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# A Bedfull of Foreigners

by Dave Freeman

Directed by Millie Sampson

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# a bedfull of foreigners

Please sit back and enjoy this very funny 1970's play, set in a hotel in a French village close to the German border. We meet Heinz the hotel owner and Karak his head porter who never see eye to eye.

The visitors from England and Germany discover on arrival that they must all share the same room, which of course leads to confusion and mayhem. There is also the very sexy cabaret dancer Simone, who turns out to be a very, very close friend of Claude who prays his wife never finds out about her.

The cast hope you will enjoy what they have done with this production.  
*Millie Sampson - Director*

## **Millie Sampson**

Director

Millie came to the Central Coast from Kempsey in 1995 after appearing in or directing numerous shows for "Kempsey Singers". She has directed Junior Shows such as *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat* and *Puss in Boots* for Gosford Juniors and has appeared in *Music Man* and *Camelot* (in the Chorus) at Gosford Musical Society. For Wyong Drama Group, Millie has directed shows such as *Dearly Departed*, *Farndale Ave Murder Mystery* and *Arsenic & Old Lace*. In 2005, she directed *Hewers of Coal* which won both best set and best ensemble awards in that year's Wyong Theatrefest.



# the cast

## **Jenny Sharrock** - Simone

Jenny has enjoyed being with the Wyong Drama Group for the last 8 years. She has appeared in a number of productions including *Wanted One Body*, *Running Riot*, *Blithe Spirit* and *Arsenic & Old Lace*. She was last seen on stage as Michelle in the 2005 production of *Allo Allo*.



## **Debbi Clarke** – Brenda Parker

Debbi is no newcomer to Wyong Drama Group (this will be her 5th production with us) but her first, *Stepping Out*, still remains a favourite. It's been a while since we've seen her on the Wyong stage, though, as she's been very active with Gosford Musical Society productions including *Les Miserables*, *Mame*, *Cabaret* and most recently the role of Marie Grosholzt in 2005's *Scarlet Pimpernel*. She is very happy to be back though, and has thoroughly enjoyed being part of *Bedfull* and hopes you do too.



## **Duncan Mitchell** – Stanley Parker

Duncan has been a member of WDG for a few years now. He has enjoyed performing in a number of plays for WDG including *Noises Off*, *See How They Run* and most recently *The Odd Couple*. Duncan has also performed a few times with CCTC. After performing in the gritty drama *Hewers Of Coal* at the Canberra Theatre Fest he is now enjoying throwing himself into a good comedy role like Stanley.



# the cast

## **John Czernecki** – Claude Philby

John has appeared in countless roles for WDG as well as other theatre companies including GMS, WWLT, Fringe Theatre and The Genesisians. You will remember his most recent performances as Capitano Alberto Bertorelli in *“Allo Allo”*, Peter in *Hewers of Coal*, Jonathon in *Arsenic and Old Lace* and as an ugly step-sister in *Cinderella*. Although his favourite medium is pantomime, he does love a good comedy, and *Bedfull of Foreigners* has been a load of fun so far.



## **Rose Cooper** – Helga Philby

While Rose has been ‘acting up’ for most of her life, she’s only been treading the boards legitimately for five years, initially as a performer in five GMS musicals. She also appeared as Cousin Aggie in *Dimboola* for Laycock Street Theatre productions in 2004 and as Nurse Jane Tate in WWLT’s *It Runs in the Family* earlier this year. She’s also a regular improviser at Mad Cow Theatre’s monthly Theatresports shows. While comedy is clearly her forte, she looks forward to meatier roles in the future. This is her first role with WDG and she’s having a blast in the role of Helga, adding: “She’s ice-cold one minute and hot-to-trot the next - that’s my kinda gal!”



# the cast

## Reuben Sennet - Heinze

Reuben is not only a newcomer to WDG, this is his acting debut. While he's been appearing on stage regularly with Central Coast Theatresports at Mad Cow Theatre for the best part of the last 18 months, this is the first time he's had a script in his hand and being given directions and he's relishing being thrown in at the deep end. His other passion is his music, he's an accomplished guitarist and budding song writer. Reuben took the long and winding road to finally becoming a performer, but he intends to make up for lost time. This first play certainly won't be his last.



## Hagen Heinrich - Karak

After more than 30 years of “traipsing the boards” with various theatre groups – in the 70s and early 80s with Newcastle Uni Players, Newcastle New Theatre Group, West End Theatre Club, Wyong Drama Group and Hunter Valley Theatre Company; in the late 80s and 90s – with Morisset Drama Group and Catalina Players at Rathmines, Hagen rejoined Wyong Drama Group in 2000.

He played Bruchik in *Running Riot*, Gaston in *Picasso at the Lapin Agile*, Abel Merryweather in *The Dear Departed*, Dr Einstein in *Arsenic and Old Lace* and Hugh in *Life Goes On*. Recently his role of Arthur in the very successful one-act play, *The Last Straw (Mother and Son)*, was acclaimed at the Wyong Theatrefest and Canberra Festival of One Act Plays.

Hagen has also been involved in set design and construction for various Wyong productions.



# behind the scenes

Director	Millie Sampson
Production Manager	Ros Ellis
Stage Manager	Sharon Deane
Set Design & Construction	Barry Sampson, Mark Gerlach, Hagen Heinrich, Laci Weidlich, Duncan Mitchell, Ed Mitchell and WDG Members
Props	Barry Sampson
Prompt	Kellie Mortimer
Costumes	Wendy Potter
Set Decoration	Millie Sampson, Wendy Potter, Ros Ellis
Make Up	Helen Schuman
Hair Stylist	Kellie Mortimer
Lighting & Sound	Craig Lawton, Simone Woodman
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