

The BACKDROP



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THE BOY FROM OZ

Rehearsals have begun, we thank those people who have auditioned and are a part of the cast.

For the first few weeks we are concentrating on the learning of the music. This is hard work in those first few rehearsals and I commend singers and musos alike for their efforts...KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!!!!

Speaking of musos, the company is very excited to have **Ethne Green** as our pianist for rehearsals and production. Ethne was a Musical Director for the company a number of years ago and we very much welcome her back to BTC. Ethne's expertise and ability has meant that The Boy from Oz is able to go ahead, so we thank her very much for become a part of the team for the show!



Here is the cast taken at our first rehearsal. Aren't they a great bunch? It's wonderful to see new faces, returning faces and regular faces. We're so pleased to have you be in this show! We have had **Marty Burke, Sheldon Cook, Patience Cooper, Mel Pentreath** and **Wayne Wilson** join the cast since this was taken, so they'll definitely be in the next cast photo!

PRODUCTION TEAM

We have filled up all the positions!!! What a great company we are that we can fill all of these! Thank you, thank you, thank you to everyone who has put up their hand to help out, it's very much appreciated!

We held our first production meeting this week and the budget was set and some decisions made. Meetings will be held monthly till we start getting closer to performance time.

Production Manager	Jim Tullberg
Production Secretary	Emily Watt
Production Treasurer	Jim Tullberg
Director	Molly Craig
Assistant to the Director	Wendy Hyland
Musical Director	Elaine Heywood
Choreographer	Molly Craig and Haley Grimshaw
Stage Manager	Wendy Hyland

Set Design	Jamie Boatwood and Molly Craig
Set Construction	Jamie Boatwood, Mike Hillenaar, Mike Larkin, Eddie Lemmer.
Backstage	Jackie Berry, Marty Burke, Melissa Wilson, Stuart Jolly and Colin Milligan
Publicity Team	Molly Craig, Jim Tullberg, Emily Watt...more people needed here
Props	Rhonda Ward
Costume Coordinator	Debbie Patterson
Sound Designer / Operator	Travas Hope
Lighting Designers and Operators	Chris Cole and Tim Jarred
Follow Spot Operators	Jo Gilmartin and Steve Campbell
Front of House Coordinator	Peta Clark
Programme	Linda Simpson, Molly Craig, Emily Watt, Kelvin Watt, Laurie Webber
Show Photography	Kelvin Watt
Sponsorship	David Garrett and Laurie Webber
Prompt	Sam Towns

COMMEMORATIVE CONCERT OF WORLD WAR I ERA

Our singing group has been working very hard since February on the music and having a great time. Thanks to all involved for your flexibility and commitment to the concert in terms of finding alternative days and times to continue rehearsing.

For those not involved with warmly invite you to come along and enjoy a fantastic afternoon's entertainment on **Sunday 26 April at 2.30pm** at the Town Hall. With great songs as well as poetry and letters and newspaper extracts, plus the Benalla Rose City Band, this is shaping up into a wonderful concert.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership is now due:

Adult	\$30
Student / Concession	\$25
Associate and children under 14	\$15

There is a form on the last page for you to fill out – please send it in with your money to PO Box 2, Benalla 3671 or give to our Treasurer **Jim Tullberg**.



BIRTHDAYS

We wish a very happy birthday and year ahead to the following members:

Patience Cooper

Rachael Feldtmann

Jim Tullberg

I believe that Rachael and Jim share the same day!

Wishing you all a very happy and safe Easter and we look forward to your continued involvement with the company in our year ahead.

We are looking at doing something social each month whether that be a movie night at the hut, going to the movies as a group, trivia night...any suggestions are welcome and we look forward to being together as a group through out the year.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Sunday 26 April

Commemorative World War I Concert at 2.30pm at Town Hall

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