

AMMPT WESTERN REGION (INC.) AGM

The Annual General Meeting of our Association will be held on Wednesday 20th October 2021 at the RSL Hall, Fred Bell Parade St James, commencing at 7:30 pm.

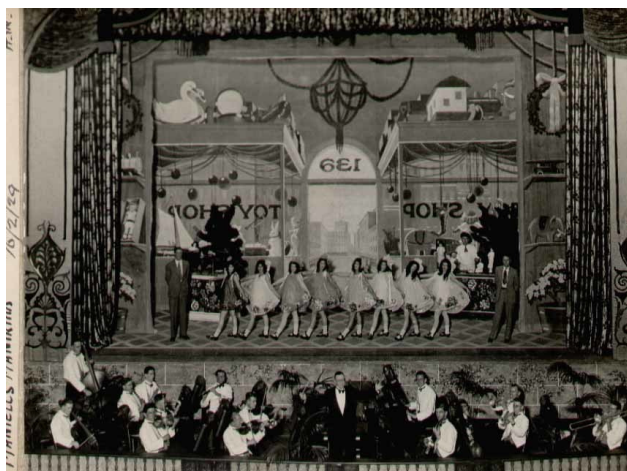
This year it is election time once again so financial members are encouraged to nominate a fellow member or consider running for a position on the Management Committee.

An official notice of the AGM and nomination papers will be sent out to members shortly.

ON THE GREAT STAGE

Right from day one the Ambassadors had stage presentations as part of the programme.

Commencing from opening night on September 29th 1928 the matinee and evening shows had a full stage show consisting of Les Waldron at the Wurlitzer organ, Bert Howell and the Ambassadors orchestra, the Ambassadors Ballet and specialty acts.



On Wednesday December 31st 1930 the great stage shows ended with the Pantomime, "Sinbad The Sailor", with over 50 artists.

Friday February 13th saw the end of an era when Bert Howell and the Ambassadors Orchestra made their final appearance after playing there since opening night.

The next day Harry Cross and his ensemble with a specialty act started at the Ambassadors. Harry had been at the Capitol Theatre till they had disbanded their stage shows and orchestra.

On Friday 23rd and Saturday 24th of October 1931 the original Ambassadors orchestra, conducted by Les Waldron, came back for one last time after which only the organ was played till 1949.

The Ambassadors was the last theatre in Perth to feature



Stage shows and an orchestra with the Regent, Capitol and The Prince of Wales having dispensed with theirs in the 1930s.

Presented in the photos are one of the stage productions which were changed weekly and rare photos of the back-

stage crew that made the magic happen at the Ambassadors Theatre.



DEATH OF LAST GOLDEN ERA HOLLYWOOD CHILD STAR

Jane Withers, who died on August 7th 2021, was an American actress and children's radio show host. She became one of the most popular child stars in Hollywood in the 1930s and early 1940s, with her films ranking in the top ten list for box-office gross in 1937 and 1938.



She began her entertainment career at the age of three and, during the Golden Age of Radio, hosted her own children's radio program in her home city of Atlanta, Georgia.

In 1932, she and her mother moved to Hollywood, where she appeared as an extra in many films until landing her breakthrough role as the spoiled, obnoxious Joy Smythe opposite Shirley Temple's angelic orphan Shirley Blake in the 1934 film Bright Eyes.

She made 38 films before retiring at the age 21 in 1947. She returned to film and television as a character actor in the 1950's most notably in a role in Giant in 1956.

From 1963 to 1974, she portrayed the character Josephine the Plumber in a series of television commercials for Comet Cleanser on American television.

In the 1990's and early 2000s, she did voice work for Disney animated films.

Her last on screen appearance was in 1963 where she played the role of Lt. Grace Blodgett in Captain Newman M.D

Jane was interviewed in numerous documentary retrospectives of the Golden Age of Hollywood. She was also known for her philanthropy and her extensive doll collection.

During her career she made a total of 52 films and 19 television shows.

Jane Withers was married twice and had 5 children and died in Burbank, California at the age of 95, she was the last of the child stars of Hollywood's Golden Age.

FILMS SCREENING IN PERTH SATURDAY 26th NOVEMBER 1938



Theatre Royal
"Daughter of Shanghai"



Hoyts Plaza
"Alexander's Ragtime Band"

Piccadilly
"Road To Reno"



Hoyts Capitol
"Gold Diggers of Paris"



Metro
"The Firefly"

Grand - Closed for four weeks for renovations