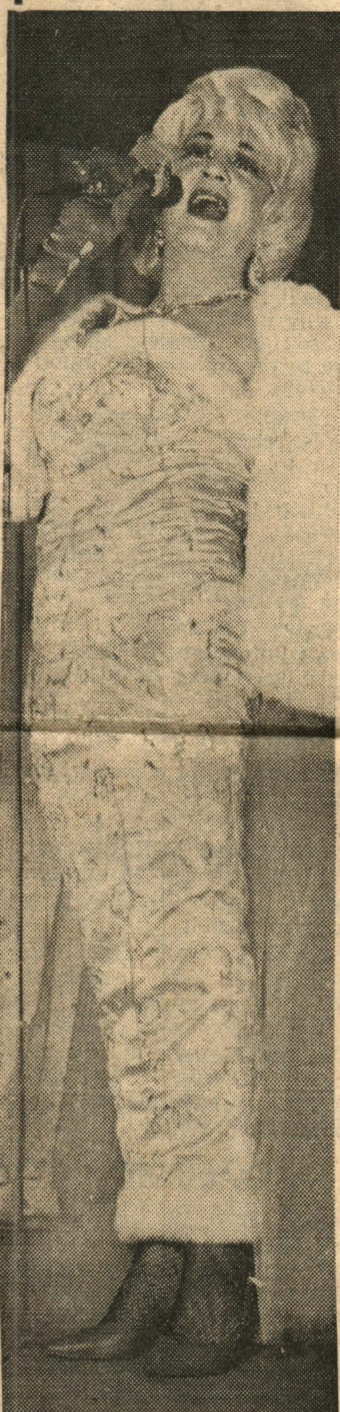


PAUL IS A DUET



Award-winning Paul Reed, above, as the top male ballad singer . . . and that's him, too, left, in his blonde wig and £50 white satin gown. He won the award as top "female" vocalist . . . but now his secret is out.

He's Miss X

BALLAD singer Paul Reed and the "fabulous Miss X" were voted top of the pops in Yorkshire's thriving clubland.

And at a special show in a Wakefield club last week they were handed their gilt statuettes for being top male and female vocalist of the year . . .

Up stepped Paul, a 5ft. 9in. bachelor, in a tuxedo and bow tie, to receive his award from the Mayor of Wakefield.

Then came Miss X, a dazzling blonde in a full-length white satin gown.

But yesterday the secret was out. For Paul and Miss X are the SAME PERSON.

Paul, an ex-R.A.F. corporal, puffed a cigarette at his home in Leeds Road, Wakefield, yesterday and confessed:

"It's true I'm both Paul Reed the ballad singer and also the female pop singer known as the fabulous Miss X.

"But I try and keep the fact a secret. I've fooled the audience, and I believe the Mayor as well."

Paul, who has been an entertainer since he was a Carol Levis discovery at 13, added: "I beat three genuine girl singers to the title and I think I deserve it. I get a bigger kick from being the fabulous Miss X than from being myself.

Mr. Bill O'Neil, of Goole Workingmen's Club, said: "We decided to make both awards to Paul because he was the outstanding singer