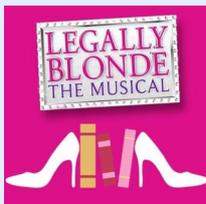


Legally Blonde

Our summer show was enjoyed by both cast and audiences. It was Kieron Layton's first show as Producer and he made an impressive start. We had an amazing cast and were lucky to have Tim Jasper as our Musical Director. Kieron is looking forward to producing our summer show again which will be revealed very soon.



Robin Hood

This year's pantomime is the much loved 'Robin Hood', with all your favourite characters such as Maid Marion, Little John and Friar Tuck. Lauren Smith will be producing the show and Philip Kenyon is directing. We hope you will be able to join us for the story of Robin Hood and all his Merry Men. Tickets are £8 each and can be ordered from the number below.

Dates and times are as follows:

Tuesday 28 January	- Doors open 6.30pm, 7pm start
Wednesday 29 January	- Doors open 6.30pm, 7pm start
Thursday 30 January	- Doors open 6.30pm, 7pm start
Friday 31 January	- Doors open 6.30pm, 7pm start
Saturday 1 February	- Doors open 12.30pm, 1pm start
Saturday 1 February	- Doors open 5pm, 5.30pm start

(Ticket Sales: Tel 07395138288)

50th Celebrations

The on-going celebrations for the Community Centre's 50th Anniversary have been enjoyed by lots of people. These events are continuing and hopefully you will be able to join us for some of these and help us continue to celebrate 50 years of the Community Centre. Upcoming events will be advertised by the Community Centre so keep a look out for further details.



Youth

The Youth Group are now working towards a short performance at the Christmas Extravaganza on Saturday 7 December where they will be singing a selection of Christmas carols. If you know of anyone whose child might be interested in joining the group please do not hesitate to get in touch. It runs on a Sunday morning 10am till 12noon for children aged 6 to 13 and costs £25 per term.

Keep in Touch with Centre Stage

For all the latest news and events from Centre Stage check out our website, Facebook, Twitter and Instagram pages, these are great ways of staying informed about Centre Stage.

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Give us a like at: <https://www.facebook.com/centrestageeaglescliffe>
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Christmas Extravaganza

This year our Father Christmas Morning, now named Christmas Extravaganza, takes place on Saturday 7 December from 9.30am.



There will be lots of stalls to browse, refreshments to enjoy, the Youth Group will be singing Christmas carols and of course we will have Father Christmas there for the children. So come along and bring the family to what should be a lovely Christmas morning.

Chloe Atkinson

Chloe, aged fifteen, has been a member of Centre Stage for a number of years now and recently has been our Choreographer for the last few shows.

Chloe attends the Janet Dickenson School of Dance and has done so since she was three. She studies tap, jazz, ballet and contemporary types of dance as well as a stage school class. Chloe has been invaluable to our group using her skills to teach the cast dances with patience and understanding. Chloe also helps with the Youth Group on a Sunday morning.

Chloe has now been awarded, through her dance school, a place to compete for an IDTA Dance Scholarship in May 2020 and we are all extremely proud of her and wish her well with this opportunity and wherever her future leads her.



Centre Stage is run completely by volunteers and ticket and patron money goes towards licence fees, levies, costumes, sets and everything that is needed to put on a show with any profits going towards the up keep of our Community Centre. We are very grateful for your continued support and hope you enjoy coming to share in the shows that we produce. It takes a lot of people to come together to get a show on the stage and it is filled with challenges but it means a lot to everyone involved being part of our family that is Centre Stage.

Centre Stage

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November 2019

Welcome to this edition of Centre Stage's Newsletter. Panto season is upon us once again and rehearsals are in full swing for this year's panto, Robin Hood, with Lauren Smith producing. Our summer show, Legally Blonde, was a difficult show in some respects due to the illness of Cynthia. The cast missed her presence during rehearsals and we are all still very sad at her passing. The panto will be a difficult show again knowing that she is not here, but in our hearts she will always be with us and a huge part of Centre Stage. We look forward to seeing you all in January and hope that you have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Sue

Cynthia Cowley

After a short illness, Cynthia passed away on 4 July, 2019. Cynthia was loved by everyone in Centre Stage, the Community Centre and by all those that she met. She will be dearly missed by us all. Cynthia was a welcoming face to the Centre and was always kind, caring and devoted so much of her time to helping and organising many things within the Centre.

Cynthia was one of our founding members of the Community Centre. She became involved with Centre Stage when she came to help in the kitchen on our very first show then started helping for the next show on a Sunday at rehearsals. By the time the next panto came around Cynthia took over as Secretary and did this role for over 20 years. Cynthia also made costumes for the shows and was generally the font of all knowledge. As well as being involved with Centre Stage she was also the Booking Secretary for the Community Centre, and was on various Committees within the Centre.

In the past Cynthia worked as Shop Assistant in a fruit shop and at 16 was a Typist for Power Gas. She was married to Ronnie and they had two children, Peter and Vicky and two grandchildren, Toby and Alexandra and spent 20 years looking after her mum and dad through their ill health. In her spare time, which wasn't much, Cynthia enjoyed doing crafts, knitting, sewing etc and also enjoyed cruising with her husband. However, her favourite pastime was spending time with her grandchildren.

The Community Centre was very important to Cynthia and it played a big part in her life. She gave so much of her time helping run things within the Centre and supporting those that used it, for that we thank her and will always keep her close in our hearts. The family asked for donations to the MacMillan charity instead of flowers for the funeral, which we did. Since then the Centre held a MacMillan Coffee Morning on behalf of Cynthia and raised a further £800. The family were very grateful and wrote;

"Ron Cowley and family would like to thank everybody for their generosity, kindness and time during our recent bereavement. The reception given to us at the Centre was beyond belief and I am sure Cynthia would have been lost for words at the number of people and helpers in the hall. You will be proud to hear that £800 was raised for Macmillan Cancer Care and we would like to thank each and every one of you personally. I am sure Cynthia is looking down on you now and saying thank you for the pleasure you and the Centre have given her for the past twenty plus years."

Cynthia will be missed immensely by us all.

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