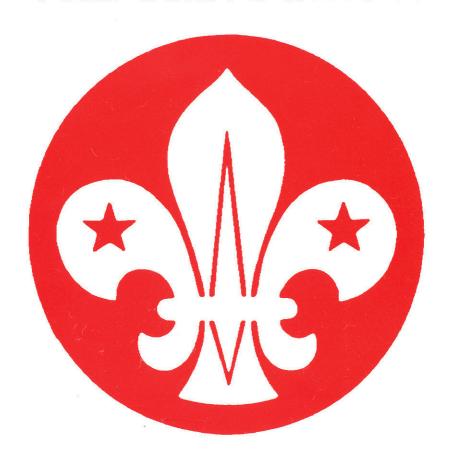
Harpenden & Wheathampstead District Scouts

44th GANG SHOW



1993

50p



A LAST WORD FROM THE PRODUCER

My association with both Guiding (and ultimately Scouting) and the Gang Show, began in the same way - "Let me know if you need any help.....". Those eight fateful words have fashioned my life since and 27 years later I look on a new generation



still getting so much out of being part of the Gang. Three years of costumes and 24 productions....... I saw the first girls come into the Show as Harpenden Rangers - and tonight two of them have daughters who are appearing as Scouts. Those who remember the side-splitting antics of Keith Brooker as the ubiquitous Dan McGrew in early Shows will be delighted to see a scaled down version in the Cub ranks, as Sam makes his first appearance. And now two girls in the Cubs who will have the opportunity to go all the way through the Show as the boys do. I have come full circle and it is time to move on.

There has been a legion of loyal friends over the years. Philippa Buller and Joan Grimwade as choreographers; Gwen Wright, costumes; Roland Swallow, John Wright and Ann Trussler, pianists, and many years of service as Musical Director from Cliff Brotherton and Geoff Kelly. And unending support from my husband who designed the scenery and planned the programme for so many years that my children thought that Gang Show and Christmas were synonymous! Hazel Oggelsby's part has been plain for all to see - her costumes have been a never-ending source of pleasure to all and, as she joins me in retirement, I thank her and Graeme and Joanne, knowing that the Show would not have been the same without them.

It is a great joy that Musical Direction, Box Office, Front of House, scenery design, stage hands, lighting, sound effects, Scout-chaperoning, are now all in the hands of ex-Gang Show members. This Show is all about growth and I know that the future is in excellent hands. It has been my great good fortune to have the support of an enduring team, who between them have 50 years of Gang Show experience! Angela has been the greatest prop imaginable, increasingly taking greater responsibility for the Show, supported by Dorothy, Ewan, Trudy, David, Richard, and now a face from last year's Show, Russell.

My greatest delight is that the Cub who argued with the pianist all those years ago is to be the next Producer of the best Gang ever. There is no doubt in my mind that Ewan was born singing 'Crest of a Wave'......His talent is enormous and he will serve you well.

And the Gang themselves. What talent we have seen over the years, and what a joy it has been to watch annual progress through the ranks, from small Cubs to burly front row tappers. The mistakes, the memories, the awful sense of deja-vu as another funny line bites the dust; the music; the mums who do the sewing; the noise, the hopes, the butterflies, the triumphs, the night the scenery fell down; and the laughter. They'll all be back next year.

Next year I will be sitting in the audience. . . but mentally I will be up on stage. It will be hard to throw off the shackles for ".....we share together, when we're together, the best years of our lives".

Thank you, our faithful audiences - goodnight, but not goodbye

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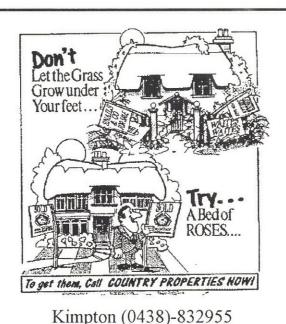
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PROGRAMME



- 1. Back In Business
- 2. The Weather House
- 3. The Sound Of!?
- 4. Road To Nowhere
- 5. It'll Be All Right On The Night
- 6. Latin American Way

Producer: Marilyn Hudson Musical Director: Ewan Murray Choreographer: Angela Archer

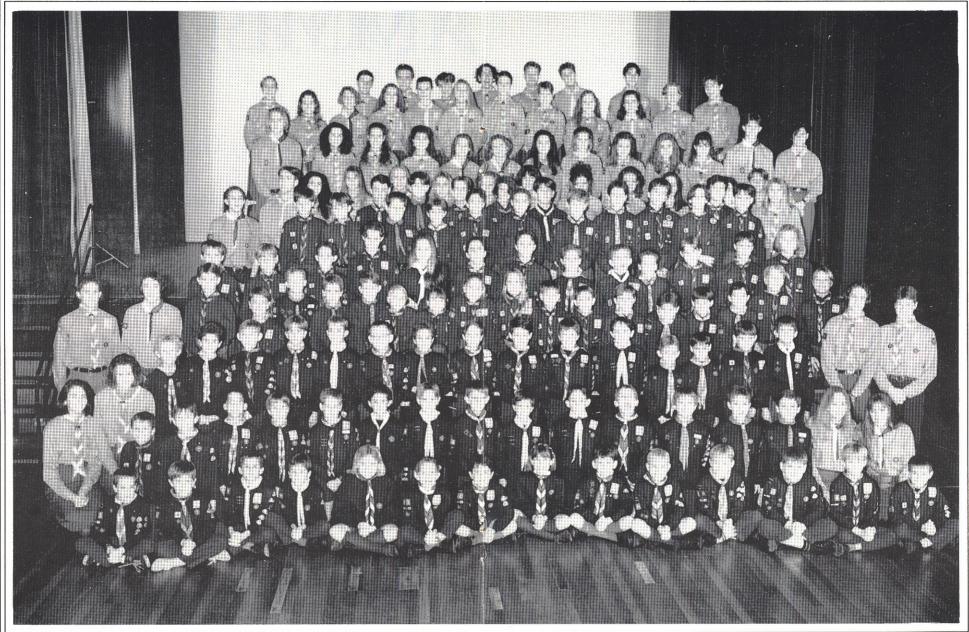
- 7. Me And My Girl
- 8. I'm A Brass Band
- 9. Interpol
- 10. Hey! Mr Spaceman!
- 11. The Woggle Of Oz
- 12. Hanky Panky
- 13. The Volunteer
- 14. Finale From A Distance

The Gang kindly request that you do not take photographs or use video cameras, Thank you



THE GANG









Stage Staff

Production Assistants Trudy Lamb, Russell Husbands, Richard Turberville and Dorothy Whitehouse

Music Arranger and Pianist David Milstead

Scenery Designer David Keen assisted by Colin Jeffs, Neil Richardson, Michelle Brannon and Geoff Yapp

Scenery Master Robert Holland

Stage Hands and David Keen, Trevor Brotherton, Darren Lowry, Alisdair Chisholm, Mark Hubbard, Jenny

Scenery Crew Haynes, Trevor Hall and Sarah Keen

Costumes Hazel Oggelsby, Joan Hall, Yvonne O'Keefe, Valerie Pollington, Jan Richardson, Jane

Walter with: - Caroline Allen, Jeanette Bowers, Dorothy Cawrey, Margaret Clifton, Brenda Cottle, Carol Finch, Georgina Jeffery, Beryl Jeffs, Margaret Melville, Joanne & Graeme

Oggelsby, Shirley Thomas and Margaret Washbrooke

The Band Chapter Eight Dance Band

Lighting Designer Dennis Paddison

Lighting by The Harpenden Lighting Pool

Sound Effects Robert Hemmin

Make Up Members of the Venture Scouts

Properties Richard Coulter and Rupert Whitham

Call Boys Andrew and Yvonne Barford

Cub Number Fran Franklin, assisted by :- Yvonne Lowry, Jean Finlay, Lesley McKenzie-Kerr,

produced by Jo Busby, Albert Elliott and Brian Green

Committee Chairman John Dymoke

Secretary Jan Yardley

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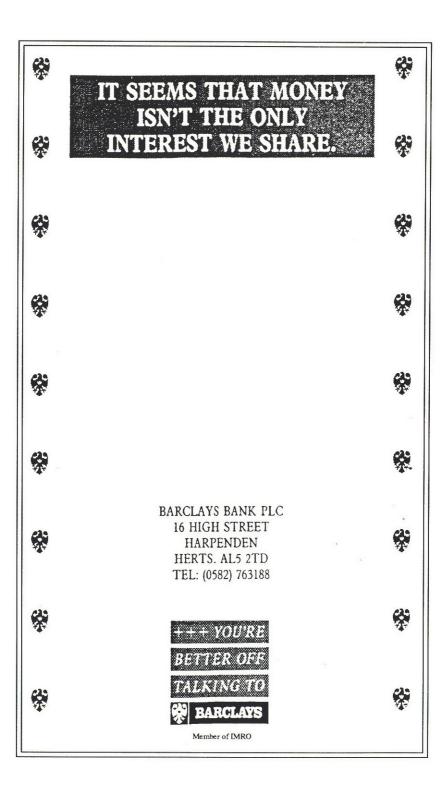
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