

Minutes of the Meeting of the
New Theatre Saturday Kids' Club Committee

Wednesday 13th December 2006

Present

Lyn Collingwood (*Chair*)
Wayne Richmond (*Minutes*)

Ian Hamilton
Glenys Jackson

Pat Russell

Apologies

Sonia Bennett

Kate Freyburg

Meeting Opened: 10am

Miscellaneous items

It was decided to do the same program (except for the birthday stuff) for the first two shows.

Ticket price is now \$12 (instead of \$15)

Postcards will be printed in time to hand out at the performances of Badjelly the Witch. Leigh Rowney is organising some A4 posters of the postcard backs to put up in local schools.

Badjelly set should be good for us. The following show is the Mardi Gras play – unknown at this stage.

We will give the kids a short segment of 16mm film as a ticket/souvenir.

Darren could do a unicycle/juggling thing before the show, at interval & after as well as being incorporated into Ian's MC patter.

Lyn
Wayne

Name

Name of show is finalised as **Saturday Kids' Club**. A media release has been sent to City's Child.

Decoration of foyer

Lyn will talk to Tom about something we could store somewhere (coloured lights?) for them to walk through.

Lyn

Staging Issues

Ollie has been asked to help with the first two because he knows the Bio box well. Bill Jordan has also said he will help.

Lyn

Films

Sometimes we will be able to use the cyclorama. The image needs to be big. If necessary, we can put a screen diagonally.

We need a data projector to show close-ups of the threading process. Wayne will ask Kevin.

Wayne

Lyn has borrowed from her work a projector and some films. She has also borrowed some Charlie Chaplin films (might be too long). Gerard's films include 'The Snowman' and 'Green Eggs and Ham'. Lyn has looked at them with her grandson who loved them. Peter Wilkinson has a 10 minute W C Fields film.

Puppets

Not going to happen. At least not for the early shows.

Magicians

Lyn still discussing this with people.

Could scatter short tricks throughout the show rather than a single segment.

Lyn

Face Painting

This could be difficult to organise. Glenys suggested that she could paint something relatively simple on all of the birthday kids before the show and/or during interval in the corner of the foyer. Glenys will organise.

Glenys

Plays

The Brer Rabbit stories/plays are in hand.

Lyn

Musical Items

Mariam Swires (from the Performing Arts High School) will come to the first one.

Songs have been chosen for the first two shows and will be rehearsed separately.

Wayne

Alex Hood would like to be involved if he is in Sydney at the time. He won't be available for the first two. Wayne will send him the dates.

Wayne

Painting

Artist/s (dressed appropriately) will work on a Zodiac animal that won't be obvious till the end. This will happen throughout the show. Pat and Glenys will work on this together.

Pat &
Glenys

Storytelling

At least one story should be about the birthday zodiac sign. Jodine Muir (from the Badjelly cast) can read the birthday stories. Judie Eddington is keen to be involved. So is Rebecca Schofield but she isn't available for the first two. Wayne will organise the writing of a story for the Sound FX.

Wayne

Sound FX

Peter is supplying Wayne with a list of sound effects which can be used to construct a story to which Peter and volunteer kids add Sound FX.

Peter &
Wayne

Birthday Segment

Lyn will see if we can get some plants for the birthday kids from Marrickville Council. These will need to be bought fresh each time.

Lyn

It would be nice to give every kid something (not too messy or sticky). Ian will contact Cadbury about getting some giveaways.

Ian

Cup-cakes for birthday kids - Lyn will organise a cooking bee.

Lyn

Cards - Sonia has done a drawing for the Wollemi cards as well as a mock-up showing how it will look. Ian will give this to his daughter who will make them. Wayne and/or Ian can print the actual drawing.

Ian &
Wayne

It would be good if birthdays were identified at the time of booking.

Birthday Sequence

Intro to Wollemi

Sing Wollemi

Kids come up to get cakes etc. while painting is talked about.

Sing Happy Birthday.

Sing Wollemi coda as kids leave.

Program

Wayne presented a revised schedule for the first two shows.

Lyn

Start	Item	Who?	Dur	Comment
11.00	Welcome	Ian	2.00	Rah! Rah! Get responses from kids etc.
11.02	Music: Cut Lunch Blues	All	3.00	Lively, rousing!
11.06	Introduce artist	Ian	1.00	Explain ongoing artwork
11.07	Brer Rabbit Part 1	Lyn etc.	4.00	
11.12	Music: What have they done to the rain?	LW	4.00	Could be more serious/beautiful item.
11.16	Sound FX demo	Peter	5.00	
11.22	Story with FX	? & Peter	5.00	
11.27	Music: Tiny Little Man	LW	3.00	
11.31	Brer Rabbit Part 2	Lyn etc.	4.00	
11.35	Film W C Fields?	Ian	10.00	Show projector, thread & watch cartoon
11.46	Interval		15.00	
12.00	Music: Waltzing with bears	LW	3.00	
12.03	Brer Rabbit Part 3	Lyn etc.	4.00	
12.08	Visiting artist (magician?)		10.00	
12.18	Birthday stuff	Ian	5.00	
12.24	Music: Wollemi Pine	LW	4.00	Wollemi Pine
12.31	Finish			

Next Meeting: Production Meeting 10am, Thursday 28th December 2006.

Rehearsal: Sunday 7th January 2007 (9am: Tops 'n Tails, 11am: full run through)