

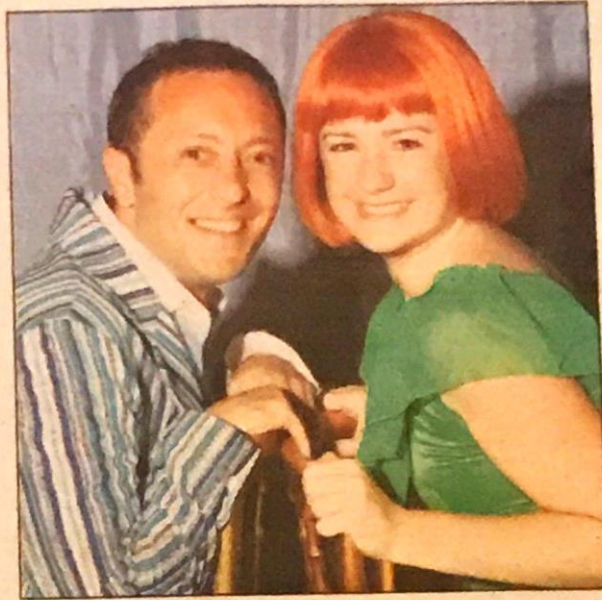
# Thoroughly cheerful musical

**THOROUGHLY** Modern Millie is a musical show that sparkles and sends audiences home on a high.

Based on the 1967 film it has been expanded to a stage musical which won six Tony Awards including Best Musical.

Set in the 1920s the show is notable for its big chorus numbers including the stunning production number of the office routine with everyone tapping in time. It also features the sinister Mrs Meers who runs the girls hostel where Millie and her fellow wannabees live, but keep disappearing in mysterious circumstances, not unconnected with two hilariously inept Chinese henchmen.

So if you've had enough of all those gloomy musicals Thoroughly Modern Millie is the sunshine we've been lacking all summer long. Jeremy Tustin is back as director and choreographer and the show stars Robyn Gowers as Millie with Jimmy Smith as her adoring Jimmy.



The show runs from Monday September 24 to 29 at 7.30pm with a captioned performance on Thursday 27, a signed one on Friday 28 and an audio-described performance on Saturday 29 at 3pm. Tickets: £9.50-£13.50. Bookings: 01245 606505.

# Thoroughly modern

**THE** era of 1920s America will be brought to life by a musical comedy coming to Chelmsford.

**Thoroughly** Modern Millie, performed by the Chelmsford Amateur Operatic and Dramatic Society, is the tale of a country girl who swaps sleepy Kanvas for bustling New York.

Determined to be an independent woman, Millie plans to marry her wealthy boss — whoever he may be — but her plans do not run smoothly.

The leading characters

are played by Robyn Gowers and Jimmy Hooper, pictured.

The show features a mixture of comedy, modern dance and catchy songs. A Broadway production of the show in 2002 won six prestigious Tony awards.

The musical will be performed at the Civic Theatre in Chelmsford from September 24 to September 29.

Tickets cost between £9.50 and £13.50, and are available from the Civic Theatre box office on 01245 606505.

