

# September 2003 NEWSLETTER



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**Firstly, a very warm welcome to the September 2003 ODS newsletter. There's a lot to catch up on and hopefully some fun packed months ahead of us! So without further ado...**

## Winter Production

Graham Tipple and Jill Smith have cast our next production, *Scrooge – the Musical*. Congratulations and best wishes to everyone who is involved with the show, especially our new Members, it is great to see you all brimming with smiles and enthusiasm. For those who haven't heard here are the main character castings:

**Scrooge** – Mark Winter

**Jan Jenkins** – Jean Wheatley

**Bob Cratchit** – Paul Robinson

**Jacob Marley** – Alan Garland

**Fezziwig** – Jim Wheatley

**Mrs Cratchit** – Gabrielle Esplin

**Scrooge's Nephew** – Graeme Stubbington

**Mrs Fezziwig** – Julia Cobb

**Tiny Tim** – George Sarnicki and

**Christmas Past** – Maggs Steward

**Isabel** – Karen Watson

Christopher Tilbury

**Christmas Present/Future** – John Ashlin

**Kathy Cratchit** – Joanne Hedges and

Rebekah Sims

Show tickets prices will be £6.00 and £4.50 for concessions. They will be on sale to the cast at rehearsals from 7<sup>th</sup> October. Please remember that prior to the Bazaar there will be a limited number of tickets on sale to the cast for the matinee performance.

## Thanks

Many thanks to **Phil and Jane Brown** for organising another successful Treasure Hunt. Congratulations to Jeff and Kirsty for winning with minus 1 point !?!

Many thanks also get extended to **Tina and Stubby** for their kind hospitality and wonderful facilities at this year's BBQ. From the photos, it looks like you all had a great time.

As many of you are already aware, **Dave and Heather Brown** are moving away to Cambridgeshire soon and as a thank you to them for all of their hard work, support and love of ODS over the years, a Skittles Evening has been organised. We hope that as many people as possible will venture out and have a damn good night and wish them well in their new adventure. Date for your diaries **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> Sept, 7.30pm for first skittles at 8.00pm**. There will be a small charge of £2.50 each and if you would like to bring some nibbles, please contact Freda Robinson (770004) who is co-ordinating the food so that we don't have just plates and plates of sausage rolls!

## Bazaar

This year's Bazaar is Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October. This is the first opportunity to sell tickets for Scrooge to the public as well as having a variety of stalls. Freda Robinson is co-ordinating this event for us, more details will follow in rehearsals and the next newsletter - be ready...

## New Committee

Following the EGM on Tues 19<sup>th</sup> August, please welcome the following onto the committee: Sarah Darley, Graeme Stubbington and Maggs Steward. The new officer posts on the committee: Freda Robinson – Vice Chairman  
Maggs Steward – Secretary.

## Contact Database

We are putting together a central ODS contact database. If you have any dealings with people/organisations/places on behalf of ODS can you please let Maggs have the details so we can get things rolling – many thanks.

## Social – it'll be great to see you...

**Kite Flying** – Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> Sept from 1pm on Kingsclere Down, bring a kite, picnic or just yourselves for a fun afternoon

**Tech Crew's Games Night** – Sat 18<sup>th</sup> Oct, St Mary's Hall, 8pm – tickets £2.50 from Sam Cobb & Freda Robinson

**Christmas Parties** – Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> Dec, St Mary's Hall

Kiddies Party from 2-4pm Adults Party (Karaoke & Disco) from 8pm – more details nearer the time – don't miss 'em!

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**Dates for further events will be announced as soon as they are confirmed (there are lots - yippee!!!!!!)**

**Thanks for reading - Maggs**

ALL MEMBERS - please be aware that the committee minutes will no longer be posted onto www.ods-online.co.uk – please contact a committee member if you require copies – many thanks.