



A Message From The Director

May I first offer a warm welcome to Bonkers Playhouse Theatre.

A Trivial Pursuit is one of those plays that intrigues a director from the first read. It is very much a situational comedy and relies heavily on the acting

thank all four performers for their dedication and hard work to bring this play to life.

A big thank you also goes to you, our audience, without whom we could not continue to bring quality live theatre to the community. So, for now, sit back, relax and enjoy 'A Trivial Pursuit'.

"The enemy of theatre is the absence of imagination"

Mark Walker

About N.O.D.A.

Professional support for amateur theatre:

Founded in 1899 to protect and advance the interests of operatic and dramatic art, and of societies engaged therein, NODA's membership is currently over 2,500 society members and 2,500 individual enthusiasts staging musicals, operas, plays, concerts and pantomimes in venues ranging from the country's leading professional theatres to village halls.

NODA's Aim:

Give a shared voice to the amateur theatre sector. Help amateur societies and individuals achieve the highest standards of best practice and performance.

Provide leadership and advice to enable the amateur theatre sector to tackle the challenges and opportunities of the time.

NODA Structure:

Each of NODA's 11 regions is headed by a councillor who sits on the ruling body of the association (The National Council). In turn they are supported by a network of regional representatives and committee members who provide a vital link to the grass roots of the association. NODA is administered from headquarters in Peterborough by a knowledgeable and friendly staff.



Acknowledgements

Costumes - The Cast Set - Bonkers Theatrical Props - Bonkers Theatrical & Carly Walker Front Of House - Jane Walker Website - Paul Lucking



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Meet The Cast

Left to right in the photograph

PAM DEE joins us for her 9th Bonkers production. Ever reliable and always gives 100% to her character and performance. We hope to see Pam again very soon.

GORDON RITCHIE A Trivial Pursuit is Gordon's 6th outing with us. Harder to get hold of in recent years as he is in demand from many companies around the county.



ALAN GALWAY Our longest serving member, racking up his 28th production. Not only is Alan a great performer but he is also a great friend and confidant when required.

BECKY WOODHAM Tackling just her 3rd role with Bonkers and her biggest by far. Becky has risen to the challenge with no problems whatsoever. We would be delighted to see her again very soon.

Our Previous Productions

Blood Brothers - July 2009 One Flew Over The Cuckoo's Nest - May 2010 Stags And Hens - Oct 2010 Of Mice And Men - May 2011 The Audition - Oct 2011 Live! - May 2012 Stand And Deliver - Oct 2012 **Exam** - March 2013 Behind Closed Doors - June 2013 Frozen - Oct 2013 Glengarry Glen Ross - May 2014 Bonnie And Clyde - Sept 2014 Bowing Out - Nov 2015 Lucky Me - May 2016 Sex Cells - Sept 2017 Whose Life Is It Anyway? - Feb 2018 The Vagina Monologues - Mar 2018 Orphans - May 2018 Blackbird - Aug 2018 Bonkers Do... Blues Brothers & Commitments - Nov 2018 The Eight Reindeer Monologues - Dec 2018 Tell Me On A Sunday - Jan 2019 Parents Evening - Mar 2019 Bonkers Do The Movies - Apr 2019 A Dolls House - June 2019 Blood Brothers - July 2019 2 Across - Oct 2019 Bonkers Do Christmas - Dec 2019 I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change - Jan 2020 Venus In Fur - Mar 2020 The Great Big Comedy Show - July 2021 Bonkers Do... The Rat Pack - Sept 2021 Educating Rita - Dec 2021 Stop!... The Play - Apr 2022 The Bench - July 2022 An Evening With Gary Lineker - Nov 2022 Bonkers Do... The Carpenters - Jan 2023 Par For The Course - Apr 2023 The Guys - Sept 2023 The Xmas Factor - Dec 2023 Musicals Of The Decades - Apr 2024 Imaginarium - June 2024 Shirley Valentine - Oct 2024

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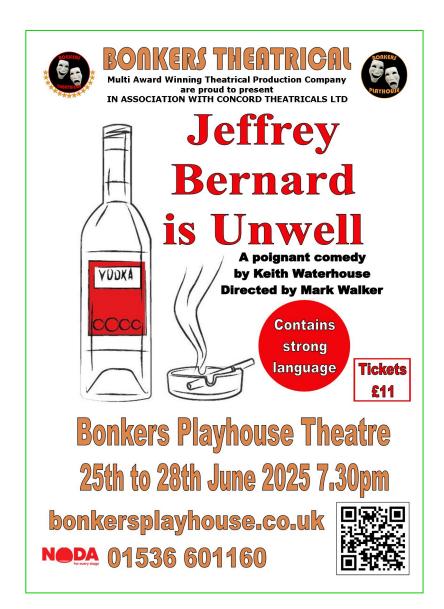


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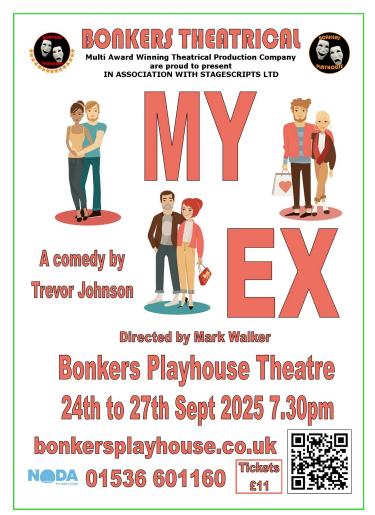
Friday 25th April 2025

Come and join us for a fun filled night of racing. Horses, Dog's and maybe the odd surprise or two. Just £3 entry and £1 per bet makes for an inexpensive but fun evening. Licensed bar will be open during the event. Suitable for all ages.



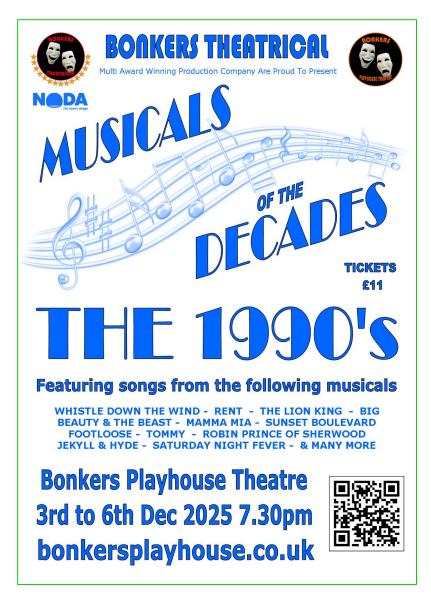
25th to 28th June 2025

Gambler, journalist, fervent alcoholic and four-times married Jeffrey Bernard writes the "Low Life" column for the Spectator magazine chronicling Soho life as well as offering a very personal philosophy on vodka, women and race-courses. From this, Keith Waterhouse has brilliantly constructed a play (the title being the euphemism used by the Spectator when Bernard is incapable of writing his column) which is set in the saloon bar of Bernard's favourite Soho pub, the Coach and Horses. Having passed out in the lavatory, Bernard awakes in the early hours of the morning to find himself alone and in the dark. Unable to contact the landlord, he is resigned to spending the rest of the night with a bottle of vodka and an endless chain of cigarettes, narrating a story of hilarious anecdotes and witty reminiscences which are enacted by two actors and two actresses who bring to life the various characters who populate Jeff 's world.



24th to 27th September 2025

Three couples Paul and Penelope, Andy and Susie, and Geoffrey and Alice have recently moved into a cul-de-sac on an estate of mock-Georgian houses. Paul and Penelope invite the others to a 'get-to-know-each-other' dinner party. From the beginning all six people know, for individual reasons, that there is something unusual about the evening. Penelope is determined to create the right impression. She is sure invitation cards with gold lettering, vintage champagne, and a chef to cook dinner will say wealth and class sophistication. Paul comes from 'old money' so doesn't need to impress. He does what Penelope tells him but takes opportunities to have a sly 'dig' at her when other people are there. Andy runs his own catering company and thinks he's God's gift to women, and immediately flirts with Penelope, something that she pretends not to find flattering. Susie likes jewellery and clothes. She met Andy in the cocktail bar of the 'Club For Gentlemen And Their Friends' where she worked. Alice teaches psychology at the university. She is worried about leaving her daughter with an inexperienced babysitter. Geoffrey is a professor of chemistry and is normally shy in the company of strangers. As separate conversations develop before and after dinner the past lives of the six people are slowly revealed, to the horror of some and the delight of others. All have been divorced for five years. Penelope was married to Geoffrey, Alice was married to Andy, and Susie was married to Paul. At the end of the evening the partners know, but the others don't.



3rd to 6th December 2025

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