

Welcome to the latest issue of Castaway Newsletter!

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From
The Castaway Team

NEXT SHOW ANNOUNCED! DAVID COPPERFIELD

Adapted from Dickens by Deborah McAndrews Music by Conrad Nelson.
Junction Goole 10 - 13 June 2020.



Castaway Cabaret

A great start to this year's events as members of Castaway Music Theatre brought songs from shows we've done and from many we haven't to two fundraising evenings in October.

Thanks to Natalie Walker and Tom Hill for designing and directing and to all the cast members who gave their time and enthusiasm, including some first time soloists.



Saturday Youth



A busy autumn too for our Saturday youth groups. Sloop Young Musicians composed sound samples for this amazing Celestial Sound Cloud, brought to Goole by Pif Paf Theatre to celebrate Junction's 10th birthday on 9th November. Sloopers activated the sound by moving underneath the installation and despite a few technical hitches enjoyed the challenge on a very cold morning.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY JUNCTION!! AND THANK YOU FOR SO MANY HAPPY MEMORIES.



Back in the warm Robert Readman held a call out session for young performers for David Copperfield with plenty of enthusiastic responses. A week later the group were delighted when BBC Look North showed a film of Youth Theatre members warming up, led by Elle Douglas, and explaining why the group, which is funded by BBC Children in Need, means so much to them see CastawayGoole Facebook. Well done everyone!

LOOKING BACK - CASTAWAY SUMMER



Youth Theatre: Ready to Roald

Our summer project 'Ready To Roald' used the stories of Dahl as a tool to create an original devised performance. We incorporated our favourite scenes from his stories and brought them to life on stage using acting, singing, dancing and music. Our devised show was performed to family and friends on the final afternoon. Next day we ran a theatre trip to Hull Truck to see another production of *The Wind in The Willows*, taking members of Castaway's adult cast along with us. A great week together and lots of fun. ED

SOUND BITES: Summer Music and Film

Funding by East Riding Positive Activity Grants made possible a fabulous 3 day youth project in late August. Participants made fantastic 15 second films with original soundtracks and uploaded them to Instagram and Facebook, giving our social media a boost. The range of imaginative responses to this challenge was amazing with Tom, Katie and Natalie as a great tech and production team.



3 Slo-Mo Jumpers

Tom's Dinosaur



Castaway Creative and Act: Journey

Before the summer break Castaway Act and Creative groups collaborated on a piece called *Journey* based on a native american folk tale shared by story teller Francis Kelly who worked with Creative at the start of the year. The story tells of a group of people who would meet every year at the top of a mountain and share an item that was important to them. The groups worked together to create a multimedia performance featuring, poetry, dance, music, puppetry and projection. TH



FUNDRAISING NEWS

Charity of the Year

Heptonstalls Solicitors, in Goole and Pontefract, has officially launched a new charitable partnership with Castaway Music Theatre. Castaway opened its doors to colleagues from Heptonstalls on Friday 8th November and welcomed them with performances from Castaway Sing and CMT and colleagues from the law firm held a 'Great Heptonstalls Bake-off' to raise funds for the charity. We're looking forward to meeting more Heptonstalls staff and inviting them to events through the year.



L-R: Jessica Poole (Prince of Wales Hospice), Margaret Hicks-Clarke (Castaway trustee) with Heptonstalls director Sarah Johnson, Bake-off winner Emma Thompson and Jane Rogers, editor of the Goole Times.

Castaway Creative and Act



After a massive amount of work by the Fundraising Committee, the Christmas Fair on 16 November was a huge success, full to capacity, lots of fun, great stalls, Santa's grotto and carol singing to launch the festive season. Thanks to everyone, including Father Christmas and his elves, and congratulations on an amazing £1020 raised.

Friends of Castaway

Castaway relies on our member contributions, other grant and trust funding and the fantastic support we receive from the local community, but also on financial support from individuals and businesses as Friends of Castaway. Friends are kept informed of the work that Castaway is doing throughout the year and any upcoming events. Friends of Castaway have always been important to us as 100% of the funds received go directly to supporting the members in their activities.

Thank you to everyone who's recently joined – please keep spreading the word!



Upcoming Events

GRAND PRIZE DRAW

Thursday 5th December - Tickets from Castaway Office
01405 761423

CHRISTMAS CAROL SINGING

Friday 6th December Goole Library 10.30am
Friday 13th December Hanover Court 10.30am
Costa Coffee 1pm

CASTAWAY SING AT MIRES BECK NURSERY

Saturday 28th March tbc

DAVID COPPERFIELD

Junction Goole Wednesday 10 to Saturday 13 June
Evenings 7.30pm Matinees Wednesday 1pm, Saturday 2.30pm
Tickets: Junction Box Office 01405 763652

Want to Volunteer? Contact Us!

We need drivers, costumes, hair and make-up for our main performance which takes place in June each year.

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