well as new committee members.

2009 will be a busy year for us as it is our 50th anniversary and we want to make it special. There will be a lot to do, but if we all work together we will achieve great things, I am sure.

Being a committee member is a privileged position in our society. It involves the day to day running as well as all the special things we have planned. We need members on the committee who are committed to doing whatever they can for the good of the society but not people who attend meetings and do nothing else. We meet about once a month between September and the show and then occasionally during the summer.

Janet G will be on hand to give help and advice to the new secretary as and when needed.

Clive has decided that he would like to take a break from doing the programme so for the next year whoever is interested in taking over from him can shadow him.

So, come on all you talented people, members or patrons, and volunteer to do that little bit extra for our society. There will be plenty of time to chat and find out more from members of the present committee during show week. If you decide it's not for you, that's fine, but at least please think about it.

Janet B

NODA AWARDS

Please will anyone who is due for an award this year give their details to Janet Barley as soon as possible, so that they can be processed in good time before the AGM.

AGM REMINDER

Just an early reminder that the AGM will be held on Tuesday, 2 September at 7.30 pm at Wroxham Church Hall. Please be sure to support this; it is an important event which provides feedback on the year's show and events and also gives warning as to what to expect in the forthcoming year! We look forward to welcoming you all there.