JEFF WAYNE

Jeff was born in the Irish coastal town of Youghal, Co.Cork, and came from a large family of seventeen children, all of whom were gifted with excellent singing voices.

At the age of sixteen he came to England for singing lessons with a view to joining an opera company, but became influenced by numerous ballad singers and subsequently decided on a career in variety.

Having auditioned for the Howard & Wyndham organisation he went on to gain a six month engagement in THE FIVE PAST EIGHT SHOW in GLASGOW, followed by a three year tour with THE BACHELORS for the same company.

During the 70's he worked for The Delfont Organisation and was cast in various productions including THE FRANKIE VAUGHAN SHOW in BOURNEMOUTH, THE JOSEPH LOCKE SHOW in BLACKPOOL and the KEN DODD SHOW in LIVERPOOL. In fact, it was Ken who suggested Jeff should inject some comedy and impressions into the act
and since then, Jeff has found this to be extremely successful.

Not only has Jeff played many leading nightspots around the country but he's also been in great demand for pantomime, television and filmwork. TV Commercials have also been an important part of his career and he has appeared in many popular ones including those for WOOLWORTHS, AMERICAN EXPRESS, SAINSBURY'S, CALEDONIAN AIRWAYS, HOFFMEISTER, MYERS BEDS, CARLSBERG LAGER and TOSHIBA.

He's also played various roles on TV including parts in THE GENTLE TOUCH, SECRET ARMY, OPEN UNIVERSITY, DR.WHO, EASTENDERS, JUST GOOD FRIENDS, THE TWO RONNIES, DEATH ON THE ROCK, CRIME MONTHLY and last but not least, THE BILL.

On the big screen in cinemas, he appeared in TOP SECRET, MORONS FROM OUTER SPACE, JOHN & YOKO, STRONG MEDICINE, WHITE KNIGHT, THE TWO MRS.GRENVILLES and SECRET WEAPON, to name a few.

In recent years he's been appearing in other theatre productions and for several years toured with HINGE & BRACKET, JEREMY SPAKE and SYD LITTLE.

A good all-rounder, JEFF WAYNE is the ideal entertainer.