



News from the editor

Hi there readers

The end of the year approaches with speed. And much activity revolves around **Pinelands Players** at this time. Rehearsals for **The Grand Opening** are in full swing, plans for 2013 (including a block buster talent show) are under way, as well as another club night and year-end function for our members.

Remember to see **Lesley Gill** (committee member) and **Melissa Sanderson** (society member) reveal their talents, and much of their body, in Claremont Dramatic Society's **Calender Girls** at the Masque Theatre next month. Bookings are selling out fast, so make sure that you get your tickets for this showstopper.

Our next club night, a Bingo evening, will be on 26 October 2012 (just around the corner) at the Clubhouse. Some fab prizes to be won. Feel free to join us for a fun evening.

We extend our congratulations to **Victor Tichart** and **Danny Banga** on their recent wedding. Wishing you many happy years of wedded bliss.

Congratulations to **Andrew Whitelaw** on his Professorship of Microbiology awarded to him at Tygerberg Hospital. It is great to have some really clever people in our society!

We look forward to seeing you all soon.

Tanya March

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Chenara meets Celtic Women

Described as Riverdance for the voice, Celtic Women is an all female vocal ensemble that was assembled by David Downes in 2004. Today the group consists of singers Chloe Agnew, Lisa Lambe and Susan Mcfadden and fiddler Mairead Nesbitt. They have released seven albums in total and are currently on a world tour, which is what brought them to Cape Town early October.

Chenara Fenton was fortunate enough to meet them (with Cape Town heart throb singer Selim Kagee) after their performance at Grand West Arena.



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The Grand Opening

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or

Charlie's Tango and the Chinese Christmas Pies

Rehearsals are well under way, we're having a great time and the bar is buzzing. Victor (Musical Director) is brilliant and the cast are getting used to his whacky sense of humour.

Charlie - Nigel Stephenson
 Maria (his wife) - Tanya March
 Mac (his friend) - Chris Laurie
 Naomi - Dee Scodeller
 Stan - Greg Tinney
 Arnold - Jacque du Toit
 Patricia - Chenara Fenton
 Sonette - Erika Marais
 Simon - Adrian di Lollo
 Brittany - Elizabeth Stephenson
 Show Mascot - Sparky Wells



The show is a hybrid of a musical and a revue.

It's the story of Charlie and his friend Mac who find a seedy, abandoned nightclub called The Grand. They plough their retirement package into tarding it up and bringing it to life again. Their dream is that it will be the hub where Cape Town gathers on a weekend to eat, drink & enjoy some scintillating entertainment. It is 3 weeks before the 'grand' opening and attempts at getting well known entertainers for the big night have failed. They now have no option but to get family & friends to pull together to provide the entertainment instead. Some are willing, some are not and the impromptu auditions are less than promising.

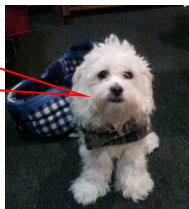
In Act II we see the results of their labour.

The music is a mix of old and new, some songs you've never heard before and even a bit of C&W thrown in. With Mac's magic and even an Argentinian tango that may be mistaken for a kickboxing match.....I think you will have a great night's entertainment.

Will 'The Grand Opening' be a hit or will they be booed off the stage? You will be the audience. So you will have to decide.

June Wells (Director)

You guys are great! Thanks for paying me attention too! Woof. Woof.



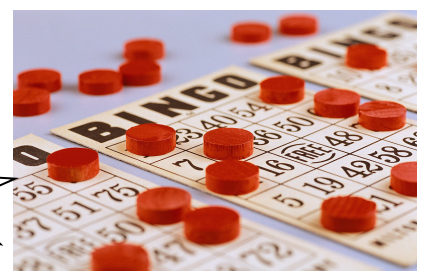
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 More changes to the script ... mmm.

Next club night

Join us for an "all ages" Bingo evening.

Friday 26th October 2012
 19h00
 at the clubhouse

Fabulous prizes



Previous Club Night

Whooose line are it anyways? A.K.A. Theatre Sports, hosted by **Luella Holland** at our previous club night, was hilarious. Various teams entertained all with their impromptu acting, and some new talent was certainly discovered.

A big thank you is extended to all who ensured that the eats and Glühwein was superb, and to everyone who contributed to another successful evening.

Chenara's cooking skills were put to the test with her responsibility to make the vetkoek, and after a disastrous attempt in her kitchen, she very cleverly deceived all with her variation of vetkoek. **Tanya Browne** and **Roy Oldfield** made delicious mince. We have however included an easy recipe for anyone wishing to attempt this traditional meal.

Vetkoek & Mince

1kg mince
4 onions
4 tins of Koo tinned vegetable curry mix
Masala curry powder
Optional Cinnamon (my curry powder mixture has various spices in it, so did not add this)
Barbeque spice

Brown onions and mince with a tablespoon of barbecue spice or meat stock in a pan

Add the Koo tinned vegetable curry mix

Add 1 table spoon of masala curry powder and simmer until tender and cooked through

For the vetkoek:

Buy 3kg's of dough from Pick 'n Pay and allow it to stand for a while.

Roll balls of dough for the vetkoek

Fry balls in oil



Get Well Soon



A number of our members are battling with health issues.

Jack Matthee, Heather Earp-Jones and **Lynn Moss** in particular are singled out.

To them, and any others we are not aware of, we wish you all a speedy recovery. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Inter Society Quiz - Masque Theatre

Pinelands Players will be sending 2 teams to the quiz this year In an eager attempt to change our position as the worst team!!! Last year our team consisted of younger folk who battled to answer questions dating before 1980. However, our teams will be doing some studying this year and hopefully we can move up in the ranks and give up the elite bottom position.

Should you wish to join our teams, please contact Tina Gough (Bgough@telkomsa.net), or alternatively come along to support our teams and enjoy an evening of fun and entertainment.

Fish Hoek Dramatic Society will be hosting the Inter Society Quiz

on

Sunday November 25th at 6.30 for 7.00pm

There will be snacks provided and there is a Cash Bar

R20.00 per head

RSVP by 19 November for catering purposes to f.h.d.society@gmail.com

Band Members Murmurs



Some of our favourite ORB's (One Rehearsal Band renown for their music in *Godspell*, *Honk!*, *Shout* and other **Pinelands Players** productions) recently featured in Selim Kagee's music video – "Cry for Love" – which was shot in the Ball Room at the City Hall. **Schalk Wasserman**, **Jean McKenzie** and **Johann Botha** got all dressed up for the occasion and from what we hear, they loved the experience.

Selim is a good friend of **Pinelands Players** having performed with many of us in various shows over the years and he is very excited about the release of his first album with EMI. Selim collaborated with Clive Ridgway (Cape Town School of Songwriting) on the original songs on the album, including the title track for which the music video was filmed. Since the album's release, Selim has been kept busy by radio interviews, TV appearances and working on his official launch show with our very own **Kyla Thorburn**.

Recently Selim recorded a duet with Celtic Woman's Chloe Agnew which will feature on their upcoming Christmas Album. He treated **Chenara Fenton** to a ticket to their show last week and she was apparently speechless (for once) and star struck when she got to meet the amazing Celtic Woman performers backstage after the show!

Selim's CD is available from Musica, Look 'n Listen or online at iTunes, Amazon and Kalahari.

You can check out the video at www.selimkagee.com Also be sure to "Like" Selim's facebook fan page, [face-book.com/selimkagee](https://www.facebook.com/selimkagee)

Subscriptions

Annual subscriptions received by members does not even cover the annual expenses to run the clubhouse, let alone cover the costs of hosting club nights or other things. Please do the right thing and pay your subs.

Only **R90** per annum!



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What's on

12 - 20 October 2012 Masque Theatre

Blithe Spirit directed by Barbara Basel
Muizenberg Dramatic Society
Bookings 021 788 1898

9 - 24 November 2012 Masque Theatre

Calendar Girls directed by Wendy Goddard
Claremont Dramatic Society
Booking 021 788 1898

2 - 22 December 2012 Masque Theatre

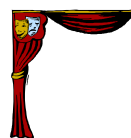
Aladdin directed by Di Thom
Constantiaberg Theatre Players

23 November - 8 December Milnerton Playhouse

Farndale Mikado directed by Reinette Steyn
Milnerton Players

2 - 14 December Pinelands Town Hall

The Grand Opening directed by June Wells
Pinelands Players



Auditions

Claremont Dramatic Society

Kafka's Dick by Alan Bennet

Directed by Clifford Graham

Performance dates:

22 Feb - 1 March 2013

Audition date:

14 October 2012 @ 14h00

Place:

The Hok
Claremont

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Muizenberg Dramatic Society

Hedda Gabler by Henrik Ibsen

Directed by Richard Higgs

Performance dates:

15 - 22 March 2013

Audition date:

7 November 2012 @ 19h00
10 November 2012 @ 14h00

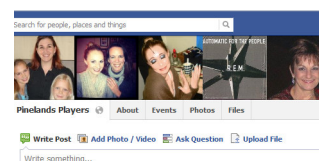
Place:

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