



# PROGRAMME OF THE SOCIETY'S 23rd PRODUCTION

# "WHITE HORSE INN"

Monday, April 5th to Saturday, April 10th, 1976

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1954—The Mikado

1955-The Gondoliers

1956-Iolanthe

1957-Yeoman of the Guard

1958-Ruddigore

1959—Princess Ida

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1960-Pirates of Penzance

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1963-H.M.S. Pinafore

1964—Die Fledermaus

1965—Yeoman of the Guard

1966-Chu Chin Chow

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## "WHITE HORSE INN"

#### A PLAY WITH MUSIC IN 3 ACTS

Original Lyrics by Robert Gilbert. English Book & Lyrics by Harry Graham Freely adapted from Blumenthal and Kadelburg's play by Hans Muller.

Music by: Ralph Benatzky

Songs by: Robert Stolz.

## Characters

(in order of their appearance)

KATHI (The Postwoman)	MURIEL DONALDSON
KARL (A Piccolo Waiter)	DOUGLAS CALVERT
FURESTER	ALAN FOSTER
COURIER	ERNIE ATKINS
LEOPOLD (Head Waiter)	IAN KIRKBRIDE
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OTTOLINE (His Daughter)	MARGARET HARVEY
VALENTINE SUTTON (A Solicitor)	DAVID GIBSON
SIGISMUND SMITH (Another Manufacturer) .	MALCOLM DONNELLY
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GRETEL (His Daughter)	SHIRLEY BELL
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THE EMPEROR	

#### Prompt — ELIZABETH HALFORD

Chorus of: Villagers, Waiters, Waitresses, Tourists, Alpine Guides, Dairymaids, Councillors, etc.

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## Orchestra

#### Violins:

A. Flush (Leader), E. Dry, J. Watson, R. Thompson

#### Viola:

J. Taylor

#### Cello:

G. Saunders

#### Bass:

H. Northrop

Horn: P. Sellars

Flute:

A. Thompson

Oboe:

S. Brett

Percussion:

A. Turnbull

#### Basoon: F. Shaw

Clarinets:

J. Brett, D. Stockill

Trumpets:

J. Gill, S. Amerigo

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### Scenes

Scenes: 1 — Outside the "White Horse Inn"

2 — The Cow Shed3 — Outside the Inn.

Scenes: 1 — Outside the Inn 2 — The Pine Wood

3 — The Town Hall 4 — The Cow Shed

5 — Outside the Inn

ACT III

Scenes: 1 — Outside the Inn
2 — The Travellers Rest
3 — Outside the Inn
The Time — Before 1914

## **Musical Numbers**

#### OVERTURE

#### ACT I

Introduction	Kathi, Quartet and Chorus	
Entrance of Tourists	Leopold and Chorus	
"It would Be Wonderful"		
Arrival of the Guests	Chorus	
((/Dlag Wile:4 - II - T 1)	Sutton, Josepha and Chorus	
"Happy Cows"	Dairymaids	
"Your Eyes"	Sutton, Ottoline and Chorus	
Finale Act I	Josepha, Leopold and Chorus	
	ACT II	
Entr'acte and Opening Chorus	Josepha Leonold and Chorus	
"Goodbye"	Leopold and Men	
"You, Too"	Sutton and Ottoline	
"In Śalzkammergut"		
"Sigismund" "Salzkammergut"	Sigismund and Chorus	
"Salzkammergut"	Sutton, Grinkle, Kathi and Chorus	
"Fairies"	Sigismund and Gretel	
Finale Act III	Leopold, Josepha, Sutton and Chorus	
Entr'acte and Serenade		
Entr'acte and Serenade	Chorus	
Recitation	Emperor	
Reprise	Sutton, Ottoline and Josepha	
"My Song Of Love"	Ottoline, Sutton And Chorus	
Reprise	Gretel and Sigismund	
Finale Act III	Gretel and Sigismund Ensemble	

## The Story

Head waiters of White Horse Inn have found that to fall in love with the attractive young widow who owns the establishment, is a swift and certain route to dismissal. Yet none have been able to resist Josepha; least of all Leopold, the present incumbent. She, however, pines for Valentine Sutton, a regular visitor from England, and is resolutely blind to all the evidence that his thoughts for her are no more than warm friendship. Valentine's annual visit is at hand, and by the same steamer arrive Ebenezer Grinkle, a self made lad from Lancashire with plenty of brass, his sweet young daughter Ottoline, an impoverished Professor Hinzel and his gawky, lisping, but appealing daughter Gretel, and a dapper young man, Sigismund Smith (of Hammersmith). Sub-plots abound as Smith and Grinkle discover they are hated business rivals. Sutton (who is Smith's solicitor) falls in love with Ottoline, and Smith with Gretel, while Leopold repeatedly threatens to resign and wishes them all a last 'Goodbye!'

The subsequent arrival of His Imperial Majesty the Emperor, serves at first only to add to the acrimonious chaos, but finally his kindly understanding and

wisdom do much to bring a happy ending.

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