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As I sit here writing this issue, it would seem that 2017 is racing by, with June already upon us. The warmer weather is well and truly behind us, and the team here at Southern Stars are already donning scarves and winter jackets!

Our first pantomime of the year, Tom's Magical Imagination on May 6th was a great way to start the show season. The beneficiary was Radio Lollipop New Zealand, and we were delighted to see them presented with a cheque for \$120,000. Those funds will help provide ongoing equipment needed to entertain the many children attended by Radio Lollipop volunteers throughout Auckland, Christchurch and Whangarei during their stays in hospital. We were lucky enough to have many of the volunteers from the Auckland branch stop in and help out throughout the day, a brilliant bunch of people who always greet you with a big smile. If you would like to know how to become a Radio Lollipop volunteer, please go to www.radiolollipop.org.nz.

It was heart-warming to hear some wonderful feedback following our first show. I was approached by one man who has been attending our pantomimes with his children for the last five years, and he reckoned it was our best yet! Everyone involved with these shows works hard in the hope that the audience will enjoy themselves and get caught up in the story, and we love to hear your reviews afterward. It is truly a sense of achievement when we not only raise funds, but when the shows are also greatly appreciated by the children and their families.

Our next show on the 24th of June is Rapunzel, in aid of Koru Care New Zealand. This wonderful children's charity has been around for over 30 years, taking children with numerous serious medical issues on a trip of a lifetime to Disneyland. We are pleased we are able to assist this charity, and the show promises to be another special event. I look forward to a stellar attendance, just as there was at our last show.

Sadly, we are saying goodbye to one of our very talented ambassadors this year - Morgan Bradley. Morgan has been a familiar face and a huge hit with the kids at countless Southern Stars events. This talented young lady is headed off to the bright lights of Hollywood to take her acting career to the next level, and we wish her the very best of luck.

We look forward to seeing you all at our next event at the Logan Campbell Centre, ASB Showgrounds, on the 24th of Jume to support the ongoing work of Koru Care New Zealand.

That's it from me, until next time!

Editor





Rapunzel



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TOM'S MAGICAL IMAGINATION May 6th, 2017

















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These sponsored tickets are sent to over 260 organizations throughout the greater Auckland Area. These include many needy charities where children are their prime responsibility, to low decile schools, whose children would not have the opportunity to attend such shows. We value the public support which enables these children to have some joy in their lives, be it for a short but worthwhile time. Together we support Kids Being Kids.

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