

## Faringdon Folly

# Best of British review

Jubilee celebrations started earlier than most in May when Faringdon Dramatic Society presented their 'Best of British' review over two nights at Faringdon Junior School. After a bought in dinner of fish and chips, part of the ticket price, the urbane compere Michael Tipper warmed up the audience for the evening ahead and encouraged much participation. The old songs were dusted off for another airing - from 'Side by Side' to 'Any Old Iron' and many more. Some of Dickens' women characters were presented, Duncan Sinclair reprised Flanders and Swann's 'The Gasman Cometh' on the piano and the Spice Girls made a dramatic reappearance on a Faringdon stage.

The highlight of the second part was a recreation and updating of Tony Hancock and Sid James to today, (played by Jeff Barry and Adrian Wells) in a sketch about (not) winning the lottery. Amy Winehouse returned to the stage, played by Suzanna Carter for the song "You know I'm no good". The calm musical trio of Richard Lock, Nick Coard and Martin Waymark entered with a couple of gentler songs. Shakespeare had to make an appearance with various members of the company offering up quotes and to end there were more songs and flag waving for all to enjoy.



Faringdon's own Spice Girls