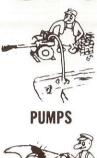


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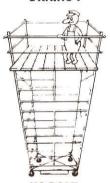
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Often in the co-operative climate of a group such as the "Gang Show" participants form associations, set standards of mutual action, and establish friendships that endure. While the intention is to provide a few hours of pleasurable entertainment, the participants often carry away memories that last their whole lives through. Scouting and Guiding cannot alone ensure young (and old) participants will be better persons for having taken part, but by creating the atmosphere where enthusiasm, energy, creativity, and talent can be released, and channelled toward some kind of end, participants become aware of their own potential in our changing society. Tonight's "Gang Show" is the end result of a year's planning, and thirty one years accumulated experience. Those of the company you see on the stage tonight are only a small fraction of the total group involved. The network of involvement spreads farther and farther back through the movement, to parents and friends, and eventually through the whole of our society. Somewhere among all those friends who helped, there exists a group of parents who provided heating for the rehearsal hall (They had to get the penguins out first), food to sustain life and hot coffee to keep the hands warm. To those people, and to everyone else who assisted in any manner at all, the company says, thanks. Now let us entertain vou. . .

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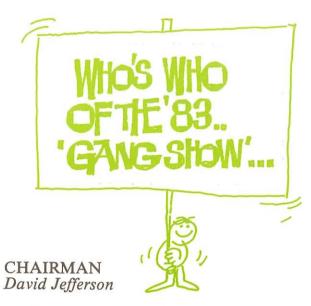
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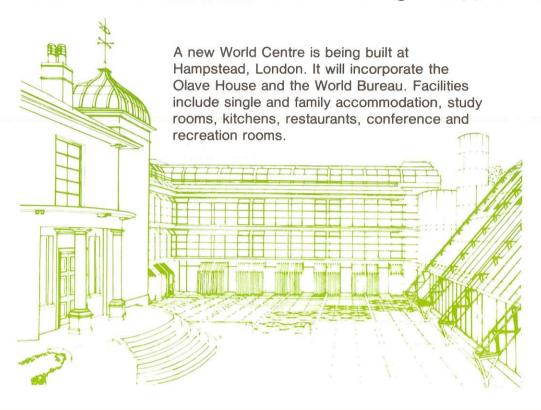
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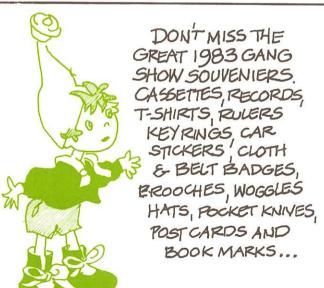
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Around Victoria and all over Australia shows similar in spirit to Melbourne Gang Show are staged by enthusiastic participants united by the common bond of Scouting.

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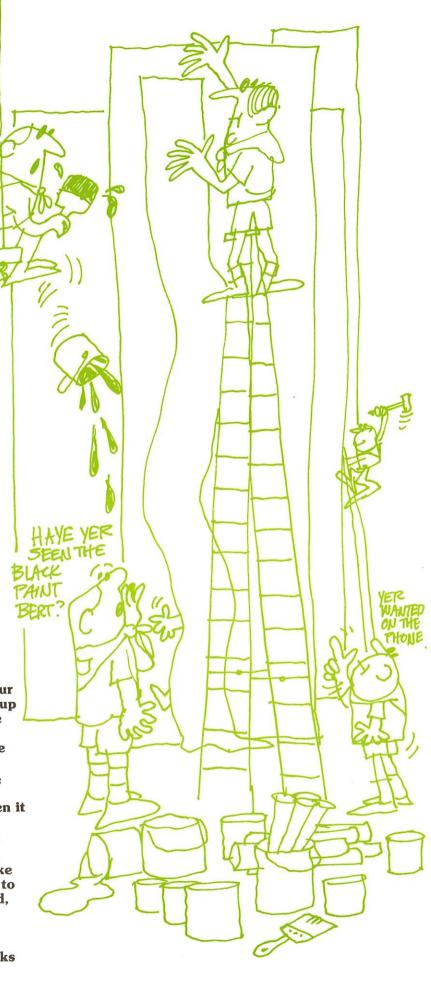
They have to work alone and at a distance: their hammering upsets the musicans, falling flats endanger the unwary and they get paint everywhere, but the end result is pure "Magic". . . You need a castle? O.K. but first we have to complete a space ship, and a model of the planet Mars, complete with a couple of monsters. . .just leave your sketch over there by the door under that bottle of glue. . . Hard tasks are done immediately; miracles take a little longer.

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Often it's a matter of a complete remake, rather than a modification.

Each year as the Gang Show has grown in scale and sophistication the demands on all the services has grown to an extraordinary degree. Bigger and better production numbers require that the cast be served with an ever increasing level of expertise. What would have served to satisfy the needs of the cast several years ago will no longer prove suitable today.

Thanks to all you tailors, seamstresses, and magicians with cloth and cotton - yer great.

How do you turn a thirteen year old boy into a witch?...send him to the make up people. They'll

turn him into Quasimodo if the script calls for it and they'll do it every night of the "Gang Show",

and they'll do it well.

These are the genius's or genii who can even turn a thirteen year old into a passably endearing youth and that's no mean feat. Before each performance every member of the twenty two acts. the make up people prepare the whole of the cast for each act, and when the act is completed, clean it all off again.

A make up artist is a very capable and versatile person who must be equally adept at creating wounds that would kill any normal mortal or creating a growth of hair on a billiard ball. With many of the "Gang Show" acts being big production numbers with many in the cast, there is a need for not one but many make up artists.





Here is that happy band of people who deal in tickets, and printed matter generally. They remain smiling and polite even if you go back a dozen or more times changing your seats. They travel the land beating the drum for the Gang Show and working up ticket sales, perhaps they even sold you your ticket, or convinced you that you should attend. . . They leave no tern unstoned in their promotional activities.

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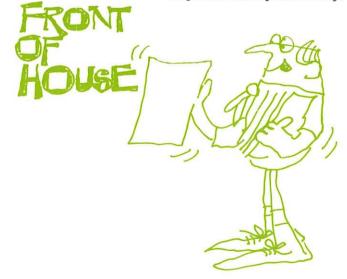
Sounds like a "barker" at a country show, selling snake oil, but such is not the case. These people are responsible for creating order out of total chaos. Working in the "fast forward" mode they sort out in less time than it takes to tell the thousands of patrons milling around in the foyer of the theatre in the bare ten minutes or so before "curtain up". The fact that you are sitting in your seat just shows how well they do their job. . .you are sitting in your seat aren't you? These people have been especially selected because of their ability to remain calm, cool, and collected under the most trying conditions, because you the audience, everyone of you, is special to us all.



One might be forgiven for thinking that if there is one thing that we have plenty of it is sound. Certainly a lot of the sound around the place is pretty undisciplined but we're working on it. The main problem with sound is the one of organization. It's got to be in the right place at the right time or it's pretty useless. . .

Playing with sound is a bit like making a cake; just the right proportions of a whole variety of noises carefully selected, blended, mixed with respect to various weights, and then radiated out to the audience, and you have perfect bliss.

It's magic and the Gang Show noise tamers are justifiably proud of their end effect; so much so they produce a cassette of their efforts just to play back on dark and dreary nights. They will even sell you a copy, but you have to be polite and speak softly. . .





Now that you have experienced a Gang Show, what can you offer to make the next show a success? Do you feel the urge to get up and entertain? Do you feel an empathy between yourself and the **audience**, do you have the need to be rich and famous - well almost rich and famous: If you do, the Gang Show could open a whole new world for you. . .

The concept of the Gang Show has a long and illustrious history, and many famous people have had their first stage experience with Gang Show. We don't want to skite but. . .people such as Harry Secombe and Peter Sellers once trod the stage in productions of the Gang Show. They're not bad talents to follow. . .

How about taking the first step now. . .fill in the form on the next page and register notice of your interest. In a month or so, after we have recovered from the current show, we will make contact with you.



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