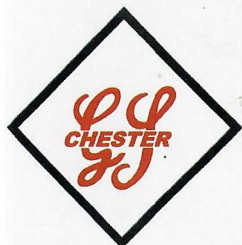


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Chester District Scout Gang Show is a marvellous showcase for local talent and is very much part of the theatre scene, and I am proud to be associated with it.

Each year gives boys and girls the chance to take part in a wonderful experience for both them and the audience.

I would like to thank and congratulate all those who have contributed to making this year and every other year's production possible.

I am sure you will all join me in wishing them every success for now and for the future.

Brian Crowe
Lord Mayor

Not the Producer's LETTER

Hello, everybody!

Welcome to another year and with it another outstanding show filled with sketches, songs and laughter (even if sometimes unintentional).

This year, we've filled the show with comic genius and choreographically sound routines (fingers crossed). We'll be time-travelling back to the '60s to see one of our V.I.P.s; next, will Cilla find her perfect match? We'll be exploring some of the great musicals of our time and we'll be showing you the truth and hardship behind the Producer's job.

I would like to thank everyone who has been involved in this year's show and who have once again managed to dress the stage with beautiful sets, sell the seats, make the costumes as well as making a cup of tea now and then, to name but a few.

I'm sure this year's show seems so different from the first Chester show put on 50 years ago but some things never change: the unpunctual rehearsal arrivals, the chronic illness that hits the Gang at the worst possible time (yesterday) - but through all this, we stride on and battle forward to bring you yet another fantastic edition of the Chester Gang Show, so sit back and "Forget Your Troubles" because you're in for a show tonight!

John Mullock
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(John won a competition to write the above on behalf of the Producer)

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It is now just a year since Roy died during the week of our last show. He was one of a rapidly disappearing breed; his commitment to voluntary work (and Scouting in particular) was exceptional. He was associated with "Scoutabout", as the original Chester Gang Show was called, from 1953 when we staged our first production in the Refectory of Chester Cathedral. By 1958 we had moved to the old Royalty Theatre in City Road (now sadly, demolished) and that was the year in which Roy took over as Producer, his wife Madge being Prompter. He was responsible for 32 shows (as was Ralph Reader), initially from 1958 to 1979 and then secondly from 1987 to 1995.

In addition to his work with "Scoutabout", Roy was also Senior Scout Leader and then from 1954, Group Scout Leader of the 8th Chester Scout Group. He was a holder of the Medal of Merit and the Silver Acorn for services to Scouting. Roy was a cheerful and a gregarious character, a product of the pioneering days of the Movement. We have all lost a dedicated colleague and a very good friend.

Gerald Roose.

(A more comprehensive appreciation appears on our website: www.chestergangshow.net)

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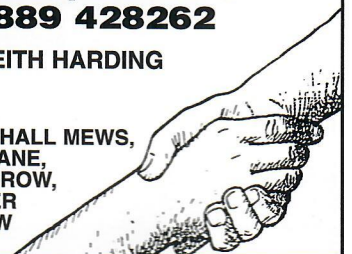
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Gang Show provides a great public image for Scouting in the Chester area, offering all those that take part a unique opportunity to show off their theatrical talents. It takes a lot of people's time and effort to put on a show like this, not only members of the cast but also all those individuals who work tirelessly in the background. Scouting, and Gang Show in particular, benefits from the efforts of all these people. May I take this opportunity to thank all those involved with the production of this year's show in whatever capacity, for all their time and effort in making the show the success it is. I wish Richard and his team every success in this year's production.

Yours in Scouting

Glyn Jones
District Commissioner
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Musical Director & Arranger: **Colin Parfitt**

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CONTACTS

If you are interested in helping with the Show, or in becoming a Gang member, or you would like further information regarding Scouting in Chester, please contact one of the following by phone:

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CHESTER GANG SHOW

2003

First HALF

- 1 Forget Your Troubles**
- 2 McNamara's Band**
- 3 AM 2 PM**
- 4 Very Very Blind Date**
- 5 The International Scout Of Mystery**
- 6 Producer's Nightmare**
- 7 Old McDonald's Farm**
- 8 Musicale**

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Second HALF

- 1 Foot-loose**
- 2 The Company Will Recite**
- 3 Cars**
- 4 The Italian Job**
- 5 Sweet Dreams**
- 6 Tunnel Trouble**
- 7 7/8 Monty!**
- 8 People Who Need People**

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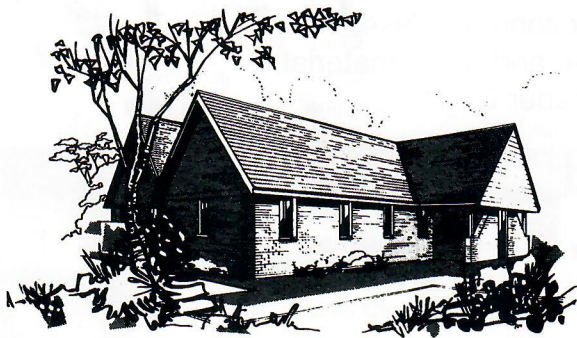
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THE COMPANY WILL RECITE Author unknown; edited and directed by **David Jones**
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PEOPLE WHO NEED PEOPLE Devised and directed by **Trevor Jones**; choreographed by **Kelly Hatherall**

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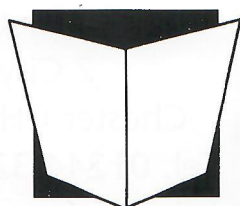
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