

The Balally Players  
presents

Christmas at

The Airfield

DRAMA

MUSIC

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DANCE

THU 7 TO SUN 10 DECEMBER 2006

WELCOME AND ENJOY THE EVENING!

THE AIRFIELD TRUST, UPPER KILMAUD ROAD, DUNDRUM

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Balally Players and Airfield Trust  
present  
*Christmas at Airfield*

*Devised and Directed for your edification and entertainment  
by Mary Ryan and Margaret Toomey*

**CAROLS SING ALONG**

If you know the carols, please join in. The words are given at the back.

Performed by

1. **Mrs Overend welcomes our guests** Teresa Dempsey
  
2. **Carols** Anne Lucas, Jackie Lee, Margaret O'Driscoll  
*Once in Royal David's City* Audrey Harte, Eithne Quinn  
*Winter Wonderland* Musical Accompaniment, John Breheny
  
3. **Out On The Road** Peter Flood  
Eamonn Kelly
  
4. **Songs** Linda Nolan  
*They Can's Take That Away From Me*  
Words & music by George & Ira Gershwin.  
*Crazy*  
Words and music by Willie Nelson
  
5. **Pete The Piddling Pup** Jim Carroll  
Author Unknown
  
6. **A Convent at Christmas Time** Muriel Caslin-O'Hagan & Louise Holst  
Bryan McMahan Louise introduces with 'How do you solve a problem like Maria' and finishes with 'Edelweiss' from The Sound of Music.
  
7. **First confession** Oran O'Rua, Len Nealon and Ciara Byrne  
Frank O'Connor
  
8. **Little Match Girl** Margaret Toomey  
Hans C. Andersen
  
9. **Sixpence Each Way** Angela Mills & Gerry Doyle  
- as Shakespeare would have it

**INTERVAL**

Punch Bowl (tea, coffee or juice optional) & Mrs Overend's scrumptious mince pies

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## PART TWO

**10. Mrs Overend's 'Welcome Back'** Teresa Dempsey

**11. How The Grinch Stole Christmas** Tony McGettigan  
Dr Seuss

**12. Songs** Linda Nolan  
*Maybe this Time*  
Soundtrack from Cabaret  
Words by Fred Ebb, Music by John Kander  
*Over The Rainbow*  
Words by EJ Harburg, Music by Harold Arlen

**13. Later On** Mary Ryan  
Percy French

**14. Violin Pieces** Neasa Ni Bhrian  
*Duets for two violins* by Mozart  
*Humouresque* by Antonin Dvorak  
*Danny Boy* Air

**15. The Sailor from Ringsend** Bernard Doyle  
Vincent Caprani

**16. Papa Panov's Special Christmas** Declan Brennan  
Leo Tolstoy

**17. Songs** Siobhan Doyle  
*Come back Paddy Reilly to Ballyjamesduff*  
accompanied by Ann O'Dea on harp  
Percy French  
*O Holy Night*  
Placide Cappeau De Roquemaure

**18. A Dail Debate** Doris Cullen, Angela Mills, and Margaret Toomey

**20. Carol Singers** Anne Lucas, Jackie Lee, Margaret O'Driscoll  
*Hark the Herald Angels Sing* Audrey Harte, Eithne Quinn  
*The First Noel* Musical Accompaniment, John Breheny  
*Angels We Have Heard on High*

**21. Finale** Everyone  
*We Wish You a Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year* Please sing along with gusto !!

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## *Special Thanks*

Special thanks are due to all those who helped with tonight's entertainment, in particular John Breheny (musical accompaniment), Jean Monahan, Karen Carleton, Patrick Hand and the many other members of Balally Players who helped to put on tonight's show, Christian Moser from Airfield and, of course, the Airfield Trust Catering staff.

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## SING ALONG WITH THE CAROLS

### **Once in Royal David's City**

Once on royal David's city  
stood a lowly cattle shed,  
where a mother laid her baby  
in a manger for his bed:  
Mary was that mother mild,  
Jesus Christ her little child.

He came down to earth from heaven,  
Who is God and Lord of all,  
And his shelter was a stable,  
And his cradle was a stall;  
with the poor, the scorned, the lowly,  
Lived on earth our Saviour holy

Not in that poor lowly stable,  
With the oxen standing round,  
we shall see him; but in heaven,  
Set at God's right hand on high;  
When like stars his children crowned,  
All in white shall wait around.

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## Winter Wonderland

Sleigh bells ring, are you listening,  
In the lane, snow is glistening  
A beautiful sight,  
We're happy tonight.  
Walking in the winter wonderland.

Gone away is the bluebird,  
Here to stay is a new bird  
He sings a love song,  
As we go along,  
Walking in a winter wonderland.

In the meadow we can build a snowman,  
Then pretend that he is Parson Brown

He'll say: Are you married?  
We'll say: No man,  
But you can do the job  
When you're in town.

Later on, we'll conspire,  
As we dream by the fire  
To face unafraid,  
The plans that we've made,  
Walking in a winter wonderland.

## Hark the Herald Angels Sing

Hark! The herald angels sing  
Glory to the new-born King!  
Peace on earth and mercy mild,  
God and sinners reconciled!  
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,  
Join the triumph of the skies;  
With th'angelic host proclaim  
Christ is born in Bethlehem!  
Hark! The herald angels sing  
Glory to the new-born King!

Christ, by highest and heaven adored;  
Christ, the everlasting Lord;  
Late in time behold him come,  
Offspring of the Virgin's womb.  
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see;

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## The First Noel

The first Noel the angels did say  
Was to certain poor sheperds in fields as they lay;  
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep  
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.

*Chorus:* Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel | Born is the King of Israel.

They Looked up and saw a star  
Shining in the East, beyond them far,  
And to the earth it gave great light,  
And so it continued, both day and night.

And by the light of that same star  
Three wise men came from country far,  
To seek for a King was their intent,  
And to follow the star wherever it went.

### Angels We Have Heard On High

Angels we have heard on high,  
Sweetly singing through the night,  
And the mountains in reply  
Echoing their brave delight.  
Gloria in excelsis Deo. | Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Shepherds, why this jubilee?  
Why these songs of happy cheer?  
What great brightness did you see?  
What glad tiding did you hear?

Come to Bethlehem and see  
Him whose birth the angels sing;  
Come, adore on bended knee  
Christ, the Lord, the new-born King

See him in a manger laid  
Whom the angels praise above;  
Mary Joseph, lend your aid,  
While we raise our hearts in love.

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*Thank you for being our guests tonight.  
Airfield Trust and the Balally Players pray that God may rest ye merry, gentlefolk all, and bring you and  
yours a happy, peaceful Christmas and New Year*

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