

# “MILTON MUSICAL SOCIETY” NEWSLETTER

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## CHAIRMAN'S CHAT

Greetings from the Chair!!!

By the time you are reading this, I shall be far away in Kefalonia, preparing my directing plans for “Masquerade”.

Looking back over the last 2 months, we can all safely say we've had the most amazing time, and all deserve a thorough PAT on the BACK. A Fabulous production of “Oklahoma”, with rave reviews and the highest ticket sales in modern society history, over 2000 seats and a decent profit for the society of several thousand pounds. !!!

Anyone involved with this show will remember the audience reaction each night; It was sheer joy to be on stage and to feel part of this wonderful show. Not forgetting the exciting ‘Hoe-down’ aftershow party, where we danced all night!!! A very special thank you to the production teams, who laboured hard on our behalf to bring the show to fruition. What a team, and indeed, what a Company, because these things happen when we all pull together and deliver.

We are the envy of the musical theatre world in this area, but of course with success comes a reputation to continue delivering, so I'm really excited to be getting started on the audition process for “Masquerade”, on 8th July at Stanpit Scout hut!! Tickets are already selling for this, and the Regent Centre box office is only a phone-call away! 01202-499199.

There is plenty for us to look forward to this summer with Garden parties and BBQs, and your Social team have been hard at work making sure we have lots to do!!!

Before you know it, it will be August and then we start rehearsals again! ~ and if that's not enough, then 2018, being our 50th anniversary, promises to be even more entertaining with “My Fair Lady” next April.

My cup floweth over with all these things in prospect.

*Jon Shiner*

## LATE NEWS! LATE NEWS!

**NODA** – We have just received the news that we have been nominated for a Trophy or Award from NODA south East:  
Runner Up in the Best New Show Section: “Putting On The Glitz” – by Les Del Nevo;  
Runner Up in the Musicals Section: “Fiddler on the Roof”

The presentation of awards and AGM is on Sunday 2nd July in Bognor Regis.  
Keep your fingers crossed, and let me know if you would like any further details.

*Jon Shiner*



## TREASURERS REPORT



Well done to all of our members, as it is everyones' input towards selling tickets for our shows that helps to bring success. An enthusiastic “Oklahoma” advertising sales team and front of house helpers selling programmes and raffle tickets also contributed to a healthy profit.

With a gross income of over £33,000 for “Oklahoma”, I am delighted to inform you that we made a profit of around £4,000!! The after-show “Hoedown” produced a profit of £74 after all the expenses were paid.

Well done to Vanessa, Olwen and their helpers.

*Sandy Partridge*

## “OKLAHOMA” ~ the Producer’s voice

Oh, Oklahoma! What a fantastic show and what a fantastic result & rave reviews to boot!!

Looking back to our first rehearsal and the choral singing of Oklahoma when I looked at John Teather with a spine tingling knowing that this was going to be one hell of a show and so it proved to be. A result that everybody should be proud of and have had the privilege of participating in.

There are so many people to thank for their contributions to the show that it would probably take up the whole page but then that is what MMS is all about. Contributing, participating and giving which makes for a happy society.

I would, however, like to thank Sid & Melva who between them give more than their fair share to assist when asked to do anything related to the show. Also, Steve Tuddenham for his first marketing role which proved so beneficial and also getting his hands dirty with the get in/out together with all the other men that contributed with their muscle power. Valerie Marples deserves a mention for her well deserved efforts in advertising and flyer distribution.

Above all, thanks to Pat who will forever ring in my ears, "Get off that flaming computer." So it is farewell to Oklahoma. It's been great.

*Terry Barnett*

## From “OKLAHOMA” to “MY FAIR LADY”

### WASN'T IT LOVERLY!

Now the dust has settled we can look back at Oklahoma! with clear eyes. The show was a massive success both artistically and financially. The reviews were glowing, the audience reaction humbling. The ticket sales stunning and the final profit amazing. This was all because we had an excellent cast and production team who all worked hard together to achieve a stunning result. Slap yourselves on the back! On Saturday evening I sat in the audience with my family (and paid for a ticket) so that I could really appreciate it as an audience member. It was truly excellent and I enjoyed every minute. When it got to the ballet I could not believe over 90 minutes had already passed. What better compliment can I pay, I hadn't wriggled, and my backside wasn't hurting. Act Two shot by and I was genuinely sorry when the curtains closed.

A training video was filmed on three performances and I have now started to edit it. Once finished I expect to offer a four disc box set consisting of DVDs of Act I and Act II, an audio CD of the show songs (nice to play in the car) and a CD of show photos. Following many requests for a **Video Social** evening, this will be held on **Friday 7th July at St Marks**. The evening will start **sharp at 7.00pm** to allow for the length of the show. At 8.40pm we will serve a **Fish 'n Chip Supper** (£6.50 per head) which will be followed by Act Two. More details will be circulated from Terry via Email & Facebook, but **bring your own nibbles and drinks**. Also, once the box set is ready I will contact you with details, but it is hoped that they will be available at the Video Evening.

As 'Masquerade' gets going, work is already underway for the next main production 'My Fair Lady'. We will be posting information on the special group site on Facebook. The main dates you need to put in your diaries are the Presentation Evening on **Wednesday 13th September** at Barton at 7.30pm. The casting will be on **Sunday 1st October** 10.00am - 5.00pm at Sopley Village Hall. Libretto and score and all the details are on the Facebook site. This is a very different show from Oklahoma! but will offer new challenges, but I know we will rise to the occasion. In the meantime start spreading the message to your family and friends and make sure they have the show dates of **25-28 April 2018**.

*John Teather*

# BEACH PARTY

## SUNDAY 30th JULY

12noon 'til 6 (weather permitting)

# Hengistbury Head



**VENUE:** Second beach hut from the start of the Head where the road bends from the car park end & on the sea side.  
The land train driver may drop you off on the corner!!!

**BRING YOUR OWN FOOD AND DRINK, PLATES, GLASSES, ETC.**  
**BBQ WILL BE AVAILABLE TO COOK**  
(Please pay **£2** per head towards the charcoal)



**BOAT RIDES ON OFFER**  
Courtesy of "Cap'n Jack"  
Tuddenham  
(Small donation towards the fuel)  
Pieces of 8, mate!



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## SUMMER GARDEN PARTY

at Sally and Tony's (inside if wet!)



**SATURDAY 1st JULY from 1pm**

A selection of hot & cold  
inc'

1 dishes



Donations of drinks

bring your own drinks.

**SOLD OUT!**

**£8.00 pp**

**RSVP by 28th Jun**

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### **MMS100 Club**

**YOUR 100 CLUB  
NEEDS YOU!!**

### **100 CLUB WINNERS FOR APRIL & MAY 2017**

Here are the winners for the last two months. The draw took place with my friends Pauline & John doing the honours

#### **April drawn by Pauline**

First prize goes to that beautiful lady, Jilly Nuthall	£32.50
Second prize goes to a mother of the baby, Abi Sclanders	£19.00
Third prize goes to himself, Chris Wharton	£13.50

#### **May drawn by John**

First prize goes to 'Aunt Eller', Suzanne Teather	£32.50
Second prize goes to the 'sound' man, Tony Winslow	£19.00
Third prize goes to she who must be obeyed, Melva Coe	£13.50

As I keep saying, all these people have had some fun supporting the 100 club, so why not support MMS by joining for £5.00 it's better than premium bonds!!

*Les Del Nevo*





Following the success of *Fiddler on the Roof* and *Oklahoma!*  
Milton Musical Society present

# Masquerade

*A musical mystery tour*

*Masquerade... A musical mystery tour into the world of music and entertainment where nothing is quite what it seems, and hidden meanings abound. Comedy and drama in a cabaret show like no other. Each song tells a story to reveal the reality behind it. Solos, duets and Grand Chorus numbers, all hidden behind the mask!!!*

*Wednesday 15th - Saturday 18th  
November 2017*  
*Evenings at 7.30pm, Saturday Matinee at 2.30pm*  
*St Marks Hall, Highcliffe*

Tickets  
Wednesday Evening & Saturday Matinee £10  
All other evening performances £12

Box Office 01202 499199  
www.regentcentre.co.uk or in person at the Regent Centre www.miltonmusicalsociety.co.uk

**A message from Anne Jagger, to all the MMS and "Oklahoma" cast members that supported her daughter Karen's charity walk**



Thank you for all your kind donations to "Walk the Walk" uniting against breast cancer. Karen and her Angels walked the 26.2 mile Moonwalk 2017 in just under 10 hours. Karen managed over half on foot and the rest being pushed by her Angels in a wheelchair. **Your donations raised £234**, and at this time the total donations raised for Karen and her Angels amount to £8,099.73.

## YOUR COMMITTEE

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Media and Publicity*

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## 2017 DIARY OF EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	VENUE
June		
1 July Sa	<b>SUMMER GARDEN PARTY</b>	Sally & Tony's (details attached)
7 July Fri	<b>"OKLAHOMA" Video plus Fish &amp; Chip Supper</b>	St Mark's Hall Highcliffe ~ <b>7pm SHARP</b>
8 July Sa	<b>"MASQUERADE" AUDITIONS</b>	Stanpit Scout Hut (see 'Chairman's Chat')
30 July Su	<b>BEACH PARTY</b>	Hengistbury Head (details attached)
27 Aug Su	<b>AUTUMN EVENT</b>	Watch this space!
13 Sep We	<b>"MY FAIR LADY" PRESENTATION EVENING</b>	Barton Methodist Hall 7.30pm
1 Oct Su	<b>"MY FAIR LADY" Auditions / Casting</b>	Sopley Village Hall 10am - 5pm
NOV 15 Nov W 16 Nov Th 17 Nov Fr 18 Nov Sa 18 Nov Sa	<b>"MASQUERADE"</b> Performance 7.30pm Performance 7.30pm Performance 7.30pm Matinee Perf 2.30pm Performance 7.30pm	St Mark's Hall, Highcliffe
Dec		

## 2018 DIARY OF EVENTS

Jan		
Feb		
Mar		
APRIL 25th - 28th	<b>"MY FAIR LADY"</b>	Regent Centre, Christchurch