



DAODS
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DAODS Newsletter: Issue 3

Hello all, and welcome to summer! Rehearsals are now back in full swing, and it has been lovely to have our wonderful social group back together again! A bumper issue this month, with one of DAODS' most enduring mysteries solved.

Thank you to everyone who has given me feedback on this so far. I really appreciate knowing what you like and don't like (and that anyone is reading this!) so the more you tell me, the better I can make this newsletter. Hope you are all keeping well, and look forward to seeing you all at the hall!

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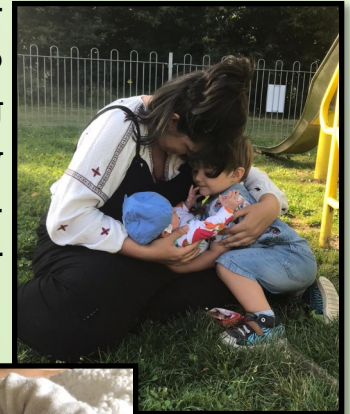
News...

On the 3rd June this year, The Lost Village of Dode played host



to the wedding of Jonathan Hughes and his lovely bride Liz. All of us here at DAODS are sending love and best wishes your way.

Congratulations to Sophie and Sam Guariglia-Smith, who welcomed baby Rocco on 10th July this year. Family are all doing well, and we are all sending lots of love and looking forward to meeting DAODS' new tiniest member in the near future.



Huge congratulations to Gerry and Pete, who were married on July 8th at Rowhill Grange. Singing at the reception was provided by several members of DAODS, and the beautiful wedding-cake was made by our very own Katy George. There was plenty of drinking



and dancing on the terrace under the stars—a perfect ending to a perfect day. Love to you both from everyone at DAODS.



Saturday 4th September sees our first Stars In Their Eyes event! Come join your host John Woodley as DAODS members show off their vocal skills and their transformations. Tickets available now on TicketSource.

Betty Knott



A very Happy Birthday to our longest serving member, Betty Knott, who turned 90 on 18th July. A big milestone for someone who most of us will have performed with at some point.

Many of you will have heard that Betty has not been feeling well recently, and currently remains in hospital. Dawn Wood has been seeing her and passing on all of our love and best wishes, but as visits are restricted at the moment she asks that nobody go to see Betty without speaking with her first.

DAODS Youth Group



Disclaimer: Photo may not contain current youth group.

After a pause for the pandemic, DAODS Youth Group is reopening its doors in September. Running on Thursday nights at the Hall, it is open to anyone from ages 9 to 17, so if you know anyone who is interested, then please let Elaine know at daodsyouththeatre@gmail.com for more details. Many members of the Youth Group have been involved in our Orchard shows over the years, including our Young Fiona and Young Shrek in our current production.

Birthdays

Happy Birthday to all of our (many) members born in August!

Chloe Tidbury

23rd August

John Woodley

5th August

Victoria Sinfield

1st August

Julia Bull

17th August

Helena Booer

4th August

Kevin Spicer

17th August

Jacqui Campbell

14th August

Amy Farlie

2nd August

Tacha Cox

11th August

Terri Truckle

10th August

Kerry Mapp

23rd August

Becca Mitchell

4th August

Mark Fromings

9th August

Kieran Manning

27th August

Kaye Brown

21st August

Hannah Pritchard

24th August

Lucy Colbert

6th August

Rob Hooker

26th August

Weather Lottery

Of all of the pervading mysteries at DAODS, to many members, the Weather Lottery is probably the greatest. Appearing on the accounts each year at the AGM to raise us a hundred quid or so, ever since I have been a member I have heard people asking “What on Earth is the Weather Lottery, and how does it make us money?” Well ask no more!

The Weather Lottery is a nationally run competition that raises money for charities and groups across the country. For a pound's weekly entry, you are given a set of six numbers. If they match the final digit in the temperature—using the ever popular Fahrenheit scale—in six selected European cities, you win a prize! At least 37% of the money you put in goes to your charity of choice, and as a bonus, you can select DAODS, meaning the chance of money for you, and guaranteed money for us!

So if you fancy a flutter, and also would like to support us at the same time, then get on over to www.theweatherlottery.com and sign up with us as your chosen cause, and let's hope that the weather is right for you!

Choose an amazing cause to support and you could win £25,000 every Monday

Select your cause

Dartford Amateur Operatic & Dramatic Society

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Weekly Cost **£2**

PLAY NOW!

Find a local cause

Postcode

Hall-Watch



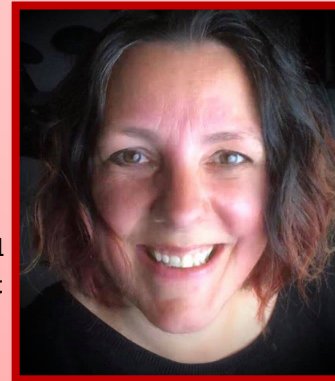
Thank you to everyone who helped with the Hall over lockdown. Our space is now looking beautiful, with areas sorted out and tidied, a lick of paint in all the most needed places, and very excitingly, some new windows!

Never underestimate the amount of time and effort that is needed to keep Heathfields Hall looking great and ready to use for rehearsals and shows, and as we get back to using it regularly, let's focus on keeping looking as great as it currently does!



Fast Five

A quick five questions with a DAODS member. This month, the lovely Louise Brown.



What is your favourite musical?

Singing in the Rain. I remember watching it as a child and being mesmerised by Gene Kelly. I used to sing "Good Morning" to wake up the kids! They don't really appreciate it so much now...

What part would you love to play?

I always wanted to be Eliza Dolittle.

What is your favourite song from a show?

This is the hardest question in the world to answer as there are just so many. The one song that has literally kept me going through the dark days over the last year is "You Will Be Found", from Dear Evan Hansen. The words have such a powerful message.

What's your funniest on stage moment?

'Keep it Gay' as Shirley in The Producers. Trying to keep a grumpy straight face when everyone around you is camping it up to the max.

What show would you love to see DAODS do?

Priscilla Queen of The Desert THIS WOULD BE AMAZING!! Can you imagine the boys in those killer heels and costumes? Yaaas!!!!

Games

Congratulations to Gemma Matthews who was the first person who doesn't live in my house to get last month's answers (which were— Chess, Made in Dagenham, Hair, Drowsy Chaperone, Half a Sixpence and Top Hat.)

This month, can you identify the show when given the initial letters of three of its numbers. Message me the answers to be included in next month's newsletter.

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GGG (AMAM)
DQ
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MOTN
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