

Regular Events at the Performing Arts Centre

Weekly	Painting Classes	For further info phone 5352 2181
Weekly	All Abilities Workshop	For further info phone 5352 2181
Fortnightly	Ararat Wool & Fibre Craft Group	For further info phone 5352 2539



GIRLS GIRLS GIRLS

Top left: Wendy Stapleton sings to an enthralled crowd.

Top right: A section of the large crowd

Bottom right: Deborah Byrne, Wendy Stapleton & Nicky Nichols sign autographs for the audience after the show.

Photos courtesy Peter Pickering



ORCHID SHOW

Ararat Performing Arts Centre

July 3rd & 4th

For information phone 5352 2715



FREE



WITH COMPLIMENTS
FROM THE

ARARAT PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE

NewsPAC

News from the Ararat Performing Arts Centre (PAC)

2004 – Edition II

GIRLS GIRLS GIRLS

A large crowd enjoyed all the music and hits from the “Golden Oldies” of the 50’s & 60’s.

Deborah Byrne, Wendy Stapleton & Nikki Nichols put on another superb show which had the crowd singing along & dancing in the isles.

From L to R: Nikki Nichols, Wendy Stapleton, Deborah Byrne



Photo:
Peter Pickering

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Rod McKenzie
 Director
 Ararat Performing Arts Centre



Although the temperature outside maybe cooling down, the atmosphere inside the Performing Arts Centre promises to be as warm and vibrant as ever. Wintertime is great for indoor activities such as going to see a live show at the theatre, so why not check out our list of upcoming events which has been put together to have something for all ages and tastes. Our quarterly newsletter is one way of keeping in touch with what is happening in our centre, however, there can be unforeseen alterations from time to time such as the inclusion of an extra show, a cancellation, alteration of time or postponement. In an era when many of us are online or regularly use a computer, it is easier than ever to be

kept in the loop about happenings at our centre by checking our website. www.ararat.vic.gov.au and then clicking on Performing Arts Centre. Alternatively supplementary leaflets can be picked up from our foyer display during business hours at anytime or more specific information can be obtained by calling the centre on Ph 53522181.

I hope you can find the time to join us at one of our quality entertainments soon.

Rod McKenzie



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Peter Pickering

Ararat Performing Arts Centre
 Director, Rod McKenzie with
 Deborah Byrne during *GIRLS GIRLS*



Do you enjoy BIG BAND music?

BALCONY TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THE VICTORIA POLICE BLUE RIBBON BALL which features the VICTORIA POLICE BIG BAND

Friday 28th MAY at 8:30pm

Available from Ararat Performing Arts Centre \$15
 03 5352 2181



It's PLAY TIME again

ARARAT'S ONE ACT PLAY FESTIVAL



ARARAT PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE
 July 31st & August 1st

This is a great opportunity to see some top class One Act Plays performed by very talented amateur thespians. Maximum performance time for each play is 50 minutes. Sessions can comprise up to 6 plays, providing a diverse range of entertainment, from comedy to drama, in each session.



Australian Youth Theatre Ararat (AYTA)
 This is a One Act Play Festival targeted at Secondary School Students. It is run on similar lines to the Ararat One Act Play Festival. Performance day/s this year are Fri 30th July & if required Thurs 29th July. Audience admission is FREE.

If you don't already receive this quarterly newsletter through the mail and would like to (at no cost to yourself), please complete the following details and return this slip to the Ararat Performing Arts Centre at the address on the bottom of page 1.

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**Outstanding
Entertainment
at recent
FREE
LUNCHTIME
CONCERTS**

Dean Vegas more than adequately filled the shoes of Elvis with his portrayal of the King at the March Free Lunchtime Concert.



Jeannie Little was very well received when she performed her tribute to Marlene Dietrich at a recent Free Lunchtime Concert

**MELBOURNE SYMPHONY
PLAYS TO A PACKED HOUSE**



The "HOUSE FULL" sign went up for the MSO's concert on May 12th. The concert featured the exceptional talents of guitarist Slava Grigoryan

**FREE
LUNCHTIME
CONCERT**

**MUSIC
HALL**

*All your favourite
songs & music
from the Olde
Music Hall
Era*

**Wednesday
August 4, 2004
12noon
Free Admission**



Ararat Hills are alive with



The Ararat Musical Comedy Society will stage its 2004 production of The Sound of Music from June 18 to 26.

The Sound of Music is one of the world's most well known and loved musicals and centres around a postulant from Nonnberg Abbey, Maria Rainer, who proves too high spirited for the religious life and is dispatched to serve as governess for the seven children of widowed naval captain, George Von Trapp.

The role of Maria will be played by Carolyn Ryan and the role of Captain Von Trapp by Charlie Millear.

The seven children will be played by Rachael Hare (Leisl), Lachlan Stevens (Freidric), Tess Blackie (Louisa), Jonathon Provis-Vincent (Kurt), Samantha Clark (Brigitta), Phoebe Brady

(Marta) while Lauri Williamson and Brigitte Hodgetts will share the role of Gretl.

Other major roles include Max Detweiler, a friend of Captain Von Trapp, played by Darryl Lowerson, Elsa Schraeder, would-be fiancé of Captain Von Trapp, played by Leanne McCready and the Mother Abbess, played by Jodie Duver.

The production is being directed by Mary Reid while the musical director is Deanne Clapton.

Performance dates are as follows: June 18 (8pm), June 19 (8pm), June 20 (matinee), June 24 (8pm), June 25 (8pm) and June 26 (matinee and 8pm).

The venue is the Ararat Performing Arts Centre. Book at Ararat Toyworld, phone 5352 2380.



Another very successful festival was held at the Moyston Recreation Reserve. The big crowd were entertained by Carter & Carter, Col Thomson, Penelope Somerville, The Costa Brothers, The Shady Deal Band,

Slim Connor, Allison Mallalieu, Peter Coad, George Farnham, with Rodney Vincent compere. We look forward to nexts years show in anticipation of a growth in crowd numbers, enjoying first class entertainment.



Let's Jest Laugh



Three recently deceased individuals are greeted by St. Peter at the gates of Heaven.

Peter explains that they have yet to reach their final destination. He will ask them one question and their answer will

determine their mode of transportation to eternal bliss.

He asks the first, "In your best year, how much money did you make?" The first replies, "\$80,000." St. Peter says, "Very good. You take that new train to your left."

He asks the second, "In your best year, how much money did you make?" The second replies, "\$3,000,000." Peter says, "Bravo. You take the personal jet to your right."

He asks the third, "In your best year, how much money did you make?" The third replies, "\$2,500." Peter exclaims, "Really? What show would I have seen you in?"

Theatre Logic

On is In, In is Down, and Down is Front.
Off is Out, Out is Up, and Up is Back.
Right is Left, and Left is Right.
Oh yes, and A Strike is work

You've Been in Theatre Too Long When...

You know more than one theory for the origin of the term Green Room.

Someone asks what daylight looks like and you respond with gel numbers



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FREE LUNCHTIME CONCERT

COME AND SEE SOME OF THE EXCELLENT TALENT FROM YOUR LOCAL COMMUNITY

Music Is My Life

Featuring the musical talents of

Rod McKenzie

Tom Rees

Jan Pope

Louise Brown

Ian Wright

Wednesday
July 14, 2004

12noon

Free Admission

Bookings not required



A NIGHT ON BROADWAY

With POT-POURRI

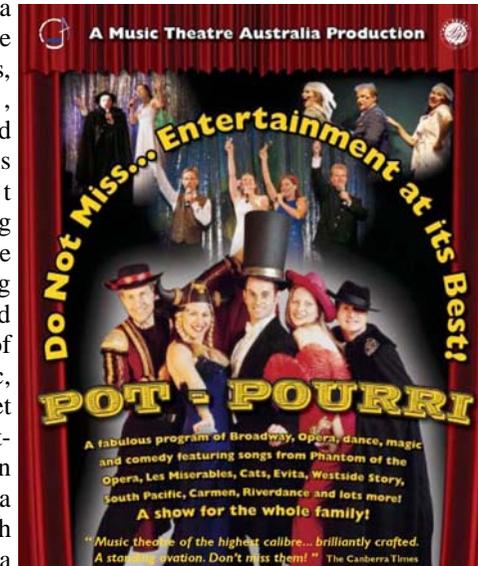
"Pot-Pourri is the best all round musical entertainment group available in Australia." Rotary International. From the major concert halls and theatres

throughout Australia and the rest of the world to vineyards, cabaret rooms, conferences and casinos, Pot-Pourri is without doubt Australia's leading music theatre ensemble. Presenting a unique and innovative blend of opera, classical music, music theatre, cabaret and comedy. Pot-Pourri has been described as "a sensational group with 4 stunning voices, a pianist with pizzazz.... an unmissable and highly professional performance full of interaction, fun and gorgeous singing... world class!"

These talented artists hit those high C's in Opera, belt out Broadway, seduce with song, dance up a storm, create magic and stir your soul with haunting ballads! With each new style, they're completely at home. And they're funny too!

The artists - Tania de Jong (soprano), Dominique Oyston (soprano), Craig Macdonald (tenor), Jonathan Morton (baritone) and Adam Przewlocki (pianist),

have all performed with Australia's major musical and opera companies. Pot-Pourri has an **extensive touring schedule** and has appeared at major venues such as the



Melbourne Concert Hall, Sydney Town Hall and Taipei Concert Hall. Highlights include over 20 overseas tours incorporating Asia, Europe, USA and the South Pacific and starring with the Seoul Symphony Orchestra at Seoul Arts Centre. They were the only Australian act invited to perform at the International Music Theatre Festival in 2002 and will present

their first performances in Japan shortly. They perform to over 100,000 people each year. Pot-Pourri has released 4 albums.

ARARAT PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE

Thurs, July 22nd @ 7:30pm

Adults \$24 Conc \$22
18yrs & under \$16

Tickets: Ararat Toyworld 5352 2380



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