

Z-PAC THEATRE

Creating Entertainment and Opportunity



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A FEW WORDS FROM THE PRESIDENT, Liane Mills

Thought it might be nice to add to each fortnightly Newsletter, a brief run-down of some of the activities of your committee over the last fortnight, so here it is.

- **OUR AUDIT** Z-PAC's fabulous treasurer, Accountant Deb Hunter has been working hard getting our accounts ready for the Audit. It is so wonderful having a practising accountant looking after the books of our theatre and she has made some wonderful innovations in 2017 to tighten control. You will hear her report at the AGM.
- **SECRETARY STEVE DIXON** has been working with Deb on Budgets and also the Asset Management Plan, so crucial to taking us forward into the future. Hear more about it at the AGM.
- **GRANT APPLICATION** I am working on an RADF Grant for an awesome theatre weekend workshop for our members and the general public. If successful, all Z-PAC Members will have access to this full weekend workshop for FREE! Fingers crossed and more of this soon. Thanks to Mark, Tim and Jonathan for letters of recommendation to support this. Thank you Robyn Edwards for your support also with this application.
- **CULTURE CAFÉ** I am the Master of Ceremonies (MC) at the Culture Café at the Community Centre. Each month we focus on a different culture, with food, entertainment and information about the culture. It's open to the public and costs only \$4. Runs first Thursday of each month. February was Italian and the very talented Z-PAC Member Avalon Brown absolutely stunned the crowd with an Italian Aria, followed by a gospel song from Godspell. Wow! It's wonderful to see her getting opportunities to sing. Come see her and the rest of the cast at Godspell! March Culture Café is Welsh with an entertaining song learning how to say the extremely long Welsh railway station. Lots of fun. Culture Café is a great way for me to connect with members of our local community and talk about Z-PAC. I also have been assisting with programs involving performances (eg the Thai Water Festival performance coming up in April). Thank you to Robyn & Gavin for your continued support and promotion of Z-PAC.
- **RURAL DOCTORS ENGAGEMENT** Last week, I was invited to the Activities Orientation evening for our rural doctors in training who are here in Hervey Bay for the year. This was a wonderful opportunity to meet these young people and tell them of the things happening at their local community theatre and I'm sure they will be coming along to see some shows! We also provide Actors to be "patients" for trainee doctors doing assessments. It's nice to see some of our actors actually being paid to act!

- **BUSINESS BREAKFASTS**

I attended the fortnightly Business Connections Hervey Bay Breakfast, Feb 27th and our speaker filled us in on the value of on-line marketing via Facebook and while Z-PAC does use this I'll explore this further.

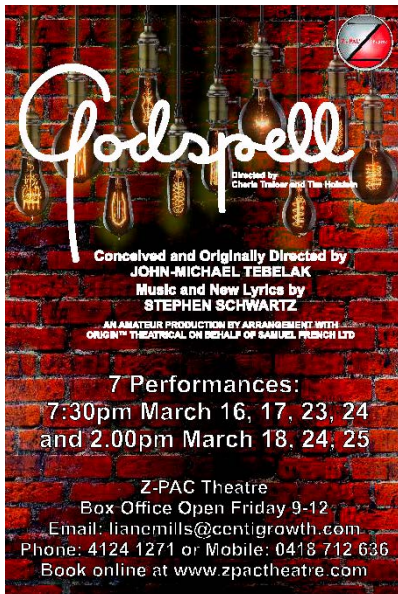
I Attended the monthly Hervey Bay Chamber of Commerce breakfast Feb 28th. Guest speaker Angela Koning speaking of Leadership and the value of a Steady Leadership state and Trust being the number one value teams want. I attend these functions to network with businesses and increase awareness of their local community theatre. Am looking at the Theatre hosting a Chamber Friday afternoon Drinks session. Great way to bring the Theatre into the minds of our hard-working business community to utilize the theatre for entertainment and as a venue for meetings etc.

- **U3A** – I attended the U3A sign on and talked with lots of people about Z-PAC. It's amazing how many events are on offer, and I'm sure, with a willing volunteer, we could offer classes to Seniors. Any volunteers to run these classes?
- **ARCHIVING WITH BEV QUEALY.** Bev and I have been working closely on this and are making some headway in the physical and electronic archiving of the rich history of Z-PAC. At our AGM you will be able to see some of our work. Bev has spent hundreds of hours sifting through boxes of information and we now have them in folders which you can see at the AGM. Still lots of work to be done and Bev would love people to dig up old programs etc so we can update our files.
- **JEFF SWEENEY** has revamped the website. This will save us money and give us more control, so a big Thank You to Jeff – it's a huge job to move our already extensive website to a new sight. It's looking great! Take a look for yourself.
- **MARK THOMSON AND LOUISE FANTINEL** have been working with Directors from upcoming shows to try to streamline our sets so our Maintenance Team aren't building 7 sets this year! Vice President Derek Barrington did an amazing job last year with the sets for our shows, but with his limited, but fabulous crew, it's not sustainable Having a huge set for each show. More volunteers needed!
- **JOANNE SPENCER, AND HER ABLE SIDE KICK Julie Genders** have been hard at work training new volunteers, selling tickets Friday mornings at the theatre, preparing FOH for the next production and generally ensuring adequate Theatre resources for cast and patrons.
- **COUNTRY ROCK BLUES** - Started this year without its founder, Ken Sutton. A new committee, with Joanne heavily involved, are working to ensure we have another successful year. Sundays from 6pm – come along and play with the band or listen!
- **KARAOKE – MICHAEL DOHERTY** has had two successful Friday Karaoke's this year. Check the calendar and come along and sing your heart out.

- **CHARITY PREVIEW NIGHTS** - I have secured another group for our Charity Preview Night, bringing to three, the number of groups this year that will benefit from this innovative program. Last year's groups have all signed up for 2019 as they enjoyed the experience so much and raised much needed funds for their groups.
- **Duets and Driving Miss Daily** are in rehearsals and progressing nicely. Auditions for *It's Only a Play* and *The Game's Afoot* are coming up soon. See website for details.

Hope to see you all at the AGM March 7th 7pm. Candidates are listed on our website.

Best wishes
Liane Mills President



Godspell The Musical - March 16 - 25

Directed by Cherie Treloar and Tim Holstein

7 shows only. Don't miss out. Book today.

A well-loved musical based on the Gospel according to Matthew, *Godspell*, features a comedic troupe of eccentric players who team up with Jesus to teach his lessons in a new age through parables, games, and tomfoolery.

Online Book: <https://www.trybooking.com/TJIS>
or at the Box Office at the theatre Fridays 9-12

COUNTRY ROCK BLUES CLUB



Club Nights Every Sunday from 6pm

Come along on a Sunday from 6pm. Everyone welcome to attend. Weekly Club nights are FREE for Z-PAC members; \$5 for Visitors.

CONCERT

First concert April 15

Concerts run Sundays 1pm-6pm and feature guest artists along with our local club members.



AUDITIONS COMING UP.....

March 17 9-12 for *The Games Afoot* by Ken Ludwig,
Directed by Liane Mills

Show running September 7-22.

April 14 10-12 for *It's Only a Play* by Terrence
McNally, Directed by Mark Thomson and Theresa
Saunders. Show Running July 27-August 11.

For More information, visit our website
www.zpactheatre.com and click on Get Involved and
Auditions.



Z-PAC AGM - 7pm MARCH 7th

All Members and Supporters are invited to the Z-PAC 2018 AGM. During this interesting evening, your Committee will present their reports for 2017, after which time the 2018 Committee will be elected. Life Membership Nominations will also be announced.

Only current 2018 financial members may vote at the AGM. Hope to see you all there!

BOOK NOW

Bookings are now open for:

- **New Memberships & Renewals**
- **Season Passes ALL Shows for 2018.**

Go to our redesigned website at
www.zpactheatre.com for more information.

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