

The Paragon Multimedia DVD, VHS Collection

Title: **Grease** ...is the word



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Information

Release Title: Grease 14th September 1978 (United Kingdom)

From:

AKA: Gease Sing-A-Long

Release date:

Origin: USA

Genre: Comedy, Musical, Romance

Disc Nos. - 1

Certification: PG

Duration: 1h 50m

Region Code:

Region: 2

Product Code:

MPN:

EAN:

UPC:

Languages: English,

Filming Locations: Los Angeles River Basin - Between 1st & 4th

Street Bridges, Downtown, Los Angeles, California, USA (Thunder Road)

Sound mix: Dolby (35mm original Release) – (70mm 6-Track Original release)

Colour: PAL

Aspect Ratio: 2:39:1



Theatrical release poster

Directed by	Randal Kleiser
Screenplay by	Bronté Woodard
Adaptation by	Allan Carr
Based on	Grease by Jim Jacobs Warren Casey
Produced by	Robert Stigwood Allan Carr
Starring	John Travolta Olivia Newton-John Stockard Channing
Cinematography	Bill Butler
Edited by	John F. Burnett
Music by	Michael Gibson
Production companies	Allan Carr Enterprises ^[1] Stigwood Group ^[1]
Distributed by	Paramount Pictures ^[1]
Release date	June 16, 1978
Running time	110 minutes
Country	United States
Language	English
Budget	\$6 million ^[2]
Box office	\$366.2 million ^[2]

Storyline

In the summer of 1958, local boy Danny Zuko and vacationing Australian Sandy Olsson meet at the beach and fall in love. When the summer comes to an end, Sandy frets that they may never meet again, but Danny tells her that their love is "only the beginning".

At the start of the seniors' term at Rydell High School, Danny resumes his role as leader of the T-Birds greaser gang consisting of Doody, Sonny, Putzie, and his best friend Kenickie. Sandy's parents remain in America and enrol Sandy at Rydell where she meets greaser girl clique the Pink Ladies consisting of Frenchy, Marty, Jan and leader Rizzo.

Danny and Sandy recount their brief romance to their respective groups, Sandy recalling a romantic summer and Danny implying a more physical experience. When Sandy finally says Danny's name, Rizzo arranges a surprise reunion at a pep rally where Sandy meets Tom, a jock, and Kenickie unveils his new used car, Greased Lightnin', which he plans on street racing after a restoration. Caught between his feelings and his bad-boy reputation, Danny snubs Sandy in front of his gang and she becomes upset.

At a Pink Ladies pajama party, Sandy falls ill from drinking, trying a cigarette, and having her ears pierced by Frenchy, while Rizzo, after mocking Sandy's wholesome and chaste personality, departs for sex with Kenickie in his car, during which their condom breaks; they are disturbed by Leo, leader of the rival gang, the Scorpions, and his girlfriend Cha-Cha. After the slumber party comes to an end, Sandy realizes she still loves Danny after all.

The next day, Danny apologizes to Sandy for having brushed her off the night earlier and, with Coach Calhoun's help, becomes a runner and successfully wins her back from Tom, but their friends crash their date, and Kenickie and Rizzo break up after an argument. After a disastrous beauty class leaves Frenchy with candy-pink hair, she reluctantly decides to return to Rydell to complete her high-school education.

During the school dance, broadcast live on National Bandstand and hosted by DJ Vince Fontaine, Rizzo and Kenickie spite each other by bringing Leo and Cha-Cha as their dates. In a chaotic hand jive, Danny and Sandy dance well, but just before the winners are announced, Sonny pulls Sandy away and Cha-Cha cuts in to win with Danny, as Sandy storms out. Danny tries to make it up to Sandy by taking her to a drive-in theatre but she flees in horror after he attempts to have sex with her. Rizzo fears she is pregnant after missing a period and confides in Marty, who tells Sonny, who inadvertently spreads the rumour to the apparent father Kenickie, though Rizzo denies it to him.

On race day, Kenickie is concussed by his own car door, so Danny takes the wheel, winning the race after Leo spins out. Sandy, watching from afar and delighted with Danny's victory, concludes she still loves him and enlists Frenchy's help in changing her attitude and looks to impress him.

On the last day of school, Rizzo finds she is not pregnant and reunites with Kenickie. Danny and Sandy each find they have changed for each other: Danny has become a letterman, and Sandy a greaser girl. The two depart in the Greased Lightnin' car, which takes flight.

Cast (Main Casting)

Principal cast

Protagonists

John Travolta as Danny Zuko

Olivia Newton-John as Sandy Olsson

T-Birds

Jeff Conaway as Kenickie

Barry Pearl as Doody

Michael Tucci as Sonny LaTierri

Kelly Ward as Putzie

Pink Ladies

Stockard Channing as Betty Rizzo

Didi Conn as Frenchy

Jamie Donnelly as Jan

Dinah Manoff as Marty Maraschino

Secondary cast

Students

Eddie Deezen as Eugene Felsnic

Susan Buckner as Patricia "Patty" Simcox

Lorenzo Lamas as Thomas "Tom" Chisum

Dennis Cleveland Stewart as Leo "Crater-Face" Balmudo

Annette Charles as Charlene "Cha-Cha" DiGregorio

School staff

Eve Arden as Principal McGee

Dody Goodman as Blanche Hodel

Sid Caesar as Coach Vince Calhoun

Alice Ghostley as Mrs. Murdock

Darrell Zwerling as Mr. Lynch

Dick Patterson as Mr. Rudie

Fannie Flagg as Nurse Wilkins

Others

Joan Blondell as Vi

Frankie Avalon as Teen Angel

Edd Byrnes as Vince Fontaine

Johnny Contardo and Sha Na Na as Johnny Casino & The Gamblers

Ellen Travolta as a Frosty Palace waitress

Parents Guide

Argentina:18 (original rating) Argentina:13 (1985, re-rating) Australia:PG Australia:NRC (original rating) Belgium:KT/EA Brazil:12 (2014, re-rating) Brazil:10 (2007) Brazil:Livre (1991) Bulgaria:B Canada:PG (Alberta/Manitoba/Nova Scotia/Ontario, Canadian Home Video rating) Canada:G (Quebec) Chile:TE Denmark:A East Germany:(Banned) Ecuador:TP (self-applied) Finland:K-16 (1978, original rating) Finland:K-12 (1978, re-rating) France:Tous publics France:12 (TV rating) Germany:6 Germany:12 (original rating) Hong Kong:13+ (self-applied) Hungary:12 Iceland:L India:UA (2009, re-rating) India:A (1980, original rating) Ireland:PG Ireland:PG (sing-a-long version) Israel:14 (self-applied) Italy:T Japan:PG-12 Japan:PG12 (2018) Malaysia:U Mexico:A Mexico:B (new rating) Netherlands:AL Netherlands:12 (VHS and DVD rating) New Zealand:PG Norway:7 (recommended rating) Norway:7 (1998, cinema rating, re-release) Norway:12 (1978, cinema rating) Peru:14 Philippines:PG-13 Poland:12 (self-applied) Russia:12+ Saudi Arabia:G Singapore:PG Singapore:PG13 (TV rating) South Korea:12 Spain:A Sweden:7 Switzerland:12 (canton of Geneva) Switzerland:12 (canton of Vaud) Taiwan:PG-12 Thailand:u 18+ (self-applied) Turkey:13+ (self-applied) United Kingdom:PG United Kingdom:A (theatrical rating) United Kingdom:PG (1987, re-rating) United States:TV-14 (D) United States:TV-PG (DVD rating) United States:PG (certificate #25098) United States:PG-13 (certificate #46185, sing-a-long version) United Arab Emirates:15+ (self-applied) West Germany:12

Sex & Nudity

Moderate

Violence & Gore

Mild

Profanity

Mild

Alcohol, Drugs & Smoking

Mild

Fighting & Intense Scenes

None

