

## Sons of the Desert – Brats Tent (Sheffield) Oasis 80 (Founded 1988)

**Grand Sheik:** John Burton

**Grand Vizier:** Alan Hancock

**Sub-Vice Vizier:** Brian Jessop

**Remember:** All members  
have absolutely no authority  
whatsoever!



**Vice Sheik:** Kevin Hepplestone

**Vice Vizier:** Mark Johnson

**Everyone Else:** Board Members  
At Large

### *Twas Ever Thus! - Brats Monthly Newsletter*

12<sup>th</sup> February 2007

Good Evening and welcome to the one and only Brats Tent meeting of February 2007

#### **You don't believe me!.....**

L&H Yorkshire connections continue to be unearthed:-

Alan Fox is a member of the Laughing Gravy Tent of Tingley. He went into Batley Working Men's Club one day recently, wearing his blazer, which is smothered in badges of Laurel and Hardy. A young lady asked if he was interested in Laurel and Hardy and Alan said, "I sure am". She told Alan that her grandfather was Stan Laurel's cousin, but that he died two years ago, aged 94 years.

#### **I can read reading, but I can't read writing.....**

The ever excellent Bowler Dessert has arrived with Number 67 containing features on the following:- Tent news from around the world, forthcoming events, tv/radio reviews, features on Lawrence Tibbett, Chill Wills, Kay Delys & Thelma Todd, Sons of the Desert Constitution, DVD reviews & much more! BD is free to paid up annual members - £2.50 (and a bargain) to everyone else!

Bowler Dessert also has an excellent website which contains up to date news and links to many other L&H websites:- <http://myweb.tiscali.co.uk/bowlerdessert/>

#### **Show me that again.....**

This evening we will be screening as it is month two of the year we will have a theme night entitled 'Mine's a Double' featuring Two Tars, Twice Two and Our Relations. If the weather today is as cold as it has been recently you may also wish to drink several doubles to keep warm!

#### **Other events in 2007.....**

28 <sup>th</sup> February	-	Early to Bed Tent Meeting, Spital Hotel, Chesterfield 7:30pm
12 <sup>th</sup> March	-	Brats Tent, New Crown Inn, 7:30pm
23 <sup>rd</sup> April	-	Brats Curry Night, Lajawab Restaurant
4 <sup>th</sup> - 7 <sup>th</sup> May	-	U.K. Convention, Quality Hotel, Stoke on Trent (£220)
7 <sup>th</sup> July	-	Ulverston Carnival
24 <sup>th</sup> - 27 <sup>th</sup> August 2007	-	8 <sup>th</sup> European Convention, Red Star Hotel, Near Dublin Price £295 - application forms available from myself
1 <sup>st</sup> September	-	Laurel & HarDay (Venue TBC)

Fraternally Yours,  
John,

**You can lead a horse to water  
But a pencil must be lead! (Brats 1930)**

**Webpage:**

[www.handsworth.org.uk/societies/sons/](http://www.handsworth.org.uk/societies/sons/)