WELLINGTON FREE KINDERGARTEN ASSOCIATION
UNITED MOTHERS CLUB

Silver Jubilee

1965 TALENTS

August 31st., September 1st. & 2nd.
WELLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL

Souvenir Booklet 2/-
Souvenir Booklet Talents Show

The Talents Show is presented every year by the United Mothers' Club of the Wellington Free Kindergarten Association.

The United Mothers' Club is run by an Executive of seven Mothers who are elected from the 17 Kindergartens in the Wellington Area. These are:

- Berhampore
- East Harbour
- Hataitai
- Island Bay
- Johnsonville
- Khandallah
- Lyall Bay
- Miramar
- Miramar North
- Northland
- Petone
- Newtown
- Ngaio
- Plimmerton
- Seatoun
- Strathmore Park
- Wellington South

The Executive this year is:

**President:** Mrs. A. H. W. Cook — Newtovwn Club
**Secretary:** Mrs. A. H. Blair — Petone Club
**Treasurer:** Mrs. J. F. Larkin — Petone Club
**Vice-President:** Mrs. W. J. Gibbons — Johnsonville Club
Mrs. G. A. Kirk — Miramar Club
Mrs. B. R. G. Heaven — Strathmore Park Club
Mrs. M. McCarthy — Miramar North Club

Our Stage Manager is Mr. C. R. Dyer, who has been a stage hand since 1951 and this will be his eighth year as Stage Manager. Many thanks to him for this fine record.

Electrician is Mr. H. A. Fraser who has also been with us for a number of years.

Other back-stage helpers are Mr. N. Dyer, J. Wylie, B. Lingard, G. Dopson, A. M. Prichard.

Acknowledgements—The Principal and Staff of the Wellington High School, Universal Printers Ltd., All Kindergarten Mothers' Clubs for their items, ushering and the selling of the tickets, the Boys and Girls who sell the Programmes, and last but not least, the Fathers who baby-sit so that Mothers can attend rehearsals and performances.
Talents Since 1940

1940 held in Berhampore Kindergarten 60-70 people present, date 30th April. Berhampore Play reading, Miramar Songs, Taranaki Street Moving Pictures, Newtown Competition, Wellington South Sextette—songs, Ngaio Folk Dancing, Petone Play.

1941 Berhampore Charge of 6d. for supper expenses. Invitations sent out to restrict numbers able to attend from each Club, owing to lack of space—17th September.

1942 26th September—catered for 100 also at Berhampore. Wellington South Mock Committee meeting, Petone three humorous sketches, Ngaio Folk Dancing, Miramar Sword Dance.

1943 20th October—Berhampore, catered 120, Berhampore Play and Singing, Ngaio Folk Dancing, Wellington South Musical Sketch.

1944 25th October—Berhampore, catering over 100—Petone, Berhampore, Miramar, Ngaio, Wellington South. New stage erected and 36 chairs bought.


1946 17th October—Berhampore. Miramar, Berhampore, Newtown, Ngaio.


1949 20th October—Concert Chamber. Hataitai, Miramar, Johnsonville, Petone, Ngaio, Wellington South, Newtown, Berhampore, East Harbour, Island Bay.


1951 18th October—Technical College. Her Excellency Lady Freyberg attended this year.


1953 24th September—Technical College. First Matinee held for children—funds to Students' Fund for equipment; a special performance in aid of Intellectually Handicapped Children. Programmes for the first time 3d. each. £124 was raised, £110 was handed to Students for equipment. Seatoun in for first time.

1954 22nd and 23rd September—Tech. 290 mothers taking part—12 items. Northland and Strathmore Park attended for first time. A ticket system was introduced to make sure that kindergarten supporters and friends were able to attend. £243/7/3 was received for two evening performances and a matinee which also included programmes at 3d. each. This was the first year that Masterton Mothers had travelled down to see the show.

1955 7th, 8th, 21st and 22nd September—St. Francis Hall. Tech. not available as they were building the balcony. Lyall Bay attended for first time. Takings £209—£100 donated towards Movie Projector for Students.
1956 16th and 17th October—Town Hall. Held in Town Hall to tie in with celebrations for Kindergarten Association Jubilee.

1957 9th, 11th and 12 September—Technical College. D.I.C. Bookings were used for the first time.

1958 8th, 10th and 11th September—Technical College.

1959 7th September and two other nights—Technical College.

1960 5th, 7th and 8th September—Technical College.

1961 6th and 7th September—Technical College.

1962 27th, 28th and 30th September—Technical College.


1964 2nd, 3rd and 5th September—Wellington High School.

With the proceeds over the years we have provided for the Students of the Wellington Free Kindergarten Training College, a Slide Projector and Screen and also a Movie Projector. We have also completely furnished the Library at the College and have a fund called the Doreen Coulter Memorial Library Fund, to which we add some more money every year, this pays for the books in the library. In more recent years the majority of the money has gone back to the Kindergartens participating in the shows and this money has been used to buy pianos, stock book corners, or buy any other equipment that is necessary.

We feel that during the war years and those years following when very few overseas shows were available, that we filled a real need to the public in providing bright entertainment at a very reasonable cost and to all performers and supporters who have faithfully attended for many years especially the mothers from the Masterton United Mothers’ Club, who have attended every year since 1954, we say a big thank you and hope that you enjoy our Silver Jubilee show as much as you have enjoyed the past 24.

WELLINGTON SOUTH 1951

EAST HARBOUR 1963
SILVER JUBILEE, 1965

PROGRAMME

1. KHANDALLAH          "GOOD OLD SUMMER TIME."
2. ISLAND BAY          "IT STARTED WITH EVE."
3. BERHAMPORE          "DEEP SOUTH SINGERS."
4. PETONE              "MOON SPINNERS."
5. NORTHLAND           "SHAMING OF THE SHREW."
6. MIRAMAR & MIRAMAR SOUTH "GOWNS OF THE YEAR."
7. JOHNSONVILLE        "MEMORIES."
8. PLIMMERTON          "NAUTICAL NONSENSE."
9. NGAIO               "ALLADIN."
10. STRATHMORE PARK    "TOWN PLANNING."
11. WELLINGTON SOUTH   "JUBILEE HOOLEY."

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Talents from the Past

BERHAMPORE 1955—"DOWN IN THE CARRIBEAN."

PLIMMERTON TALENTS 1963.

NEWTOWN TALENTS 1952—"ANNIE GET YOUR GUN."

NORTHLAND.

STRATHMORE PARK 1959—"SALAD DAZE."

JOHNSONVILLE 1957.

NGAIO KINDERGARTEN 1958.
MIRAMAR CLUB 1960—"FRANKIE AND JOHNNIE."

ISLAND BAY FREE KINDERGARTEN 1956.

LYALL BAY 1958.

KHANDALLAH KINDERGARTEN 1955.

MIRAMAR NORTH KINDERGARTEN 1955—"RENDEZVOUS."

PETONE 1953—"TULIP TIME."

HATAITAI 1955—"JOHNNIE APPLESEED."