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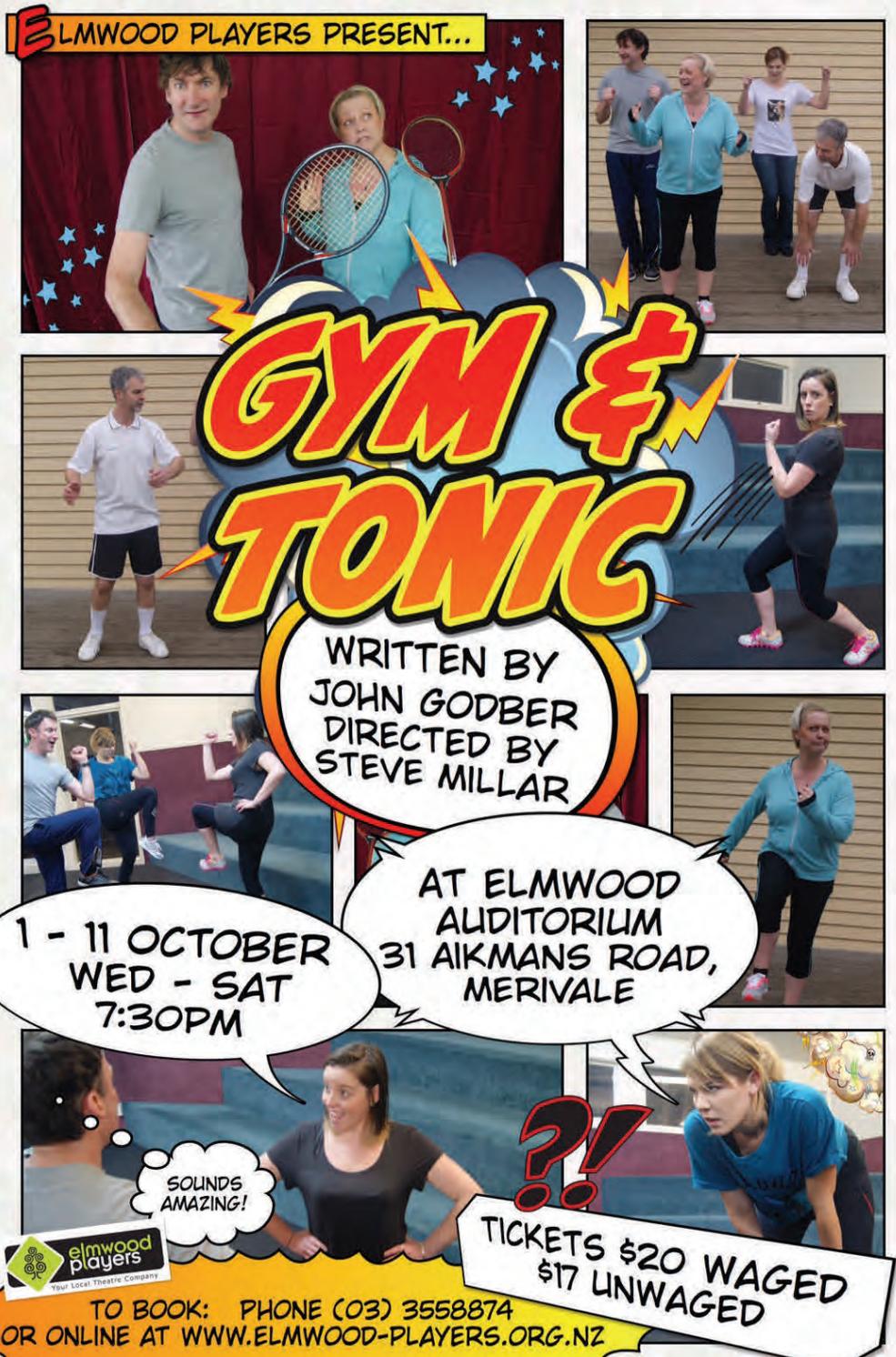
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## Performance Notice

Bookings Now Open!



**ELMWOOD PLAYERS PRESENT...**

**GYM & TONIC**

WRITTEN BY  
JOHN GODBER  
DIRECTED BY  
STEVE MILLAR

AT ELMWOOD AUDITORIUM  
31 AIKMANS ROAD,  
MERIVALE

1 - 11 OCTOBER  
WED - SAT  
7:30PM

SOUNDS AMAZING!

!?!?

TICKETS \$20 WAGED  
\$17 UNWAGED

TO BOOK: PHONE (03) 3558874  
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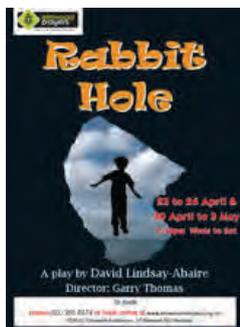


## Elmwood Diary

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## 8th Annual Woodies Award Results

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## Prez's Corner



### From the Prez

Hi there fellow Elmwoodites, as we leave behind winter and head into spring – although weather wise, who knows what that will bring. Lot's happening at the moment, with our next production about to open, and the finalising of our 2015 programme, along with some strategic planning.

### "Gym And Tonic"

This bitter-sweet comedy opens on 1 October, and from the rehearsals I've seen, you're guaranteed plenty of laughs and maybe some deep thinking as well. A stellar cast under the direction of Steve Millar, this two week season should build nicely on the success of our last full play offering, the NZ comedy "Thick As Thieves". Opening night is the usual two-for-one deal for financial members, and we also have a liquor licence and EFTPOS facilities, so don't be shy, we'd love to see you there. Also, included in this newsletter you will find a voucher for a free drink when you present it at FOH when purchasing your ticket.

### "The Owl And The Pussycat"

Our January Children's Theatre season has had a change of production; we will now be presenting "The Owl And The Pussycat", directed by Anna Willows, who you have very likely seen on stage at Elmwood in last years "Well Hung", this years "Rabbit Hole" and will see in the upcoming "Gym And Tonic". Auditions are set for 1 November, with full details available next month (October).

### Elmwood Auditorium

Our current Agreement with Elmwood Normal School comes to an end in December 2015, but we do have right of renewal, and are currently in negotiations to so for a further period of time. The committee believes that if we are careful with what we stage, the auditorium serves our purposes well.

### NZTF Theatre Fest

Well done to all those involved in the three one act plays Elmwood presented as part of this year's Theatre NZ short play festival. Congratulations to Sheree Hawker for Best Actor (Female) Award, and Josh Penfold for his Emerging Talent Award at the National Finals in Wellington, for their work in "Verbatim". A big thank you to Susan Cameron, who production managed and stage managed these productions, as well as directing one of the plays ("Verbatim") – no mean feat, so well done and thank you. I have to say it was pleasant to see Riccarton Players at the National finals along with Elmwood Players; its nice to have such a good relationship with our sister society.

So that's it from me – don't forget to clip your free drink voucher, and I'll see you at "Gym And Tonic"

Cheers

Gaz

## Preview "Gym & Tonic" In Rehearsal





Watch out for more  
Information...

## "Gym and Tonic"

Bookings Now  
Open!

Book Online at

[www.elmwood-players.org.nz](http://www.elmwood-players.org.nz)



## Free Drinkies!

And don't forget the Opening Night 2-for-1 Deal (One click on your card gains two free tickets on opening night). On joining Elmwood Players, you become a member of Christchurch's friendliest amateur theatre society.

And now one complimentary glass of wine, beer or soft drink. Print out the voucher below and bring with you to opening night. If there is more than one person who wants to see the show, simply make a photocopy of this voucher. One voucher per person per ticket purchased; Liquor laws apply.

### Opening Night Drinks

# FREE!

**ON STAGE 1 - 4 and 8 to 11 October,  
Weds to Sat, 7:30pm**

Present this voucher when you come to see the bitter-sweet stage comedy, "Gym and Tonic", purchase a ticket and get a free glass of wine, beer or soft drink.

If there is more than one person who wants to see the show, simply make photocopy this voucher. One voucher per person per ticket purchased; Liquor laws apply.

To redeem this voucher, you must purchase a ticket

## Elmwood Players Diary 2014 - 2015

Keep these days free

1 October	"Gym & Tonic" (Dir: Steve Millar)
1 November	Auditions: "The Owl And The Pussycat"
15 Jan 2015	"The Owl And The Pussycat" (Dir: Anna Willows)
14 February	Auditions: "The Hen Night Epiphany"
8 April 2015	"The Hen Night Epiphany" (Dir: Garry Thomas)
10 June 2015	"Proof"(Dir: Sam Primrose)
August 2015	"Some Like It Short – a season of NZ Short Plays"
30 Sept. 2015	"Sex Cells" (Dir: Marilyn Ollet)



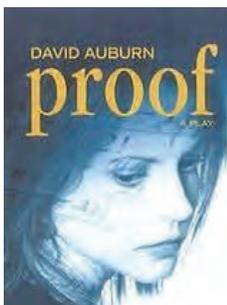
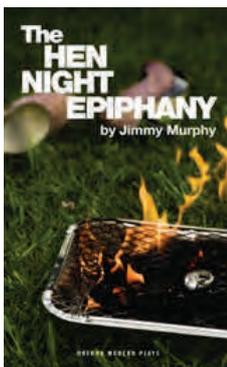
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### Quick Look Programme 2014—2015



## Elmwood Players 2014—2015



### “Gym & Tonic”

By John Godber

Dir: Steve Millar

1 to 4 and 8 – 11 October

Don and Shirley Weston have come to the Scardale Hall Health Hydro to relax, pamper themselves and just possibly rescue their ailing marriage.

### “The Owl And The Pussycat”

By Tim Bra

Directed by: Anna Willows

15 to 18 and 22 to 24 January 2015

Elmwood Players annual Children’s Theatre returns with this re-telling of this classic tale.

### “The Hen Night Epiphany”

By Jimmy Murphy

Dir: Garry Thomas

Should some secrets never be kept no matter what the cost? When bride-to-be Una drags her two friends, her future mother-in-law and her fiance’s godmother to her newly purchased run-down cottage (“only 80 minutes from Dublin”) for her hen night, an evening of bickering and revelation is on the cards.

And Una is keeping a secret that, if revealed, will destroy all hopes of her dream wedding and living happily ever after with the love of her life. As the play unfolds we see the women, one by one, forced to confront awkward truths of their own.

### “Proof”

By David Auburn

Dir: Sam Primrose

June 2015

The daughter of a brilliant but mentally disturbed mathematician recently deceased tries to come to grips with her possible inheritance: his insanity.

Complicating matters are one of her father’s ex students who wants to search through his papers and her estranged sister who shows up to help settle his affairs.

Winner of 2001 Pulitzer Prize for Drama and Tony Award for Best Play.



### “Some Like It Short”

(A season of NZ Short Plays)

Another season of one act plays. Directors and plays TBC



### “Sex Cells”

By Anna Longaretti

Dir: Marilyn Ollett

October 2015

Set in a busy call centre selling sex toys, Sex Cells is a bitter-sweet comedy drama that explores motherhood, friendship, love and loss through the relationships and rivalries of four women and their Manager, Mr Causeway.