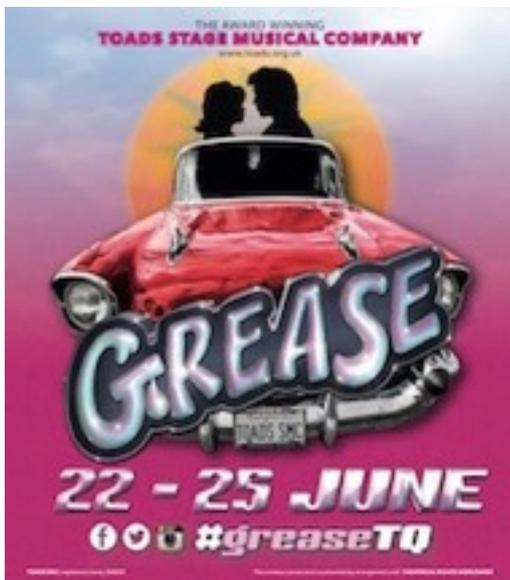




SMALL TALK



We are delighted to announce a very talented cast for the main production in June (22-25) - Grease the Musical.

The production team (Ruth, John & Elaine) and the casting committee were absolutely delighted with the level of interest shown at the recent auditions.

The standard this year was particularly high and credit must be paid to all auditionees who had clearly gone to tremendous efforts to prepare for the nerve-racking task of auditioning.

Unfortunately, due to the high numbers of auditionees, we were sadly not able to accommodate everyone - we truly hope these members will support the society in other ways.

Rehearsals have now started and the hard work has begun, although if Ruth's recent characterisation workshop is anything to go by, we are going to have fun too!

Well done and congratulations to everyone - Grease is the Word!!

PRINCIPALS

Danny - Adam French
 Sandy - Harriet Loveridge
 Rizzo - Jo Clark
 Frenchy - Breagha Mason
 Marty - Georgina Johnson
 Jan - Laura Whittet
 Kenickie - Dan Sinnott
 Doody - James Roome
 Roger - Christian Brooker
 Sonny - Jack Matanlé
 Patty - Jay Crispin
 Cha Cha - Laetitia Coulson
 Eugene - Peter Fletcher
 Vince Fontaine - Nick Heath
 Johnny Casino - Chris Matanlé
 Teen Angel - David Pappin
 Miss Lynch - Kat Groves

ENSEMBLE/DANCERS

Jacqueline Anderson
 Laura Balcombe
 Katie Breyley
 Alice Farmer
 Rachel French
 Julia Gale
 Louisa Garner
 Sarah Montague
 Emily Bouyamourn
 Kiera Duffin
 Caitlyn Holgate
 Katie Legg
 Catherine Martin
 Marianna Newton
 Lucy Nicholls
 Sarah Watts
 Sean Caunter
 Ryan Trotman

Kindest regards,

Amanda Jenkins - hopelessly devoted to you!!

Chairman

Grease - Publicity..You're the ones that we want!

As we all appreciate, publicity is crucial to each and every show. We want patrons to see what a fantastic show we produce and we need to recoup the costs in order to be able to present the next production. Grease will cost in excess of £67,000 to produce and therefore we need as many 'bums on seats' as physically possible!

We have a small publicity team who are working hard on many different ideas to promote the show. However we do need the additional support of members, VP's, friends and supporters to also help with publicising the show.

- Are you able to display a poster board in your garden? especially if you're by a busy road or walkway! (If you displayed one for Legally Blonde - we should have your details. If in doubt - get in touch).
- Do you have access to somewhere with a high footfall of passers by?
- Do you work for an organisation with a lot of colleagues and access to a staffroom or canteen that could display our 'pop-up' stand? (Pictured in this article).
- Are you able to help us to distribute/hand out leaflets?
- Do you have any ways in which you could support the marketing or promotion of the show?



WE DO NEED YOUR HELP AND SUPPORT.

Please get in touch with Sean 07915 472670 or Dan 07794 795444

or email at info@toads.org.uk

Thank you!

(P.S. - have you already got your tickets?)

Red Carpet Banquet and Ball

Last opportunity to reserve your place for our fantastic Banquet and Ball (Friday 6th May at the Palace Hotel, Torquay). A 5 course gala dinner followed by the very entertaining and popular AJ's Big Band.

Contact Amanda Jenkins

AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!

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From our President.....

For me this is the most exciting time of the TOADS year! Auditions have finished and we have the cast (super range of talent), we have the Production Team (experienced, innovative, committed and together for the third year in a row), we have the show (Grease – the most popular show ever) and we have the venue (Princess Theatre, last week of June).



Singing rehearsals have been taking place for several weeks and now floor rehearsals have started. This is when our Director starts to block the scenes. It's fascinating to watch how the show takes shape and this is what the fundraising and support from all our VPs has brought us to.

If you are a Vice President and want to join us with a complimentary ticket to see Grease on Thursday 23rd June, please contact me and I will arrange for your seat to be reserved. Remember you are able to bring one guest with you at a reduced cost of £16 but I do need to know as any seats not reserved will be returned to the box office. If you still want to see the show but can't make the Thursday night then I will arrange for you to receive a comp. ticket which needs to be taken to the Box Office for exchange.

On 6th April we welcomed Barry Buxton (married to Ann, one of our VP's) who told us about the work that was involved in bringing Palm Radio to the Bay. I hadn't realised what an effort it took by the dedicated people involved.

The next lunch at The Headland Hotel is on 4th May. Our Speaker is someone who will be known to many theatre goers (and also some criminals no doubt!). Ian Cooper, retired policeman, has appeared on the stage in many guises – from Inspector to Dame. His talk is entitled "A Policeman's Lot".

The Red Carpet Ball on 6th May at the Torquay Palace Hotel is another opportunity for a fun evening with TOADS: A five-course meal and dancing to a fabulous band – AJ's Big Band. Reserve a table of 10 for you and your friends or, if you would rather, book your place and we will sit you on a table of like-minded people!

Enjoy the spring when it comes...

Thank for your continued support! Mary Qiriagi

Mary can be contacted on 01803 431584/07594 442751 or mary.q@sky.com



What's on the pad?

our calendar of social events and the forthcoming production dates for your diary!

April

Saturday 30th - Evening Meal at Pier Point, Torquay. Contact Elaine Johnson 07850 023621 to reserve your place.

May

Wednesday 4th - Monthly Luncheon with Speaker, Ian Cooper, well known local actor and retired police officer - 12:00 for 12:30 - Headland Hotel, Torquay - £15 - Reserve your space via Mary.

Friday 6th - Red Carpet Banquet and Ball - contact Amanda Jenkins for more details.

Saturday 14th - TOADS coffee morning - 11:15 to 1:15 - St Martins, Barton Hill Rd, Torquay.

June

Wednesday 1st - Monthly Luncheon with Speaker, John Risdon, local historian - 12:00 for 12:30 - Headland Hotel, Torquay - £15 - Reserve your space via Mary.

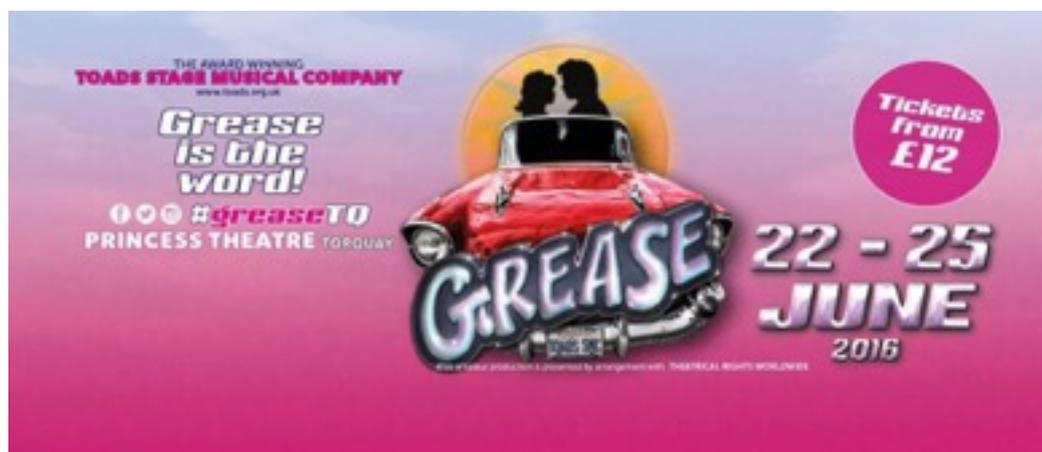
Saturday 11th - TOADS coffee morning - 11:15 to 1:15 - St Martins, Barton Hill Rd, Torquay.

Wednesday 22nd to Saturday 25th June - our BIG 2016 production - GREASE - nightly at 7:30, plus Saturday matinee at 2:30.

Thursday 23rd June - Civic Reception for Grease, Princess Theatre. See Mary's article above.

July

Wednesday 6th - Monthly Luncheon with Speaker, John Page, talking about his overland trip to Afghanistan - 12:00 for 12:30 - Headland Hotel, Torquay - £15 - Reserve your space via Mary.



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