Cast Photos





Left to right

Mae (Denyse Donnell)

Brenda (Liz Gibson)

Poopsie (Nicola Friggins)

Left to right

Joe (Bill Collins)

Charley (Peter May)

Helper (Steve Bearpark)



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From the Committee

We are delighted to welcome you to our production of The Pajama Game, only the second time we have put on this lively and funny show. We are delighted to see the return of our Director Carol Gannaway, who last joined us for the very successful production of Half a Sixpence. Her enthusiasm is contagious and her patience limitless which makes working with her a joy. This year we welcome two musical directors, who are new to us Andrew and Christopher Aldrich. They have worked very hard and kept us on our musical toes.

We would like to take this opportunity to say a special word of thanks to our outgoing honorary president, Dizzy Morgan. Despite now living in a different county, she and her husband, David, are still great supporters of IMOG and Dizzy continues to organise the FOTS (Friends of the Society) for us. We thank her for all her hard work on our behalf.

We would like to thank everyone who has helped put on this show, our new box office providers The Four Vintners, Brentwood Arts Council for their continued support, the advertisers, 'The Journal' (Maypole Press) for their ongoing support, the people who help Front of House, and the many people who work backstage, including our new props lady Angie McGlashon. But we would like to say a special thank you to two members of our group, Shirley Harris and Ken Cooper, who have not only helped in this production, but always seem to be on hand. Shirley has been a great help with the costumes, by making skirts and the majority of the overalls worn in the pajama factory scenes and Ken has been busy making the knife throwing board and all the sewing machines. We are truly grateful for all their hard work and support.

As with our last production we will not be serving hot drinks in the hall. However there are cold drinks available in the foyer and Peter Smith would be delighted to welcome you into the Community Club bar where coffee is also served.

Now sit back and enjoy the show!

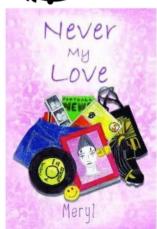


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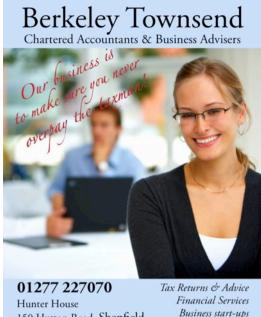
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Director – Carol Gannaway



Team work!

That is what is needed and that is what happens at IMOG- so many people working together to achieve a common goal- in this case "The Pajama Game." It has been a pleasure to work with this group again (my first show having been "Half a Sixpence" in March 2011.) Rehearsals have been fun and I hope the "end product" brings a lot of enjoyment to all concerned.

Carol joined her local amateur operatic group, CADOS, at the tender age of 14 as a dancer. She served her apprenticeship in the chorus whilst obtaining her dance teacher qualifications. Her first chance at choreography was for Westside Story, after which she started her own dancing school. Later on, she branched out by choreographing

and directing for various groups including College Operatic, Loughton Operatic and Woodford Operatic.

Musical Directors – Andrew and Christopher Aldrich



This is Andrew and Christopher's second show in Ingatestone having been musical directors for "Oklahoma" with the Young Expressions. For other groups they have been musical directors for shows including The Railway Children, Calamity Jane, West Side Story, Annie and The Wizard of Oz.

They are Musical Directors, trustees and founding members of Hackney Shed, an inclusive theatre group for young people which is now in its twelfth year.

Hackney Shed was set up as an outreach of the renowned Chickenshed theatre Company. Andrew and Christopher have written many original scores for their musical productions, including Thumbelina, The Silver Sword, The Grinch, Twisted Tales, On We Go and You shall go to Shoreditch. Other musical work has included working as music teachers for Two Left Feet dancing school, playing for two versions of the cabaret show Deccadance, composing and recording a documentary film score and touring darkest Essex with their function band 3's Company.

Although they are Chartered Accountants by day, both with degrees from the London School of Economics they have always enjoyed working in the musical world with both adults and children. Andrew and Christopher have had a wonderful time working with the members of IMOG and wish the whole cast and team well for The Pajama Game and the future.

The Story

Act 1

A strike is imminent at the Sleep-Tite pajama factory. The union, led by Prez, is seeking a wage rise of seven and a half cents an hour from Mr. Hasler, the factory boss. In the middle of this a new superintendant, Sid Sorokin, arrives. He is determined to make a success of his appointment and in his haste to fix a broken sewing machine he shoves one of the male workers. Sid is then confronted by the grievance committee, headed by Catherine "Babe" Williams. There is an instant attraction between them but Babe appears to reject Sid. Meanwhile Vernon Hines, the efficiency expert, is jealously in love with Gladys, Mr. Haslers' secretary. Gladys holds the key to the factory ledger and Mr. Hasler insists she keeps it around her neck at all times. Hines is pushing Gladys away with his jealous behaviour and so Mabel, Sid's secretary, tries to help him come to terms with his jealous ways.

During the annual company picnic, Prez chases after Gladys who rejects his advances. He then tries his charms on Brenda until finally disappearing into the woods with Mae. A drunken Hines demonstrates his knife throwing act and Babe and Sid are drawn closer together.

At Babe's home, a week later, Sid's romantic overtures are deflected by Babe until finally they admit their love for one another. However, when they return to the factory a slow-down, called by the union and strongly supported by Babe, brings them into conflict. Sid, as superintendant, asks for a day's work for a day's pay but when Babe deliberately causes a breakdown Sid reluctantly fires her. He is left wondering whether a romance is at all possible between them.

Act 2

At the end of the full union meeting Gladys and the girls boost morale by singing and dancing. In Babe's house the committee meet to discuss further tactics, such as mismatching sizes of pajamas and only lightly sewing on trouser buttons. Sid arrives to try and smooth things over with Babe, but despite her feelings, she pushes him away.

Sid returns to the factory determined to find a way out of the factories difficulties and a way back to Babe. He persuades Gladys to go out with him to a night club "Hernando's Hideaway." where he wheedles the ledger key away from her. However they are seen by Hines and Babe who believe they are becoming romantically linked. Babe storms out and Hines jealousy re-ignites.

Back at the factory office Sid accesses the firm's books and discovers that Mr. Hasler has already tacked on the extra seven and a half cents to the production costs, but has kept all the extra profits for himself! A madly jealous Hines appears and flings knives into the office narrowly missing an increasingly paranoid Mr.Hasler. After detaining Hines, Sid convinces Mr. Hasler to consent to the pay rise and rushes to the union rally to bring them the good news.

Peace is restored to the factory and Sid and Babe are reunited. Everyone goes out to celebrate at Hernando's!

Cast Photos



Sid (Michael Johnson)



Catherine (Kerry Elliott)



Myron (John Lambert)



Gladys (Kirsty Elliott)



Vernon (Nik Graham)



Prez (Steve Hanning)



Mabel (Sarah Cuff)



Pop Williams (James Kemble)



Max (Bruce Hill)

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For more information on becoming a FOTS member please contact Dizzy Morgan on 01449 768154

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Myron Hasler : John Lambert Gladys Hotchkiss : Kirsty Elliott

Sid Sorokin: Michael Johnson

Charley: Peter May

Helper: Steve Bearpark

Mabel: Sarah Cuff

Catherine "Babe" Williams : Kerry Elliott

Mae: Denyse Donnell

Poopsie : Nicola Friggins Virginia : Anne Horemans

Brenda : Liz Gibson

Pop Williams : James Kemble

Max: Bruce Hill

Sleep Tite Factory Workers

Rebecca Beard, Nicola Burridge, Carole Cooney, Beth Culver, Jacqui de la Salle, Sue Elliott, Brenda Hennessy, Chris Hill, Lynne Johnson, Jill Sowerbutts, Jennifer Spencer-Charles and Pam Sutton

Orchestra

Keyboards : Kevin Bashford Percussion : Phil Stevenson

Bass : David Wademan

Reed 1 : Robert Downing

Reed 2 : Tracey Bridgeman
Trumpet : Gemma Andrews

Keyboards: Andrew/ Chris Aldrich

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Thank you

Scenes and Musical Synopsis

ACT 1

	<u> 701 1</u>
The Pajama Game	Hines
The Shop	
Racing with the clock	
A new town is a blue town	Sid
Racing with the clock (Reprise)	Factory Workers
The Factory Corridor	
I'm not at all in love	Babe and the Girls
The Office	
I'll never be jealous again	Mabel and Hines
Hey there	Sid
On the way to the picnic	
Her is	Prez and Gladys
The picnic	•
Sleep Tite	The Workers
Once a year day	
On the way back from the picnic	, , ,
Once a year day (Reprise)	The Workers
Her is	
The kitchen of Babe's house	
Small Talk	Sid and Babe
The Factory Corridor	
The Shop	
There once was a man (I love you more)	Sid and Babe
Slow down	
Hey there (Reprise)	
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	ACT 2
Eagle Hall	
Steam Heat	Gladys, Mae, Virginia, Brenda and Poopsie
The kitchen of Babe's house	7 / 7 3 /
Hey there (Reprise)	Babe
The Factory Corridor	
Think of the time I save	Hines and Girls
The Office	
Hernando's hideaway	
Hernando's Hideaway	Gladys and the company
Bedroom	
l'Il never be jealous again	Ballet and Hines
The Office	
Outside the Shop	
Seven and a half cents	Rahe Prez and Workers
There once was a man (Reprise)	
Hernando's Hideaway	Olu aliu Dabe
The Pajama Game	The Company
mo rajama Game	The company

Behind the scenes

Director: Carol Gannaway

Musical Directors: Andrew and Chris Aldrich

Rehearsal pianists : Kevin Bashford Stage Manager : Nigel Bowdidge

Stage Assistants : Sue and Ian Burridge

Prompt : Rosemary Culver

Sound and Lighting Design: Steve Bearpark

Scenery : Paul Lazell Publicity : Jill Sowerbutts

Props: Angie McGlashon and Ken Cooper

Costumes: Sarah Cuff, Shirley Harris, Carol Gannaway,

IMOG and Dress Circle Costumiers

Make up: Members of IMOG

Front of House: Hilary Weal

Tickets: Lorraine Musto and The Four Vintners

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