



# Vicar's Whore



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Let a thousand pixels bloom! This week saw the launch of the new VW web site, [www.vicarswhore.com](http://www.vicarswhore.com), courtesy of IT manager Geoff Martin. The original idea was to streamline the old, inflated version, but there was too much encoded fat to flitch off. Better to start from scratch, taking James' personal web site as the inspiration.



Information was put out last week that in order to receive funding for our performances, the group will have to become official in some way. Apparently the easiest is to draw up a charter and register it with the local authorities. The basic draft sent around for approval met few responses, the most common being, "I hate reading this shit." It was therefore duly approved.

For those curious to know if there's a connection between Swayze in *Sally Carter* and Patrick Swayze, who died last week, the answer goes back to 1992. At the time there was a miniseries on TV called *North and South*, a resoundingly dumb effort at bringing the American Civil War to the masses. Since the name Swayze was the most recognizable in the cast, it was culled for another civil war epic then being written for Czech high school students learning English. The fact that our Swayze is something of an imbecile in no way reflects on Patrick Swayze's talent and career. Just the opposite, since playing an imbecile is a surefire way of gaining recognition and honor, at least in Hollywood.

One sign of just how big the group has grown is the presence now of two Katkas. To avoid possible confusion, Katka will henceforth be known as Kate and New Katka just Katka. Any third Katka who might come along will have to fend for herself. While waiting for news about a venue for rehearsals, all members are asked to become intimately familiar with the crude recording made of the play to assist with intonation and pronunciation. Play it at home, on the tram, in school, at work, anywhere you like so long as you remember Humphrey Bogart's famous command to just "play it!"

