



*a pantomime
by
Jo Smith*

PROGRAMME

Cinderella

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written and directed by Jo Smith & Dil Williamson

Performed by Headley Theatre Club at Headley Village Hall
18, 19, 20 & 25, 26 January 2002

Welcome — to Headley Theatre Club's fiftieth season!

We share our Golden Jubilee this year with Her Majesty the Queen, our Club having been founded in the year of her accession, 1952.

The first 'object' in our original Constitution was stated to be: "**To unite the village in good fellowship**"—and we have been trying ever since. Very trying!

Sadly, the jokes get no better!!

From our list of 'Pantos Past' you will see that this year's effort will be the fourth rendering (I use that word advisedly) of *Cinderella* by the Club—just like a sunspot cycle, it seems to come round every 11 to 12 years or so.

Do I need to remind you of the story? "Poor girl, hard life—handsome Prince, needs wife—get hitched, no strife!"

But to give you your money's worth, we pad it out a bit—rather like the Ugly Sisters... *Whoops*, that's given the game away! Better say no more.

So, without further ado, let's settle down and wait for the action to begin. Are you sitting comfortably? Then watch out—here comes Puck, the peripatetic Pixie...

Cast

Gladys, the Fairy Godmother Mo Cooke
Gloria, her sister (a bad, but incompetent Fairy) Laurie Lewis
Puck, a peripatetic Pixie Ashleigh Keech

Baron Hardup Nick Webb
Cinderella, his daughter by his first wife Heidi Farnlucher
Nasturtium, a stepdaughter Dorian Burrows
Petunia, another stepdaughter John McGregor
Griselda, their mother, the Baron's second wife Pru Harrold
Buttons, the Baron's handyman Daniel Radford
Squire Welwyn Jamie Stickler
Baldock, the squire's bailiff Lee Carter
Prince Charming, heir to the throne of Concordia Karina Farnlucher
Dandini, aide to the Prince Rachel Whittaker
Alice, friend of Dandini Becky Radford
Coachman Katie Woodger
Bailiff's helpers/Flunkies Daniel Hawkes, Mark James, Steve Owen

Senior Chorus: Carly Barbey, Denise Burrows, Justine Carter, Jenna Cross, Wendy Downs, Maggie Farnlucher, Lizzie Hemus, Amy Holloway, Georgia Keen, Emily Lampert, Kay McGregor, Liv Persson, Michelle Thorne, Mel Tregay, Deb Williamson, Dil Williamson, Katie Woodger

Junior Chorus: Emma Courtnage, Suzie Davis, Rosie Diamond, Emily Downs, Elana Farah, Theo Farah, Samantha Gedsyk, Helen Keech, Siân Lewis, Chantelle Myall, Danielle Owen, Moa Persson, Matthew Powell, Sammie Tayler, Daisy Whillans

Scenes

Act I

- Prologue Puck's piece
Scene 1 A Street in the Town
Scene 2a Gloria's grotto
Scene 2b A room in the Palace
Scene 3 In Baron Hardup's kitchen
Scene 4a In the Fairy Glen
Scene 4b Another street in the Town
Scene 5 Back in Baron Hardup's kitchen

**** INTERVAL of 15 minutes or so ****

Act II

- The Interlogue – Gloria's grotto
Scene 1 At the Ball in the Palace
Scene 2a The Rumour Scene
Scene 2b In the Fairy Glen again
Scene 3 Again in Baron Hardup's kitchen
Scene 4 A secluded place †
Scene 5 In the Palace again

† Sing along with the Community Song in Act II Scene 4:—

*Super-cali-fragil-istic-expi-ali-docious,
Even though the sound of it is something quite atrocious,
If you say it loud enough you'll always sound precocious,
Super-cali-fragil-istic-expi-ali-docious!*

*Um diddle diddle diddle, um diddle ay!
Um diddle diddle diddle, um diddle ay!*

Songs & Dances

‘Who will buy?’	Chorus
‘Pick yourself up’	Dandini & Alice
‘Wouldn’t it be lovely’	Cinderella & Buttons
‘Who wants to be a millionaire?’	Baron & Buttons
‘Nice work if you can get it’	Prince & Dandini
‘It’s raining men’	Chorus
‘Food, glorious food’	Junior chorus
‘We’re the very best at being bad’	Squire & Baldock
‘Sisters’	Nasturtium & Petunia
‘A handful of stardust’	Junior chorus (<i>dance</i>)
‘Can’t remember where or when’	Cinderella & Prince
‘The night they invented Champagne’	Chorus
‘Someone to watch over me’	Cinderella

*** INTERVAL ***

‘Prince’s stately Ball’	Chorus
‘The way you look tonight’	Prince & Cinderella
‘Who were you with last night?’	Squire, Baldock, Ugly sisters + Buttons
‘Nobody loves a fairy when she’s forty’	Gladys & Gloria
‘Let’s all go round the Town’	Chorus
‘Why do I love you?’	Prince & Cinderella
‘Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious’ †	Baron, Buttons, Squire & Baldock
‘I love to cry at weddings’	Chorus

Production Team

Author/Director	Jo Smith
Co-director/Choreography	Dil Williamson
Musical Director/Pianist	Jo Levy
Instrumentalists	Martin Levy (guitar), Keith Ireland (percussion)
Junior Rehearsals & Junior Costumes	Laurie Lewis, Alison Keech
Costumes/Choreography	Denise Burrows
Stage Manager	Deb Williamson
Lighting/Sound	Paul & Peter Kosinski
Set Construction	Members of the Club
Posters/Publicity	Pru Harrold, Heidi Farnlucher
Front of House Organisation	Erika Webb
Backstage Crew	Simon Webb, Deb Williamson
Make-up Assistance	Penny McKay
Cast Photographs	Angus McKay

Dramatic Events in 2002

- Apr 26/27** 'The Lion, the Witch & the Wardrobe'
June 8 Theatre Club's Golden Jubilee party
July 12/13 50s evening
Oct 6-19 'Riot!' on local tour

We celebrate our Golden Jubilee in 2002 — watch out for further information on plans for this auspicious year!!!

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Cast Notes

Dorian Burrows (*Nasturtium*) is making his second appearance with HTC having played *Rasah-al-Gammon* in ‘Ali Baba’ last year.

Lee Carter (*Baldock*) is making his first appearance as a principal character for HTC.

Mo Cooke (*Fairy Godmother*) is making a rare appearance in pantomime—she says she couldn’t resist playing a fairy!

Heidi Farnlucher (*Cinderella*) was principal boy in ‘Puss in Boots’ back in 1989, and has been involved in a number of our productions since then.

Karina Farnlucher (*Prince*) has been a regular member in HTC pantomimes over the years.

Pru Harrold (*Griselda*) has played many and varied parts in pantomimes, comedies and more serious plays. She played *Fatima* in ‘Ali Baba’ and was seen as *Sarah Rocliffe* in ‘The Broomsquire’.

Ashleigh Keech (*Puck*) is making her first appearance in a principal role, having been a member of the HTC junior chorus for many years.

Jo Levy (*Musical Director + Piano*) Good humour and patience are prime requirements of a pantomime musical director, and we are very lucky that Jo has both. She also plays a mean piano!

Laurie Lewis (*Gloria*) joined HTC in 1988, and has played various roles including *Jiminy Cricket* in ‘Pinocchio,’ the title role in ‘Humpty Dumpty,’ and *Barbara Baba* in ‘Ali Baba’.

John McGregor (*Petunia*) joined HTC in 1991, and among other parts has played *Squire Aldworthy* in ‘Tom Jones’, *King George* in ‘Jack and the Beanstalk,’ the *Duke of York* in ‘Humpty Dumpty’ and *Cassim Baba* in ‘Ali Baba’.

Becky Radford (*Alice*) continues a long-established family tradition of involvement in HTC pantos. She played *Morgiana* in ‘Ali Baba’ last year.

Daniel Radford (*Buttons*) follows in an established thespian line, and is taking his first principal role this year.

Jo Smith (*Author/Director*) joined HTC in 1978, his first role being *Cassim* in Stan & Joan Sharp’s ‘Ali Baba’ Since then he has played many roles in the Club, particularly enjoying pantomimes. He now writes and publishes for a living, and is responsible for today’s script. Oh yes he is!

Jamie Stickler (*Squire*) made an unnerving *Rhum Baba* last year, but thankfully plays a straight Squire today.

Nick Webb (*Baron Hardup*) joined HTC as a junior more years ago than he cares to remember and has appeared in most Club shows since then. He played *Markham* in ‘The Broomsquire,’ and was the eponymous *Ali Baba* in last year’s pantomime.

Rachel Whittaker (*Dandini*) was a *Serving Wench* in The Broomsquire, and is making her first appearance as a principal panto character this year.

Deb Williamson (*Stage Manager*) currently watches TV for a living—dream on! One day she will be a famous cameraman, but right now has to make do with sorting out HTC!

Dil Williamson (*Co-director + chorus*) is the current chairman of Headley Theatre Club, for whom she also acts, sings, dances, directs, back-stages, front-of-houses, and stops bucks from passing.

Past Pantomimes performed by Headley Theatre Club

1953	Robinson Crusoe	1979	Ali Baba
1954	Ali Baba	1980	Christmas Entertainment evening
1955	Goody Two Shoes	1981	Mother Goose
1956	Sleeping Beauty	1982	Red Riding Hood
1957	Pantomime (title unknown)	1983	Sleeping Beauty
1958	The Rose and the Ring	1984	Sinbad the Sailor
1959-63	<i>Records lost</i>	1985	Goody Two Shoes
1964	Old Woman Who Lived in a Shoe	1986	Dick Whittington
1965	Little Red Riding Hood	1987	Aladdin
1966	Jack and the Beanstalk	1988	Snow White & the 7 Dwarfs
1967	Cinderella	1989	Puss in Boots
1968	Charlie's Aunt	1990	Cinderella
1969	Albert Laddin	1991	Robin Hood
1970	Toad of Toad Hall	1992	Jack and the Beanstalk
1971	Robinson Crusoe	1993	Sleeping Beauty
1972	Ring Around the Moon	1994	Pinocchio
1973	Sleeping Beauty	1995	Humpty Dumpty
1974	Robin Hood & Babes in the Wood	1996	Sinbad the Sailor
1975	Aladdin	1997	Nutcracker
1976	Dick Whittington	1998	Dick Whittington
1977	Jack and the Beanstalk	1999	Sleeping Beauty
1978	Cinderella	2000	Aladdin
		2001	Ali Baba

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Our thanks to all those who sold tickets for us, especially Tina’s Hairdressers, and Alfred Whittle & Sons (Headley Down)