

# EARTHBEAT NEWSLETTER

**SEPTEMBER 2006**

**WELCOME** to our September newsletter. As usual Earthbeat is ridiculously busy attempting to put together and coordinate a whole raft of different shows. With this in mind could we ask parents and carers to make a note of the dates of our shows and, where possible, avoid taking performers away on holiday if they are involved in a show (see Diary). If this can't be avoided please let us know as soon as possible as this causes considerable difficulty for us as a company and can be very disappointing for the performers. Thanks, as ever, for your continuing support.

## SLEIGH RIDE INTO THE SEVENTIES

Take a break from the hustle and bustle of your Christmas preparations and jump on board Earthbeat's Christmas sleigh. Following on from last year's fabulous *Christmas Swing* show, Earthbeat will be returning to Saltburn Community Theatre with a brand new Christmas production.

This time we have taken the sensational Seventies as our theme and present a wide range of material from this glamorous era. We will be performing hits made famous by the likes of Slade, the Jackson Five, John Lennon, Elvis and Showaddywaddy. As ever, we have a few surprises up our sleeve and there might just be one or two sing-a-long opportunities for our more high-spirited patrons.

The show will take place on the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> of December at 7pm. Tickets will be available nearer the time (although we are taking provisional bookings) via Earthbeat or from Saltburn Health food shop. All proceeds will be donated to UNICEF.



## EARTHBEAT CELEBRATES AGAIN

On the 20<sup>th</sup> June we hosted our second annual Celebration Evening at the Marton Country Club. The evening was very well attended and everyone seemed to have a great time. As well as showcasing some of our acts from the last twelve months we were also treated to performances from our guest artistes. Gene Jarred and his swing band thrilled us on the dance floor and performers from Saltburn Didgeridoo club provided an unusual and thought provoking presentation. The evening was rounded off with a disco and we'd like to thank all of those who attended the evening (despite a near clash with the world cup!).

## PERFORMER PROFILE - Trevor Marshall and Jim Dobson

Trevor and Jim - what a pair! In the last year they have helped each other through huge changes in their lives and now share a house together in Saltburn. After joining Earthbeat in 1990 they have both progressed in their own individual ways. Now seasoned actors with lots of shows under their belts they have developed into great entertainers and are always eager to start the next production. Dancers they ain't but, as we've discovered recently, they're both pretty good in the singing department and have greatly impressed our vocal coach, Rose.

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Trevor will be taking part in our forthcoming Christmas show and both of them will be starring (and we use that term lightly) in our major production of 'My Fair Lady' next summer. They will take the challenge of both Middlesbrough and Darlington theatres in their stride and will revel in the adulation of their devoted fans (perhaps we've gone a little too far there). Break a leg guys!

## Stars in their Eyes

Two star studded performances thrilled audiences recently at the Saltburn Community Theatre. 'Stars in their Eyes' was performed by our Monday group and, despite being only their second show to date, they were able to sell out the theatre on both nights. The show was based on the hit TV show 'Stars in their Eyes' but, as usual, we adapted the format to meet Earthbeat's unique style. Among the stars who attended the evening were the Troggs, Boyzone, the Beatles and Kylie Minogue (to name but a few). Well done to the Monday Group and we'd like to thank, once again, our loyal and enthusiastic audience for their invaluable support. The proceeds from this show have been donated to the Saltburn Community Theatre Building Fund.

## DIARY

**December 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>** - Sleigh Ride into the Seventies (performed by Wednesday/Thursday group at Saltburn Theatre)

**December 15<sup>th</sup>** - Saltburn Theatre Annual Christmas show ( 3 act contribution)

**July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>** - My Fair Lady (performed by Friday group at Middlesbrough Theatre (2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>) and at Darlington Civic Theatre (9<sup>th</sup>).

**Saltburn Theatre Annual Christmas Show** Once again Earthbeat has been invited to take part in the Saltburn Theatre Annual Christmas Show. The show consists of a variety of acts, all of whom have played at the theatre over the last year, and is rounded off with a Christmas singalong. We will be contributing three acts from our current programme. The show will play for one night only on December 15<sup>th</sup>.