

# The Warragul Siren



THE VOICE OF THE  
WARRAGUL THEATRE COMPANY



## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Hi Everyone

Time is ticking and we are almost in production. This is such an exciting time to see everything coming together, and also a frantic time where everyone is rushing around getting everything finished. I am both excited and frantic. Rehearsals are coming along well and you are all looking and sounding great. Thank you for all being a part of this amazing adventure and to make sure you get the best mileage out of your minute in the sun make sure you bring along everyone you have ever met, and even some people you haven't.

Advertising: Make sure you start watching the newspapers from May 19th our advertising will start. We will have advertising and editorials in the Warragul Gazette, Pakenham Gazette, Latrobe Valley Express and the Leongatha Star.

**DRESS REHEARSALS:** We will be having an audience at our last dress rehearsal. We may be expecting 100-150 people so make every rehearsal count and always rehearse at performance level.

**FLYERS/POSTERS:** These will be turning up at rehearsals soon and it is your responsibility to make sure the community is plastered with these. Make sure you are putting them some place local to you, and in prominent positions were they will be seen i.e. Shop windows etc. We can not put them in public areas like street poles. Hand out flyers to your school, clubs, friends, family etc. If you are able to put an advertisement in your school/club newsletter go ahead and do so or email Bec on [thebeckster30@hotmail.com](mailto:thebeckster30@hotmail.com) and give me the email address of where to send an ad and it will be done.

**ATTENDANCE:** We know it is hard running a busy life and also taking part in an involved show like this but it is very important that you don't miss any rehearsals from here on in. The creative team and doing there best to make you look good so honor your cast members and do your best to be present at all times.

**N BETWEEN SHOWS:** As this show involves heavy makeup, wigs etc no one will be able to leave the Arts Centre in between matinees and evening performances. Make up and hair will need to be touched up in between but not completely redone. We are currently talking to the Arts Centre caterers to make sure food/meals will be available for purchase. Also don't forget to bring snacks and drink plenty of water. This show is very high energy and your body works better when it is properly fueled.

Cheers  
Bec

## SMELLY CAT

SMELLY CAT, SMELLY CAT,  
WHAT ARE THEY FEEDING  
YOU?

(song :AKA Phoebe from  
Friends)

As you will not be having  
your costume washed for  
the duration of the show it  
is very important you are  
very careful about hygiene.

Men it is best to clip your  
body hair, not shave it off.  
Also make sure you have a  
good antiperspirant

deodorant and not just a  
body spray.

For anyone with quick  
changes you may want to  
bring some talcum powder  
to help you slip your sweaty  
bodies out of one lycra  
costume into the next. If you  
powder yourself down these  
will slip on and off better.



## SPONSORS

We would like to acknowledge and thank our sponsors:

**Gold Sponsors:** Outlook Communications, Neerim District Bendigo Bank, Jackson Transport Bodies, Quality Site Welding, KDH advertising.

**Silver sponsors:** Clark First National Real Estate, Chumba Concept Salon, Branstrans

**Bronze Sponsors:** Freestyle curtains, Marist Sion college.

Thanks also to those other sponsors who are currently coming on board, we will see them in our future newsletters and front of house show advertising.



## F E E S D U E

By now any outstanding fees have been invoiced. Please do not make us chase you. It costs very little to take part in this show which has a budget around \$100,000. So what you are asked to pay is next to nothing so **PAY UP ASAP**. Anyone with outstanding debt will be unable to take part in other WTC shows in future.

Also your makeup money is **DUE NOW**.



## TICKET SALES

Ticket sales as of 2 May 2008 are approx 1000. We still have 4000 to sell. Get to it!! Let's see if we can outsell Les Mis, we almost did last year with Annie. Its up to you.

Tickets are available to buy over the phone with a credit card from the Arts Centre box office on 5624 2456 or go in and purchase over the counter. You can also buy tickets online through the Arts Centre Web site [www.wgac.org.au](http://www.wgac.org.au). Our own WTC web site [www.warragultheatrecompany.org.au](http://www.warragultheatrecompany.org.au) also has a link to purchase tickets online.



### PRICES

ADULT	\$37
WGAC MEMBER	\$32
CONCESSION	\$35
YOUTH	\$22
FAMILY	\$95
(1 adult 3 children, or 2 adults 2 children)	

Remember tickets available from the Arts Centre, Warragul on 5624 2456 or [www.wgac.org.au](http://www.wgac.org.au)



### Cat Fact

Cats have 32 muscles that control the outer ear (compared to human's 6 muscles each). A cat can rotate its ears independently 180 degrees, and can turn in the direction of sound 10 times faster than those of the best watchdog.

### HAVE YOU ANY INPUT!

For any ideas or to provide any information for future articles please contact your editor:

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# MESSAGE FROM OUR SPONSOR



## Our Story

The Neerim District **Community Bank®** Branch is proud of its contributions to the community since opening its doors in July 2000. Here is a brief summary of our story.

The Neerim District **Community Bank®** Branch opened its doors for business in July 2000 but the idea for its formation arose a year earlier.

At the time, the community was concerned banking services would disappear altogether following the closure of bank branches in the district. In 1999, Bendigo Bank encouraged the community to open its own branch through the **Community Bank®** model.

This process saw the community form a public company that operates the franchise agreement between it and Bendigo Bank. A steering committee worked tirelessly to promote the creation of a **Community Bank®** branch, to stimulate local interest and, finally, to raise the necessary capital for the project to proceed.

Under the model, Bendigo Bank provides all of the banking services, infrastructure, mentoring and training. The company employs the staff and provides the necessary capital to operate the branch.

Today we employ six staff, have loans and deposits worth \$60 million and contribute substantially to the local community.

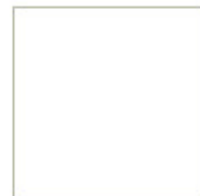
### Community Benefits

Bendigo Bank understands it is good business to work for the benefit of its customers and their communities.

The **Community Bank®** model is all about building strong communities. There is an emphasis on local employment and contributing funds to the economy it inhabits.

Branch profits are shared between the company and the Bendigo Bank. The company distributes 80 per cent of its profit to the community through a grants program.

To date, Neerim District **Community Bank®** Branch has distributed more than \$305,000 to local not-for-profit organisations. We also have an extensive sponsorship program for local sporting clubs, schools and other community groups. Sponsorship exceeds \$25,000 a year.





How do we do it?

We will prosper through the continued support of our customers. By banking with your local **Community Bank®** branch, you will contribute to the profits of a branch that supports its community. We all need banking services so why not choose the Bendigo? After all, do you know of any other bank that contributes a major share of its profits to its community?

Contact

Call in and see us at Shop 3/115 Main Road, Neerim South and you will receive the friendly, informed service for which the Bendigo Bank is renowned.

The branch is staffed by the following team members:

Alan Bannister > Branch Manager

Maureen Johnston > Customer Relationship Officer

Robyn Snape > Senior Customer Services Officer

Fiona Sgarbossa > Customer Services Officer

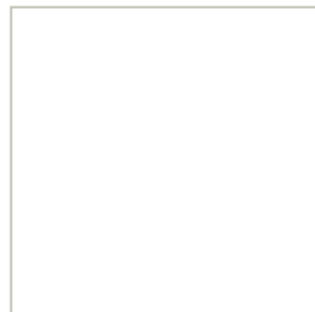
Nicole Friar > Customer Services Officer

Joe Shiels > Customer Services Officer (seconded to Warragul branch for eight months)

For all your banking needs call in to Neerim District **Community Bank®** Branch at Shop 3, 115 Main Road Neerim South or telephone us on 03 5628 1079, we welcome your enquiry.



Alan Bannister  
Branch Manager



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