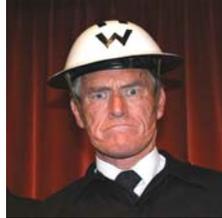




Stage Whispers

September 2019

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AUTUMN PRODUCTION

Rehearsals are going well apart from a few hiccups for Stuart Tomkins new play 'Mind over Matter', a drama set in a care home with a cast of 3 male & 5 females which is the choice for the Autumn Production. Stuart is directing supported by Aileen who is acting as prompt with Ian McFarlane as SM, Soo Tomkins as props and Chris Cathles as sound & lighting, it should make for an enjoyable production especially as it's written by one of us!

Stop Press *The person playing Karis has just dropped out, so we need a replacement ASAP. Karis, a young female has a fairly small part, so not too many lines to learn. Please contact Stuart on stuart1991@tiscali.co.uk*

Tickets are available from the website with Wed tickets at £8, Thurs, Supper night at £17.50 and Fri (bring your own supper) and Sat at £12

"Mind Over Matter", a drama set in a modern day retirement home over the course of three acts. Harry, Penelope, Simon, Joanie and Carl are all residents of the Pepel Retirement Home, happy to live out the rest of their lives in peace and tranquillity. Unfortunately for them, the owner of the home, Mel, has very different ideas. Aided by her assistant Karis, they make the daily routines of all residents' a strictly regimented struggle, until the arrival of a new member of staff, Lily, threatens to overthrow the status quo. Through unselfish acts of genuine kindness and compassion, Lily begins to transform their lives - but, for some, it proves to be too little, too late.

Cast after the casting meeting

Carl (m) – resident, former electrician... **Richard Johnson**

Harry (m) – resident, former civil servant... **Colin Bailey**

Karis (f) – late 20's, care assistant... **TBA**

Joanie (f) – resident, former florist... **Fran King**

Penelope (f) – resident, former teacher **Susan Monterege**

Mel (f) – mid-40's, care home manager... **Hannah Jordan**

Simon (m) – resident, former policeman... **Jack Griffith**

Lily (f) – early 20's, new care assistant... **Emily Wylie**

Rehearsals are each Mondays & Thursdays starting 29 July initially at the Canterbury Rooms EH.

PLAYREADINGS....

Wed 18th Sept at Pat Davis's house, Summer Hill, Chalk Lane EH. KT246TJ tel 2821990

Where we will read a comedy, 'Family Planning' by Frank Vickery

Thurs 24th Oct at Barbara Firth's house Rosemount Woodland Drive EH. KT245AN tel 283262

Thurs 21st Nov at Jan Hudson's house, 96 Woodlands Rd Bookham KT2434HH Tel 01372457501

Please can I have volunteers for 2020 Jan+ for Hosting & maybe suggestions for plays to read.

W.H Village Fete

The Whips are having, as last year, having a presence at this year's Fete at W.Horsley Place On Sat 14th Sept from 12-4PM. Where we will be running a Tombola so we need donations ASAP to Jan Hudson please. Fran is running a Play Reading session as well so please support this to encourage new members.



THE WHIPS
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A Dramatic comedy

Written & Directed by
Stuart Tomkins

Mind Over Matter

16th-19th October 2019 at 8.00 PM
West Horsley Village Hall

Box Office: Wills & Smerdon, Estate Agents East Horsley. 01493 28 4141
or www.ticketsource.co.uk/horsleyamdram

WEST HORSLEY VILLAGE FETE
Saturday 14 September 12-4pm

Big Show Games & more

Miniature Garden Competitions

Bar & BBQ by Year & 1st Comm

Fun run Displays & Demos

Local Skills Produce & Crafts

To find out more: www.horsleyamdram.org

Whips Youth Theatre

- The Whips Youth Theatre recently staged a very successful evening of music followed by a play. They will be staging another show at WHVH on 8th December 2019. Watch out for the details and be sure to book. In July 2020 they plan to wow us again with a play 'The 25th Annual Puttenham Spelling B'

SPRING PRODUCTION

The Spring Production will be 'Close to the Wind' a modern comedy by Richard Everett directed by Jack Griffith 22-25 April 2020. It was the play we read at the last playreading that went down so well.

Auditions for the 3 couples will be in early December. Contact Jack if interested

CHARACTERS

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	Act1	Act2	Tota
Gerry, a middle-aged man	16	27	43
Kate, Gerry's wife	16	25	41
Louise, their daughter	16	15	31
Julian, Louise's boyfriend	15	15	30
Mary, Gerry's mother	9	7	16
Roy, a friend of Mary's	10	10	20

The action of the play takes place in the home of Gerry and Kate, a period house in the Home Counties

Time: a night in winter

Gerry believes his twenty-three year marriage is all right, but wife Kate feels differently! Their lives have been a series of distractions - first home, children, second home - but now the children are going, Kate feels useless and wonders if it all hasn't been a mistake! Returning home after a disastrous visit to the theatre, ruined by Gerry's lively mother, Mary, Gerry and Kate attempt to salvage the evening at a local restaurant, but even that ends in a profiterole-throwing fight. Daughter Louise and her boyfriend Julian are key players in this light comedy of marital mishap and mid-life crisis, as are Mary and her beau, Roy. However the end of this amusing and very perceptive play finds Gerry and Kate curled up together on the sofa, for all the world like courting teenagers!

WHIPPETS

See Poster for details

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Whips Youth Theatre Presents



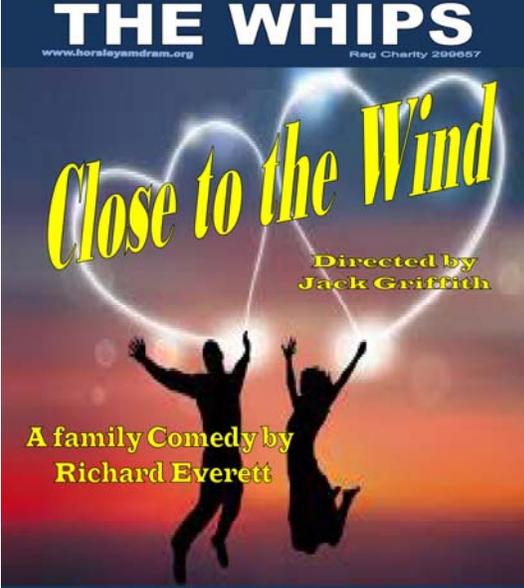
West Horsley Village Hall
Sunday, 8 December

WANT TO BE IN OUR SUMMER 2020 MUSICAL?

Find us on Facebook @WhipsYouth or email us at juliamcclung@btinternet.com for details.

Whips Youth is the 13-18yrs section of The Whips.

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A family Comedy by Richard Everett

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Disney
THE LITTLE MERMAID

19-21 March 2020
WEST HORSLEY VILLAGE HALL

In a magical kingdom fathoms below, the beautiful young mermaid Ariel longs to leave her ocean home to live in the world above. But first, she'll have to defy her father King Triton, make a deal with Ursula, the evil sea witch, and convince Prince Eric that she's the girl with the enchanting voice.

Featuring everyone's favourite characters and songs from the original Disney animated adventure, this is sure to be one of our most successful productions to date.

Find us on Facebook @WhippetsHorsley or email us at juliamcclung@btinternet.com for details.

Whippets is the 8-13yrs section of The Whips.

Meerkats notes from committee meeting Wednesday 17th July...Meeting again on 10th Sept

- New members Stuart Tomkins and Chris Cathles were welcomed
- Jack Griffith will now be in charge of the maintenance of the coach house
- The on stage window in WHVH will be painted during August
- The new Whips rep for the WHVH will be Fran King
- To aid publicity the Whips are looking to set up an Instagram and Twitter account with technical help from the younger members
- **The Whippets** future production will be 'Little Mermaid Jnr' in March 2020
- **The Whips Youth Theatre** recently staged a very successful evening of music followed by a play. They will be staging another show at WHVH on 7th/8th December 2019. Watch out for the details and be sure to book . In July 2020 they plan to wow us again with a play 'The 25th Annual Puttenham Spelling B '
- **The Whips** next production October 16th – 19th , will be the premier of 'Mind over Matter' written by local playwright Stuart Tomkins . In Spring 2020 they will stage 'Close to the Wind' a comedy by Richard Everett
- As usual **The Whips** will partake in the West Horsley Village Fete at West Horsley place on Sept 14th. They will have a tombola stall and a DIY theatre event where the public can have fun with some play readings

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sat Sept 14th W. Horsley Fete Whips Tombola & Playreadings
Wed 18th Sept Playreading Pat Davis's House
16th-19th Oct Autumn Production
Thurs 24th Oct..Playreading Barbara Firth's house
Thurs 21st Nov Playreading Jan Hudson's house
Sat/Sun 7th/8th December Whips Youth Theatre production
Tues 17th Dec Whips Billy Bash



AND FINALLY

During his physical examination, a doctor asked a man about his physical activity level. He described a typical day this way:
"Well, yesterday afternoon, I took a five hour walk about 6 miles through some pretty rough terrain. I waded along the edge of a lake. I pushed my way through bush. I got sand in my shoes and my eyes. I avoided standing on a snake. I climbed several rocky hills. I took a few 'leaks' behind some big trees - (ahhh, what a relief) The mental stress of it all left me shattered. At the end of it all I drank a couple of beers"
Inspired by the story, the doctor said,
"You must be one hell of an outdoors man!"
"No," he replied,
"I'm just a terrible golfer".



This has been a 'get it out swiftly before the Fete occurs production



