

The Deficit Reduction Plan is hitting the Spratt family, whose finances aren't as 'zipa-dee-doo-dah' as they might be. The coming to power of Squire Trebormint means that Mrs Spratt is going to have to pay her back rent. Her two lazy sons don't help – both long-term unemployed and without the necessary skills to find the Job Centre. The only worker in the family is Clara the cow.

Unemployment is so bad, that the Market Sweepers are now recruiting only from the vast pool of unemployed graduates. But it's an ill wind that blows nobody any good, and the Leader of the Market 'Clean-with-a-Smile' Team is well on the way to becoming a more cost-effective Chief Executive Officer.

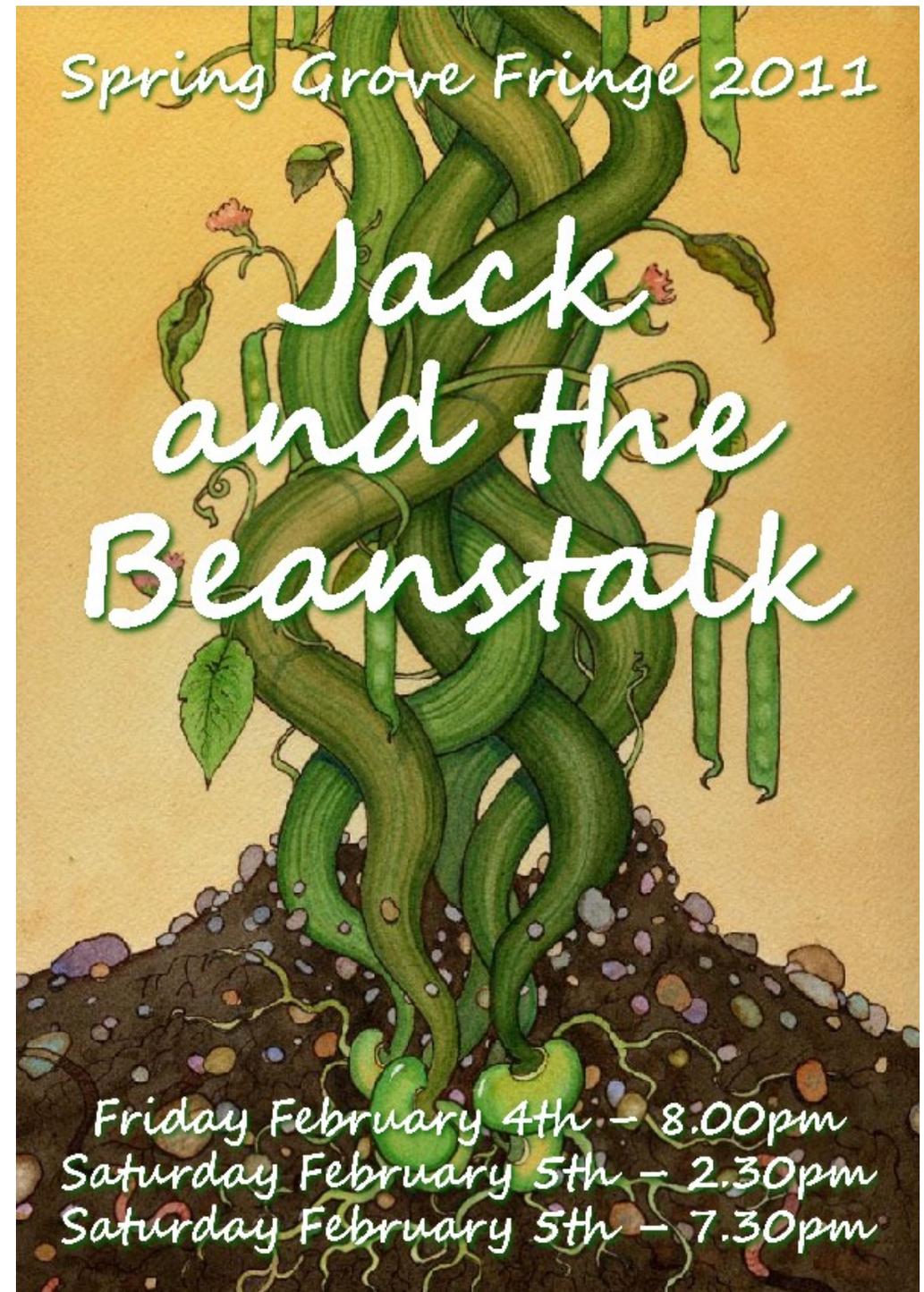
Jack has taken a foolish fancy to the Squire's daughter, Jill, but she, unknown to him, has seen a compassionate side of his character that her father does not possess. He has recruited European migrants past their sell-by date to do his rent collection.

But remember that, in Spring Grove, there are many forces, both dark and light, at work just under the surface. The four witches, who can often be seen each clutching a cauldron sized glass of Chardonnay, are busy spinning, weaving and cutting the threads for the fabric of the lives of our characters. And, if you brush aside the cobwebs spun by the spiders in your bedroom, you might find an angel.

'Dig for Victory' and you may reach a magic land, Cloudland, where the Giant holds celebrity chefs in thrall to do his cooking, and the Bean People to do his other work. But, with only beans to eat, its only sweet-smelling advantage is the golden eggs laid by the Giant's hen.

Donation from the proceeds of this Pantomime will be made to two charities. Local resident Sally Brockway is running the London Marathon on April 17th to raise money for **The Bridge**, a local organisation which works with families and their children who have communication difficulties, such as Autistic Spectrum and Attention Deficit Disorder. Her son has Asperger's Syndrome and ADHD. As a result he struggles socially. With **The Bridge**, he has improved his social skills and boosted his confidence. Best of all, he has found a group of friends who do not judge him.

Shelter is a housing and homelessness charity which believes everyone should have a home. **Shelter** does this by giving advice, information and advocacy to people in housing need, and by campaigning for lasting political change to end the housing crisis for good.



Cast, in order of appearance

Squire Trebormint, a future Housing Minister	Ross Jones
Mrs Spratt (Ma) has the two things you're after!	John Hackett
Market Girl, on work experience	Olivia Hamilton
Jim Spratt, an aspiring sportsman	Nigel Bellwood
Jack Spratt, an aspiring lover	Suzanne Nail
Clara, the Spratt's cow	Emma Nail & Isaac Henriques

The Market 'Clean-with-a-Smile' Team:

Curtis, highly qualified in throwing a 'sicky'	Tony Tresigne
Damon, CSE in Alternative Studies	Dick Need
Kyle, broom-handle economist	Jerry Ryan
Tristan, PhD	Nick Sheldon
Grant, known to moonlight as a bean-seller	Jacqui Rollason
Shane, apprentice con-man	Tim Doyle

The Squire's Bailiffs:

Kapitän Tom	Tom Morrell
Oberleutnant Dick	David Hamilton

Chef and Trainee Celebrity Chefs

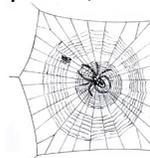
Chef	Julia Becker
Sous-chef, not a Sioux Chef	Peggy Kind
Jamie Oliver, the bloke from the High Street	Phoebe Jones
Heston Blumenthal, somewhat wacky	Isaac Henriques
Nigella Lawson, seducing you with her melons	Emma Nail

Slippery Sid, a supplier of black market beans	Jacqui Rollason
Jill Trebormint, the Squire's sweet daughter	Kate Shaw

The Witches of the Blasted Heath, weaving the tapestry of life:

Spinna, spins the thread of life	Lyn Charlton
Measura, measures what's been spun	Sandie Khan
Scissa, cuts it with a knife	Julia Becker
Charity, makes the panto run	Amanda Shaw

Spiders, in the Spratts' bedroom:



Keira Avis, Kc Gardiner, Olivia Hamilton, Maddie Kind,
Lilly Licorish, Mabel Licorish, Theo Oxford,
Pia Probhavalkar, Olivia Tamblingson, Jay Tick

Angel of the Northern Line	Adrian Treloar
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In Cloudland

Froggy, a French Beanperson	Scott Millington
Serena Bean, beauty consultant to pink people	Karina Treloar
The Giant, neither jolly, nor green	Adrian Treloar & Cameron Shaw
Chicken, who lays golden eggs	Jonathan Rollason

Stage Manager	Helen Dawson
Assistant Stage Managers	Lucy Clyne, Gavin Dawson
Prompt	Sharon Henriques

Set Design and Construction	Gavin & Helen Dawson
Lighting	Nigel Duffin
Musical Director & Sound	Howard Farmer
Costume Designer	Jo Need
Choreography	Suzanne Jones & Sarah Mooney

Box Office	Pam Vaughan
Children's Producer	Tessa Kind
Directed by	Jenny Robson & Nigel Duffin
Producer	Amanda Shaw



Nigella's saucy sausages

Emma, our very own Nigella, is fund-raising for an orphanage and orangutan sanctuary in Borneo. She wants to go there in 2012. There are Nigella-inspired sausages in rolls for evening performances and crisps and sweets too.