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# Welcome!

The Gang Show this year is our third appearance at the Hawth Theatre, this has proved to be a wonderful experience for all those that take part — from the youngest Rainbow/Beaver to the eldest Scouter/Guider. I also remind you that our friends of Scouting, the Copthorne Silver Band, who have always given us their support. They are serious musicians. How they tolerate us at rehearsals is beyond me, but I must raise my hat to them and say a big Thankyou. They are marvellous.

In Scouting we have many friends, parents, Committee members and past members who still come forward to lend a hand. You won't see them but they will be working hard behind the scenes. Thankyou, we are grateful for all your efforts.

I cannot close without mentioning Gwyn and Christine who, as always, pulled out all the stops to produce this show and did so without causing too much disruption towards the Scouts/Guides programme. I know they will be worrying about the show, the relief when it is all over will be written all over their faces, but I have every confidence in their ability to produce yet another great show.

The lads and lasses, what about them? They are nervous, timid and shy, but when the adrenaline starts to roll they are very competitive, they argue amongst themselves about 'who got the most applause' when they start to buzz there is no way we can stop them! The leaders tear their hair out trying to calm them down (their fault, they hyped them up in the first place).

Last of all, I thank you — the audience — for your support. Enjoy yourself, for it is "On with the Show".

**Bill Sandys**  
Group Scout Leader



## We're here to stay!

The last two-and-a-half years have flown past since the Guides last joined the Scouts on the stage at the Hawth — but what busy years they have been.

The Gang Show may be a BIG event but it is a SMALL part of our programme — appearing only every other year. In between times there are many other activities to arrange and enjoy.

Copthorne has active units with dedicated leaders and we are pleased to offer a balanced programme for boys and girls from aged 5 to 25 in the 12 units in the village.

We pride ourselves in giving opportunities to our young members and that is just what we are doing with the Gang Show.

Ralph Reader gave Gang Show to the boys and in Copthorne the Scouts have welcomed the Guides into the Gang Show fold. We hope they are happy for us to stay 'cause they'll have a job to get rid of us now!

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# It's unique entertainment!

Baden Powell said of his times in the footlights that "Happiness comes from happyfying". Happyfying may not be a word found in your average dictionary, but it is the perfect description of what the boys and girls you see today, hope to achieve.

To join the gang the Scouts and Guides are neither auditioned or coerced and yet, of the 270 members of the Scout and Guide units in Copthorne over 90% form the gang you will see on stage. They have forsaken their computer games (we hope!) for the last few weeks to learn the lines and rehearse for the show, because they want to, and therefore we know that each and every one will be doing their very best.

Gang show can be unpredictable and no matter whether every line is successfully delivered or not the directors will be proud of the cast who are so keen to maintain an enjoyable tradition, unique to Copthorne.

**SHOW PHOTOGRAPHS** will be on sale at the Scout Centre, Borers Arms Road, Copthorne on **Sunday 25th February** (2.00pm—4.00pm), **Saturday 2nd March** (1.00pm—2.30pm), **Sunday 3rd March** (2.00pm—4.00pm).

**VIDEOS** of the show are on sale — price £10. Use the order form enclosed in this programme to order your copy. **MONEY WITH ORDER PLEASE.**

**RAFFLE TICKETS** are on sale in the foyer — to be drawn during Act Two. Prizes can be collected from the foyer at the end of the show.



**Unique** in that the show you see today remains a village gang show even though it is presented in this fine theatre.

**Unique** in that no member of the cast has been selected. From the youngest to the oldest they all know they have a part and the show is adapted to make the most of their abilities.

**Unique** in our long standing association with the Copthorne Band who were just as enthusiastic to provide musical support to our shows in Copthorne Village Hall before our cast and audience outgrew that venue.

We have always enjoyed the excitement of "Gang Show", and look now at the sparkle in the eyes of the gang when they exit after a rousing applause. They know that they are all members of a team that extends from Beavers to Leaders, supporters and parents all of which are essential to make their show a success.

We hope you enjoy the show — not only for its entertainment value — but also for the spirit of the youth of Copthorne who are happy to be happyfying you today.

GWYN & CHRISTINE

# STRIKE UP



*THE Copthorne Band, under the baton of Mervyn Tarrant, welcomes you to another Gang Show at the Hawth in conjunction with the village Scouts and Guides. Although it is only the third time at the Hawth, it is the latest in a series of shows which commenced over 20 years ago.*

*Copthorne Band has continued to entertain since 1902 throughout Sussex and neighbouring counties. True ambassadors for the village, they have maintained a high standard whilst so many other bands have fallen by the wayside.*

*The continuing strength of the band is due in the main to two factors. Firstly, the stable foundation that Copthorne village has given over so many years — providing a home base for practice — and true support when this has been needed.*

*The second strength comes from within the band, from those loyal members who give freely of their time, not only to perform but also to pass on their knowledge to anyone who is keen to*

# THE BAND!

learn. So many young people have been introduced to the pleasure of playing a brass instrument and some have continued to make it their career.

Should you, or perhaps your children, wish to learn a brass instrument - whether or not there is any background experience - the band will be pleased to see you.

Cophorne Band is available for functions. Please contact the Bookings Secretary, Mrs Jan Tarrant on 01293 535387.

Band Master: Mr Mervyn Tarrant

Cornet: Mike Golby  
 Martin Gove  
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 Lorraine Cheesmur  
 Elizabeth Stott

Soprano Cornet: Marek Siwicki

Tenor Horn: Ed Stopp  
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 Gwyn Cheesmur  
 Anto Siwicki

Euphonium: Peter Allan  
 Gordon Mericks

Baritone: Norman Brown  
 Judith Brown

Trombone: Clive Wells  
 John Barwell  
 Andrew Gove

Bass: Alan Gove  
 Ernie Dimsdale



Mervyn Tarrant  
 Band Master



## GANG SHOW A

### ACT ONE

<b>THE OPENING</b> .....	The Gang
<b>ON THE SHELF</b> .....	Mallory Troop
<b>TRIBUTE TO ED</b> .....	Brownie & Cub
<b>OWL &amp; THE PUSSYCAT</b> .....	Beavers & Rainbows
<b>THE JUMBLIES</b> .....	Ash Pack
<b>THREE-DIN-LINE</b> .....	Ventures
<b>BREAK OUT THE FLAGS</b> .....	Scouts & Guides
<b>CAPTAIN'S YARN</b> .....	Leader
<b>UP THE CREEK</b> .....	Cub & Leaders
<b>THE PALACE YARD</b> .....	Oak Pack
<b>MEET THE GUARDS</b> .....	Ventures & Rangers
<b>CHANGING THE GUARD</b> .....	Cubs
<b>EIGHT LITTLE BOYS</b> .....	Group Executive & Friends of Guiding

### INTERVAL



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## ACT TWO

THE BAND STRIKES UP .....	The Band
THE LOVE BUG .....	Scout & Guide
MISTER BROWN .....	Scouts and Guides
ANYONE WHO HAD A HEART ....	1st Brownies
NOW IT'S YOUR TURN .....	Audience
UP, UP AND AWAY .....	Rangers
FROZEN NORTH .....	Leaders
STARS & STRIPES .....	2nd Guides
BILLABONG BLUES .....	2nd Brownies
ORIENTAL MAGIC .....	General Cast
FINALE .....	The Gang

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**BEAVERS:** Robert Wilson, Hugh Stanton, Harry Irving, Thomas Entecott, Callum Bellis, Peter Brown, Robert Hook, Adam Bristow, Simon Dawson, Sam Casella, Nick Aldcroft, Jack Revy, Craig Marchant.

**BROWNIES:** Elizabeth Pottinger, Catherine Melmoe, Kerrie Landroc, Harriet Fairbrother, Lauren Irving, Jessica Eyers, Rebecca Logan, Kathryn Braganza, Jennifer Sheehan, Stephanie Rock, Fiona Stevens, Rebecca Puttock, Talia Sturd, Nicole Scott, Katie Shoubridge, Claire Hazelden, Sophie Amos, Jenny Bush, Tara Patel, Kirsty Chappell, Vicki Stanbridge, Danielle Stagg, Amy Burgess, Lisa Watkins, Lauren Bye, Kimberley Hook, Natalie Goodman, Victoria Tomlinson, Victoria Knott, Rachel Boon, Amy Melton, Kelly McGeachie, Katie Seddon.

**CUBS:** Matthew Pridmore, Christopher Organ, Russell Martin, Mark Shoubridge, Matthew Smith, Stephen Entecott, Mark Hersey, Matthew Pereira, Anthony Lomas, Jonathan Martin, Thomas Beal, Paul Swain, James Lammis, Tom Blackman, Thomas McConnell, James Speed, Jonathan Bromell, Sam Dance, Aaron Ikin, Colin Wheeler, Daniel Alcock, Sam Runham, Tom Slater, Robert Kemplay, Jonathan Speed, Alexander Swann, Adam Buckland, Andrew Chirside, Stuart Luxford, Patrick Laney, Matthew Burwell, Philip Davies, Robert Young, Jonathan Nava, Daniel Marshall, Shaun Ormanroyd, Scott Marchant, Christopher Loving, Adam Charlton, Gregory Soghmanian, Daniel Lewis, Thomas Mann, Matthew Smith, Stuart Ellis.

**GUIDES:** Sally Lomas, Jennie Lomas, Nicole Mattar, Charlotte Pereira, Lianne Chippington, Laura Blundell, Anna Freeman, Felicity Bartlett, Lydia Bartlett, Katie Rand, Claire Martin, Emma Rixon, Tara Bellis, Victoria Melmoe, Kim New, Gemma Tetley, Jodie Passmore, Gemma Goodman, Lorraine Cheesmur, Lara Brown, Emma Pearson, Sam Lewis, Sally Cheesmur, Helen Matthews, Kaley Crawford, Hannah Slater, Sarah Puttock, Joanna Dawson, Jessica Bruce, Lindsey Smith, Eleanor Dale, Claire Ponsford, Hayley Slatyer, Caroline Soghmanian, Gemma Bromell, Gemma Blake, Samantha Melton, Joanna Stewart, Vanessa Lee, Amy Jupp.

**SCOUTS:** Craig Hazelden, Tom Bruce, Mark Lane, Paul Plant, Adam Hayward, Nick Swann, Daniel Smith, Nick Evans, Patrick O'Hara, Craig Evans, Joe Doyle, James Prior, Owen Ikin, Charles Ikin, Alex Williams, Daniel

Shoubridge, Jamie Smith, Daniel Paul, Michael Philippou, Dale Bellis, Chris McMath, Edward Mann, Nicholas Cripps, Chris Pridmore, David Hornsby, Michael Sheehan, Andrew Trevett, Alex Stedman, Chris Stanbridge, Adam Beal, Mark Chippington, Stephen Carpenter, Martin Wheeler, Jonathan Osborne, Anil Patel, Kevin Wright.

**RANGERS:** Susan Maloney, Jemma Witham, Karen Lloyd, Kirsty Williams, Wendy Hyner, Tara Blundell, Mandy Palmer, Lisa Hawkins, Alison Wilson, Jodie Kernohan, Catherine Grant, Rebecca Edgington.

**VENTURES:** Mark Burnal, Dwayne Ross, Robert Bailey, Roy Lloyd, Andrew Heath, David Hornsby, James Hanks, Peter Maloney.

**LEADERS:** Dave Blackman, Frank Maloney, Owen Cheesmur, Robin Ainsworth, Mike Bailey, Janette McGivern, Stephen Holmes, Bill Sandys, Gwyn Cheesmur, Jon Green, Harold Cheesmur, Vicki Filson, Jane Jones, Helen Robson, Lyn Furness, Nicki Furness, Pam Maloney, Heather Beaumont, Linda Hawkins, Sandra Luttmann, Thelma Blundell, Jane Russ, Jackie Barwell, Ann Slade, Jill Trevett, Christine Cheesmur, Steve Ikin.

**SCOUT EXECUTIVES & FRIENDS OF GUIDING:** Martin Durrant, Helen Bailey, Liz Spurrell, Derek Hanks, Jim Blundell, Mike Furness, Rob Russ, Graham Heath.

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