

We turned up at the Dockyard all dressed up in our 40's gear, ready to advertise Blitz!

We were approached by 'Viv the Spiv' who tried to sell us stockings, bright red lipsticks and nail varnish and of course, cigars for the men, giving potential customers the full banter, until the 40's police squad turned up. Carol and Gwinny turned their hands to hairdressing and the result was Sam and Victoria looking like they had just stepped out of a time machine - let's hope they are available for hair styling show week.

We had a nice big spot on the main walkway to set up, with a performing area to draw the crowds. It also happened to be the route to the air raid shelter, so each time the air raid warning went off, the teenagers (sorry – young men and ladies) lined the route and made sure every one had chance to take a leaflet.

At 1pm, we met the children at the entrance and brought them in. As they walked through the Dockyard, with their suitcases and gas mask boxes, singing *We're Going To The Country*, they certainly got some attention. When they got to our spot, we were able to do a few principle numbers, thanks to Elsie, Mr Locke and Mr Nearmiss and then chorus numbers *The Day After Tomorrow* and *Who's This Geezer Hitler*. The children then took to the stage again singing *Mums and Dads*, with the audience participating and taking a vote as to whether the girls or boys were better. (The boys won). The children walked around the Dockyard again singing *We're Going To The Country*. The children did a brilliant job, although they are sick of the song now, and we had a lot of people asking when they were coming back to sing, if they could have leaflets and do we tour?

Sunday at the Dockyard was very animated. After we had sung, there was an announcement to say that the Troops were coming home so we joined in by lining the street and waving our Union Jacks and cheering. Shortly after, Karen was held hostage by a German parachutist, but fortunately, with the help of our kids telling the English soldiers where he was, the German was captured and Karen was released.

Every one wanted to include us in things and we were invited to take pictures of our evacuees in various army vehicles and also on the steam train.

Thank you to everyone who came to lend their support and thank you to the Dockyard. It was a great weekend out and worth a visit when they do another event.









