

DRAMA CLUB

SHOULD MUM BE:

DROWNED AS A WITCH?

OR

CROWNED AS A QUEEN?

As the family is unwillingly brought together to celebrate Mum's wedding anniversary, revolt is in the air.

Mum keeps a tight rein on all her sons, exploiting their weaknesses ruthlessly - but now, one son gathers the courage to take his wife and family to Canada, Tom breaks the news of his impending marriage and the eldest son avoids being arrested for stealing ladies underwear.

SOAP ? - no

BLACK COMEDY ? - yes.

Come and see the story unfold in 'THE ANNIVERSARY', Waiatarua Theatre's next production at the Community Centre.

August 4th - 7th and 11th - 14th.

Curtain up at 8 p.m., except the Sunday performances, which start at 6 p.m.

Admission: Thursday and Sunday \$ 6.00
 Friday and Saturday \$12.00 (includes supper)

(Note the pre-budget prices!)

Discounts for groups of 10 or more.

Bookings are essential for the Friday and Saturday performances.

For tickets, phone 8149-837 or 8149-872.

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PLAYCENTRE NEWS

Playcentre is a pre-school facility operating in your area, at the Community Centre. We cater for 0 - 5 year olds, and their parents. Educational opportunities are available on parenting and pre-school activities apart from our Tuesday and Friday sessions, which run from 9.30 to noon during primary school terms. We are always pleased to meet new people, so visit us sometime to see how we function. Phone Wendy Healy on 8149-766 for more information.

The big news is that an application is now proceeding with the Council to build a Playcentre in Bush Road.

We would like to reassure neighbours who might be concerned about a few points:

- (1) A Playcentre of our size functions for a maximum of 7½ hours per week.
- (2) We are a voluntary group of Waiatarua parents - we chose to live here because we respect and value privacy and bush surroundings.
- (3) The size of the building is equivalent to a 2-bedroomed cottage. Parking will be off-road, for a maximum of about 10 cars.
- (4) All planning is under the strict criteria laid down by the Department of Education, which is funding and supervising us.

THIS THAT AND THE OTHER

WELCOME TO THE NEIGHBOURHOOD

Wally and Helen Hayes, and sons Daniel and Matthew.

MOBILE POSTBANK

Your committee has written to Postbank requesting that the mobile bank stop at the Oratia Dairy instead of at the old Post Office.

RADIO INTERFERENCE

Thanks to the people who responded to last month's article. A letter is being sent to the New Zealand Radio Frequency Service.

MICROWAVE CORRIDOR

You will all have received a note about this with your Rates notice. The full details of the proposal - route, ground clearances etc. are available in the Waiatarua Library if you are interested/concerned. Your committee is currently considering the issue and whether we should formally object. Give us your views.

TELETHON

Congratulations to the Piha Community on raising \$600.

THE GREAT MEMBERSHIP RACE - current placings!

At the last count we had reached 130 - another good jump on last month. If you are one of the many people I hear say 'I really must do something about that', why not make this the month to actually do it. Complete the custom-built form on the back page, send it in and do away with all those conscience-stricken sleepless nights.

WEST AUCKLAND HEALTH FORUM

This is a group being set up to monitor health issues in the West, and act as a monitoring group and forum for debate in anticipation of the creation of Area Health Boards. Your Committee has registered as an interested party and will be entitled to a vote in the election to the management committee. We will keep you informed about developments. If you have any views about health administration, services etc. in the area, this will be another channel for your views to be heard.

WAIATARUA RESIDENTS AND RATEPAYERS 25TH ANNIVERSARY

This occurs in 1989, and your committee is thinking about ways to mark the occasion. Give us your ideas on ways to celebrate.

GINGER PLANT

The offer from the volunteer Fire Brigade to spray ginger provoked comment, most good, a little bad, and some uninformed. To clear up some misconceptions:

The reason why we tend to concentrate on ginger rather than other plant pests are that ginger takes over more quickly than a lot of other plants, it requires more effort to eradicate, and as it is not (yet) a noxious weed the responsibility is entirely ours.

Our local Fire Service (and indeed the Fire Service nationally) is not financed from your taxes. The money comes from a levy on all property insurances.

Any money that the Fire Brigade earns from activities such as these goes to buy equipment that is not covered by the annual grant. One item currently being sought is cutting equipment for use in car accidents.

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NEWSLETTER DELIVERY - by Wayne Edwards.

I think that most readers would join me in complimenting our Editor, Tony Bacon, for a thoroughly good job in putting together an entertaining and informative Newsletter. (*I didn't pay him to say that, honest! - Ed.*)

Unfortunately all his good work is in vain if for some reason Newsletters are not being reliably and punctually delivered. And that's where I come in.

It is my job to receive the newsletters from Longley Printing and with a team of thirteen distributors ensure that every household in our area gets a copy.

For several months I blissfully believed that the distribution was working like the proverbial 'well oiled machine'. However in recent weeks one or two problems have been brought to my notice.

In one section of West Coast Road residents have been receiving two copies of the newsletter, delivered by distributors from adjacent areas. In another road a small group of houses has been missed altogether.

Please, if you know of anyone who is not receiving a copy contact me on 818-9976 and I will check and remedy the situation. I would also like to hear about late deliveries. (*The last two weren't the fault of the deliverers - Ed.*)

However now that the weather has become increasingly cold, wet and belligerent please have some tolerance for our distributors. An occasional delay of one or two days could result while they await more clement conditions.

In addition to the approximately 400 copies delivered to residents in our area another 50 are now delivered to the adjacent Mountain Road area. Copies are also available each month from the Waiatarua Library, the Mountain Top Cafe and the Oratia Dairy. A copy is also posted to the four neighbouring Ratepayers' Associations, our Deputy Mayor Gary Taylor, Councillor Peter Furze and the Western Leader.

LIBRARY NEWS

To help celebrate the Market Day on July 30th. the Library will be open from 12 noon to 1 p.m. You will be able to change books (and bring back the overdue ones!). We would also like to invite anyone who does not already know us to pay us a visit on that day and see what we offer.

All Waitemata City ratepayers are eligible to borrow books - not just Waiatarua residents.

We are continuing to add new titles; here are some of them:

A Song In The Morning	Seymour
Gone to the Soldiers	Piercy
Patriot Games	Clancy
Gondar	Luard
His Way (Sinatra Biography)	Kelley
Bare Faced Messiah (L. Ron Hubbard Biography)	Miller
Rite of Spring	Creeley

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR (may it be the first of many)

We were pleasantly surprised - even gratified - to read the comments in the newsletter on our last production Thankyou to the unsolicited critic, and may we hear more from him/her.

Only 2 comments - first, we haven't used a prompt for about 3 years now (grown in confidence, you see!). Second, yes the curtain does go up late - because we are waiting for our audience who frequently get lost on the way to the play - but we shall be ruthless next time!

Gill Preece.

Our critic replies - great news about the prompt; clearly a grovel is in order there. However it is one of the quirks of human nature that if it is known that the curtain will be delayed, people will continue to arrive late. Once the lack of ruth is shown, I'll bet the late arrivals decrease amazingly! Good luck with the next production.

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ADVERTISING

WANTED

Old cash register, adding machine or typewriter for the Playcentre. Also an old 'Activity Centre' or similar infant equipment for the Playcentre. Phone 8149-590.

WORK WANTED

General household renovations and maintenance. No job too small. Free quotes. Phone Adrian on 8149-741.

FOR SALE

Metal Shed, 17 x 12 feet. Fully lined, with floor, bench and sink. \$1500. Phone 8149-266.

STOP PRESS !!!

Beware . . .

There have been a spate of burglaries (approximately 15) in the area, apparently all by the same group. Look out for a Burnt Orange Valiant type vehicle -

KEEP YOUR HOUSE SECURE.

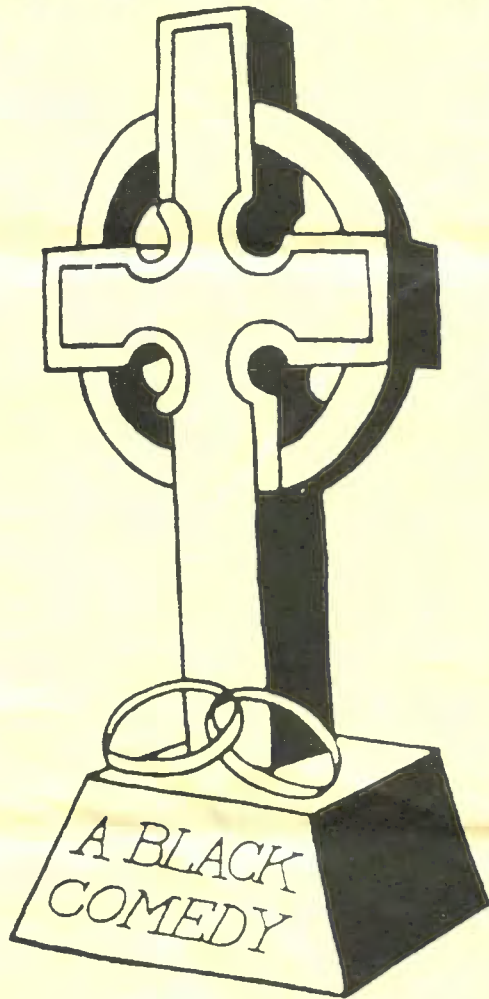
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Waiatarua
theatre presents

a play by
bill macilwraith

THE ANNIVERSARY



at
waiatarua
community centre
west coast rd.

on
4, 5, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13th
august

8pm except
sundays 6pm

bookings 814-9837 or 814-9872

WANTED

Person for lawns, car cleaning etc. 3 hours every 2nd week. \$5 per hour. Phone 8149-228 evenings.

WORK OFFERED

BAMBOO NURSERY, 833 West Coast Road, seeks enthusiastic helpers, any age, for chiefly outdoor work. August to March, or lesser duration. Senior School pupils welcome. Early application please. Phone John Isaachsen, 8149-847.

FOR SALE

Simulated blond mink full length coat. Excellent condition. Bargain at \$120. Phone 8149-814.

HOUSE WANTED

A reliable family is looking for a house to rent in the Waiatarua area. Phone 8149-590.

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Deadline for the next issue is Tuesday, 9th August. Please send legible copy to the Editor, Tony Bacon, 11 Cascade Avenue. All submissions must have a name and contact phone number, even if that is not for publication.

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Our thanks to Waiatarua residents Grant and Carol Longley of Longley Printing for their help in the production of this Newsletter.

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This Newsletter is delivered to all Households in Waiatarua by the Waiatarua Ratepayers and Residents Association. If you are not already a member, your subscription of \$5.00 per household (\$2.50 for single occupants) will help us to maintain and improve the services we provide. Subscriptions may be sent to the Treasurer, Gisella Kernot, 12 Tui Crescent, or left at the Library.

Please accept my 1988 subscription to the Waiatarua Ratepayers and Residents Association.

I enclose \$5.00 (Household), or \$2.50 (Single occupant)

This is a renewal / new subscription (Delete one)

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