

The BACKDROP

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THAT TIME OF YEAR

Like ‘sands through the hour-glass’ – or should that be ‘like seagulls onto unguarded chips’ or even ‘like a glass of Fleet through the gazoosh’ (why let decorum ruin a good metaphor? :) Anyway; the year 2012 has literally flown and we are but three and a half weeks from our **Annual General Meeting** where more drama and nail-biting tension is packed into one half hour (usually) at Hut 64 than a triple episode of *X Factor*.

I may be slightly inflating the expectation BUT I can’t stress enough the importance of having good, capable people volunteer to be on our committee and to guide the good ship BTC through another year or twenty. **A nomination form is included with this newsletter** so if you have the time and the willingness please fill one in and get involved with the running of our wonderful organisation. Nominations by form need to be in a week before the AGM so **by February 19th please. Send to the above postal address or emails) or to Emily’s email (see below).**

Our ‘normal’(?) committee usually consists of 10 people (Pres, Vice Pres, Treas, Sec & 6 Committee) and we greatly appreciate anyone wishing to be involved – so please consider :)

GUYS & DOLLS Auditions.

We hope that many of you plus friends (especially fresh male talent :) will be fronting up for auditions for **Guys and Dolls !!**

See the details of the Information Night and Auditions below. **(Singing) Rehearsals start Feb 25th**

Contact Emily for info or an audition - briteiz41@yahoo.com 0400 639 536 5762 3682

And remember we always need back/side stage help in its many forms such as set construction; publicity; front of house management (and assistance); costumes.

GREAT OPPORTUNITY

Nothing like a bit of advanced notice but we are proposing to have another of those wonderful bonding/social occasions where minds and bodies meet in coordinated harmony to achieve the impossible.

Not a promo to meet Tom Cruise and Kate Ceberano at a Church of Scientology workshop BUT

A Working Bee as such that will have the prime aim of tidying up our accumulated odds and sods in the rooms of the main storage hut and our compound shed. Yes, there may well be some more ‘shufflin of stuff’ between the two locations AND the probable over-filling of yet another skip or two but the laudable aim of having our most important and often used stuff both accessible and secure will be our guiding light.

Come along and lend a hand on **Saturday March 23rd at 10am** if not for the cathartic experience of contributing to World Order – then the possibility of getting stuck into some yummy stuff that Deb, Em and/or Sam may bring for lunch (no pressure there gals :) **Be there** or hopefully be useful elsewhere

Important Dates

Tuesday January 22nd
Wednesday February 6th
Sunday/Monday February 10/11

Tuesday February 19th
Monday February 25th
Tuesday February 26th
Saturday March 23rd

First Committee Meeting for 2013
Information Night – Guys & Dolls at the Hut 7pm
Auditions for Guys and Dolls (contact Emily for time)
Sunday afternoon/evening &/or Monday evening
Closing date for nominations for Committee
First rehearsal (singing) night for Guys and Dolls
Annual General Meeting 7-30pm at Hut
Working Bee at the Hut 10am

HUMOUR

Fans of the British panel show **QI** (hosted by Stephen Fry) will be familiar with American comedian Rich Hall – the master creator of ‘sniglets’ – words that don’t actually exist but probably should by his definition(s).

Pedaeration, n.:

The perfect body heat achieved by having one leg under the sheet and one hanging off the edge of the bed.

Genderplex, n.:

The predicament of a person in a restaurant who is unable to determine his or her designated restroom. e.g. discerning the difference between Turtles and Tortoises

Furbling, v.:

Having to wander through a maze of ropes at an airport or bank even when you are the only person in line.

Lactomangulation, n.:

Manhandling the "open here" spout on a milk carton so badly that one has to resort to using the "illegal" side

Schlattwhapper, n.:

The window shade that allows itself to be pulled down, hesitates for a second, then snaps up in your face.

Ignisecond, n:

The overlapping moment of time when the hand is locking the car door as the brain is saying, "my keys are still in there!"

Bathquake, n.:

The violent quake that rattles the entire house when the water tap is turned on to a certain point.

Schnuffel, n.:

A dog's practice of continuously nuzzling you in the crotch in mixed company.

Aquadextrous, adj.:

Possessing the ability to turn the bath tap on and off with your toes.

Snacktrek, n.:

The peculiar habit, when searching for a snack, of constantly returning to the refrigerator in the hope that something new will have materialized.

And a couple from QI

Stephen: What goes Woof, woof, boom?

Rich: A terrierist.

Stephen: What is the collective term for a group of baboons?

Rich: The Pentagon