

In brief

**Got permission, easy as pie**

WHEN Dennis Kirkpatrick (left), owner of Jimmy's Pies, received a phone call from actor Ryan Richards asking for permission to use the Roxburgh pie business in his play *A Boy Wonder*, the pie master was "flattered".

Richards plays Jimmy, scout leader and Jimmy's Pies' owner, which rings true for the real-life owner of the business, who was also a scout leader in Roxburgh for 18 years.

"This story came out of my personal experiences and I was a big Jimmy's Pies fan," Richards said.

Richards, when a child, spent many holidays in Millers Flat and visited Roxburgh for his favourite pie, mince and cheese.

Richards ate a Jimmy's pie on stage at the Roxburgh Town Hall on Saturday night and will eat a few more in Dunedin at the Fortune Theatre from this Thursday to Sunday.