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www.barnstormers.org Autumn 2015



Gary Robertson -Co-Director:

I have been asked to say a few words about my experiences with Barnstorm-

ers. Well for me, it all started over 10 years ago, at the invitation of Margaret Taylor and little did I realise at the time, but it would change my life. I was probably one of the first non church going people to join Barnstormers and that was back in 2006. However, I was welcomed into the group with open arms and I have never really looked back, When I got to

sing with the group, the sound was amazing and I was surprised and pleased to find that all the proceeds from my first show "Seussical," went towards the car park work and by the next show that was completed. It is a fantastic, diverse group of people, which is still Church based, but open to all and we range from 12yrs, up to much, much older!! and we all seem to get on.

Things have moved on a little over the last 9 and a half years and when I, and a couple of others joined, we took the men's total from 3 to 6 and 1 think there were about 15 women, a few helpers, and 4 microphones, Oh and a few musicians marauding as a band - sorry Russell - It is a bit different now! I think we have nearly 40

## MD's notes JJJ

Here we are with Barnstormers' first panto in 4 years. It seems like only yesterday when I attended my first rehearsal of Robin Hood with the Panto Crew (the affectionate name for Barnstormers' predecessor group) in this very building. That was the start of my 15

vear adventure with Barnstormers as it has developed into the group performing for you today. I've had the pleasure of meeting some wonderful people, those on stage and those who work as hard behind the scenes, and experienced the group conquer many challenges.



changed a lot (I have a lot more grey hair than I did then for one), and we've been lucky enough to have many new people join the fun. Sadly we've also said goodbye to some as well. But the group still has at its centre the same things that attracted me

back in 2000: determination, ambition, a sense of fun, and allinclusive acceptance.

Sleeping Beauty has been a musical journey in its own right, with some tough musical arrangements. But the determination and ambition

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Patcham Methodist Church

# CHRISTMAS

# MARKET

# Saturday 28th November 11:00 - 15:00

Lots of stalls, Christmas gift ideas, raffle, children's corner and a visit from Father Christmas.

Refreshments and lunches available.

Admission 30p, Children free.

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people just on the stage for our Panto this November and there are over 70 people involved in total, so it is certainly a big team effort. A thing that very few people realise is that we start with a "blank canvas" and two weeks later we have a fully functioning Theatre. The more amazing thing is that about 2 ½ hours after the show is finished everything is back to normal, as if we had never even been here.

Sleeping Beauty – The Panto came about after I decided (somewhat foolishly) to write a panto – having directed 5 shows now, I thought it has got to be easy – having written it I met with Claire Fowler (my Co-Director) and Russell Taylor (MD)

of the cast and the band have been incredible, and we've had some fun along the way too.

It's an honour to work with the team, both the "old" hands and those who are taking on roles for the first time. I'd like to thank them all, and every member of the largest panto cast we have ever had on the stage, for making it fun. Lastly I couldn't do this without the ever-faithful, talented, and professional band, who make my task so much easier; thank you.

Enjoy the panto!

Russell Taylor - Musical Director

Louisa Taylor (Script consultant) and Margaret Taylor (choreographer) we tweaked it and set the whole thing in motion. I tried to include all the cast with lines and songs in small groups and lots of full production numbers, great songs both new and old. This show probably has a bit of just about everything in it, including tap dancing werewolves and vampires, a singing zombie "boyband", of course there is a baddie (or two), a panto dame, a heroine and a hero. It should have something for everyone, including some great humour



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Barnstormers' next show will be: "Kiss me Kate" in May 2016

See website for details nearer the time!

Barnstormers' previous productions include:

2014: Godspell & Barnstormers does

Broadway

2013: Crazy for You & A Christmas Carol

2012: Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat & Titanic

2011: Beauty and the Beast &

Snow White and the Seven Little Men

A Message from the Producers:-

It has been our privilege to produce the last three Barnstormers performances and to support Patcham Methodist Church in this way. Congratulations to all the cast for another wonderful performance and special thanks to Gary Robertson for not only writing this great pantomime but also directing the cast, ably assisted by Claire Fowler.

Grateful thanks also to those involved behind the scenes to make the show look and sound so amazing! The Producers

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# Musical Numbers and Scenes

ACT ONE

Scene 1: The Castle Throne Room

"The Sleeping Beauty - Ballet Suite, Op.66: Waltz" (abridged)

"When you wish upon a Star" King & Company

"Spice up your Life" Group & Chorus

"Shoop Sho<mark>op song</mark>" Fairies

"Sleeping Beauty Waltz - I Know You" The Band

"Let it Go" Queen, Fairies, Fester and King

"Anthem" King / Company

"Locomotion" Girl Group & Chorus

"As Time Goes By" The Band

Scene 1b: The Castle Throne Room 16 Years Later

"Total Eclipse of the Heart" Queen, Vampires, Fairies

"Men in Black Music" The Band

"Money Can't buy you love" The Other Direction/Zomboys

"Troublemaker" Nugget and Tailia

Scene 2 - The Castle Tower

"Sleeping Beauty Waltz - I Know You" The Band

"A Whole New World" Nugget & Tailia

### ACT TWO

Scene 1: The Castle Throne Room Later that day

Entr'acte – The Band

"The Sleeping Beauty - Ballet Suite, Op.66: Waltz" (abridged)

"Thriller" The Company

"Grenade" Nugget

**"Wanted**" *Vampires, Werewolves and Zombies plus Carers* 

"Bonio" WindyPops & Nugget

"Bohemian Rhapsody" Zomboys

"I Know You" Sleeping Beauty - Ballet Suite, The Band

"That Old Black Magic called Love" Carabosse and Count LeCost

Benny Hill theme song - The Company

"Yes" Nugget, Tailia & The Company

"Masquerade" The Company

"Yes" The Company

"I'm a Believer" The Company

## MAIN CHARACTERS

Katy Gerard Nugget Jasmine O'Reilly Princess Tailia Fairy WindyPops Keith Fox Carabosse Paula Steel Count LeCost Ian Bates Gary Robertson King Gina O'Reilly Queen Fester The Jester Jean Porter Prince Charming Sam Clarke Squire Squires Joe Gerard Hyder Khalil Egor King Midus **Bob Hinton** Harold the Herald Ethan Fox Barbie The Bugler Holly O'Reilly

### FAIRIES (The Five Gold Rings)

Fairy StardustSheila CareyFairy SunbeamSue SawyerFairy MoonbeamAnn BarrowsFairy Comet TailCaroline Dewar

### THE PRINCESSES COMPANIONS/ WEREWOLVES

Lady Harmony Lady Rhapsody Lady Melody Lady Symphony Lady Luck Lady Semibreve Lady Semibreve Lady Minim Laura Carey

### THE QUEEN'S COMPANIONS/ VAMPIRES

Viscountess Wantalot Paula Gerard Duchess Havalot Emma Collard Marchioness Gotalot Amber Harrington Baroness Lovealot Astrid Fox Countess Needalot Claire Fowler

## THE OTHER DIRECTION/ZOMBOYS

Harry SmilesJames SmithLiam AgonyPaul Bridgland

Louis Tommygun Seb Harrington Niall Borethem Nick Herriott

THE KING'S COMPANIONS Colonel Fauxpas Baron Hardup Chancellor Osborne Matt Lott

PIT SINGERS Roni Graham, Linda Reynolds, Charlene Thornberry

BAND

Keyboard - Russell Taylor Keyboard - Hannah Pool Drums/percussion - Alex Harrington Bass Guitar - Peter Webb Guitar - Simon Underwood

## CREW

Stage Manager - Karen Ashby Stage Crew, Set and Props - Karen Ashby, Adrian Walker, Lucy Speller, Josh Henry, Tommy Coleman Sound Clive Flint and Craig Flint Lighting, Design/Tech - Louisa Taylor, Mark Graham, Alex Harrington, Russell Taylor Prompt - Josh Henry Front of House - Ian Batchelor & team Advertising - Claire Fowler, Sheila Carey, Paula Steel Ticket sales and Programme - Sue Harrington Costume - Christine Ashby, Caroline Cadlock, Philip Davis Make Up - Kirsty Bates and team Photography - Paul Harrington Artwork & Video - Adam Clacher Webmaster - Seb Harrington