

Banbury Cross Players

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MY BOY JACK Behind the Scenes

With Christmas behind us, and the New Year upon us, we thought we would look back on one of the few 'nice' stories from World War 1.

It was Christmas, 1914, and all along the Western Front, something a little unusual for a war, but completely in the spirit of the season, was happening.

It started with the Germans lighting candles on Christmas trees and then singing Christmas Carols. The British responded by singing carols of their own. The two sides shouted Christmas greetings to each other and were soon venturing into 'no man's land' where small gifts were exchanged and games of football were played.

The artillery in the region fell silent.

While this behaviour was not exhibited everywhere, and fighting did continue in some places, approximately 100,000 British and German troops were involved in the unofficial truce.

This advert by Sainsbury's is a highly dramatized version of these events. Enjoy.



Helen Watson

Director

Tickets for BCP's production of David Haig's "My Boy Jack" are on sale now at [The Mill Arts Centre](https://www.themillartscentre.co.uk/Event/137554) - 01295 279002 or online at <https://www.themillartscentre.co.uk/Event/137554>