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REVIEW: Questions Without Notice Sat 26th Nov 2011 Fremantle Town Hall

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Having worked in State politics many years ago, Questions Without Notice at the Fremantle Town Hall last Saturday night, struck a very comical chord with me. Whilst audience consensus was that the show (unlike the actual Parliamentary QWN) was too short, the buzz was generally positive and big laughs were had by many who appreciated this long-overdue live political satire. Hosted by Bluey Von Styger (who could have been more appropriately attired as a political journo) QWN had only two speaking cast members, who did themselves and their nation proud. Alex Manfrin treated us to both his versions of Foreign Affairs Minister Kevin Rudd (who assured us that he's NOT BITTER) and leader of the opposition Tony (Phony) Abbot (who arrived on his bicycle in full lycra kit). Eileen Glynn did a brilliant Version of Prime Minister Gillard (Gohard). The audience dissolving into laughter because of Glynn's expert tone of voice, and well placed jokes about pre-priministerial tension, Australia Moving Forward, and local Freo MP Adele Carles. It was also exciting to see Obama (Steve Lobo) on stage....and somewhat disturbing to witness Julia mount him.....MORE PLEASE Wild West Comedy and Fremantle Festival organisers....more political and social commentary via comedic performance!