

# BURTON OPERATIC SOCIETY

(The Musical Theatre Company)

PROUDLY PRESENTS

## HMS Pinafore

### - TRIAL BY JURY -

BY GILBERT & SULLIVAN



**at de Ferrers Academy**

Harehedge Lane, Burton-on-Trent DE13 0AS

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
**February at 7.30pm**  
**and Saturday Matinee 2.30pm**

The Society is affiliated to the Burton Arts Council and the  
National Operatic and Dramatic Association



Costumes by Lichfield Costume Hire, Creative Wear and self provided



# SYNOPSIS

## - Act I -

"Pinafore" is anchored in Sydney Harbour, Australia. The crew are busy rehearsing for the expected arrival of The Admiral, Sir Joseph Porter K.C.B. Little Buttercup, a local woman, comes aboard with a stock of Australian goodies for the crew.

It transpires that a handsome young crewman, Ralph, is in love with the Captain's daughter, Josephine. She, however, is to be betrothed to Sir Joseph Porter, who duly arrives attended by "his sister and his cousin and his aunt". In the meantime, Ralph plans to elope with Josephine, the plot is overheard by Dick Deadeye of the technical crew.

## - Act II -

The crew of "Pinafore" present "Trial by Jury" as the on board entertainment for the passengers.

When the show is over the Captain of the Cruise ship is alone on deck and sings to the moon. Little Buttercup comes to him and reveals her affection. He tells her that because of his rank he can only be her friend; but she hints that a change is in store for him.

Sir Joseph returns, complaining that Josephine does not favour his suit. The Captain comforts him by averring that she is awed by his lofty station and suggests that he plead his cause on the ground that love levels all ranks. Still Josephine does not respond, for her heart is set upon Ralph.

Dick Deadeye reveals the elopement plan and he and the Captain lie in wait for the crew. The elopers are captured, and the Captain is so exasperated that he actually swears, which is overheard by Sir Joseph. For this breach of morals, the Captain is ordered to his cabin.

Little Buttercup discloses a secret, telling how the Captain and Ralph had been accidentally exchanged while they were both babies. Where upon Sir Joseph Porter sends for Ralph and makes him Captain and at the same time reduces Corcoran to Ralph's former grade of 'able seaman'. Now, since it is out of the question for one of Sir Joseph's exalted station to marry the daughter of a mere seaman, his Lordship nobly consents to the marriage of Ralph and Josephine. The Captain consoles himself with Buttercup.



**DIRECTOR & CHOREOGRAPHER**  
Steven Foster



**MUSICAL DIRECTOR**  
David Blackwell

# ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The Committee, on behalf of the Society, wishes to express its grateful thanks to: TradeTeam, de Ferrers Academy, Dean & Smedley – Family Pharmacy and anyone else who helped to make "HMS Pinafore with Trial by Jury" a success – Thank You.

We extend our sincere thanks to you, our audience, for your continued support of our productions. The audience is respectfully requested not to smoke in the building or outside as the whole of the campus is a no smoking area, and not to use flash photography in the auditorium during the performance. **ALL MOBILE PHONES MUST BE SWITCHED OFF.** The Society cannot accept responsibility for any articles left in the cloakroom.

The Society welcomes new members. If you are interested in singing, acting, building or painting scenery, costumes or helping with front of house please telephone the Secretary on 01283 540781.



# CHARACTERS



Captain  
**ANDREW HAMBLETON**



Ralph /Defendant (Trial)  
**LEE SMITH**



Josephine  
**CHRISTINA BAILEY**



Buttercup  
**KAREN HAMBLETON**



Hebe  
**SAM WALKER**



Sir Joseph  
**MELVYN EDWARDS**



Deadeye  
**OLY WRIGHT**



Judge (Trial)  
**MIKE STORR**



Usher (Trial)  
**ANDY LAST**



Jeffrey/Foreman of Jury (Trial)  
**MARK HARGREAVES**



Billy  
**JOE MORGAN**



Plaintiff (Trial)  
**LAURA HODDER**



Counsel for Plaintiff (Trial)  
**ALAN LOWE**

## Crew

Kevin Storr, Richard Dean, Georgia Dennis, Lauren Sewell, Jean Mason,  
Angela Wynne, Alison Barrett, Georgia Brabbin, Fiona Wright,  
Rachel Edwards, Sarah Flint, Helena Stone, Amy Glover



# SCENES AND MUSICAL NUMBERS

## - Act I -

We Sail the Ocean Blue . . . . .	Chorus
I'm Called Little Buttercup . . . . .	Little Buttercup
arr. P. Robinson & S. Foster	
The Nightingale Sighed for the . . . . .	Ralph Rackstraw
Moon's Bright Ray	
A Maiden Fair to See . . . . .	Ralph Rackstraw
My Gallant Crew, Good Morning . . . . .	Captain Corcoran and Chorus
Sorry her Lot Who Loves Too Well . . . . .	Josephine
Sir Joseph's Barge is Seen . . . . .	Chorus
Now Give Three Cheers . . . . .	Sir J. Porter, Cousin Hebe
	Captain Corcoran and Chorus
When I was a Lad . . . . .	Sir J. Porter and Chorus
For I Hold that on the Seas . . . . .	Sir J. Porter, Cousin Hebe
	and Chorus
A British tar . . . . .	Ralph, Bill Bobstay, Bob Beckett
Refrain, Audacious Tar . . . . .	Josephine and Ralph
Can I Survive this Overbearing . . . . .	Ralph, Dick Deadeye, Cousin
	Hebe, Josephine, Chorus

## - Act II -

Trial by Jury . . . . .	Crew of HMS Pinafore
Fair Moon, to Thee I Sing . . . . .	Captain Corcoran
Things are Seldom what they Seem . . . . .	Little Buttercup and Captain
The Hours Creep on Apace . . . . .	Josephine
Never Mind the Why and Wherefore . . . . .	Josephine, Captain, Sir J. Porter
Kind Captain I've Important Information . . . . .	Captain and Dick Deadeye
Carefully on Tip-toe Stealing . . . . .	Chorus
Farewell, my Own . . . . .	Company
A Many Years Ago . . . . .	Little Buttercup and Chorus
Oh Joy! Oh Rapture Unforseen . . . . .	Company

## ORCHESTRA

Nick Stacey - Clarinet  
 Jo Eyley - Bass Clarinet  
 Sarah Cresswell - Violin  
 Lynda Benson - Horn  
 Richard Hair - Bass  
 Dave Shipley - Drums  
 Carla Ownsworth - Oboe/Cor Anglais  
 Clair Mott - Flute/Piccolo  
 Karen Thompson - Piano



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