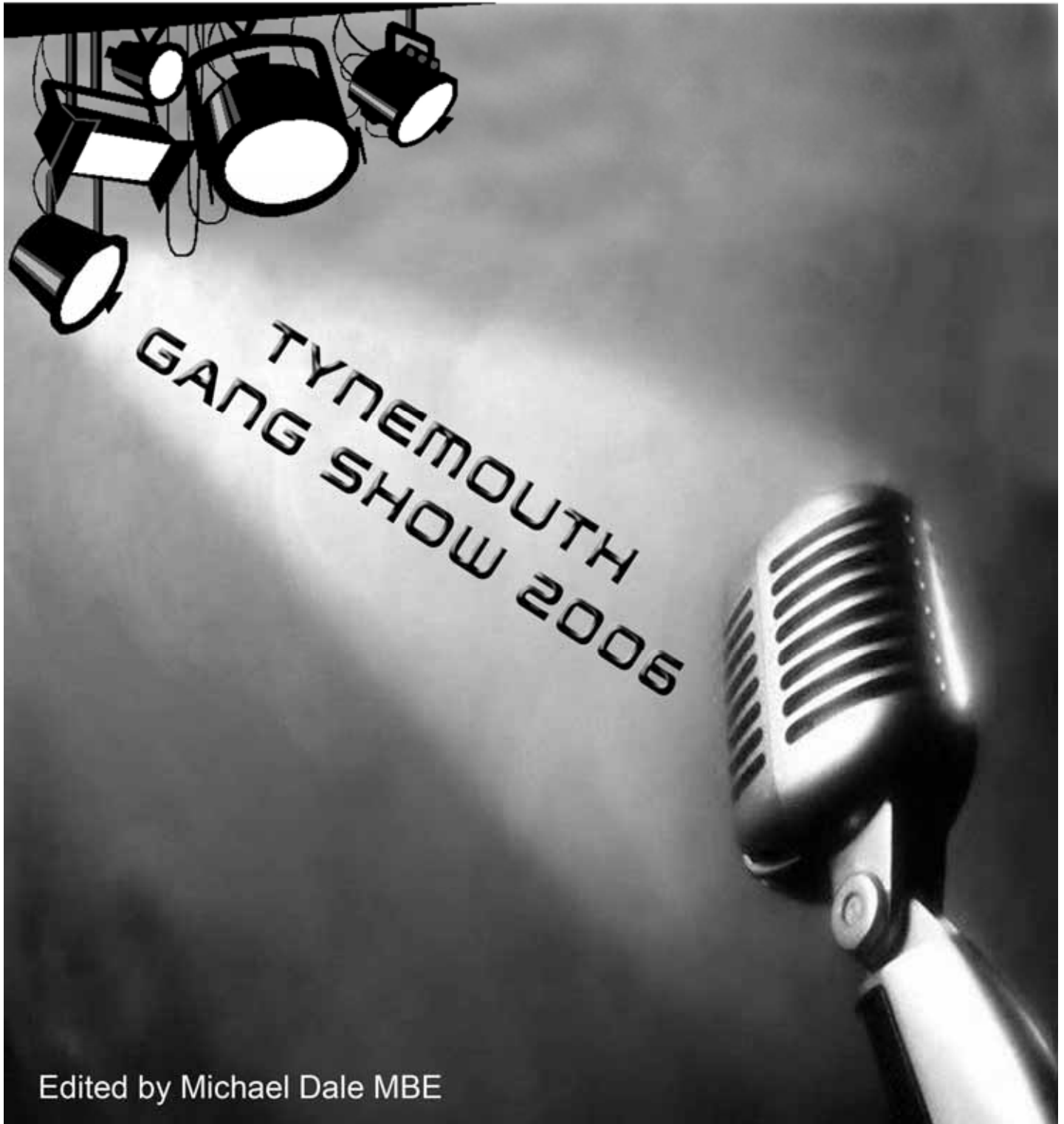




Gang News

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Registration

Don't forget your registration form and photo consent forms **must** be filled in as soon as you can and returned to the Gang Registrar – Margaret Jones. They can both be downloaded from the Gang News page on the District website if you have lost them so there are no excuses.

Rehearsals

Please remember, if you bring a mobile phone with you please either switch it off altogether or at least put it on silent, it is very distracting to hear all the text alerts sounding in the middle of a song.



The Cub rehearsal normally runs from 2pm – 3.15pm, with a joint rehearsal for the last 15 minutes. Please give the Cubs their hour in peace. **Scouts, Explorers and Leaders** not directly involved with the Cub rehearsal, should not go into the hall until they are needed at 3pm.

Ticket Sales

Tickets have started selling, both with us and at the theatre, but there are still plenty available. Please try and sell as many tickets as you can. Get all of your family to go and don't forget to ask your friends and neighbours.



Booking forms can be brought (with the money) to Pat Yorston at the Sunday rehearsals. She has a supply of more forms or you can also download them from the website so let's get the tickets sold.

A Note from David

Last Sunday went well. Thank you for all you did.
Please note:

Thursday 28th September

6.45 - 7.30 Line Dance

6.45 - 7.30 Cockney

7.30 - 8.00 Tap (Junior & Senior)

7.30 - 8.00 Hip Hop

8.00 - 8.20 Military 2 Step

8.20 - 8.40 Charleston

8.40 - 9.00 Kickers

8.00 – 9.00 Circus Skills

Sunday 1 October

Cub Gang 2.00 p.m. (-4.00 p.m.)

Main Gang 3.00 p.m. (-5.30 p.m.)

We intend to take the programme photograph on Sunday. Inevitably this will take time so the Cub Gang will need to stay until 4.00 p.m. and the Main Gang will rehearse until 5.30 p.m. (I will understand if you really need to leave before, but do please try to stay. Thank you.)

Don't forget, for the show you all need...

- Activity Scout Trousers
- Black sandshoes

Keep Smiling!!!

David

Wardrobe – A Reminder

Every member of the cast will need proper Scout activity trousers, black sandshoes and socks. The trousers are available from CW Tents, Backworth, but Paul Willis, the owner, has agreed that we can make a bulk order, as long as it is in by the week before the half term holiday. An order form is included with this Gang News. Money is required with orders and cheques should be made out to "Tynemouth Gang Show".

Sandshoes are available, up to adult size 13 at Dave's Shoe Shop, inside Wilkinson's, Bedford Way, North Shields for a max £3.99. Adult sizes may have to be ordered. If you know a supplier in the Wallsend area please let me know.

The first act finale of the show is a Circus based number, and could I ask the Scouts to please provide a clown costume, as bright and colourful as you like, made by Mum, Grandma, Auntie, Neighbour or even Dad. We will provide a pattern for the costume, and we will also provide hats.

Is there anyone who can sew and would be willing to help make costumes?

If you can help, or if anything referred to above is a problem, please speak to me at rehearsals, or ring me on *(removed by web master)*.

Lesley Harrison
Wardrobe Mistress

District Web Site

The web site is still being updated after every rehearsal, all the forms you are given are added to the site in case you lose them or need extras, keep checking it – you might be on it.

Gang Photographs



The main photograph of the entire Gang will be taken on **Sunday 1st October** (next week) at **3pm** which will mean the Cub Gang will need to stay until 4.00 pm and the Main Gang will rehearse until 5.30 pm.

This is the photo that is put in the centre pages of the programme sold at the show so you all need to look smart. **Please make sure you are in full and correct Scout uniform with dark shoes or trainers, if you don't have Scout trousers then dark school type trousers will do.**

Photo consent forms **must** be in by then. Anyone who has not returned a consent form will not be on the photo so make sure you get your back to us as quickly as possible.

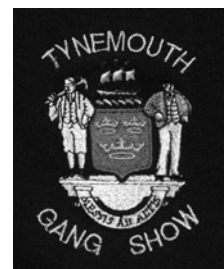
The Gang behind the Gang / Heads of Department photo will be taken after the cast photo. If you are involved in that but are not helping with the cast photo, please meet in the coffee room at 3.30pm. We will be as quick as we can with the cast photo but please be patient with us, these things can take time.

Gang Show Sweatshirts / T- Shirts

Have you seen the Gang Show sweatshirts and collared t-shirts? They are worn by all the best dressed cast and crew during the rehearsals and show? Joycelyn Collie will be arranging an order of them again this year for anyone who wants one.

They come in red or black, child and adult sizes and have the Tynemouth Gang Show badge on them as shown to the right.

Prices will be available in next week's gang news.

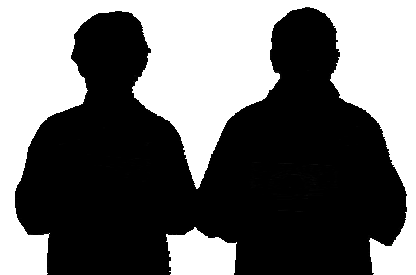


Smiley Awards



The Cub Gang smiley award winners last week were Owen and Daniel.

Scout winners were Abbie and Robert.



Unfortunately I didn't get the Scout photo last week but they will be in next week's gang news.

Theatre Terms

BORDER	A narrow horizontal masking piece, normally of a neutral colour (black) to mask the lighting rig and flown scenery from the audience, and to provide an upper limit to the scene. Often used in conjunction with LEGS.
LEGS	A drape which is set as a masking piece at the side of the acting area. Usually set up in pairs on opposite sides of the stage and used in conjunction with borders to frame the audiences view.
TABS	Originally "tableaux curtains" which drew outwards and upwards, but now generally applied to any stage curtains, including a front curtain, which flies upwards (house tabs) and especially a pair of moving curtains which overlap at the centre and move outwards from that centre.
TORMENTORS	Narrow, masking flat panels adjacent and sometimes at right angles to the border and legs at the front of the stage. So named because they stop you being able to peep beyond, into the secrets of the wings.
WINGS	The out of view areas to the sides of the acting area.

Pringles Tubes

Lol is still after your old Pringles tubes (complete with the plastic lids) for an activity at the Cub activity day on 30th September. He needs 80 but has only managed to get about 20 so far, so please don't throw the tubes away, save them and pass them on to Lol this week.



Celebrations

Happy birthday to Alison Atkinson, ABSL with the 4th Tynemouth, for the 27th of September and happy belated birthday to Nicola Mitchell, Assistant choreographer, it was her birthday on the 16th of September.



If there are any other any other celebrations going on out there let me know and I'll give them a mention.

Raffle

Raffle tickets will be on sale as always, they cost £1 per strip or 20p per ticket. The proceeds will go towards providing all of the cast and crew with gang tea.

If anyone would like to donate prizes for the raffle please bring them to the Sunday rehearsal with you (and don't forget your money to buy a ticket or two).

Things that make you go hhhmmm?

- If 4 out of 5 people SUFFER from diarrhoea does that mean that one enjoys it?
- Do people who are bad at spelling get the full effect of alphabet soup?
- Why is it that when you blow in a dog's face, they get mad at you, but when you take them for a car ride; they stick their head out the window?

Fascinating Facts

- A duck's quack doesn't "echo".
- The reason fire stations have circular stairways is from the days of old when the engines were pulled by horses. The horses were stabled on the ground floor and worked out how to walk up straight staircases.
- The Bible has been translated into Klingon.

Gang News

Have you got something you want including in Gang News? Information can be passed to Michael or Nicola at the rehearsals, you can e-mail it to media@tynemouthscouts.org.uk or you can telephone (removed by web master). Anything sent by e-mail will get an automatic response so you know it has got through, **but please try and get it to him by Wednesday of each week.**