

TITAN VIEW

CODGERS **AVAILABLE NOW**

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – Don Reid’s acclaimed stage production, CODGERS, now in CINEMAS across Australia.

Following a sold-out Australian tour, Don Reid’s side-splitting stage production *Codgers* is now on the big screen with the celebrated cast, including *A Country Practice* favourite Shane Porteous.

Codgers follows five everyday Aussie “codgers” who meet at the gym each week to exercise, chew the fat, sling off, sing and have a bloody good laugh! Among the jokes and the secrets, the back strain and biceps, they learn that ‘difference’ is more to do with your point of view and that no matter what, ‘you wouldn’t be dead for quids!’

The film “...pays homage to mature, sometimes grumpy Australians, who may have lost their youth and their physical prowess, but not their ability to matter, surprise, provoke and inspire,” says director Wayne Harrison, “They can also make us laugh, at them and at ourselves.”

Codgers stars old favourites and theatre veterans Ronald Falk, Ron Haddrick, Edwin Hodgeman, Jon Lam, Russell Newman, and Shane Porteous, who is best known for the twelve years he played Dr Terence Elliot on *A Country Practice*. Behind the camera is international theatre director Wayne Harrison, who was Artistic Director/CEO of Sydney Theatre Company from 1990 – 1999, and Producer Grant Dodwell, best known for his work in front of the camera, including the Inside Film Award for Best Actor awarded for his role in *Men’s Group* and his role as Dr Simon Bowen in *A Country Practice*.

In June 2011, *Codgers* enjoyed a red carpet premiere at Riverside Theatre in Parramatta, which was attended by the Lord Mayor of Parramatta. VIPs and attendees enjoyed Iced Vo Vos, a glass of wine and a Q&A after the screening.

Codgers has commenced screenings in cinemas, and is currently touring Australia with special event screenings. *Codgers* is also currently available for community group screenings.

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