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## Remote Controlled Lawnmowers



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# Lawnmowers Centre Stage Revolution

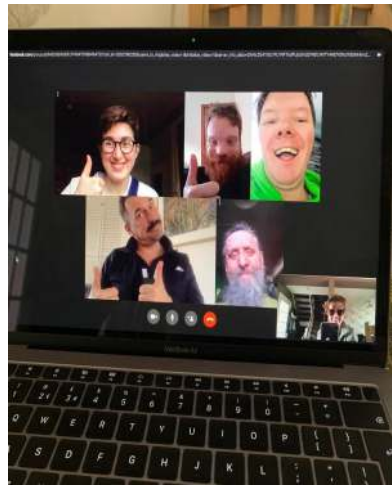


Due to coronavirus The Lawnmowers is operating a temporary period of remote working during the Government enforced lockdown. Although we are not able to be at our beloved centre for a number of weeks, our members are its beating heart.

Take a peak below at what we've been up to. Check out our films documenting our progress so far or read the wonderful blog by Francois Matarasso about Remote Controlled Lawnmowers by clicking the links on page 4:



The Lawnmowers Independent Theatre Company is operating a temporary period of remote working during the Coronavirus public health emergency. The Company has worked very hard over the last 4 weeks to ensure our members and staff are safe, connected and continue working to deliver our virtual arts programmes. We are currently delivering our Find Your Voice, Krocodile Krew, Theatre Ensemble, Theatre Outreach, Daytime Dance, Beat This, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday Evening Clubs and our Youth dance and drama programmes.



The last 4 weeks have been a hive of activity and are the result of a great deal of very hard work from our staff, board, members and carers/keyworkers. We have built the digital platforms for our work to be delivered, worked on a one-to-one basis with every member to assess digital accessibility, capability and to supply necessary equipment and training to those that need it and then to bring every member and staff member live. We then implemented a commitment and engagement policy. Commitment is expected in much the same way it is at our beloved centre. We take registers, support our staff with regular one-to-ones, work with our carers to ensure participation, have mitigated risk with our home working risk assessments and monitor all attendance isolation and safeguarding risks and achievements. We have 98 members from across the region taking part in their regular weekly sessions in private digital groups and maintain our popular social media pages for a community of 1927 members. In addition to our programmes, we offer daily morning raves, hold our weekly round table meetings, host our staff and board meetings via Zoom, have set up Covid Corner; a safe space for members to ask questions about the virus and connect at weekends, have an in-progress rock request page and are about to host a live streamed Krocodile Klub nightclub.

We feel very proud of what we have achieved in the last 4 weeks and that we have such a high level of committed engagement but most of all, that our members and staff are safe and, while this temporary period of enforced lock down is operating, are continuing to engage, remain connected and with support, are disciplined and working hard on their programmes and that the high risk of damaging isolation they

were facing has been mitigated.

Lawnmowers has a wonderful, skilled, talented and creative staff and artists pool. We have spent 4 very busy weeks working to build infrastructure, mitigate risk and ensure engagement from all our members, ensuring no one was left behind. Our immediate next-phase plans include digital performances for audiences, adapting our work for networks, developing our digital progression plans and further community engagement.

## Films, Photos and Contact Details

We look forward to keeping you updated with our plans. You can find film links, photos and all our contact details further below!

## Meeting Up Soon!

To all our friends and colleagues, we wish you continued good health and hope everyone keeps safe and well. We look forward to meeting in person soon!



16:38 100%

Unit posts

Task 1 27th March 2020

Hello Theatre Outreach this is your first creative task for next week... good luck!



Done

12:47 The Lawnmowers Independent...

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The Lawnmowers Independent Theatre Company  
26 March at 10:38 · G

Good Morning Everyone!


Here's a lovely message for you from Lawnmowers lovely Matthew Dennis.

Thank you for sharing this Matthew it's made our day!  
Stay safe everyone

#alwayssobacktothebrightsideoflife #montypython #keepsmiling #stayhome #initttogether

Matthew Dennis · The Lawnmowers Independent Theatre Company  
26 March at 10:07 · Fresham · G

hope you all enjoy this — at Catton



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The Lawnmowers Independent Theatre Company  
Posted by Mariam Rezaei  
Wednesday at 09:30 · G

DJ Mayhem has some brilliant #elvis on his morning rave playlist to get you geared up for a brilliant day!... See more




UNITS · BEAT THIS THURSDAY DRUMMING!  
Beat This Afternoon Task 02/04/2020

35 comments

Like Comment

Debbie Bell  
I've been feeling other objects that has vibrations the gump in the fish tank L... See More



1w · 1 Like Reply

DJ Mayhem Morning Rave DJ Mayhem

16:27 Search Facebook

Conor O' Kane  
Task 2 seems obvious now for you all ....

What's that Doke??? (You ask)

'Floor work hook challenge'  
\*Create 3 different floor patterns using hooks

Note: I know some of you have already begun doing floor work patterns with hooks. So keep creating!

1w Like Reply

Kieran D Lumley

Comment as The La...

16:33 Lawnmowers Evening...

Paul Allen  
Wednesday at 17:17 · G

Hi guys 😊




UNIT 3 · MOVING STYLES!  
Moving Styles Check In - 08/04/2020

14 comments Seen by 22


Like Comment

Paul Allen shared a photo  
Wednesday at 17:21 · Interacting as your Pa...


#nopjamashere



comments - could be a funny dance move or a silly sound. Something to get us back to the body after lunch



16:31



Group by The Lawnmowers Independent Theatre Company

Lawnmowers Evening Members

PRIVATE GROUP · 32 MEMBERS

Invite

Units Announcements Photos

Write something...

Lawnmowers Evening...

Liam Scarth was live.  
25 March at 13:49 · G

A hello from me, I hope you are all doing well. I am setting you little task to connect over the facebook group. Type below a hello and then take a picture of yourself in a pose that expresses how you are feeling about live in self-hibernation!

Lots of hugs,  
Liam



Interacting as your Pa...

Search Facebook

My movements for the Reviewer guy from Tim.



1d Like Reply




1w Like Reply

Unit posts

Like Comment

Dawn's Question and Answer se...

Good Morning All - Sorry for the delay, tech issues!



40 views

Done

130 comments

Unit posts

Hiya! I hope you have a lovely lunch! I had a banana sandwich! ha!


Have a listen to my task here! make some notes somewhere please - we will come back to them!



Unit posts

Morning: Finish of Melody's task, learning lines, looking for lip sync videos and finding movements

Afternoon: have lunch and chat!



After lunch: Do Jan's task

1,870 people like this


1,927 people follow this

Claire Hills-Wilson, Ali Campbell and 34 other friends like this or have checked in

74 check-ins

JAGGED LITTLE PILL

REMEMBER THAT THE MORE WE KNOW, THE MORE WE CAN DO. WE SHOULD NEVER BE ASKED TO CHANGE OUR BEHAVIOUR BECAUSE WE'RE DIFFERENT. WE SHOULD BE ASKED TO CHANGE OUR BEHAVIOUR BECAUSE WE'RE DIFFERENT.




UNIT 4 - THEATRE ENSEMBLE (THURSDAY ACTING)

Jagged Little Pill

2 Like Comment

Andrew Lawnmowers

my response Jan in bright colours



Write a comment...

Little afternoon task. Tap along a pulse. Can you tell me how many counts the rhythm goes through before it starts again. B xxx



Done

23 comments

The Lawnmowers I...

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Lawnmowers Evening...

Like Comment

6/4/20

Laura Patterson

6 April at 19:40

Thank you all for joining in. It's been lovely speaking to you all.

Have a safe Easter be back online 20th April Keep positive!




UNIT 1 · MONDAY CLUB

Quiz Answers and Goodnight 06/04/2020


Search Facebook

Nathan Jordison



1w Like Reply

Nathan Jordison



Comment as The La...

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The Lawnmowers Independent Theatre Company

Posted by Dawn Redhead 22 March at 11:10

Thanks Tom Shakespeare. X

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Unit posts

Bobby McFerrin loves to encourage audiences to join in with his music

Here are some examples you can join in with. When listening, have a think...

- Could we do anything like this in our performances or workshops?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MM7TISJLNgw>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ne6tB2Kizuk>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SD2tCGewPLI>

Listen to one before lunch and a couple after...

**Bobby McFerrin plays the audience!**

Unit posts

Conor O' Kane was live in Lawnmowers Youth Members.

1 April at 16:36



28 views

Done

3 Like Comment

47 comments

Unit posts

Unit 8: How are we feeling about Remote Working?

Every week when you log on for the first time. Complete the feelings poll for that week by using the emoji reactions

Write something...

Photo Camera

This unit doesn't have any posts. Create a post to add to this unit.

# See Everyone Soon!!



The image displays four screenshots of a Facebook group page for "The Lawnmowers Independent Theatre Company".

- Top Screenshot:** Shows the group's profile page. It includes the group name, a search bar, and navigation tabs for Home, About, Photos, Events, and Videos. The "Home" tab is selected, showing a "Send message" button, a phone number (0191 478 9200), and the group's status as "Closed now" with a price range of "£". A cover photo of a group of people is visible.
- Second Screenshot:** Shows the "Community" section. It lists "1,870 people like this", "1,927 people follow this", and "74 check-ins". It also mentions "Claire Hills-Wilson, Ali Campbell and 34 other friends like this or have checked in".
- Third Screenshot:** Shows the "Lawnmowers Evening Members" group page. It is a "PRIVATE GROUP" with "32 MEMBERS". It features a "+ Invite" button and navigation tabs for "Units", "Announcements", and "Photos".
- Fourth Screenshot:** Shows the "Lawnmowers Daytime Members" group page. It is a "PRIVATE GROUP" with "44 MEMBERS". It features a "+ Invite" button and navigation tabs for "Units", "Watch party", "Photos", and "Events".
- Fifth Screenshot:** Shows the "Lawnmowers Youth Members" group page. It is a "PRIVATE GROUP" with "22 MEMBERS". It features a "+ Invite" button and navigation tabs for "Units", "Announcements", and "Photos".

## Films

You can see a short film of our progress by clicking here:

**Weeks 1-3** (8 minutes—Getting Online) <https://vimeo.com/405098382>

**Week 4 (2.5 minutes—Running Programmes )**- <https://youtu.be/yf5xA-ikMsM>

**Blog by Francois Matarasso**— <https://arestlessart.com/2020/04/15/its-still-a-dead-good-life/>

## Contact Lawnmowers

You can contact Lawnmowers as normal:

07800 844215, [hello@lawnmowerstheatre.com](mailto:hello@lawnmowerstheatre.com)

 [Facebook.com/LawnmowersITC](https://www.facebook.com/LawnmowersITC)  [@LawnmowersITC](https://twitter.com/LawnmowersITC)

## Join Lawnmowers

If you are interested in joining Lawnmowers or our programmes, please contact Wendy Patterson on the above telephone or email.



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