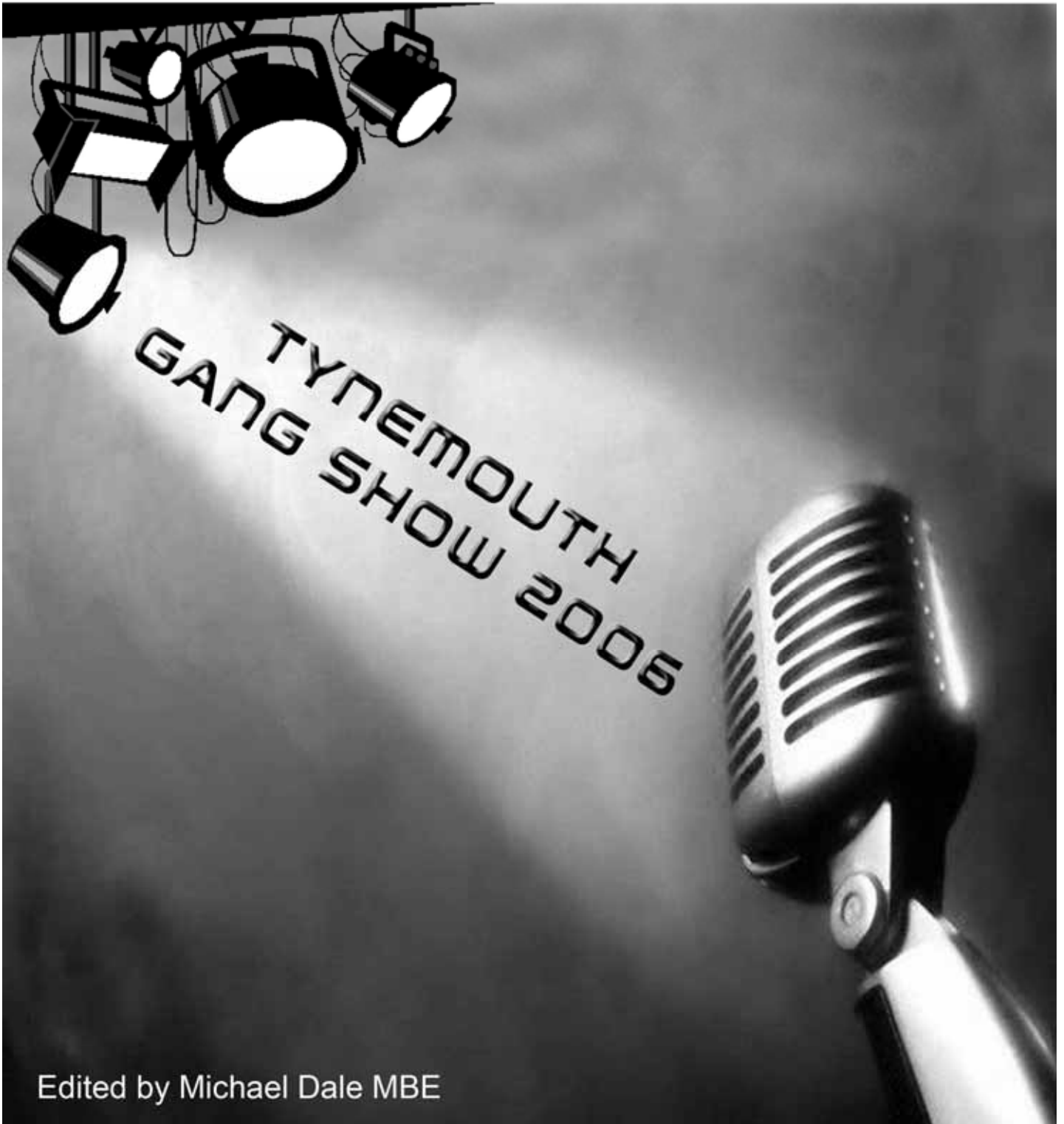




Gang News

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1 Day To Curtain Up

Well we have made it, tomorrow the curtain goes up for a week of fantastic performances and hard work both on and off the stage, but there are still a few things to remember.

Ticket Sales

Tickets are still available from the theatre and will be all week so keep pushing them, get everyone you know to come and see the performance. Going off the rehearsals the audience will be in for a great night out.

Publicity



The publicity for this show is just about finished and I have to say thank you to everyone who has helped with it, especially Nicola.

Now I need to find out what has worked well this year so we know what to do for the next show. A publicity survey will be handed out to the audience at every performance. I am putting a box in the foyer for the completed forms but they also have a bit on saying they can be given to any member of Tynemouth Scouts. If anyone is handed one of the forms can you please make sure it finds it's way back to me (Michael Dale). Thank you.

Post Gang Get Together

Don't forget your ticket for the Reunion Party at the 6th HQ, at 7.00 p.m. on Saturday 27th. January.

The principal entertainment will be the World Premiere of the Gang Show DVD. There'll also be a bar, buffet and raffle, and following the DVD there'll be a Disco – the DJ has been warned to be ready for requests for the Military Two Step.



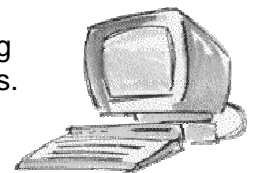
The main part of the evening will be in the Parish Hall but the Disco will be in the Scout Hut next door.

Tickets are just £5 and available from Emma, Zara, Lucy and Swanny. Don't miss this opportunity to attend the social event of the year.

District Web Site

Don't forget the District web site isn't just for Gang Show. Keep checking the site for information about 2007 and all of the other activities the District does.

Anyone can submit items to add and I mean ANYONE. It's not just for the Leaders or the web master to fill. If you have done something good at a weekly meeting, or you want to put on a write up about a camp you have taken part in, send it to Mick Barber our web master via the link on the site.



Each Group has it's own page to fill and at the moment they are looking a bit empty. Sending something in could be used as part of the staged IT badge.

Gang Show DVD / Photographs

Don't forget to order your copy of the Gang Show DVD. The price is £15, which isn't a lot for this professionally produced keepsake. The order form will be distributed during the week of the show and will be available on the website. Unfortunately the finished DVD will not be ready until early in the new year so it will have to be IOU's if you are getting them for Christmas presents.



As well as the DVD there are photos from the dress rehearsal available all the week of the show. They will be on display in the foyer of the theatre and on line on the Gang Show site. Prices will vary according to the size print you want. Order forms will be with the display in the theatre, and on the website and the photos will be distributed as soon as possible.

All orders for the DVD and photos should be handed in with the money, to either Gavin Rule (for the DVD) or Michael Dale (for the photos), there may also be a box left somewhere back stage for orders and money (in sealed envelopes please).

The photos and DVD will be distributed through the Scout Groups as soon as possible. This makes it easier to get them to you and ensures that only people connected with Tynemouth Scouts are able to buy them.

Thank You's

A big thank you to everyone who bought raffle tickets from Nicola Dale at last Sunday's rehearsal. North Tyneside Day Hospice, which is at The Green in Wallsend, raised a total of £365 through the raffle and activities on their open day.

The money is being spent on Christmas presents and activities for the people with life limiting illnesses who go there. Well done to everyone who won prizes, Especially Deborah Henderson who won the first prize of a mini cruise to Amsterdam.

Thank you also to all of you who bought a poppy at rehearsals. The British Legion counted £65.24 in our collection tin which will go to help support serving and ex-Service men, women and their families in their hours of need.



The final thank you for now goes to those of you who helped hand out booking forms at the shopping centre in North Shields last Saturday.

We handed out about 2500 forms, recruited a new Beaver Scout and generally raised the public's awareness of Scouting. Those of us who spoke to the public will know how well we were received and how pleased people were to see Scouts out and about. Well done every one.

Celebrations

A little bird has told us that it is Brian Smith's birthday this Sunday. Happy Birthday from all of us Brian, we won't mention how old you are but enjoy your retirement.



Top Tips

A lot of you have been in the show before, but for those of you who haven't, here's a few top tips for you to help you enjoy the week.

1. Read your Cast Hand book.
2. Do as you are told, when you are told. No one enjoys being told off or doing the telling off.
3. Absolutely NO mobile phones back stage (they cause interference).
4. Don't bring any valuables (watches, cameras etc).
5. Don't forget to bring baby wipes and old towel for the removal of make-up
6. If in doubt about anything – ASK!

To the Cast and the Gang Behind the Gang....

My thanks for all your hard work over the last three months (or longer!) - I hope you have all enjoyed the rehearsals and enjoy the week of the show. It will be an experience you never forget.

Peter Thorp

District Commissioner

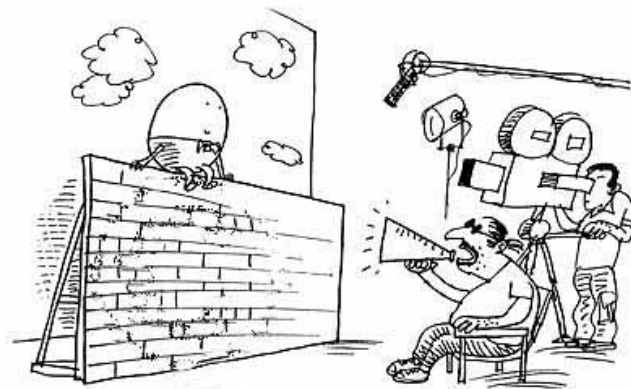
Well, this is it!! Thank you for all your hard work over many weeks. So now.....
Just ENJOY IT

SMILE

and don't pick your nose.....(or anything else!)

With love

David



"OK H.D.- Break a leg."