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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, 25th August, 2010

Welcome members to our Eleventh Annual General Meeting.

Dear Members,

As your President, I would like to congratulate each and every person who has contributed to the Company's success, either on or off the stage, in any capacity, during the past twelve months.

Once again, we have been extremely busy, in October 2009 we produced an Australian Comedy "The Last Resort", written by Judith Prior, and Directed by Raelene Richards, at Tweed Heads Civic Centre.

For our **Christmas break-up**, last year we organized a party at Coolangatta/Tweed Gold Club in November, before Rod & Sandra Drummond left for America on a three month holiday, a great night was enjoyed by all.

This year, April 2010, we produced another pantomime/musical play with children and adults "**Snow White & the Seven Dwarfs of the Black Forest**" with Natalie Trengove as Director and Jim Fury as Musical Director, plus Jonathon Heeley as Choreographer at Tweed Heads Civic Centre, to very appreciative audiences.

Our major musical in July '10 "**My Fair Lady**" was performed in Twin Towns Showroom. Directed, Musically Directed and Choreographed by Tracey Kriz, with orchestrated CD by Chris King, and extremely well supported by a hardworking and talented cast and crew. All productions were a great success.

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We have been invited back to Twin Towns Clubs & Resorts for our next Major Musical to be presented July next year, which is yet again, another great accomplishment for the Company. Title of next musical soon to be advised.

We are looking for interested people who would like to direct our April or October productions, as we feel there is still a need to continue to produce a Youth pantomime/musical play and a straight play/comedy at Tweed Heads Civic & Cultural Centre.

The Tweed Theatre Company continues to donate part proceeds of each production, chosen by the director, to local charities. We take "work placement" students, from local schools, and unemployed "volunteers", to help them gain experience, on our productions. We donate a cash prize as an Encouragement Award for Speech & Drama at the Murwillumbah Festival of Performing Arts Inc., all these will continue as an annual commitment.

These donations, the success of the musical, the two plays and the subsequent publicity, have indeed enhanced the reputation of the Tweed Theatre Company, confirming we are truly community minded. And we will continue to produce well known and audience friendly shows, at a very high standard, at reasonable ticket prices.

We have been very fortunate in having continued support from the local business/community, with major support coming from Twin Towns Clubs & Resorts, our Patrons, Tweed Heads Bowls Club, Volunteer Dressmakers for Costumes, local Newspapers for publicity plus Father Kevin Smith at St. Monica's, Church Hall, Tugun also Ben Fuller and family for the use of THE HOUSE for our rehearsals.

We are still storing our props and sets in "The Stables", at Border Park, Kirra. But to be able to rehearse, paint & build sets and have our committee meetings at THE HOUSE has been a great bonus, it has been indeed a wonderful help and a great joy to the Company. We will miss it when it gets demolished for Serene Living Units.

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To my out-going committee, Raelene, Cathy, Rod, Greg, John Martin, Natalie, John, Kerry, Brooke and Andy, 'congratulations' on a job well done. You are always on hand to help when necessary, and to ensure the steady progress of the Tweed Theatre Company. We have seen many great things happen again this year with lots of new people joining our ranks. Your commitment to the interest of the Company was evident throughout the year. You deserve much recognition for the many hours of hard work, so often, "behind the scenes", that you give.

It is with deep regret that we have received the resignations of Cathy Davies our foundation Secretary, due to poor health and Andy Davies a foundation committee member. They have offered their continued support and help (God willing), whenever needed at future Tweed Theatre functions. Sincere thanks to them both.

I wish the incoming committee every success and I look forward to a positive and successful year ahead.

I'm sure all members realize how important "**Teamwork, Loyalty and Commitment**" is when organizing and running a successful theatre company, and as long as these things continue, we can only continue to grow.

Therefore, Tweed Theatre Company Inc. looks forward to many more exciting years entertaining and nurturing new talent on the Tweed/Gold Coast.

I look forward to seeing you in future productions.

Complements of the Season to all and have a great year!

Yours in Theatre,

Coral Kelly - President

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