THE COMEDY MAN
Kenneth More  Cecil Parker  Dennis Price  Edmund Purdom
"Some men stay 25 all their lives"
A PRESENTATION OF WALTER READE
THE COMEDY MAN

THE CAST

Chick Rutherford
Tommy Morris
Judy Theodore
Fay Julian

Kenneth More
Cecil Parker
Dennis Price
Billie Whitelaw
Norman Rossington
Angela Douglas
Edmund Purdom

THE CREDITS

Produced by Jon Penington
Directed by Alvin Rakoff
Released in 1964
Running Time 82 minutes

THE STORY

Fired from a provincial repertory company, Chick Byrd moves to London. Forty years old, ebullient and joking, he realizes that this is his last chance to make the grade as an actor.

Sharing a flat with an out-of-work friend, Julian, he is surrounded by the mundane--peeling wallpaper, leaking roofs and a wheezing landlord. The two actors plan their glorious futures with the aid of a meticulously prepared chart, encompassing the movements of agents and directors throughout the day.

Chick gets nowhere, but Julian hits the jackpot. Successfully screen-tested, he is flown to Africa to star in a film.

After repeated failures and several meaningless affairs, Chick embarks on a series of films advertising an oral deodorant and finds the fame that has eluded him, but as television's "Mr. Honey-breath." With hardly a backward glance he leaves London, to return to provincial Rep.