

Heritage Hotspots with Otto & Frieda

Once again 'Love is in the Air', as Otto and Frieda Burgemeister, and their family return to the Festival, kindly sharing their lives in the Barossa community. Journey with them through the 'Difficult and Troubled Times' of the 1940's, to the celebration of their eldest daughter's marriage.

Saturday 11 April | Carnival - "Greeting Times"

2pm: Otto, Frieda, Ewald & Frau Kavel are keen to kick off the 2009 Barossa Vintage Festival surrounded by friends. Step up and greet this zany gang, as once again, they prepare to take you back through the "past time" of life in a small rural Barossa village.

Sunday 12 April | Whistler Wines - "Picnic Times"

2pm: The Burgemeisters always feature prominently at the annual 'Sunday School Picnic'. The ever vigilant Frieda notices that her eldest daughter has turned her attention from the children's races to a fellow Sunday School teacher.

Monday 13 April | Greenock – A Day in the Village - "Competitive Times"

1pm: The eldest Burgemeister daughter appears to take a greater interest, than usual, in the 'Annual Pruning Competition'. Maybe she sees qualities, other than pruning, in the contest winner!

Tuesday 14 April | Bethany – Step Back in Time - "Divided Times"

11am: With the blossoming young love affair, now common knowledge, Otto and Frieda are concerned that their prospective son-in-law comes from 'The Other Side' of the divided Lutheran Church. Can these differences be resolved and the romance be allowed to continue?

Wednesday 15 April | Angaston Town Day - "Guarded Times"

11am: With the outbreak of World War 2, the Barossa residents of German descent, needed to guard their tongues as well as their towns. Otto and Frieda take their turn as 'Enemy Aeroplane Spotter'.

Thursday 16 April | Ziegenmarkt - "Hard Times"

10am: Times of war and recession created great hardship in Barossa resident's lives. Necessity attracted the ingenuity of the locals, with Otto and Frieda keen to pass on these skills to the young couple.

Friday 17 April | Moculta Main Street - "Preparation Times"

2pm: With the wedding of their eldest daughter only days away, Otto needs to complete the shearing of the sheep whilst Frieda still needs to find a dress for this special occasion. Perhaps the visiting 'hawker' has a dress of her size?

Saturday 18 April | Vintage Festival Parade - "Party Time"

The night before the wedding was never complete without a rousing 'Tin Kettling' at the bride's home. The 'Revelers' keep the decibels high until the bridal party appear with plenty of port wine and deutsche kuchen.

Sunday 19 April | Williamstown Town Day - "Celebration Times"

2pm: Experience the joy, (and nervousness), as the Burgemeisters arrive in their 'Finery', for the marriage of their eldest daughter to Pastor and Frau Kavel's only son. Can the warring mothers be civil for this special occasion?

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