

CLACTON AMATEUR OPERATIC SOCIETY

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THE FABULOUS MUSICAL



HALF A SIXPENCE

*MUSIC & LYRICS BY
DAVID HENEKER*

*BOOK BY
BEVERLEY GROSS*

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CLACTON-ON-SEA

13th - 17th MAY, 1997

CLACTON AMATEUR OPERATIC SOCIETY

Diamond Jubilee 1989.

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May we invite you to become a patron of our society? We already have a faithful group of Patrons who give us their support in a general way and by making an Annual Donation of £5 to our funds.

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Affiliated to the National Operatic and Dramatic Association.

'HALF A SIXPENCE' PRODUCTION TEAM

Director - Val Massey
Assistant Director - Jim Sissens
Musical Director - David Cawdell
Choreographer - Nikki Mundell-Poole

STAGE MANAGER	MIKE SPURGEON
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assisted by	JENNY SPURGEON, TRISCHA BARR
DANCE CAPTAIN	CATRINA GRIMSEY
WARDROBE MISTRESS	JULIE HAYCRAFT
assisted by	DAPHNE WINTER, MARIAN STANTON, GILL ROBINSON, BERYL LAST
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assisted by	LISA PICKERING, GARY CATTERMOLE, ANITA WHITE
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PRODUCTION TEAM



Val Massey



Nikki Mundell-Poole



Jane Shaw



David Cawdell



ORCHESTRA

LEAD VIOLIN	PETER IVEY
VIOLIN 1	PATRICK SABBERTON
VIOLIN 2	DEBORAH DOWE
VIOLIN 2	SASHA GIDLOW
VIOLA	MANDY VAN KEMPEN
CELLO	PAUL LOCKYEAR
DOUBLE BASS	LESLEY HARWOOD
FLUTE/PICCOLO	JACQUIE SCAIFE
OBOE/COR ANGLAIS	MARY ANN JOYES
BASSOON	CLAIRE WOOTTON
CLARINET	HANNAH BROWN
TRUMPET 1	BOBBY HARWOOD
TRUMPET 2	JILL BETTS
TROMBONE	MARC SCAIFE
PERCUSSION	PETER SNELL
PIANO	JANE SHAW

SCENES

ACT ONE

SCENE 1 A STREET IN LONDON

SCENE 2 MR. SHALFORDS EMPORIUM

SCENE 3 THE PROMENADE

SCENE 4 THE EMPORIUM

SCENE 4A THE STREET

SCENE 5 THE THEATRE

SCENE 6 THE STREET

SCENE 7 THE CLASSROOM OF THE YOUNG WORKERS ASS.

SCENE 8 THE EMPORIUM

SCENE 9 THE PROMENADE

SCENE 10 THE OLD LIGHTHOUSE

SCENE 11 THE OLD MILITARY CANAL - REGATTA

ACT TWO

SCENE 1 THE PROMENADE

SCENE 2 MRS. BOTTINGS SOLARIUM

SCENE 3 THE BASEMENT KITCHEN

SCENE 4 THE PHOTOGRAPHERS STUDIO

SCENE 5 THE RENTED HOUSE

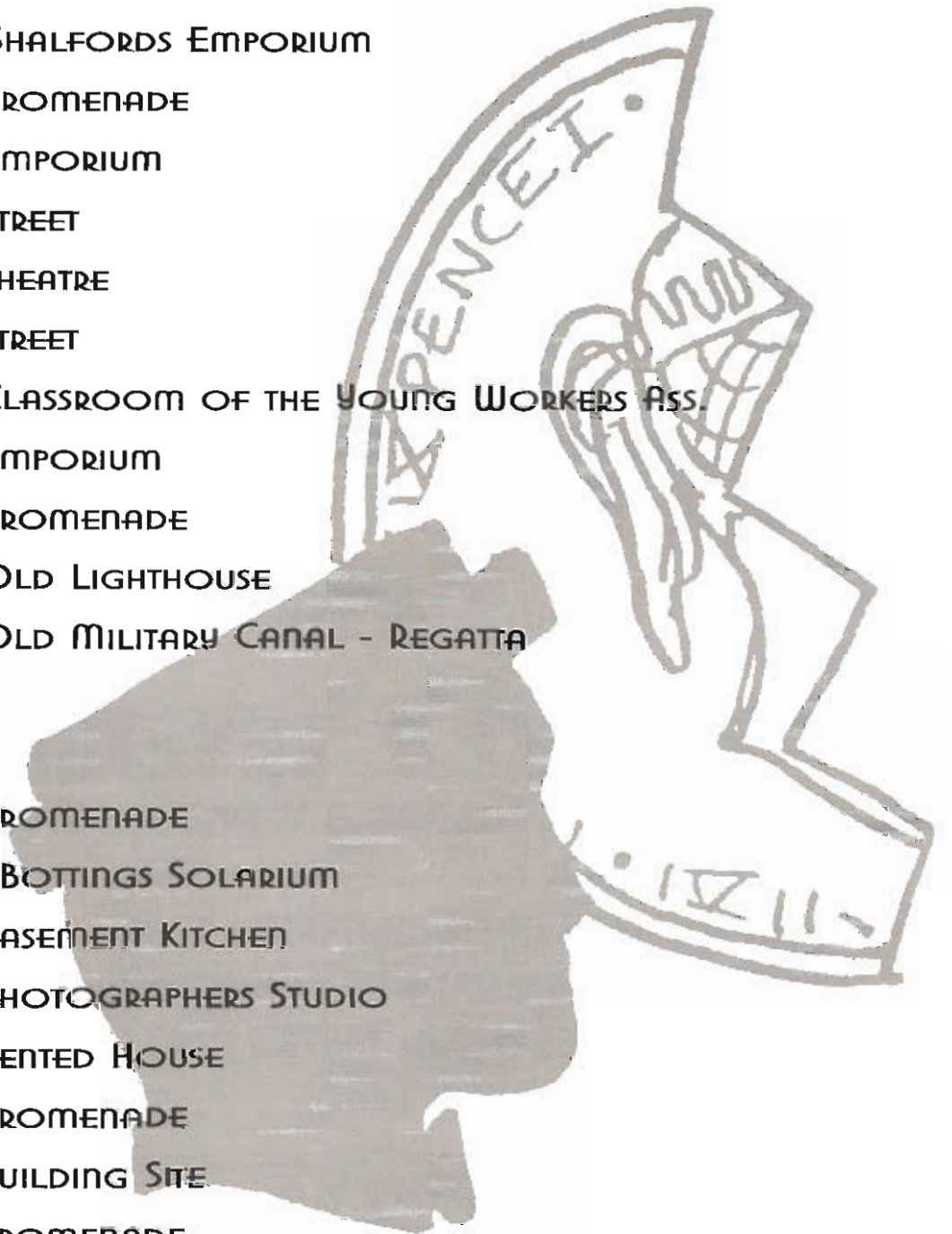
SCENE 6 THE PROMENADE

SCENE 7 THE BUILDING SITE

SCENE 8 THE PROMENADE

SCENE 9 THE BOOKSHOP - A YEAR LATER

THE FINALE



CAST LIST

HALF A SIXPENCE

SHOP BOYS

KIPPS
SHALFORD
CARSHOT
SID PORNIK
BUGGINS
PEARCE
CHITTERLOW
YOUNG WALSINGHAM

SHOPGIRLS

Ann
HELEN
FLO
KATE
EMMA
VICTORIA
MRS. WALSINGHAM
MRS. BOTTING
GWENDOLINE
LAURA
STUDENTS

YOUNG KIPPS
YOUNG Ann
EDWIN, THE CAT

DANNY SCOTT
DEREK BAILEY
JOHN YAXLEY
SIMON COULSON
KEVIN MCKEAN
STEVEN BAIRD
JIM SISSENS
DAVID THOMPSON
EMMA SPURGEON
MICHELLE CLARKE
CATRINA GRIMSEY
CAROLINE NEWSON
CAROLINE SHAW
LUCY MELLOW
EDNA MOUNTSTEPHEN
JUNE SISSENS
GWEN PORTER
ANGELA ALDIS
ERNIE GRIMSEY
MALCOLM CRAWFORD
CHRIS BAREHAM
IAN SEYMOUR
BETHANIE SNELL
GOLLY

CHORUS

CHRIS BAREHAM
JULIA CLARKE
DEBBIE MCKEAN
JUNE SISSENS
MALCOLM CRAWFORD
KEN NORTH

CATHY BETTISON
VAL ENDEAN
DOREEN NORTH
VICKY TEARLE
STEPHEN CRAWFORD
TERRY RATCLIFFE

BRENDA CARPENTER
NICOLA HEAP
GWEN PORTER
JOHN ELLSON
DAVID THOMPSON

VANESSA CHURCH
JUDY JONES
JANET ROSS
ERNIE GRIMSEY
TOM WORSHIP

DANCERS

ANGELA ALDIS
LUCY MELLOW
GEORGE MORRIS

ANNA-LEIGH BLOWER
CAROLINE NEWSON
IAN STEPHENSON

VANESSA CHURCH
CAROLINE SHAW

CATRINA GRIMSEY
JOHN ELLSON

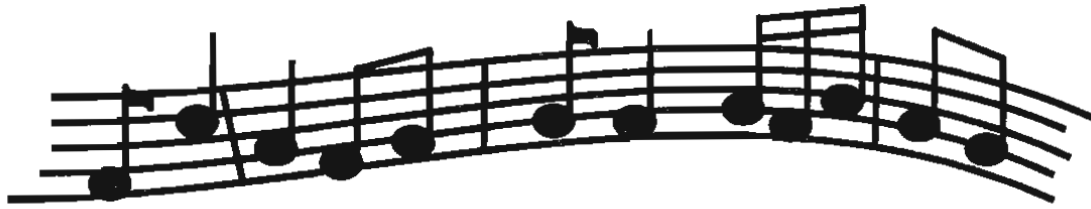
CHILDREN

ADELE CALLAGHAN
RICKY HUNT
LOUISE WARRANDER

YASMIN CLINCH
SCOTT MCKENZIE

JAMES GRIMSEY
IAN SEYMOUR

CHANTELLE TYLER
BETHANIE SNELL



MUSICAL CONTENTS

ACT ONE

THE SHOP BALLET	LAURA AND CHORUS
ALL IN THE CAUSE OF ECONOMY	KIPPS AND SHOP BOYS
HALF A SIXPENCE	ANN AND KIPPS
MONEY TO BURN	KIPPS AND CHORUS
I DON'T BELIEVE A WORD OF IT	ANN AND SHOPGIRLS
A PROPER GENTLEMEN	CHORUS
SHE'S TOO FAR ABOVE ME	KIPPS
IF THE RAIN'S GOT TO FALL	KIPPS AND CHORUS
THE OLD MILITARY CANAL	CHORUS

ACT TWO

THE ONE WHO'S RUN AWAY	KIPPS
SOLARIUM DANCE	CHORUS
LONG AGO	ANN
FLASH BANG WALLOP	KIPPS AND CHORUS
I KNOW WHAT I AM	ANN
THE PARTY'S ON THE HOUSE	KIPPS/CHORUS
HALF A SIXPENCE AND CAROL SEQUENCE	CHORUS
FINALE	ENSEMBLE



PRINCIPALS



Emma Spurgeon
ANN

Emma's face must be becoming very familiar to our audiences as she has played the principle boy in Cinderella and Lady Marian in Babes in the Wood earlier this year, she has performed many times with Colchester Operatic Society.



Danny Scott
KIPPS

This is Danny's' second production with the company having played Cable, The Lieutenant, in South Pacific last year. His stage experience and obvious confidence comes from singing in a pop group 'The Beavers'.



Michelle Clarke
HELEN

Michelle is playing her first speaking role with the society as Helen, a rival to Ann for Kipps heart. She is normally seen amongst the dancing team and has been for the past 6 years.



Jim Sissens
Chitterlow

Having played Kipps in an earlier production of Half a Sixpence, he has been an encouraging help to Danny and is playing the character role of Chitterlow with great gusto.



Edna Mountstephen
MRS. WALSHAM

Edna's accomplishments with the society during the past 46 years are immeasurable. Her talent and expertise has enhanced many of the society's productions.



**MR. SHALFORD,
CARSHOT AND
SHOP GIRLS**



**KIPPS AND
SHOP BOYS**

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**GENTLEMENS
CHORUS**



LADIES CHORUS





**LAURA AND
THE DANCERS**

**MRS. WALSINGHAM,
HELEN, YOUNG WALSINGHAM
AND MRS. BOTTING**



THE CHILDREN