

Waipukurau Little Theatre Inc.

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FEBRUARY 2022 NEWSLETTER

COVID-19 Protection Framework Traffic Light Red

It is with great pleasure that I can announce that The Waipukurau Little Theatre can operate and still produce shows under the COVID Protection Framework RED. All gatherings and events held at Waipukurau Little Theatre will require patrons to scan in and verify their **MY VACCINE PASS** prior to entry. This decision was made to safeguard the health of all people involved with or visiting the theatre.

This means that all people over 12 years of age either working at or attending an event at the theatre will be required to have a My Vaccine Pass scanned and verified by the **MY VACCINE VERIFIER** prior to entry.

As the My Vaccine Verifier does not save any personal details, all persons entering the theatre are still required to use the Covid Tracer App or sign in manually.

As part of this initiative all committee members, staff, crew and actors will also be required to be fully vaccinated and to have their My Vaccine Pass verified. Staff serving the public will wear face masks and we encourage the wearing of masks and the use of hand sanitisers by all on entry.

Following these protocols allows the theatre to operate at reduced capacity. Tickets will be sold by general admission only. We ask patrons to arrive early to allow time for checking and verifying passes. We thank everyone in advance for their cooperation.

Lindsey Bishop – President, Waipukurau Little Theatre

Theatre Redevelopments

The redevelopment of the tiered seating at the theatre is now well underway.

- The construction of the platforms is complete.
- Railings are now in place and just need sanding and finishing.
- Funding for two-thirds of the cost of the new carpet has been secured and we are hopeful that the remaining will be available by the end of the month.



We were hoping to have the carpet in place by the next production, but time is now running out.

Next production: "The Old People Are Revolting"

A comedy written by **Devon Williamson** and directed by **Sarah Rogers**. From Thursday 21 April to Saturday 30 April.

I am pleased to announce that this play is now fully cast and is currently in rehearsal. We welcome the following to our stage.

Rob Blamires, Kate D'Ath, Julia Dekker, Elsa Ironside, Isobel Lloyd, Eleanor Norris and Larry Pitt.

Synopsis:

The residents of the Sunshine Retirement Village have their own villas in beautifully manicured grounds filled with mature shrubs and trees. They have a central community lounge where they can meet and pass the time of day.

They are mostly happy and content.

At least, they were, until a visit from a local news reporter brings to light some very disturbing news. Now they are upset and angry so angry, in fact, they are revolting! When a group of seniors, with plenty of time on their hands, becomes this angry about something, they are sure to make themselves heard.

It's probably best not to get in their way!

Bursting with eccentric characters and crazy shenanigans, this play is fun for the whole family.

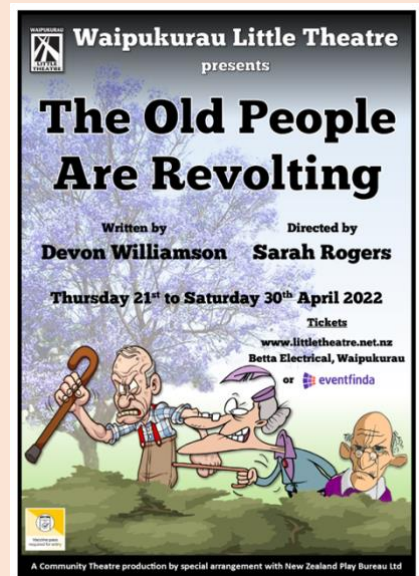


Table Sponsorship

We would like to say a sincere thank you to those that have sponsored tables. Your contribution has allowed us to purchase 14 small tables for coffee and drinks and six larger square tables. We are hoping to be able to purchase another six of the larger tables. Further sponsorship would be appreciated.

We invite patrons who wish to contribute, to sponsor a table for a sum of \$50.

All sponsors will be formally and permanently recognised in the theatre.

For further details, please email or phone:

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Web contact form: www.littletheatre.net.nz/table-sponsorship/

2022 - 2023 Season.

We have rearranged our season slightly. Our current plans are:

2022 Show 2: Spirit Level – written by Pam Valentine and directed by Lindsey Bishop

2022 Show 3: TBC

2023 Show 1: Drowning Girls – written by Beth Graham, Charlie Tomlinson and Daniela Vlaskalic and directed by Madeleine Howard

Notice of AGM:

The AGM of Waipukurau Little Theatre will be held on Monday 16 May at 7:00pm at The Little Theatre, 19 Ruataniwha Street, Waipukurau.

All are invited to attend. Financial members prior to the meeting are entitled vote.

Short and Sweet:

Every third Friday of the month. Next Meeting Friday 18 February at 6pm.

A short working bee followed by a shared meal and a quiet drink.

All welcome. Contact: Hilary Blamires 021 906 032