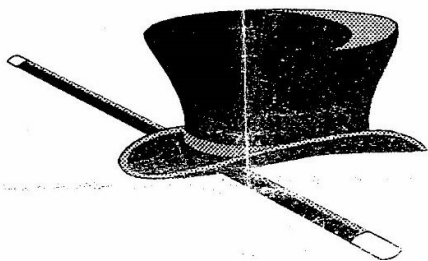


COMPANY THEATRE

*Presents*

**THE MAD MAD WORLD  
OF THEATRE**



**A COMEDY VARIETY SHOW**

Plus the hilarious One Act Play

**SPLIT ENDS**

**5 PERFORMANCES ONLY**

**JUNE 22 - 25 at 8.00pm**

*Matinee 2.00pm on Saturday June 25th*

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**The Mad Mad World Of Theatre**

*Above, left to right: Peter Segrove, Ruth Segrove, Liz McClellan, Lyndall Frost & Geoff Clews. Below, left to right: Annette Boyd, Steven Green & Angela Redmond.*



## The Mad Mad World of Theatre

### Directors Notes

After several years appearing on-stage for Company, this is my first move to Direction, and for a first time, I have certainly had sufficient challenge over the last 4 week preparation for this show. Arranging rehearsal times whereby a large cast can be together in the same place at the same time is perhaps more suited to a degree in organisational management than artistic ability! But we have managed it. Many thanks to an energetic and devoted cast and a great back stage team.

In putting the show together I have taken bits and pieces from several sources. Many of you will recognise the chorus numbers from some well known Broadway musicals. Some of the sketches are taken from the writings of Monty Python (Gospel Truth and Last Supper) through to some modern excerpts from the writings of Margaret Attwood (Once Upon a Time and Hunting).

The One Act Play Split Ends is by Frank Vickery. It is a modern play, written in 1992 and this is the first performance in New Zealand. We have entered this production for the *Auckland One Act Play Festival*.

Split Ends is set in Wales and takes us into the living room of Nancy and Cyril, who are to meet their son's girl-friend Susan, for the first time. Susan, slim as a rake but with the stomach capacity of a large dustbin, begins to eat her way through house and home. In true farce style, the actions moves at a fast pace, and when Susan's contact lens falls into the salad the chaos begins!

Company Theatre has some wonderful productions in the pipeline. Another comedy, a musical, a murder mystery etc - something for everyone. If you enjoy theatre, please consider joining us as a member which entitles you to considerable discount on admission tickets. Enquiries, please phone our membership secretary Betty Wrightson on 445.9680.

## PRODUCTION CREW

Director	Sherry Ede
Pianist	Janice Moore
Production Manager	Doug Bourke
Costume Manager	Cathie Sandy
Assisted by	Gail Carran; Betty Wrightson
Properties Manager	Niki Hare
Assisted by	Annette Boyd; Betty Wrightson
Lighting Design	Peter Segrove
Operated by	Mark Partridge & Edwin Knight
Sound Cues	Laura Ede
Stage Manager	Trish Worrall
Assistant Stage Manager	
& Prompt (Split Ends)	Annette Boyd
Curtain Operator	Fiona Gear
Set Preparation	Tony Sandy; Doug Bourke; Betty Wrightson
Publicity	Sherry Ede
Programme Design	Sherry Ede
Bookings	Ruth Segrove
F.O.H. Manager	Yvoñne Burgham
Barman	Tony Sandy

### Acknowledgements & Thanks

North Shore Operatic; Robert Letcher; Lyn Bennett;  
St Margaret's Church; Takapuna Grammar.

### LUCKY SEAT PRIZES

Special thanks to Belmont Liquor; Belmont Butchery;  
Wigmore Pharmacy, Devonport; Glengarry Wines, Devonport;  
Ede'n Pacific Ltd.



## THE MAD MAD WORLD OF THEATRE ACT 1

1. Hello, Do I Know You?  
(From Peter Cook/Dudley Moore) Peter Segrove/Geoff Clews
2. OPENING CHORUS  
Another Opening,  
Another Show  
There's No Business Like  
Show Business  
The Girls: Angela; Cathie;  
Moira; Lyndall; Betty; Ruth;  
Julia and Liz.  
The Boys: Peter, Geoff, John  
Matthew, Martin, Steven,  
& Alistair.
3. Watch Your Language!  
(A Skit) Geoff Clews/ Lyndall Frost  
John Palmer/ Matthew Cousins
4. Once Upon A Time.  
(A Serious Debate!) Moira Coote/ Annette Boyd
5. Scandal On The Sabbath  
Sung by: Liz McClellan,  
with Lyndall & John.
6. Knit Yourself a Lost Weekend  
(A Skit) Moira Coote/ Ruth Segrove  
Steven Green/ Tony Sandy
7. The Gospel Truth  
(Monty Python) Geoff Clews/ John Palmer &  
Catherine Long
8. DANCE NUMBER  
Soft Shoe Shuffle  
Tap Your Troubles Away  
Liz McClellan/Alistair Fletcher  
John Palmer, Moira Coote  
Betty Wrightson/ Cathie Sandy
9. Thé Last Supper  
(Monty Python) Peter Segrove/Matthew Cousins
10. Night Club Scene  
Don't Tell Mama (Cabaret) Angela Redmond, & the Girls  
The Masochism Tango (By Tom Lehrer) The Boys.

## THE MAD MAD WORLD OF THEATRE ACT 2

11. STUMP HUNTING  
A Monologue  
(Written by Margaret Attwood) Geoff Clews
12. **SPLIT ENDS**  
A One Act Play by Frank Vickery.  
Set in the lounge room of a home in the Welsh Valleys.  
The time is the present.  
Cyril: Peter Segrove  
Nancy: Catherine Long  
Norman: Matthew Cousins  
Susan (known to her friends as Thuthan!): Lyndall Frost
13. The Moggy Song  
(Written by Eric Bogle) John Palmer, Tony Sandy  
& Alistair Fletcher
14. FINALE CHORUS  
I Wanna Make the World Laugh

**The Whole Company:**

Geoff Clews, Peter Segrove, John Palmer,  
Matthew Cousins; Alistair Fletcher; Steven Green and  
Martin Judge.  
Angela Redmond, Ruth Segrove, Moira Coote,  
Lyndall Frost, Liz McClellan, Cathie Sandy,  
Betty Wrightson, Julia Kaiser; Catherine Long and  
Annette Boyd.

**There will be an Interval of 15 minutes.  
Refreshments available in the Foyer.**



**The Mad Mad World Of Theatre: Some of the Behind The Scenes Folk**  
**From Left to Right:**  
 Janice Moore (Pianist) Cathie Sandy (Costumes & singing!) Trish Worrall  
 (Stage Manager) and Gail Carran (Assistant Costumes)

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Men: Mathew, Geoff, John, Ross  
Women: Moira, Ruth, Wendy?,  
Liz, Julia, Cathie, Janice

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# Laugh away winter blues



MADNESS: Some of the cast of The Mad Mad World of Theatre, from left: Peter Segrove, Ruth Segrove, Liz McLennan, Lyndall Frost and Geoff Clews.

There will be mad goings on at The Rose Centre in Belmont next week when the Company Theatre presents *The Mad Mad World of Theatre*.

The two hour comedy variety show features songs, dances, sketches and a new one-act play.

It opens at the centre on Wednesday for five performances only. A hilarious night is promised with language skits, religious sketches, songs about daring young ladies and tap dancers.

A new play, *Split Ends*, will feature in the second half of the show.

Set in a family lounge in Wales, the farce is a comedy of errors with mayhem and hilarity

resulting.

The Company Theatre plans to enter *Split Ends* in the North Shore Festival of One Act Plays taking place later this month.

*The Mad Mad World of Theatre* has a cast of 19, featuring some of the Company Theatre's most experienced actors as well as some new faces.

The show is directed by Sherry Ede who says she wants to provide a fast paced, fun filled and entertaining show to laugh away those winter blues.

Tickets for the show cost \$12.50. Bookings can be made through Ruth Seagrove, phone 445 6939.



Neil Burgham, Ruth Segrove, Peter Segrove, John Palmer, Tony Sandy, Janice Moore, Wendy Kristensen, Moira Coote



Moira, Cathie, Betty





*Angela, Richard, Moira*



*Tony, Julie, ?, Cathie, Liz, Alastair, Julia, Moira*