The Barnstormers have been very busy “putting it together” over the last few weeks and are now looking forward to presenting the Stephen Sondheim compilation show ‘Putting It Together’ at the Barn from Thursday 8th to Saturday 10th February.

‘Putting It Together’ is a glittering musical revue featuring the very best of Sondheim’s music from the last 40 years. This show is Cameron Mackintosh’s follow up to ‘Side by Side by Sondheim’ and brings things up to date by including many of Sondheim’s more recent shows. The audience will be taken on a wonderful journey through Sondheim’s biggest hits including Company, Follies, Into the Woods, A Little Night Music, Dick Tracy, A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum, Merrily We Roll Along and Sweeney Todd. There are witty song and dance numbers, love songs and sumptuous melodies and we promise you a thoroughly enjoyable night out at the Barn.

The Box Office is with Ibbett Mosely Estate Agents, Station Road East, Oxted on 01883 712241 (office hours), so please book now and support The Barnstormers’ efforts to raise money for the Barn.

THE SOUTHERN COUNTIES DRAMA FESTIVAL

With a final list of 14 entries, this year’s Festival returns to the Barn as a resounding triumph of mind over matter. Last year it was cancelled due to lack of support and the number of entries had been dwindling for a few years. The Trustees decided to ‘have a go’ and the result is a Festival with some life and enthusiasm and three entries from the resident Barn societies.

The Oxted Players have been a regular contestant over many years and they are joined this year with an entry from their youth section, The Young Oxted Players. Oxted Operatic have also shown their support for the new initiative and we are delighted to welcome their entry under the direction of Treasurer John Bennett. Other local groups participating are Woldingham Players, Merstham Amateur Dramatic Society, Reigate Amateur Theatrical Society and Sevenoaks Players.

The adjudicator for the Festival is Mike Tilbury, a popular member of the Guild of Drama Adjudicators (GODA), and one of the best on the Festival circuit.

Please show your support for all the participating societies and order your tickets now from the box office on 01959 561811. From 10th February the tickets will be available at Ibbetts.

Spring Clean at the Barn

By the very nature of the building, the Barn theatre needs lots of tender loving care to keep it in the condition we all like to enjoy. This entails regular major cleaning and dusting which we have no option but to complete ourselves by organise working parties and we now need you to help us please. We have planned two dates, Sunday 4th March and Sunday 11th March, both starting at 9.30am and continuing through to lunchtime when a light lunch will be served if preordered with Caro. Many hands make light work and these working parties are always fun so please do come along and join us on one or both days. 4th March is also Sunday Club from 12-2pm so there are benefits to coming along with your vacuum and dusters!

On your Bike

Left at the theatre during the summer holidays, one bike, since when there have been no enquiries and we have been told that if it is not collected by the rightful owner by the end of this month it will be peddled off, failing that it will consigned to the skip.

Ring the office if you wish to state your claim with a description of the bike.

Telephone 01959 561811.