

Variety THEATRE

• ASHBURTON •

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AGM 2022

Join us on Thursday the 13th October at the Variety Theatre Rooms on 212 Wills street for our 2022 Annual General Meeting. Please ensure your membership is paid and up to date to be eligible to speak and vote at the AGM.



PARTY PEOPLE COSTUME HIRE

We are so excited to have so many new costumes on the racks at Party People Costume Hire! Come and visit Candy and the team in our opening hours Wednesday 12-2.30pm 5-7pm and Thursday 5-7pm! We are always wanting volunteers to help Candy in the Party People Shop. If you are interested in joining our volunteer group, please get in touch with Candy on 02108834747 😊



Jesus Christ Superstar

Be sure not to miss Jesus Christ Superstar opening on the 1st of October 2022 at the Ashburton Event Centre! Directing Team Roger, Jo and Julia have moved the cast into the theatre and rehearsals will continue in the theatre adding staging, props, lighting, costumes hair, makeup and more! You have 7 opportunities to see the show! We have so many amazing local performers in this cast, get your Tickets from the Event Centre Now!



Sadly, in August we lost a long time Variety Theatre Member Nancy Winter, now with her husband Herb. Nancy has been involved onstage, volunteered with party people, she was queen of the ironing and bringing cheese and onion sammys with a touch of carrot for colour for the volunteers to nibble on. Nancy will be remembered for her sense of humour, her life stories, and her willingness to always help. She will be missed by us all



Sheet Music

Here at Variety Theatre Ashburton, we have a HUGE range of sheet music available for use. A wide range from all corners of musical theatre. If you would like more information on what is available and when please contact the society librarian Susan Spencer on susanspencer@xtra.co.nz

Jo Hooper is the newbie on the committee, although she has been around for years, as far back to the shows in the orange hall selling raffle tickets and theatre restaurants in the regent cinema. Once babies arrived Jo stepped back and Paul stepped in helping with set building and backstage. As their girls grew older I became involved again backstage first with makeup and then onto wardrobe. Lots of fun has been had backstage over the years. 2009-2019 Jo ran Party People Costume Hire. Outside of VTA Jo has been married to Paul for 30years and have 2 beautiful daughters. She works at Whitcoulls part time and in her spare time she enjoys spending time with her family and friends, reading and many craft ideas.

