**January - February 2017**

**Terry Pratchett’s Wyrd Sisters**

Rehearsals are well underway for Wyrd Sisters, directed by Beckley Vincent. A quirky twist on Shakespeare’s Macbeth, it promises to be a fun and playful show. Many of the cast members will be familiar to local theatre goers, and everyone is having a great time getting into the spirit of Terry Pratchett’s Discworld!

**THE CAST**

- Granny Weatherwax: Jeffrey Scotford
- Nanny Ogg: Pat Slattery
- Magrat Garlick: Rebecca Pakes
- Duke Felmet: Harlan Cooper
- Lady Felmet: Merryn Crocker
- Fool: Craig McTear
- Tomjon: Beth Hennes
- Huel: David Quinn
- Ghost: Michael Smith
- Motley: Alice Cooper
- Duke Felmet: Beckley Vincent
- Lady Felmet: Civil Harris
- Fool: James Hall
- Tomjon: Jenny Garratt
- Huel: Ren Holl
- Ghost: Susan Hood
- Motley: Wendy Jeffrey

**BEN PRITCHARD**

In the week prior to Christmas we saw the passing of Ben Pritchard, a lovely man who contributed to many shows with CHATS, CHMCC and the Arts Council over the last decade or so. Those shows included ‘The Sentimental Bloke’, ‘Seven Little Australians’, ‘Jesus Christ Superstar’, ‘The Secret Garden’ and ‘Scrooged’. Ben was a generous and kindly man with a deep love of theatre and music, who will be missed and remembered fondly by all who spent time with him. Our condolences and support go out to Kerry and the family.

**March 16th - 26th**

- Adults $25
- Concessions $22
- Groups 10+ $20 + Booking Fee

**Special Price:**

All Tickets $20 + Booking Fee for performances Sunday 18th and Wednesday 23rd March

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We are pleased to announce four new Life Members of CHATS Productions:

- Kerry Melittas
- Neville Triplett
- Merv Allport
- Frank Lilley

They have all made a valuable contribution to CHATS, and to community theatre in Coffs Harbour in general. We couldn’t put on a show without their brilliant set design and building! Thank you for all your hard work and dedication.

On Sunday 18th of December, the annual combined CHATS/CHMCC Christmas Party was held at the Jetty Memorial Theatre. Thank you to everyone who came along, it was a great morning. And great big thanks to Lehanne Whittaker for the photos!

For more... visit the CHATS website or check out the CHATS Productions Facebook page.
A social play reading night is planned for Friday 17th of February. The theme will be “Oscar Wilde night” and we will read the very popular and witty The Importance of Being Earnest. We will be trying a new format, with the event to be held at a café in Coffs Harbour. An invitation with more details for this event, along with an electronic copy of the script, will be sent out to Members and Friends soon.

Legally Blonde JR. - The Musical

Director - David Tune
Musical Director - Ree Higoe
Choreographer - Donna Fairall

Legally Blonde JR. follows the transformation of Elle Woods as she tackles stereotypes, snobbery and scandal in pursuit of her dreams. When Elle's high school boyfriend, Warner, dumps her and heads to Harvard, claiming she's not "serious" enough, Elle takes matters into her own hands, crafting a showy song-and-dance personal essay and charming her way into law school. Befriending classmate, Emmett, and spunky hairdresser, Paulette, along the way, Elle finds that books and looks aren't mutually exclusive. As Elle begins outsmarting her peers, she realizes that law may be her natural calling after all.

Legally Blonde JR. is a 1 hour long production specifically tailored to suit younger performers (18 or younger). It will provide young performers an opportunity to show their skills and talents, while learning how to behave and present a full stage musical for the public on a recognized theatre stage.

Rehearsals will be held at Coffs Harbour High School Lighthouse Theatre.

Performances will be at the Jetty Memorial Theatre from July 20th to 30th, 2017.

For full cast list please see Future Productions on the CHATS website.