

## CHAIRPERSONS' ADDRESS

Welcome to Glencullen Dundrum Musical & Dramatic Societys' production of 'Goodnight Mister Tom'.

Our Society was founded in 1971 in Glencullen and in 2013 we changed the name to Glencullen Dundrum MDS to reflect our wider geographical membership base, making our home in the DLR Mill Theatre in Dundrum. Last year we celebrated our 50th anniversary which was delayed due to Covid. We are an amateur, non profit, community organization who traditionally perform one Play and one Musical each season. This year we also put on some One Act Plays in the Mill Studio, two of which were entered into the Dundrum One Act Festival. In December we will be putting on " Carols by Candlelight ", an evening of Christmas songs and carols.

I would like to acknowledge and thank the ongoing support of our patrons and a special thank you to Ronan and the staff of St. Tiernan's community school and the 137th Balally Scouts Group for the much appreciated use of their rehearsal spaces. Thank you also to Shona, Kate and all the wonderful staff at The DLR Mill Theatre

A sincere thank you to the committee- Marcus Wilson, Fiona Doyle, Liam Corrigan, Fiona O'Sullivan, Michelle Kennedy, Peter Dillon and David Claffey for their hard work, time and commitment.

Thank you to all our members who have offered their time and help throughout the run of this show and to our patrons; Pat Kinsley, Lillo McGuinness & Sean Murphy. We couldn't do it without them.

If you are interested in joining or helping out in our society - front of house, backstage, props, costumes, set etc. please email us at [glencullen.musical@gmail.com](mailto:glencullen.musical@gmail.com). We are always looking for new members.

We hope you enjoy the show!

*Tom Ronayne*

Tom Ronayne  
Chairman, GDMDS

## ABOUT THE SHOW

Goodnight Mister Tom follows the story of 8 year old evacuee William Beech who is sent to live in the heart of the English countryside in the quiet village of Little Weirwold during the Second World War.

William arrives in the village physically and emotionally scarred by the cruelty of his mother. After her insistence that William should live in a religious home, he is sent to live with Tom Oakley, an elderly recluse.

Although initially scared of this new world, William is gently nursed back to full health by the kind and compassionate Tom. William begins to trust Tom and starts to enjoy his new life in Little Weirwold, making friends with Zach, a fellow evacuee, and local children George, Carrie, and Ginnie.

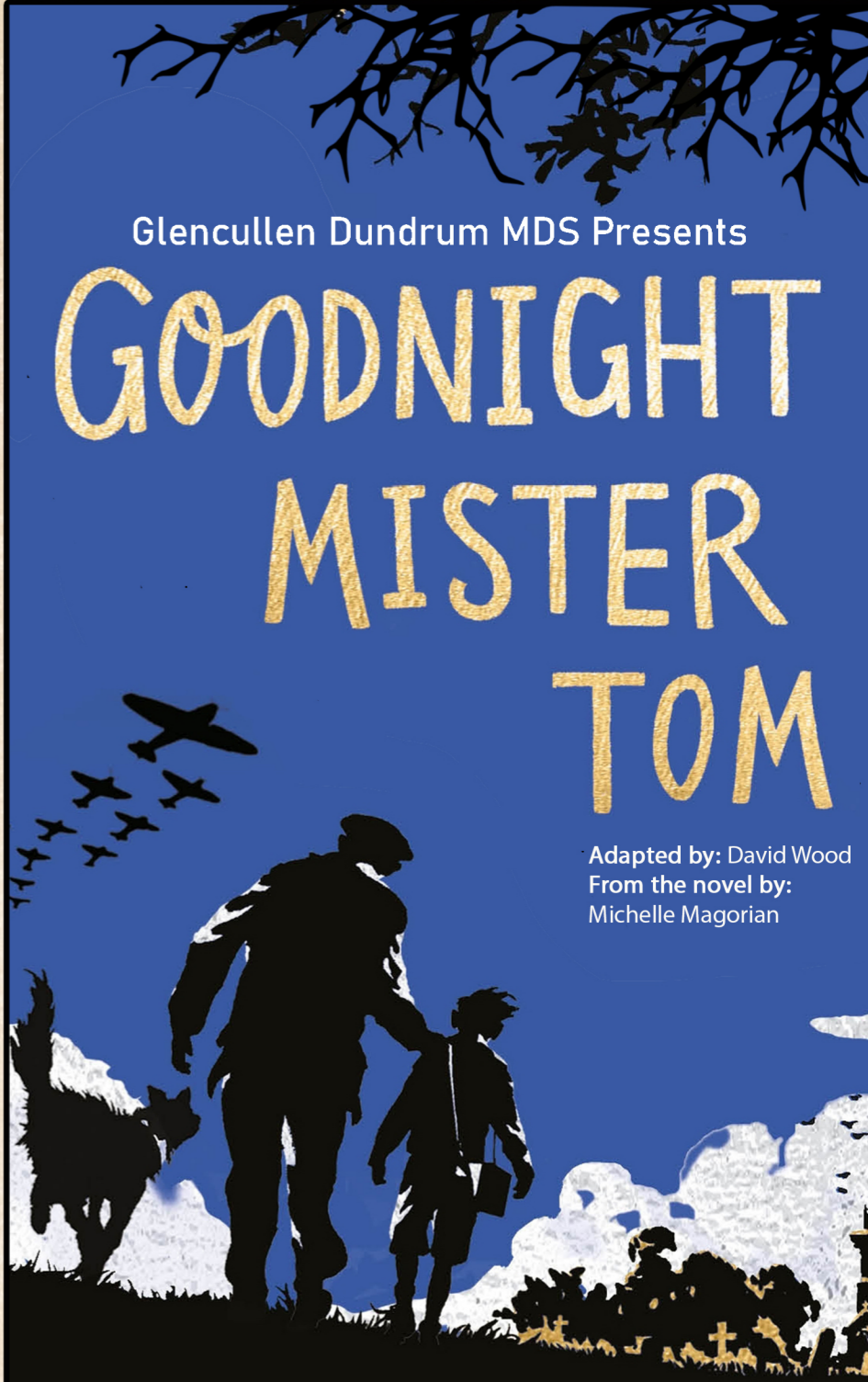
William's place in the house has revitalised Tom's life and he is surprised by how nice it is to have some company again.

This new found stability is upset when William's mother suddenly demands his return to London, claiming she is ill and in need of William to look after her. William has mixed emotions about going back; he loves his new home but also feels that the lessons he has learnt could help him and his mother.

Weeks later, Tom begins to get worried because William hasn't returned any of his letters. Determined to discover why, Tom travels to London with Sammy in search of William. On entering the Beech House, Sammy sniffs out William who has been locked in a cupboard.

Whilst William recovers in hospital the doctors advise Tom that William should be put into care. However, Tom thinks that William would be better off with him in the countryside so Tom sneaks William out of the hospital and takes him back to Little Weirwold. After a period of recuperation, William eventually starts to recover.

The authorities visit Mister Tom, saying that William should be sent to a Children's home, but the local doctor suggests that William should be adopted by Tom. William agrees. This comes as a great relief and settles into a new, happy life with his father, Mister Tom.





Glencullen Dundrum MDS Presents

# GOODNIGHT MISTER TOM

Adapted by: David Wood  
From the novel by:  
Michelle Magorian

dlr Mill Theatre, Dundrum  
22nd - 26th November 2022

## PROGRAMME

This amateur production of "Goodnight Mister Tom" is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals Ltd.  
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# OUR CREW



**LIAM CORRIGAN - DIRECTOR**

Liam Corrigan has been in the Society for well over 30 years. He has acted in, directed and produced countless shows and was voted Honorary President of our Society and is an AIMS award winner. He wishes the cast, crew and audiences a very enjoyable run of Goodnight Mister Tom.

**FIONA DOYLE - ASSISTANT DIRECTOR**

I am delighted to be assisting in the Production of this iconic Play ' Goodnight Mr Tom'. We have had a great time rehearsing to bring this special performance to you. And whoever said " never work with animals or kids" was soooooo wrong !!



**CREW :  
SET CONSTRUCTION :  
GRAPHIC DESIGNER & PROGRAMME :  
COSTUMES/PROPS :**

Philip Coventry  
Tom Ronayne & Robert Coventry  
Chris Ó'Conchúir  
Fiona Doyle, Liam Corrigan ,  
Bernie Coventry , Robert Coventry  
Tom Lundon  
Cathal O'Donohue  
Emma Brennan  
Liam Ryan, members and friends

**CHILD PROTECTION OFFICER :  
SOUND & LIGHTING:  
HAIR & MAKEUP:  
FRONT OF HOUSE:**

# OUR CAST

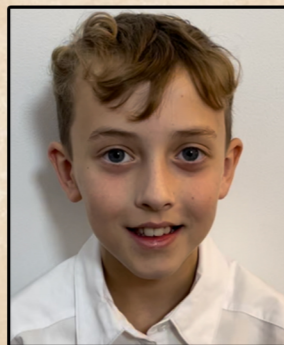


**MISTER TOM OAKLEY : TOM RONAYNE**

Tom started his career with Sandyford Little Theatre. As a member of GDMDS, Tom has acted in and directed shows including 'Beauty Queen of Lenane'. 'Arsenic and Old Lace', 'The Hired Man', and 'Anything Goes' to name but a few. Tom is also the set builder for Mill Productions, where he has also acted in numerous productions.

**WILLIAM BEECH: ELI BRENNAN**

Eli is looking forward to his first production with the GDMDS. Eli has a real passion for acting. He was in Kinky Boots earlier in the year with the Bull Alley theatre training company in the Civic theatre. He was also in the Cinderella and Mamma Mia pantos previous to that. Eli hopes that you all enjoy the show. break a leg!



**MRS BEECH : OLGA MAGUIRE**

This is the first time Olga has taken part in a Glencullen production. A member of Sandyford Little Theatre since 2015, Olga has taken part in productions including 'The Thin Man', 'Almost Maine' and 'Shaker Girls'.

**ZACH: ADAM HANVEY**

Adam attends The Independent Theatre Workshop, Clonskeagh. This is his first production with the Glencullen Dundrum Musical & Dramatic Society. He loves acting and telling jokes.



**CARRIE: ISABELLA FARRELL**

Isabella is so excited about her first role in GDMDS and has had so much fun rehearsing with the cast & crew and can't wait to take to the stage. Isabella takes singing, drama & dance classes in ITW & recently was in the childrens choir in the INO production of Tosca. Isabella hopes you have a magical evening & thank you to GDMDS for the opportunity!

**GINNIE: MAJA TAZBIR**

Maja is a 5th class primary school student who has recently joined Independent Theatre Workshop drama classes. She has been enjoying her first role with GDMDS and hopefully not the last one. She is hoping to do the performance of a lifetime for everyone in the audience, especially her family and friends.



**GEORGIE: RACHEL TURLEY**

I'm really excited for my first role in a Glencullen production. I have attended drama classes at 'Encore School of Performing Arts', 'Act Three Stage School', and currently at 'The Independent Theatre Workshop'. I enjoyed playing the lead in my schools' production of 'Matilda' a few years back, and I'm happy to be part of another performance.



**MISS MILLER / THE NURSE : EMMA MAHER**

This is Emmas' first appearance with GDMDS & she is delighted to be given the opportunity to be part of this exciting production. Emma has been a member of the Miss Ali's Stage School since ge 3 & has appeared in productions at the Olympia & Gaiety Theatres with the Stage School.



## ALSO STARRING (IN ORDER OF APPEARANCE):

<b>BILLETING OFFICER/ TICKET COLLECTOR:</b>	Megan Moriarty
<b>SAMMY:</b>	Emily Mullan
<b>ARP WARDEN CHARLIE RUDDLES:</b>	Ken Fitzgerald
<b>MRS FLETCHER:</b>	Aoife Durkin
<b>DR LITTLE:</b>	William Anglim
<b>MRS HARTRIDGE:</b>	Therese Anglim
<b>MR HARTRIDGE:</b>	Darragh O' Duffy
<b>MISS THORNE:</b>	Ashley Murray
<b>MR MILLER/ POLICEMAN:</b>	Eamonn Murphy
<b>MISS MILLER/ NURSE:</b>	Emma Maher
<b>VICAR:</b>	Peter Dillon
<b>VILLAGER / LONDONER:</b>	Mark Claffey
<b>GLAD:</b>	Dorothy Clements
<b>WARDEN:</b>	David Claffey
<b>SISTER/SOCIAL WORKER:</b>	Linda White
<b>MR STELTON PSYCHIATRIST:</b>	Akash Mukherjee
<b>EVACUEES/ LONDONERS / VILLAGERS:</b>	Various Cast Members

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