

As Time Goes By, Shinfield Theatre

Shinfield Players rolled back the years with this nostalgic assortment of songs, duets and dances from musical shows from the 30s to the 90s.

Colourfully costumed for the varied eras, the chorus set things rolling with It's A Musical World (The Bad Old, Good Old Days) and Waltz of My Heart (The Dancing Years) and added excellent support in many of the items. Particularly enjoyable was Henry Hawes singing of The Cobbler's Song (Chu Chin Chow), We'll Gather Lilacs (Perchance to Dream), Perfect Young Ladies (The Boyfriend) and the young ladies of the chorus and the junior chorus singing in I'll Do Anything (Oliver).

After the interval, Matt Hart and the Ladies Chorus scored a hit with If The Rain's Got To Fall (Half a Sixpence), while Barrie Theobald showed excellent stage presence and timing in various parts and several others impressed. Choreography was smooth and fluent when required, throughout this happy show of poignant memories.

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