

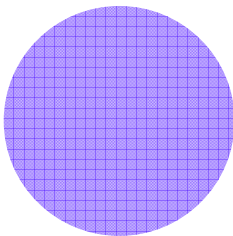
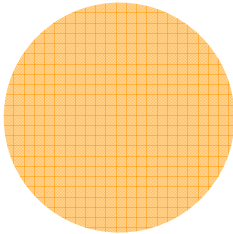


Newsletter May 2009

# Reigate Methodist Players

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## Productions

### Fairtrade sketch

In February Carolyn, Kevin and Roger performed 'The cost of shopping' for the start of Fairtrade Fortnight.



The sketch features a bad dream, with Kevin appearing in a dressing gown as the shopper who finds items in his basket charged at surreal prices to reflect their fairtrade and environmental impact. Roger donned the lower half of a fairy outfit to play the supermarket manager, complete with tights and tutu ! You may have recognized Carolyn's cashier uniform from a previous Harvest supper entertainment (see below).

### More drama in services

In March Stephen and Sarah performed 'Commitment' - a thought-provoking piece about a busy office worker who is confronted by Jesus in her office and reminded of the promises made rather too easily in church.

Further Sunday-morning sketches are planned, however the current 'crew' of regulars would be very happy to make way for new performers - please think about getting involved.

## From the Archives - 1999

### Radio Rainbow

RMP staged a revue-style harvest supper entertainment, directed by Pamela Prime and based on an imaginary radio station. This was a clever device to link a number of different sketches together, including a children's nativity played entirely by adults ! With topical references to GM farming, it also featured unforgettable songs by Allan Dann such as 'Food, modified food'.



## AGM 11th June - have your say !

The Annual General Meeting of Reigate Methodist Players is on 11 June, 8pm in the Centenary room. This is a chance for all members to express their views and offer suggestions about what the group should be doing both for drama productions and social activities. We also have to elect the committee for 2009/10, so if you are interested in joining, please talk to one of the current committee members beforehand. And please pay your subs to Denise by the AGM.



**Murder mystery evening ?**

Although there isn't a major production planned at present, we're looking at putting on a 'murder mystery' evening as a fundraising event, either later this year or early next year. This will obviously require some actors, one of whom makes an early exit...watch this space !

**Social events**

The pub skittles event in March at the Six Bells, Newdigate was well attended, with 25 people enjoying a pleasant evening of traditional pub food and moderately competitive skittles.



Summer BBQ. Joyce and Ian Hunt have kindly offered to host a BBQ again. The provisional date is 12 September - look out for more details soon.

**RMP wardrobe**

When BODS needed to find a number of sombrero hats for their musical production *Viva Mexico*, the RMP wardrobe came to the rescue. Probably last seen in the 1998 RMP panto *Westward Ho Ho*, these sombreros will be on stage again at Betchworth village hall in May.



There's a good selection of other hats in the wardrobe as well - please ask !

**Methodist Players at large**



Roger and Sue Nelson appeared in *A Musical Twist* with ESOS/The Opera Club at the Harlequin

Jane Emburey and Keith Lock appeared in *The Wizard of Oz* with the South Nutfield Showtimers

13-16 May, Betchworth village hall. Stephen Tickell is appearing in *Viva Mexico* with BODS, along with Peter and Judy Roberts. More info at [www.bodsweb.com](http://www.bodsweb.com)

**Committee 2008/9**

- Stephen Tickell - Chairman
- Eileen Munro - Secretary
- Denise Kollwryn - Membership/Treasurer
- Amanda Trease - Social events
- Jane Emburey - Librarian
- Carolyn McKie - Publicity
- Allan Dann

**Subscriptions 2009**

By paying membership subs you will continue to receive a personal copy of this desirable newsletter, and the committee will know who in the church is interested in drama when we're planning productions. Annual subs are now £5 for all members. Please complete and return this to Denise Kollwryn. Make cheques payable to 'Reigate Methodist Players'

Name .....

I am interested in: (please tick any which apply)

- Acting
- Directing
- Backstage
- Sound/Lighting
- Wardrobe