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DVD Review: Cruisin Hits Of The 60's

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I was brought up in the time when it was impolite to ask a ladies age. I had always assumed that my wife was in her early thirties, but having watched *Cruisin Hits Of The 60's* I may have to reconsider. She started to regale me with her stories, prefixed with the comment "I have memories of almost all of these songs". This DVD is another compilation of archival footage from The Rock 'n Roll Palace in Orlando, Florida. Once again the techies at Quantum Leap have done a great job of cleaning up the video and audio from the original tapes.

Memorable tracks include *My Guy* performed by Mary Welles, this is a great video of a great song. *The Lion Sleeps Tonight* by The Tokens should need no introduction, the vocal range that Jay Siegel possesses is beyond description. *Dizzy* by Tommy Roe is another classic tune from the fractured music scene that was the mid 60's. My absolute favorite on this DVD however is Bryan Hyland and his tongue twisting *'Itsy bitsy, teeny weenie, yellow polka dot bikini'*. My wife has been singing it all day!

The music is great, but what makes this DVD even better is the video, it is classic American Bandstandesque, the clothes, and the dancing are definitely from a bygone era. My wife (in between renditions of 'itsy bitsy, teeny weenie, etc) did make an interesting observation, the crowd looks way older than what you would have expected. I wonder if back in those days they 'staged' productions? Nah, they wouldn't do that!

So if you are in the mood to do some 60's cruisin, cruise on over to MVD.

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