



## Bouncers at the Village Hall

### John Godber play as relevant today as 30 years ago

The Village Hall Committee decided to put on a play after a chance remark by a member's cousin who mentioned that his son produced and directed plays and would be happy to put one on at Maxey. So after a short discussion and a quick look at the Village Hall's tiny stage Simon (the director) decided that "Bouncers" was an obvious choice as the absolute minimum of scenery was required. We hoped that staging a play would appeal to more Maxey residents who wouldn't probably attend our dances.



The Village Hall stage was big enough for this John Godber play. The 4 players took on various roles and the action moved from the hilarious to the serious. It was uncanny that a play originally written 30 years ago continues to resonate and have meaning in today's society.

and although the play had a moral tale about the evils of drink the actors also had the audience in stitches with many comic moments. The final few scenes were hilarious with a rendition from the Jungle Book which was their own personal ending to the show and written and choreographed by themselves.

It was amazing to discover that the play was written 30 years ago as it all seemed so relevant to today's drinking and nightclub culture.

We would like to thank all the cast and crew who put in hours of work to make the show the resounding success it was and hope that they will put on another show for us in the future. If you know of any other villages who might be interested in hosting The Sudden Impulse Theatre Company they are looking for other venues to tour with "Bouncers". Please contact John Cant

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Sudden Impulse Theatre Company Director Simon NW Winterman



Bouncers programme

Photos: John Cant

After the usual worries of selling the tickets we ended up with almost a full house on Saturday 17 November 2007 and the atmosphere was relaxed with the audience partaking of refreshments before the show and enjoying chatting with friends. The play started and the audience was immediately taken into the world of the night club bouncers, helped by the amazing lighting effects and the music, both of which were done by students on B Tech Performing Arts Courses. The four actors transformed from bouncers, to drunks, to girls on a night out in seconds

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