

## But Seriously folks...

### The Company

Since the Old Town Theatre Company was set up in 1992, we've added another dimension to Swindon's drama scene. Particularly focused on the works of contemporary playwrights, we aim to offer entertainment appealing to the more adventurous theatre goer.

### Previous Performances

1984	October 2004	George Orwell
Don Juan & Tartuffe	May 2004	Molière
The Office Party	February 2004	John Godber
Popcorn	October 2003	Ben Elton
12 Angry Men	May 2003	Reginald Rose
Shadowlands	March 2003	William Nicholson

A full list of all OTTC's productions can be found at: [www.swindonweb.com/ottc](http://www.swindonweb.com/ottc)

### Friends of OTTC

As well as helping to support your local theatre, becoming a Friend of OTTC will also entitle you to concessionary rates to all our shows, plus regular newsletters.

The minimum subscription to be a Friend of OTTC is £5 per year. We're grateful to the Friends of OTTC for their support:

Joan Cheshire Harry Bromley Janice Thompson  
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### How to join OTTC

Our membership is open to all. If you are interested in acting, directing or working behind the scenes, you're very welcome.

### As an OTTC member you receive:

- Opportunities to audition for all OTTC productions
- Regular OTTC Newsletters
- Concessionary price tickets for OTTC productions

Yearly membership costs £15 for adults and £5 for junior members under 18, however you are very welcome to make an additional donation! To help cover production costs, we ask cast members to pay an acting fee of £5 per play.

To find out more, please write to us at:

Old Town Theatre Company, PO Box 594, Swindon, SN1 3UQ

Or visit our website and use the response form there.

### The Website

Why not pay us a visit? Our extensive website is at: [www.swindonweb.com/ottc](http://www.swindonweb.com/ottc)

COMING SOON TO AN ARTS CENTRE  
STAGE NEAR YOU IN 2005...

### THE VAGINA MONOLOGUES

Saturday 12th February, 7.30 p.m.

OTTC presents Eve Ensler's polemic, poetical play as part of the V-Day 2005 world-wide campaign to stop violence against women and girls.

Proceeds to local women's charities.

### HAROLD JOLIFFE ONE ACT DRAMA FESTIVAL

17-19th February 2005

OTTC's entry - 'The Extraordinary Revelations of Orca the Goldfish' by David Tristram

### A FEW GOOD MEN

By Aaron Sorkin  
7th - 9th April 2005

Swindon Arts Centre, Devizes Road.  
Box Office 01793 614837

With grateful thanks to Julie Wilsher, Richard Abrams, Clary Bean, James Harrison & the Arts Centre staff and please also support these local businesses that support OTTC:

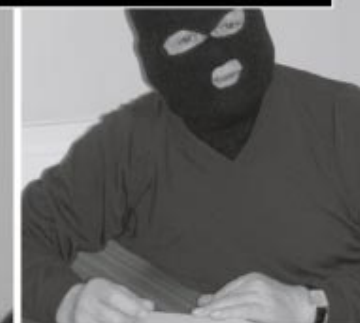
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"WHO DARES -THINS!"



A STOAT  
CALLED NANCY  
IS BORN...

### WARNING

Tonight's performance includes scenes containing rude, possibly offensive language and imagery and sudden, loud noises.

SPURDLE GETS DIRTY



CARE HOME ASSISTANT BEATS LITTLE OLD LADY

OTTC would like to point out that no stoats were harmed during the making of this theatrical event. Several 'little old ladies' probably were, however. Nothing an ice pack and a packet of Werthers Originals couldn't put right, though. Gawd bless 'em.

'Sisters' Wendy Vickery and Lynne Scragg



## FREAK OF NATURE!

### Stone the Crows, a Stoat is Cloned!

**A** German doctor has managed to clone the world's first stoat. 'Nancy' - the result of several years' research carried out by the esteemed scientist Dr Bottschaft (aka Amanda Bodilly) - was said to be 'doing as well as can be expected' at the 'Clones R Us' laboratories in Wiesel, near Ferit in Germany. The Doctor, currently in hiding following death threats by the international animal liberation organisation 'Wemember Da Wittle Wabbits', is said to be 'over ze moon vizz my crrrrreatiion.'



Below: 'Nancy' - the result of several years' research



Exposing himself - Chris Turpin

## "Who Dares - Thins!"

**S**AS member turned novelist Quentin Meredith (not his real name) (of course!) (duh!) is well known for his hard-hitting, gritty Army novels but a cookery book? Has the hard man gone soft? At his 'Who Dares Thins' book signing this week, Quentin challenged fatties everywhere to lose 3 stone in just 3 days by following his strict liquorice, prune and castor oil diet. "I've lost so much weight on some of my SAS assignments just by crapping myself the whole time, I felt compelled to share this often overlooked dieting secret with the world!" says Quentin before rushing off to a nearby convenience.

## LEROY ROGERS

### TRIGGERS OFF RUMOURS IN SWINDON!

**L**egendary soul legend LeRoy Rogers arrived in Old Town yesterday for the third (unnaturally long) leg of his world tour.

Rogers, 27, shrugged off rumours of a split with wife LeTrigger, 53, with a shrug: "She knows about my thang, how I have to do my thang and that it's nothang to do with her what I do with my thang".



Ah Soul - Julian Smith



## Doctor loses patients

**A**surgery in Penhill has lost a record number of patients in the past six months. "They can't all be dead, can they?" asked Doctor Arthur Ritus "And if they are, I do wish they'd let us know. It's most inconsiderate to leave us guessing like this"



Trust me - I've been doctored says Richard Large



# Gardening without gloves...

WITH TONY SPURDLE

There's a line in 'How to Handle a Woman' in the film 'Camelot' that says 'Simply Love Her' and that's just how I feel about pot plants. Often overwatered, neglected or just simply misunderstood, pot plants are prisoners held captive in our homes. Take your Fig dancing and it'll weep no more. Put her near the window or you can expect to feel the sharp edge of your Mother In Law's Tongue.

Next week - Hoes - why some men can't do without them.



Steve Wheeler 'gwapping with his gwape nuts'



Ashley Heath: 'You takin the plunge or wot!'

## Man Plunges - and survives

A homeless man has fallen 100ft from a defective kerb near the Brunel Centre and survived to tell the tale - thanks to a sink plunger that broke his fall. The man, who wishes to remain nameless as well as homeless, had left his home after repeated prank callers had made his life a mystery. They had also made his wife a misery. The Council refused to comment on the defective kerb but said "Swindon is an attractive location for blue-chip companies, close to the M4 and both Bristol and Heathrow Airports".

'No publicity' says Julian Selby (No photographs' says Wendy Burgess from the car)

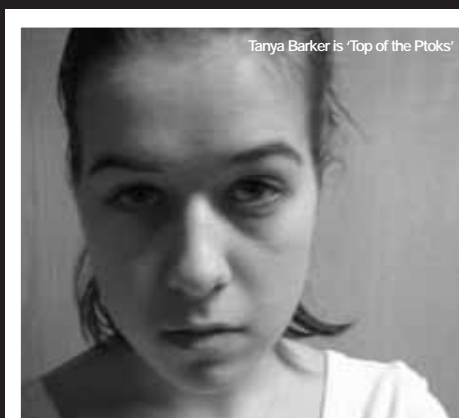


## CARE HOME ASSISTANT BEATS LITTLE OLD LADY



'A handbag?' says Sue Mowat to 'Nurse' Jo Woodage

Jury members were in tears yesterday as they listened to the goings-on at the Dearly Departing Retirement Home in Park North. Residents Florrie Crutch, 83, and Albert Memorial, 78, complained that five hours of entertainer 'Benny and his Organ' was 'croolty of the highshhh order and shhhouldn't be aloud' whilst witnesses reported Mrs Armitage, 96 was repeatedly beaten by her care home assistant nurse executive, Lucy Wah-Toosy, 19. "Ah carn't beleeeve dese ol' women, innit?" said Lucy. "Dey're always moanin,'right. Fing is, right, if they carn't stand the 'eat, right, dey shouldn't play Scrabble, eh?"



Tanya Barker is 'Top of the Ptoks'

## Ping Pong Ding Dong

Youth Table Tennis Champion Jacquiee 'Chip Fat' Brown spent a night in the cells last night after attacking her opponent with a ping pong bat after last night's game last night. Brown, 17, had endured taunts and jeers from fans of Manchester finalist Rhiannon Awaywithmyself throughout the match and lost her temper after the final point was won. "She was hackin' and baggin' my boyfriend's trainers sayin' they was M&M just like the hoochie mama be-at that she is, right". The trial is on Tuesday, innit.

## BBC Announcers in Shock Horror Sex Scandal Thingy

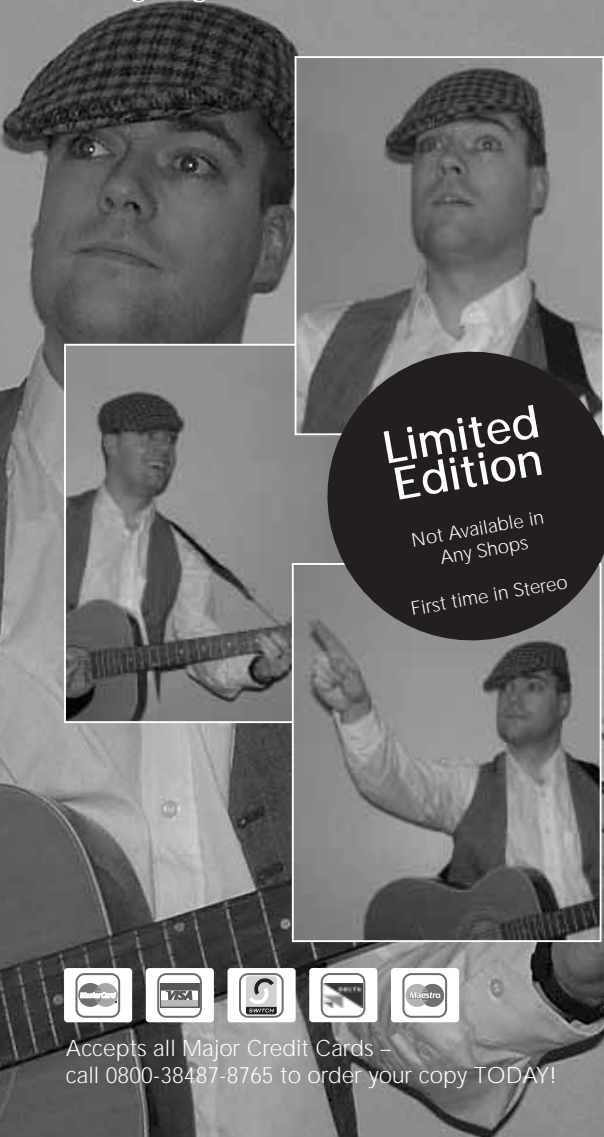
BBC newsreaders and announcers Moira Less and Ray Barnes have been thrown off the latest reality TV show 'Leave Me Alone, I'm Only Popping Down The Shops For Some Milk' after taking part in a 'four in one of those pull out drawers under the bed' sex orgy. Moira and Ray joined the show in a bid to rescue their ailing careers. "Max Clifford told us to do it" they said as they were escorted off the everso trendy purpose-built premises in east London.

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# Busk-Alonga-Max

Fans of the 'Crooner on the Corner' (aka Paul Saunders) will be moist with excitement when they hear his latest ecstatic release.

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Pennies from Heaven  
I just 'coin' get you outa my head  
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## Eleanor Rigby Introduction Agency

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### Local Library Opening Times

Mon – Saturday:

Open 9am-10am

Closed (for Staff Training) 10am -11.30am

Open 11.30am-12.30am

Closed (for Lunch) 12.30am – 2.30pm

Open 2.30pm – 3.30pm

Closed (for essential repairs) 3.30pm – 7.00pm

Open 7.05pm (to let the librarians out)

Closed 7.06pm

THIS SHOW WOULD BE NOTHING, NOTHING, DO YOU HEAR WITHOUT US!!! (only kidding)

Quite frankly, we've spent so much time supporting the OTTC and producing the glitzy posters and this fab programme (and supplying the sparkly blue jacket) that we need lots more business next year, or you'll find the whole team sitting outside BHS begging for bananas.

What's our business? Design; corporate branding and implementation; packaging; advertising and communications; web design and management; and POS and promotions. Big breath. We're renowned (lovely word) for relationships that work; service that delivers; strategic thinking that surprises; creativity that inspires and donkey's years of experience that matters with national and regional clients. So, can we do anything for you?

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## 'Thanks to the Slenderizer, I look 20 years younger!'

"I'd always been fat" says Mia Katz (aka Fenella Harrop) from Ashby-de-la-Zouch, "but when I turned 50 and realised I hadn't seen my husband in five years, I knew I had to do something about it".

One phone call, one down payment of £7,000 and 36 monthly payments of just £3,200 later and Mia was Slenderized to within an inch of her life. And husband Tom could get within at least 30 inches of his wife. "I thought he'd left me" spluttered Mia, "but he was there all the time! Love truly is a many slendered thing"

For your Slenderizer fat sheet call Missouri-27-38-84 and quote 'LARD'



## 'I can't believe it's not lard'

says 'husband' Tom...er, Chris Kenning, that is



## A Stoat Called Nancy...

...written in 2D and delivered to you in 3D and glorious Technicolor not only by the cast – yeah, those daft buggers on the stage - but also the crew, those clever buggers who get to hide in the lighting box and backstage...

Written by  
Directors  
Stage Manager  
Lighting Design  
Lighting  
Sound  
Stoat Handler  
Props/Set  
Front of House Co-ordinator  
Front of House Stewards  
Poster & Programme Design

Martin Wyatt, David Howell, Sue Mowat and The Cast  
Martin Wyatt, David Howell  
Janet Lovell  
Richard Abrams  
Louis Urquart & Lance Hodges  
Daniel Hazelton  
Just about everyone  
OTTC members  
Ashley Heath  
OTTC Members  
The wonderful people at artejano-dbh (with interference by Sue Mowat)