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Hallo......ween members and followers of EBDG ( Did you see what I did there?) So, here we are at the end of October and some of you may have been apple bobbing, trick or treating or dressing up as skeletons..... or was that just me and Cathy?



Lots happening behind the scenes for 'Wait until Dark' : a working party has been set up papering the flats in preparation for painting at set build, an impressive staircase has been built, props and costumes are being collected and sound effects are being produced. It was books down for rehearsals this week and posters and banners are now displayed around the village so this all points to the fact we are fast approaching Production week! And, what's more, the next time I write for the Newsletter it will have finished! Eeek.

As mentioned last month I had tickets for the Elvis World Tour so Marjory, Brenda and myself had a very enjoyable evening singing and clapping along with not one but 3 Elvises ...... 1 each We found out afterwards that Jo had been there too.

My other trip to the theatre this month was one of those proud moments when I watched another of my former pupils appear as Jeremy Potts in Chitty Chitty Bang Bang. A great production and an excellent performance by him.

And finally, when I am not performing with EBDG or going to the theatre I find time to watch T.V dramas.....and write about them.

> So, till next time. Ta ra for now Karen













# **Members' Spotlight**

### Meet Craig



Hello, my name is Craig (pronouns he/him). Although I have been supporting East Bridgford Drama Group (EBDG) for a number of years, this will be my debut production with the group in the upcoming thriller 'Wait Until Dark' playing the part of Mike.

Everyone at EBDG have been so lovely and welcomed me into their theatre family with open arms. I hope I can perform to their high standards in the show, and do them proud. If not, then they can blame Karen Peckover who put me forward to audition. As you'll have read from the last issue, Karen is my former primary school teacher. It has been a number of years since we last performed on stage together, and I am looking forward to doing this again with this play.

While this will be the first time appearing in a play for over 20 years, I am no stranger to the world of amateur dramatics and musical theatre. For 18 years, I have been an active member and committee member of a Loughborough based group who produce two musicals a year, and have enjoyed every show. I've been extremely lucky to have been cast in some great leading roles from Lumiere in Disney's Beauty and the Beast, Adam/Felicia in Priscilla Queen of the Desert, Mister Mistoffelees in Cats to a more recent and a challenging role of Quasimodo in Disney's the Hunchback of Notre Dame.

When I'm not in the rehearsal room, you can mostly find me on my allotment growing fruit and veg and upcycling anything destined to go to landfill to be repurposed on the allotment, like this filing cabinet I turned into a planter.

Hopefully you'll get to see Wait Until Dark. Feel free to find me after the performance if you have a handy upcycling idea you would like to share.



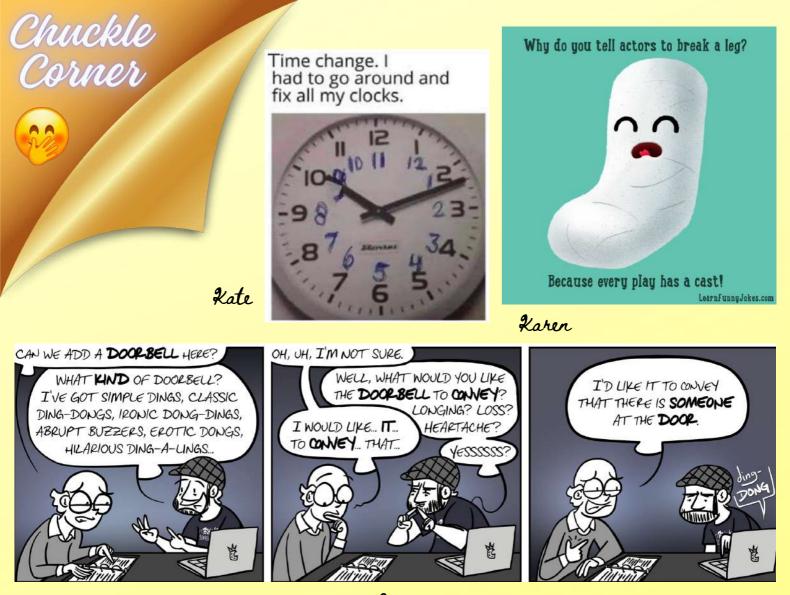
Craig



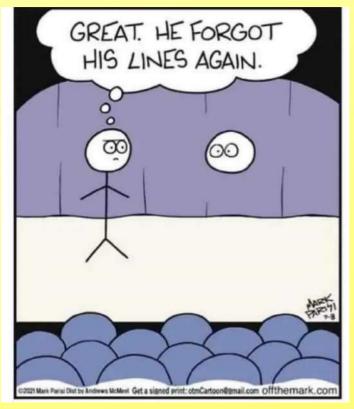








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Caroline

Jeff







# More Thank You's from RNLI

Dear Karen,

I hope you don't mind me getting in touch. My name is Duncan and I'm part of the crew at Aberdyfi RNLI with my partner Rhiannon.

We have probably never met, but I just wanted to say thank you. You have helped equip and train us, which is vital to get us safely back to the people we love after a difficult rescue or a tough training exercise. We have faced some pretty demanding shouts this year, like launching in challenging conditions to rescue a stricken yacht with three people onboard. So I thought it was time to reach out and say thank you for looking out for my fellow crew members and me. It is really appreciated.

My 7-year old son and 9-year old daughter would also like to say a big thank you for helping to keep their mummy and daddy safe and ready to save people.

Thank you so much for supporting us,

Duncan McLaughlin, Rhiannon Macefield and family



#### AT OUR NEXT PRODUCTION, SOME OF THE AMOUNTS RAISED IN THE RAFFLE WILL BE DONATED TO GUIDE DOGS FOR THE BLIND AND RNIB.



## THEATRE RECOMMENDATIONS



Well what a treat we had when we went to see Leo, former pupil, as Jeremy in Chitty Chitty Bang Bang. Then to our surprise we found another former pupil, Hermione on stage too. Well done both of you.

We are extremly proud. What a magical production it was. Well done Nottingham Operatic Society

Cathy



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Set build Friday starts at 11.00 am, with the fish and chip supper around 6.o'clock Saturday lunch courtesy of Michael, Pattie and Pat-more details to come from Michael Sunday sandwich lunch courtesy of Pat and ... would anybody like to help Pat out please? There will be cake and tea throughout the proceedings (hopefully)



David.



### History of East Bridgford Drama Group

Thank you to the East Bridgford Local History Group website <u>https://www.eastbridgford-history.org.uk/</u>



St. Peter's Church, East Bridgford NEWS SHEET January 1976 Price 7P.

#### THE EAST BRIDGFORD VILLAGE HALL

An all-time record was made in the Village Hall Fete held in the Hall on Saturday, December 6th. Thanks to the generosity of East Bridgford villagers in provinding both the material for sale and in buying it, the total amount which went to the Village Hall funds was over £290.

The President (Dr. G. Brooks), Chairman (Mr. J.D. Hanson), Management Committee and Ladies' Fete Organising Committee want to thank their fellow villagers for their enthusiastic help and support. Included in the event were stalls and activities arranged by the following village organisations:-

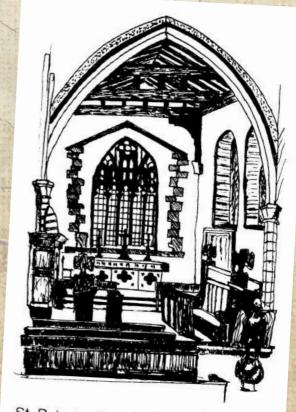
Youth Club, Mothers' Union, Women's Institute, Guides, Cubs, Brownies, Drama Group, Tennis Club, Royal British Legion, King Edward Club, The Parish Council, The Parochial Church Council, The Liberal Association.

Thanks are also due to Mr. and Mrs. Blagg for the tasteful way they decorated the Hall for the event.

News from January 1976, the Drama Group and the Village Hall working together.

EAST BRIDGFORD DRAMA GROUP are arranging a LEAP YEAR DANCE on Friday 27th February from 8.30 p.m. to 12.30 at the Village Hall. Tickets are priced £1.25 (supper included) and are obtainable from Mr. E. Smith (Tel. East Bridgford 387) or any member of the Drama Group.

News from February 1976 -Leap Year Dance and supper for the price of £1.25!



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### DON'T MISS OUT!

## EAST BRIDGFORD DRAMA GROUP

### UPCOMING EVENTS

### November:

Play Rehearsal - **5th** - 3pm Village Hall - All Welcome

Wait Until Dark - **21st-25th** Play Week at the Village Hall

#### January:

Aladdin - **16th-20th** Tom at The Squires Performing Arts Centre

> Annual Dinner at Ashmore's - **19th** *Ashmores*

#### **December:**



Pass the Parcel

Fun

Quizzes

Fun & Games

Nibbles

Dec 12th Skittle Alley, Royal Oak, EB 7pm

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February:

Mince

Pies

SAVE THE DATE **17th** Stars of Stage & Screen & Musical Icons! ...Fancy Dress... An evening of 60th Birthday Celebrations EB Village Hall 7.30pm till 11.30pm

#### All of our next play dates:



November 2023 - 21st to 25th March 2024 - 12th to 16th June 2024 - 11th to 15th November 2024 - 26th to 30th

