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Julie and Billy have run away to be together. Now they're both unemployed and living off her cousin Nettie who runs a cafe down near the harbour. Not working is getting Billy down and the young lovers' relationship is beginning to deteriorate. He even contemplates returning to his old job in the fair ground, but that would mean going back to be the live-in toy-boy of the elderly Mrs Mullin and he still really loves Julie.

When Julie finds that she is pregnant it's the last straw. He has to get money. So when his layabout, petty criminal friend, Jigger, suggests mugging a local business man as he is carrying the factory wages, Billy reckons it's the only way out. But the price he has to pay is far more than he ever imagined...the story continues...

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When selecting a show we are always aware of what shows have found favour with you, our audience, in the past.

When we staged *Carousel* in the Playhouse, the main problem was to obtain a carousel which was small enough to put on the stage and still 'work'. We don't have that problem with the Eden Court stage but there are many other challenges which have to be overcome and we are very aware of the considerable effort and expertise which is exercised on our behalf. We publicly acknowledge our debt to the staff and friends by naming them in the credits of the programme and trust we will have their continuing support.

At the time of writing it is known we will not be able to allocate everyone their first choice of seats. Why not 'almost make certain' that you get seats by becoming a Patron or registering your business as a Commercial Patron? Seats are always allocated to our Patrons even before the Company bookings are made. If you would like more information ask our front of house staff or drop a line to our Secretary or any member of the Company. Thank you for your continuing support and in the words from 'Carousel-Land' — 'Have a nice evening'.

In response to many requests we are holding two concerts in the Town Hall on Friday and Saturday 20 & 21st May 1988. Make a note in your diary, we look forward to seeing you on one of those evenings.

CHARLES SINCLAIR Chairman

#### The Characters (in order of appearance)

Carrie Pipperidge	Shona MacKenzie
Julie Jordan	
Mrs Mullin	
Billy Bigelow	Trevor Nicol
1st Policeman	
David Bascombe	
Nettie Fowler	
Enoch Snow	
Jigger Craigin	
Arminy	
2nd Policeman	
Captain	
Heavenly Friend	
Starkeeper/Dr Seldon	
Louise	
Carnival Boy	
Enoch Snow Jnr	
Miss Snow	
Principal	
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#### Sailors/Fishermen

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#### Children

Martin Caldwell, Carol Duncan, Craig Fairgrieve, Mary Fraser, John Muir, Gavin Nicol, Victoria Nicol, Gillian Taylorson, Natalie Torrance.

#### Graduates

Iain Allison, Niall Allison, Christopher Buchanan, Colin Douglas, Jamie MacDonald, Michael Morgan

#### **Synopsis of Scenes**

#### Time: 1873-1888

#### ACT I

- Scene 1 Prelude an amusement park on the New England coast. May.
- Scene 2 A tree-lined path along the shore. A few minutes later.
- Scene 3 Nettie Fowler's Spa on the ocean front. June.

#### Act II

- Scene 1 On an island across the bay. That night.
- Scene 2 Mainland waterfront. An hour later.
- Scene 3 Up there.
- Scene 4 Down here. On a beach. Fifteen years later.
- Scene 5 Outside Julie's Cottage.
- Scene 6 Outside a schoolhouse. Same day.

#### **Musical Numbers**

#### ACT I

Prologue (The Carousel Waltz) Mister Snow If I Loved You June is Bustin' Out All Over ENCORE June is Bustin' Out All Over Mister Snow Reprise When The Children Are Asleep Blow High, Blow Low Soliloquy

#### ACT II

A Real Nice Clambake Geraniums in the Winder Stonecutters Cut It On Stone What's The Use Of Wond'rin' You'll Never Walk Alone The Highest Judge Of All Ballet My Little Girl You'll Never Walk Alone Orchestra Julie & Carrie Billy & Julie Chorus Chorus Ladies Chorus, Carrie & Julie Carrie & Mr Snow Fishermen & Sailors, Billy & Jigger Billy

> Chorus Mr Snow Jigger and Chorus Julie & Girls Julie & Nettie Billy Louise, Children, Chorus Billy Chorus

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	Stephen MacKenzie, John Sutherland, Bill Harvey
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Organ	
Percussion	
Piano	

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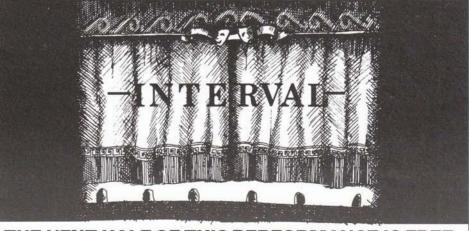
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