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## BANSHEES TOUR

But is it the last?

SIOUXSIE ANO The Banshees begin arma if with be the last time they play olong serion of dates. A spokesman for the Banshees fold Record Mirror this week. that from now on they will only be
the dates follow on from a series of ap. pearances on the continent and the schedule runs; Ipswich Gaumont July 25. southend Clifis Pavilion 27. Torguly fown Mall 29. S1 Austell Colissoum 30, Brtelol Cot August 1. Poole Arts Contre 2, Cardif1 Sophia Cordens 4, Glouce tro 5. Manchester Apotlo \%. Liandudno Pier Pavilian E. Liverpool Royal Courl S, Glasgow

Apollo 12. Edinburgh Alayhouse 13, inPerth Clly Hasll ic. Newcaske City Hall 10 Bradford tillanys 20. Nollingham Rock Cit 21. Skegnogs Festhyat Thealre 22. Mam
meromith Palats 24. Birminghum Odeon 26 . Polerborough Wirrins Sladium 28. Covenli New Theatre 29, Onford New Theatre 30 , Southempton Gaumont 31. Hammeramith Odeon September 2. Bractrnell Sports Cen Tre.
Coincleding with the dates the band leafuring now member John Mc Geoph. The band aiso plan to use "unique lighting ritg or thetr tour but aren't releaaing any fur-

## SAXON, LEPPARD, SAMSON DATES

Britain in October for their Fig -
OLIL gest lour to date. So lar this year the band have been conEurope and they ve also played sur major sell out dates in Japan
Coinciding with the October dates, The oand will release an as yet untiried alburn which They're currenlly working on in
Geneva Their recent single 'And The Bands Played On' will be Included on the album Tour dates and ticket detalls Gullohall Oothows: Portsmouth Gulldhall October 8 (tickets on sale now from box office priced
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producer Mult Lange, should be out to concide with the dates. The lour runs: Bristal Col sion Mall July 13. Birmingham 16. Bradford St Georges Hall 17. Newcastle City Malf 18, Edinburgh Odeon 19, Shetlield Cify Hall 20 , Liverpool Royal 23. Wolverhampton Civic Mall 24. Hammersmith Odeon 25 tickets for all concerts. ox cept Wolverhampton and Oer by, are $£ 383.25$ and 22.75. A Notverhampton and Derby, all tekets are $โ 3.25$

SAMSON. WHO relesse their Russ Batiard single 'Riding With the Angels this week also bogin a major lour to coin cide with the single. The single disc for the first 10.000 copies and tit will also be available in a limited edition of 2.000 12in picture discs.
Tour dates run as follows Leeds Florde Green June 11 Newcastle Mayiar 12 Man Claethorpes Peppers 15 Craytord fown Halt 16. Hud derstield Eros 17, Colwyn Bay Pler 18, Liverpool Warohouse 19, Rawlenstah Rossendale Colloge 20, Gillingham King Hall 23 , Edinburgh Nite Club 25


IT'S NOT A FLEXXI-DEC... IT'S GOT BREWERS DROOP!

## DOUBLE BEAT

THE BEAT release fivo singles at the this version beciuse of demand by same time this woek. Their first of loring is siandard 7 in version of Doors of Your Heart' lisken from their curfent album Whs ppent and the second single is a special dub version of 'Doors Of Your Heart' in 12in form.
The dub 'Doors Of Your Heart' will be oscked by dub version of the and the band say they re bringing out

This version becituse of demand by tegard for the economic sifustion and providing value for money. the 12 in singte will sell for the sime price as the Fin.
The Beat, who climazed their Brilish tour last weekend with two ling Eut London shows. will be starweok. II's not yel known when they'll be playing any more Brllish dotes


## DEAD

KENNEDYS-
PARSON
PROTESTS

THE DEAD Kennedys have run into more trouble over their single, 'Too Drunk ToF-.
A parson and iwo local schools th Whitney, Oxfordshire protested but it wasn't enough to stop the loca ecord store selling the single.
Another shop owner in Chestertield felt obliged to take the record out of Its present cover and sell the disc in a plain paper bag
Meanwhile the DK's advertsing campatgn has ground to a halt in the South of England aitel the people posiers allegedly disappeared with £60 and 200 of the said llems
Back in San Francisco, the Dead Kennedys are recording a seconc afool tor them to tour Australlit and Japan and, lollowing the lbum's release, another British visut

## READING RUMPUS

BLIZZARD OF OZ will not now be appearing at this year's Reading Festival. Sources close to the band have revealed that they were approached to play the event - but at the last moment it was decided to have Gillan filling the play some Bnitish dates later in the year instead
Billy Squier was contlimed to appear il Reading this woek ppearing around saven or elght o clock on Saturday night. At press ilme o other bands could be conifmed, although there That the Kinks will be on during the three day event ped Dyack Sabbath and Motorhead on Augu ed

## KINKS KLASSICS

THE KINKS release their lirst single for Iwo years 'Better Things' on June 19 and they'll also be playing a short string of dates. A limited edilion of the single will also contain a free live waxing comprising 'Lola and 'David
Watts', laken from the band's live doubie atoum which was released last Watls', laken Irom the band's live doubie atbum which was rateased
Their tour schedule runs pswich Gaumoni June 25. London Rainbow 26 Bristo Colston Hall 27, Coventry Theatre 28. Thicut prices range from 33 to

## EA.

## SCARS SERIES

HIGHLY ACCLAIMED Scollish band the Scars, whose new single is hotly tipped to be "All About You' play a series of dates starting this week. The band will be playng Dublin Project Aris Centre June 12. Brighton Jenkindlesbrough Rock Garden 20 . Edinburgh Valentinos 21, Glasgow Maesiros 22. Shellield Limil 23, Coventry Generai Wolfe 27 . More dates with the added



The Psychedelic Furs new single 'Pretty in Pink' is also available as a unique $\mathrm{I}^{\prime \prime}$ version. It comes wrapped in a special TShirt. With 'Mack The Knife' and the extra track 'Soap Commercial'.

PSYCHEDELCFURS PRRETIY IN PINK: $\left|2^{\prime \prime}\right| 3$ A 1327 with TShirt $7^{\prime \prime}$ A 1327 in picture bag

*From the album' 'Talk, Talk, Talk

# LOOKING 

 AFTIR NUMB: ONEADRESSING room door slides sheepishly open to reveal a pale reflection in the wall-length mirror. It's anxious, baggyeyed and supports a thick crop of hair slavishly greased into shape.

The face below, mindful of an impending journalistic presence, pretends to be scanning more flattering images of itsell in the official lour programme. This is Shakin' Stevens. This apparition is Just a quiff away from its second No 1 hit single in as many months. This is the face of British pop in 1981? No wonder Andy Rosen, shultied up to Glasgow with yours truly, isn't allowed to take any pholographs olfslage.
The interview doesnit take place until the tollowing
morning bot Shaty, as he lithes lo be called is no less morning but Shaky, as he likes to be called, is no less nervous. Ho brought he house down at The Pavilior he night belore but it doesn seem lo have donest 10 years
 show you'd think he'd only be too happy to bask in the glory ol his recent achievements.
Dobiously fi's relies hing to talik to a star whose ego hasn't blown itself beyond the point of no relurn. But this is rather sad, a classic case of an artist whose insecurities are such
that he's only able to express himsolf in front of an ononymous audience. His evident intoriority complex means he even refers to himsoll as "one" qa in "one will venture into Amotica, eventually, yes
Again, in this golden age of the "me generation" it makes a change to talk to someone who's got something oller to say than "I, 1, ," and infinitum. However, with him it goes to
Iar in the other direction and his relentless shyness and Iar in the other direction and his relentiess
suspicion mathes lor a vory unsetlling discourse
Unused to lalting to the Press. Shathy is doing so only in the presence of his manager. Freya Miller wilh wham he has been working for the pasi 18 moniths. Ms Miller has had tot 10 do wilh Slevens' success as shc is onty 100 heen to poini out. Hardly the most diminutive of women the couple resemble nothing so much as rock's reply to Erke Sykes and Hattie Jacques. Except whoul the sense of humour. Sme when he disbanded Shakin' Stevens and the Sunsels and took up one of the partis of Elvis in the stage show of the same name. It ran for 19 months, Shaky playing the period of Presley's life spanning meeting, Colonel Parker and entering the army.
How obout yoursell. Have you always been into that era? "Pardon? Er, not necessarily just then. no. Even furither

## Revival - I don't like that word at all. I'm a 1980s artist doing 1980s rock 'n' roll.

happening today. I like Jack. Nicklaus as an actor funny,
thought he was a goller) and l'm a bigion of James Cagney thought he was a gol
and people like that."
and people like inat.
Ohay, but most people tend 10 identify with what was happening when they were young. And loi the majority of tans in their carly inirlies (Stevens is 31 and look ${ }^{(t)}$ ) that "Well, I wasn't one of those people thal grew their hate long." he tudicrously counters. "basically it's a rub-oll from my lamily - lotes of records played in the home faha, so one dion't read about it) from Jolson to Hoagy Carmichael.

How como. Were your parents very inio music?
"My mother's 80 , y'hnow." he tries to jothe, exchanging elf-congratulatory smiles with his manager. ambition to front aband and the inevitability ol running into local Cardifl hero Dave Edmunds. The latter eveniually produced Stevens" flrst album, "Legend', in 1970. Reterence to him leads us to dtscuss Dave's lalest exploits. Apart Irom the tact that Edmunds is a sublect of mulual interest, talting about someone or something nol directly concerned with The old misery doesn't see it this way
The old misery doesn't see it this way, however, lealling whether he's spoken to Dai since splitting with Rocmpile lor

## MIKE NICHOLLS gets all shook <br> up with <br> SHAKIN STEVENS

The sltuation doesn't mprover when the conversation jerks
The on to something which does concern him, namely the charts. Though admiring a hit parade lhat contains slull as musicaliy diveree as The Nolans and Adam And The Ants, he refuses to be drawn trito ialuing about the importance ol mage basically he charts are healthy - we all agree on thal - everyone can do whal they want.
Forlunately for him, he's saved by the bell. Or rather the artval of elevenses - a bottle of champagne. "Do you want some orange juice in th." he olfers. deflly changing the subject.
Seemingly he only foets safe talking about himself and his own plans. Like his forthcoming tour of Europe, when the respectively) and Jach Good's next American TP series, Let's Rock", in which Shaky is "the star of the show
Does that centre round a period of roch ' $n$ ' roll revival too? wonder, rather tactlessly as II happens
"Revival?" he blurts back, "I don't like that word at all. 11 's stupid. I'm \& 1980 s artist doing 1980 s rock ' $n$ ' roll One has to $^{2}$ all You can't revive becthoven ...er, it's never gone ail. You can'l revive becthoven
So what do you preter to call it?
"You can call it what you like. I use the term roch ' $n$ ' roll as It's for everybody, II's not somelhing to be kept in a box in the front room - it's for all ages. You ve seen my audience - It goes right across the board. From youngsters to True bul whatever happened
Triginsi outlaw soirit of roch ' $n$ ' roll rebellion? were all the originsi outlaw and tribulations of pre-establishment Mich ' $n$ ' Keet in vain? As fleeting as snow in Hell?
"It's for everybody" he repeats. "we know that when rock ' $n$ ' roll hiched off parents said that Presley was dirly ' $n$ ' obscene, 'ow 'e didn'1 wash 'is 'ath and 'e smelt an' bll the all the time." But it's become respected now. Radio two plays argumentl Cerlainly different to ihe alfitude of mosl band around, I concede.
"Maybe that's because they don't appeal to everybody and have all lypes of people coming to thel gigs." he responds smugly if nol unjusilitiably. "Did you see the crowds backstage last night? II's the same al every gig. in Ihem. The manager of the Empire told us we were the first ict to fill the place in 19 monins. At the moment nobody's doing any business except us. We're not leaving places hallempty, we're getling 'Why don't you play here again tomorrow?' I wonder why that is." he conlinues snidely "maybe because we're going righl across the board."

Why don't you play here again 10 morrow? I throw bach at him on hearing that he could have sold out the Clasgow
"One has to be sensible,"
and go eway. Just doing it lor the salke of colning it would be slupid."

II' Pity this type of intogrily doesn't extend lo his
record reieases. The 'This Ole House' album currently riding high th the charte in just a repachage of last year's 'Maric Mafte' LP. cashing in on the success of his first hir by stletting II on the 'new' record in place of anoiher trach. 'Two
Haarts. Not unpredictably, Shaky has an alleinative explanetion: basically was to make Marie Marie. collector's item." he declares. In other words. tahe 'Two Hearts" ofl - which will never be on another album. ever and mate it a collector'sitem.
8ut ol coursel I can'I blame him lor striting whilst the ron's hot but at least he could admit it. H
another LP ol old maierial broughiou loo?
snaps "just the usual one of ex-managers jumping on the bandwagon. What's it called? I don'l even hnow," she goes on."Law Suit"?
On, how terribly droll, In any case 1 could have $s$ worn it was Shaky I was intorviewing. Sunsets" didn't receive penny from slufl I did with the Sunsets, sievens repoins because involvement trom deals of limiled pressings. You need company and one didn't have that so one didn't have nomoney either.
Why didn't you sign along term deal cartier?
"Basically it was down to management, which one didn" have."
So what was your strategy in re shaping Shalky career, I ask the management which now one does have and which is
cleariy waiting lo be ashed. "There'" no slrategy." she spiels. "jusi a matlor of working logether and putting the right things out al the right tume. The talent's always been there, It was fust a malter of getling the right lormal which we ovidenily did. Everyone's enjoyed th as you've
modestly concludes.
Mention bl the Press naturally leads to a massive debate aboul the music papers. which neither Shaky nor his goes as lar as to claim that her litte boy itn't doing interviews with ouf revered rock comics.

So why does Record Mirror have the privilege?
"Because I was told you write very well," she reveals reluctontly. Aw. Gee, Shuche. Spare mo the blushes! "So we're giving you the opportunily, it to write very
well. If you don't wrile very welt we won'I be dong another well. If you don 't wril very
Nolhing life a bil of hlachmall, eh follus!?
Y'see?", says Shaky, laking up the reins, "We have two boxes. A red 6ox and $a$ blach box. The oncs with the bad inlerviews 90 in the blach box and we don't do interviews with that person ever again - of oven with the paper

Now the ones in the black box." he chunders on in this highty molure lashion, "are about two - but in the red bok imaginary because they'd just told me he doesn't do Interviaws har har.
Of course, if one is to be protessional one must ensure one's arlicte gets thto the red bor so that one spaper does get an interview again. 1 maan. It would be terribly remias no lo avall oneself of the opporlunity of talking lo ${ }^{2} 1980$ sartist doing 1980 s ech ' $n$ ' roll. would n'l il now?


## DTD MTDISS...

GOODNESS, WHAT a week it's been! And as Mae West said,

## Goodness had nothing to do

 whith it, dearie.On Monday nighl we poppra in to Heaven. where a predictably Pictish horde had turned oul to sears and the Assoclales were all in evidence


Stove, darting, no gentieman would lot if just hang down his front like That. AMr Strenge models his now fles and lace are oul, spparenlly, and tes and ace are oul, spparenliy, and
Eyatie schmuttor merchant Giorgio Armani is the name to drop these deys.

Tuesday night found us al the yceum drooling over Prince, along with more stars than there are in Heaven, namely Hazel O'Connor. Dave Wakeling, Linx's David Gr and Bob Carter, Rusty Egan Vaughan Toulouse Ronny, Bob and Landscape and sirlpe me! It Jesus! - yes, the inlamous gig-goer of the sixties and seventies fostivals is back, or should we say ilsen on Thursday, Invile in hand, we shimmied along to the opening o Steve Strange and Ausiy Egans
new Club For Heroes at I, Baker Sew Club and ohl such sights to bo seen: Midge Ure and Mazel $O^{\prime}$ 'Connor chatted on the slairs and glared at the man from the Dally Star: Spandau Ballet paraded in costumes that ranged from pinsitipe suit to vest ' $n$ ' braces. Sean ('Tok') of Shoct had his tace painted gold; Metro singer Peter told us of his group's forthcoming LP on Polydor, their first for ages; Richard Burgess wandered about (gining for Pam Siephenson?); Skid Russell webb chatted 10 Kenny Hyslop, who used to be in the Zones with him, Bidiby woredually 00 covered in a dozen shades of lipslick prinis, while partner Eve. practically popping out of her corsel and suspenders, snapped of the cloakroom atlendant "Well, what do you think I could take oft?" daring to show their pretty laces were poseur king and queen George
and 'Marllyn'. who were accused of and marlyn who were accused of
carrying oul the bomb-scare hoax carring Stane steve Siringay party the other week, What are you doing here?" his sed s furlous Sleve at the pair of them - "I was invited. Piss off" riposted "Marilyn'
Saturday we moseyed Salurday we moseyed along to a


WELL AT last if's all over and Bruce (can you hear me Broooce?) Springs. leen has inatly made nervous exhau
Monday night

The boss played to more than 120.000 people in Britain, mere third of The gigantic 306,000 plus who actually applied for tickets, and - sayy the experf observers - looked prefty wall knactered by the time ho feiched up of Wembley on Friday night.

So who cares if he reatly was a rock 'n' roll messiah preaching an urgent message of love and joy? Or whether he was the essence of overbiown mundanlty, the second coming only for those who can Imanago airst, as one cynic put it?
Goldsmith pic fabovel proves. See you in five years. JOHN SNEARLAW
party thromn by Richard Jobson party thrown by Richard Jooson
and Banshee Stevo Severin, where it looked as if they wero casing for a new Rock Follies or somelhing: Stouxsie Sioux, Honey Bane and Hazel $0^{\prime} \mathrm{C}$ being the new Litte Ladies and now for some news of what other people have been Ali Campbell, who had the
mistonune to collapse with pleurisy causing the cancellation of their Scarborough gig, now re-scheduled for June 23 checking out the wandeters at the Embassy Were Siray Cais Lee Rocker and Slim Jim
ican you remomber which is which? (can you remember which is which?
Blowed il we can), ex-Gen $X$-ei Tony James and a reposing Iggy Pop; the James and a reposing Iggy pop; the
latter genlleman. incidenlally, catied
up the Record Mirror office 1 'other day demanding to speak to Sunie: swooning, our hacketl pounced of The phone, only to find a slightly earler (non-existent) chat they $d$ supposedly had... over the water Lennon assassin Mark Chapman is said to to "one of the most hated men in America". and his delence ts clatming that this means he won get a talr triat. Uack In Blighty, Surrey Uni Students Union heio Aswad and Sonja Kristina among those appearing; the tatter's hubbie Policeman Stewart Copeland, atlended and was flanned by the Rag Committee's hit squad. Those personally invited to the last night of Douche Springbol's six month Wembley stint included Elvis and the Allracilons, U2, Joe - what Magoogan. Megahype saxman, got In touch with Sheena Easton"e manager recently to offer his services to the tady (as a sesston musician, of course) and happened to ask said manager Do'd been a fecording artiste some years ago Wes has |ust received a letter to th eflect that Sheena and Deke love his sax - playing, but it he can remember Artan's record then he"s too old lor the job. . hold the pressest our spees have just lold u That Sketch and David or Linx and with Light of the world at the weekend - Jamming? Gary Kemp? The hapless Fall arrived at the hall they were to play at in Berlin the olher day to find a Turkish wedding in progress; the Fleetwood Mac of the alternative charls had to hang
about until the nuplkals were over about until ve nupkath were hol tips
. We leave you with three hot - look out for Havana Let's Go, 2 saisa - type combo. new funk outtit called Animal Nighlite, and Sex Gang Children, fronted by Bow Wow Wow accomplice Lieutenent

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Abbe, Bjorn Borg and the Volvo motor car seem to prove exactly that.
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## BONZ'S WILL

 LED ZEPPELIN drummer John Bonham, who died fragicsilly las! was revealed las year.Bonham, who was found dead atter a heavy drinking session of Jimmy Page's home in Old Windsor, didn! leave a will and after tax the money
fom his estate will be whilled down from his es
to Es53. 426 .
10 Es Howard Myiett's third Dook about
 death in its addtitional chapters sibout the band and the rest of their history from 1979 to the present. will bo out on July 16 (Granada Ey.50). Once again. this book is an outstanding relerence work on the band and everything a Zep tan could possibry
need.'s hope that if all the Zep / Yes Let's hope that if all the Zep/ Yes tomours are rue. ayletr will be able

## MORE THAN IN LUCK

WHATEVER NEXT? Doris luke Into rockabilly? Ena Sharples opening a fufurist disco on Coronation Street while Albert Tatlock joins Hot Gossip?
Well. the opportunlites for your soap opera heros to make ll bip seem
limitiess now that Kate Robbins, who plays a pop star in the tirice weekly Molays app slar in the tirice weeky gol to number 11 with her single More Than In Love
Cynics have attributod success to McCartney's cousin, and that the big Macca has huge shares in ATV (who actually admit responsibnity for mak. Ing Crossroads which explains why

## whenever the programme hils your

 screen. But "The linst Paul knew atout the job is when Itold him 1 had $1_{i}^{\prime \prime}$ replies the isdy herself, -it audilioned with about lady herseif. other people. Yes. I'ma hundred
related to him but when it comes to relaled to him bul when it comes to
pulling strings ti's quite the opposite pulling strings ti's quite the opposite
"The song is only plugged on the programme for the benelit of charts without any airplay lrom Radio chart
One.
To her credtl, Kate has been writing and performing over since she teff school and even joined Prima Donns to sing .the English entry for last year's Eurovision Song Contest.
SIMON TEBBUTT


## MY

 BACK PAGES-TWAS TYPICALLY litting tha we should meel al Cover ersions, the exhibition of record sieeves currently being all the seven and 12 inch jacke1s chronicling the recorded chronicling the recorded highlights of Magazine's career explain why his group had split. He wasn entiraly sure of th leatures artefacte wo have come to know and gawp si by such worthies as Rocking Russians ('Armed Forces' 日lc), Poter Saville (suave ASSORTED MaGes Mimself. Malcolm Garrett, the brains most of Devoto's covers. utting them behind gelieve in pulting them berino glass an hanging them on walis," he in record shops.
Early questions recetve similarly short shrilt: "No, l'm not going io get another band together or go olo uaing session musicians." Ae.allying with past partnor.in. disbanded Buzzeocks is also "oxtremely unlikely. . though 1 would n'I rule oul any possisilities l've enfoyed playing with almosi

everyone r've worked with. Bul the main thing 4 wanl at the moment is change. That's why, left the group, by tmmedtatiy going to work with poople you ve worked with in the pest."
Okay, any plans to do something outside musk? "I don" think so, not at the moment. anyway, look 11 we're sit in the park?" So 10 e soundtrack ol brass
and an inquistive deck.chair attendant (Howie paid) we converse ambldst the greenary of SI. James ouldoors works wonders for Howard's mood as may be expected of one who calls his band's new
album 'Magle. Murder $£$ and the atbum 'Mag
weather

## weather

"The weather is there in a lot of the songs." he explains. "One
tract. Come Alve , concerns ithe dawn of Cro-magnon Man saying:
What have I done to deserve the rain, what have I done to doserve the su


He speake dellberately and procisely, carefully enuncisting -ach word and occasionally breaking into qulte graphic prose
Like. on being asked about pis Like. on being asked about his
current inertha, he replies: Wou curent inertia, he roplies: bou vibrating at an incredibly nigh trequency al the moment One man's inertis is another man's time
Il all this sounds familiarly II all this sounde familierly
pompous. Howard can also be pompous. Howard can also be
comarkably modesl and down-to earth. For example, does he agree with his many supporters thal Magazine were an essenial Influence on the immediale posipunt period
Thal's not for me to eny." he sound whe us, but I Can'i see "Lo. It's like being lotd you look whe
But for those of us who saw the band's first gigs and eagerly waited the reionse of each record about you? "It leels like a new beginning to me. I went inrough all my crises several weeks 290 when eiling the Olhers. I Ielt I was lelling the band down a bit-but also 10 go on doing been very good. Everyone else was keen to go on lour so it's haro not to foel bad about it., But in the and ithll be for the best," he assures me. Shyly turning away,
wo parted the same
had met-Howard reminded me ima this was backetage at an logy pop concert in 1977-with a lormal
hand shako.
Then Magazine were bacoming a Iwinkling in his bsleful eyas. No Devotol

MIKE NICHOLLS

## PERFECT

EVEN THOUGH you've probebly never heard a Prince record. you'll have found if difficult to avond hearing the name tately, to say nothing of seeing the prctures. Yos he 's the good fooking.
blick(ish) androgyne. dressed in fockstrap and ingh. high leqwarmers.
Yet given his roputation as a sexy. llamboyant showman, it's surprising to find on meoting him that he's a soff-spoken, rather
reserved person. Very young very pelfe and curiousty vulnerable -looking. Malting from Minne sota and a fairly Irregular home Dactoround -"t have four brothers and four sisfers. but we don's all have the same mother and father " - dovolopod every early inforest in sex-
ulimalters.
'I used to read my mother's porno books when I was nine, and i quess they interested me more than the Mardy Boys, "he muses quess they inlarested me more than the Hardy Boys, he muse His mustcal leanings came eariy 100; when his jazz musician father left home the seven - year - old Prince gained access to the
previously forbiden plano. He taught nimself to play gultar at inirproviously forbidden plano. He taught himself to play gultar at thir-
reen, drums ar fourteen and plaved in local dance groups whife af reen, aryms af four
junior high school.
"f was reDellious, but not stupid, "he explatns matrer - of -fach by. At seventeen he moved to New Yock, but while his striting black / hallan looks caused plenty of interest. certain people
wanted to make a pin. up boy of him. Prince wanted to be taken wantea to
seriously
So it was back to Minnesold, where he found a manager and a ed, with eltird 'Dirly Mind" recently released With sono thles such as "Head" and subject matter such as incest, if's fairly obvious why the boy's songs don' 1 get loo much sirplisy. but with the heavy cult reputation he's scquiring, that may not bother Prince
But then, not much does. Coping wifh success doesn't seem to be giving him any trouble, and despite his multi Instrumentat abilhies and the undoubled high quality of his uniqute funk - roch compositions, he's no mustc bore.
His view of ine roch sfar fife end the unveatity of it all is daunsing. 1y simple "Ve always spent a lot of time alone, in a kind of lantasy world,
and this is where I wanted to be; to be listened fo, snd tater and this is, where I wanted to be; to be listened ro, and liaten
seriously."
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## AND THEN THERE WAS ONE

## STUART ADAMSON talks about

 the end (the end?) of the SKIDSSTUAAT ADAMSON enamel and smiles. Skids, the band he lounded with singer Richard Jobson and the source of his hicks for the pasi four years. Bul far from boing the broken warrior Adamson now grins not merely with sell rellief.
"The problem began inilially when Richard firs! moved down to live in London. I was quile and keep clear of the media image builders and a gradua? lack of communication buill up over a period of 18 months over a period of 18 months. the past fow months. .. t just fell there was no empathy belween each of the member of the band for what the other wanted to do, so 1 decided to go out and do il on my own." Being the sole married bend member, and content in his Dunformline home. meant that the only time Adamson had any rest contact with Jobson or the recenfly
acquired bassist Russell webb wes for rehearsals or meetings. "There was no social interchange no way to go oul and fusf have a tilk about whal we should have been doing."
pop star image - so obriousty the pop syed by fobson - wiss also a
enjoyed by factor in the splif.
didn'i particulariy enioy the trappings of stardorn beccuuse all I was doing was what I always wanted If peoplo respect me for
that good and well. but they shouldn 's build me up to be something I'm not.
Before the split ine Studs had been locked away in an Inverness for their follow up to The Absolute Gamo'. A single from the sessions called tone and produced by mike Oldfield will be rele:sed soon tAdamson denying emphatically the
reports that virgin had initially reports that Virgin had inifially rebuffed the song because It w."
"foo welrd and 'Mull Oi Kinfyre". while the atbum is scheduled for
aulumn. If so, the resuris should be interesting lf only because Adamson bolieves that by the time they were recording the spart had gone. out there just wesn't eny fire taft the group. To me a group should be Whe a geng - everybody lighting logether for the ssme thing. bul our rdeas wore split all over the place
was hopeless. was hopeless.
ahwiys saw fie band as something with a bit of passion and any longer. For me anyway. dist's been vartous slages of disenchantment. Ifust became
fotally disinferesied rotally disinferes led
And what of the And what of the fulure for the ${ }^{\circ}$ Skis "As lar as f've hesrd Richard doesn'! want to be involved in music anymore and Russell is awey doing stulf on his own no resentment on his part thet joresentment on his part that and plory lor collective band enterprises.
"Every ane of us mad the opportunity to do whit we wanted
to do and hicherd went on and ditd what he did to the best of his abllity - I always said good fuch to him I still restly really like the guy, he's great laugh and sluft, buil lust can't work with him or Russell any more, Too many cooks be is a pliy that a change had to stages. but I'm sure it's for the bosi in the long run.
Adamson's fulure plans include home demos on a four track tape and plans to eilher form anothe
band - "of which I will be one quarter or fiffi" " - or the possibitis of working with guest musicians on - one-oll basis.
should writing every day and $1 t$ should only be about three weeks lef people hear something. I hope will be inrough a couple of good singlos. because thal's all ive ever wanted 10 do.
"If teels really great to be
starting all over agein tha gein slarting alf over again and gefting back to some hard work. I dina lo that was relevant to peopie's That was relevent fo people
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from PO Box 36 . Coventry CV6 5 RF

Singles

## SINGLES OF

THE WEEK
THE BELLE STARS: 'Hiawath (Silit). I can't say ive been overwholmed by the Bolle Slars ive but this is great clive Langer and Alan Vinstanley have lell their distinetive mark on an old Bodysnatchers song that has the ska beal grafted naturally onto a great merody and some porce Indians A good un

ANGELWITCH: 'Loser' (Bronse)
ANGELWITCH: Loser (Eronse hordes sing thelr theme at gigs I became interested. I was bored mosit of their sel at hast vear's Reading Festival. But this rocking scorcher has got my peace signs liching to be displayed and my ears
well and truly pricked up. Simplistic and energolic, Now where did i pul that cardboard gültar?

TV21: 'Snakes And Ladders' Deram). This has surprised me Having yawned through the majority addictive piece of plastic thal captures all the essential quabitios making a single, It'e got
commilment, erergy, passion, a greal melody, solid arrangements llove the rumpots), and a strong you not to like li and that's how 11 hould be. The package includes a free single.

STEVE WINWOOD: 'Nighl Train (Island). A plece of quality funk from one of the lew real craltsmen in a world of hacks and the hamlisted he sweet. soul voice is still dellight while Ine inythm smouldel
(2)
and Duboles in tasty stew of keyboards and guitafs.

## THE REST

SHEENA EASTON: 'For Your Eyes Only (EMI) Our 'Bla Time' girl swops the warld of temale servitude of being a modern girt, watching her baby getting the morming tratn, or the lantasy of true Bondage and the theme to the new megabuck the wor 31 Bond theme l've ever heard - It wmps away atout nothing. If the film is this dull $1^{\circ} d$ stay athome and watch the tost card if I were you.
THE BEAT: 'Doors Of Your Heart' (Co-Feel). The Beat have been consistant in producing good sotid performances at 45APM's and this is no ditferent. being a classicaly
constructed ptece of poo All the constructed plece of pop. Rank
elements, like Sara's fills. Pankin Roger's toasting and Dave Waheling's good voice. are all present and correct bul I remain untouched. A hll.
DARYL HALL AND JOHN OATES: can they expect ant hil (rom this Iurgid Doobie, Brothers impersonation when it s the wors track oll mundane inan brushing your More mundane than brushing your
teeth.

TUBES: "Talk To Ya Later' (Capitol), Poor old Tubes. One of the mosi enteriaining of live bands oult they want lo be taken seriouslya desperately. While they can show the right commitment and they're not quite the white dopes on punk they pretend to be, they stith cani crack the an of making stylish singles

DAVE EDMUNDS AND THE STRAY CaTS: The Race is On
(Swansong). Hore Grylcreem
soaked vinyl, but inis leans slightly more to the billy side of rockabilly. Dave Edmunds' Oovrous care tor treal but this hasn't got the sparkle to raise il above the academic.
PRINCE: "Golta Stop (Messin ${ }^{\circ}$ Aboutl' (Warners). Our shy, pretly (Dit is say shy?) with the big doe byes doesn'i sound as lrulty as he looks on this tepid workout. May 1 direct you to the llip "I Wanna Be Your Lover' which is a lar Deller representation of his musical

AAINBOW: 'Can't Happen Here (Polydor). This sounds like a limp amalgamation of all that's gone before, which to these ears is a
better sleep inducer than Horlicks.

8ERNIE MARSDEN: 'Sad CLown' (Parlophone). Whenever compcten sidesmen get we urge to make the solo album there should be a la that allows the idea ane yeat is allowed inlo the studio, so the tdea can die natural death rather than make us sutler. Mr Marsden, o Writesnake, could have benelitied by preventing the escape of thls frothy plece of soft pop.

THE VAPORS: ${ }^{\text {JJmmie JOnes }}$ (Llberty). The pangs of being
lumbered with the tille of being one hit wonder must be patnful bul

there will be a slight easing of the palh with this
slice of pop.

IRON MAIDEN: "Purgatory" (EMII. Surely l've gol this at the wrong speed Notators at flatulence contest and ceis absolulely nowhere. At least the titie's accurate about my feelings for th.

HONEY BANE: Jimmy. . Alsten To Mol (EMI). The lovable Ms Bano gets $n$ alt right on the verse but the chorus doesn'I quite do the
simplistic pop tune sitps out of the memory much too quickly.

SPIRIT: 'Tum To The Right' (Beggare Banquel). An odd choice for a single from the legendary and much delayed good, bluesy rocker with melodic veneer that made them so highly regarded in the sixties. This particular adventure of Kaptain Kopler ánd Commander Cassidy doesn't stand up too well away from the context of the album

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nomespun advice not to marry a pretty woman If you want to slay ersion of Father Abraham 100 many steps beyond a joke.
KRAFTWERK: 'Kometenmelodie? Vertigol. To tie in with their ne vaults for this track have ralded possibly the closest the men machines have gol to a 12 bar. File under inconsequential.
REO SPEEDWAGON: Take II On he Run' (Epic). This year's Styx ar
o 'Keep On Loving You' but this sounds like bady-reconstituted
or You Ms, Cryin my heart Ou For (Motown. Ms Ross plays Une Morn curisin aher 20 years on o Mercury on what sounds ling cose fetative of 'You Make Me Fee Brand New' and 11 doesn'I do much elther advance or damage her

GILLAN. 'Vengeance' (Arlsia)
ILLaN. Vengeance (Arisia)

Virgin). Two lumas of kerranging rom lan Gillan. The lirst is wild and woolly with lots of walls but il's ultimately leadened. The B -side is an elght and a hall minute version of Smoke On the Water with even more kerrangs and wals, boin date EP with 'Lucllle', "Bad Naws', 'One for The Road' and the strident and oconorrical ritting of 'No Laughing In Heaven' and the neo.relgious rantings of Gilian. Nolther can be ermed as essential listening by any

DUR DAUTHERS WEDDING 'Lawnchairs' (Design). Sub Gary vuman techniques, from these make an interesting three minutes and 25 seconds 1 They debut at Saturday's Crystal Palace Garden
Party.)

PAUL INDER: 'Machine City (Elociro Space). This 13 -year-old kid, who a been promising to do things ttempt al rocking tune that's had ils runners well sawn of

OILLINGEA: "Melling Pot' (ASM). Our dreadiocked hero seems to have lost the killing instinct of his namesake since the days when he
rode upon CB200 and sang about cocaine running around his brain.

THE DUADS: "Goma Giet A Job' (Bkg Bear). The hard working Quads, who played on the whote of the worthy last month ultimately prove that hard slog isn'? quite the best substliute for inspiration in this would-be anthem for the unemployed

## RAMSEY LEWIS: 'Wade In the

 Waler' (Chess). A classic cool piano insirumental trom 1960, that gotinto the American charts in 1966, is coupled with a lazy version of in Crowd and proves to be welcomepiece of nostaloia.

TYGERS DF PAN TANQ: 'DON'I Stop By (MCA). A rocker with the invigoration and Interesi of watching transmission on the tele.

SIAM: 'Don'I Look Back' (A MM). An addictive piece of pop froth which worms th waxinto the grey matter.
much to the disgust of my mural tastobuds.

THE FLYING LIZARDS: 'LoveIS And Oiner Slangers' (Virgin). An odd exploration of sound textures over motif that s more insidiously
 stobuds.

Whole thing doesn't attempt to hang cegether and you can thelp you're missing out on pivate joke.

THE KDRGIS: 'All The Love in The World ' (Riatho). Another lushly produced bailad that sounds hike Boys and Four Seasons and refected by both lor being too gooey.

THE PLAYERS ASSOCIATIDN: 'Get On Up Now' (Vanguarci 'Get On Up (snigger snigger). I didn'I ilink they wrote them like that anymore
"Won't you get on down with the groove? (chortle, chorthe), I don'I believe this. ' ${ }^{\circ}$ Everybody's getting down now" (guffaw, gultow).
SUE WILKINSON: 'Women Dnly' (Cheapskate). Alter moaning about Ms wilkinson calalogues the non. wrtues of being woman and uses the same lechniques. She succeeds by being both perceptive and in possession of that deadly weapon

TOM TOM CLUB: 'Wordy Rappinghood' (Island). Talking Head bassisi Tina Weymouth raps a Iltle stifly on funky soundtack that borrows a lot of the fyrical style of her mentor David, Byrne, FiHe unde (barely) Interesying.

BILL MELSON: 'Youth OI Nation On Fixe' (Mercury). Once upon a time Be Bop Daluxe guitar hero, but the lure of flecironics has proved too strong ime ocord sat the hour erceltent single ${ }^{\text {Do You }}$ Yo Colour", lunky and suicidally eatehy with some delkious sarounones,
THE EVASIONS: 'Wikke Wrsp (Groove). The king of the tele rappers. Alan Whicker, gets the
Michael taken out of him with styl as he gels down with the "bouncing ooppers. the gyrating groovers, the trantic funkophiles, the Up. Alant).

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Steve, London

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## I WORK?

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pint on you tieket. It's unlikily that any reputable promoter who wanle to stay in business would chooso the shady option of hecping the punters money. Harrey Goldsmith Entertimments, who'te hanaling the up in coming Dylan distes scheduled for tater this month, have a goos isesk record when th comes
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any, and as I lelt the job shorily afterwards it was no longet a
problem. But, should I have cards now I'm unemployed. And it so, now I'm unemployed. And Bill. Liverpool

- Sounds as if your ex-boss wif litle out of louch with the wort stopped is suing new records of National insurance contifutions in card form to British workers in April 1975. Since then the system of recording these contribulions had When applying for olfer jobs you need is a record of your vailable from the nearest National Insurance oflice isee Yellow Pages yout number, this will save you from the pitlall ol being fumbered wilh heavy emergency tax unlil the background paperwork has been soilod oul


## EXTRA

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sludios or ts there an agency more than dne, where I can enfol? Do you just furn up al the Sludio?
Jan. Essex

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## VIDEO VANITIES

HER HAIR is Harlow gold. Her lips a sweel surprise. Her hands are never cold. But she's gol Kim Carnes eyes . big pale azure eyes that sel off her golden Californian tan to a lee.
And her voice is a stinhy, husky croak that meltis hearts.
Kim Carnes was born in Hollywood, she has a been singing and witing sougs for as long as she can remember. From High School she graduated to recording studios singing on commercials she had wititen and mating demos for various publishers. She met up with her co-writer and now husband Dave Ellingson ten years ago and that in turn led to
her tirst albun 'hest On Me' and work on the film -vanishing Point. Now she is in her early thirties wilh her sisth album "Mistaken Identity' aboul to be reteased. song credits on albums by kenny Rogers. Frank Sinatra and Barbra Streissind to hel name and the singlo 'elte Davis Eyes' th the
charis
But tor sill that she claims that it's the video by unravox and visaye man that has brightened up tepance to whin she owes a lot ot her recent success.
"That video has done more for me than anylhing "ive ever done," she states enthusiasticaliy. "In the Stales my publicist always showis 110
tournalists beltore interviews so they don't have to guess whal l do
Her main problem stemmed from wrilling the whole of Konny 'Aogers' 'Grdeon' album with her husband and then having an American smash with with Rogers. She got labelled as a country arlist;
stmple. needod clarifying." sho says. "tre had thal problem ol unitying, my image and that video has etped immensely
The song 'Betre Davis' Eyes' came to her rom he latier lanied for hers and Jachic De Shannon. Soarchers 'Weedles And Pins' and 'when You Walle

Into the Room', ovel a year ago, The eight-year-oic song was a 'raglime, culesy song but she says the lyrics "jusi destroyed me. Publishing problems delayed the recording but. she says, if proved ncver have had that 198t edge that has made would never have
The funny thing is that Kim was born in the centre of tinsel town - Hollywood - where "Batte Davis' Eyes' bocame an actress - the intecious discase that attlicts most inhabilanis. "I'd always wanted to be a singer or a writer, but never an actress, she states irmily.
And she adds: "It's a litle dttlerent for me. 1 know very lew native born Callornians. Lals of my Hollywood for the lirst time. They all have the same slory of going straighi to Hollywood and Vine - which is the sleaziest. Hilhicst ... a terible cornerl So I never had to go through all that. - grew up not in awe of it because 11 wasn't a place lar away but I wasn't blase about it. She elaims she adores old moves: cling John particular favourites. "They don't make them like they used to There's so much romance and llair them thal's gone today. I always ioved Bette Davis From what I read about her and saw on screen the same spint always came across. There's a woman who speaks her mino.
Kim got her confirmation of this when she was invied to mool belte Davis alter her success wilh which sad ' Mo Guts. No Clary' and 1 thought That's Belle Davia
Xim was accompanied on that day by the tegandary pholographer George Hurrell who look. the ofiginal thirties pubiticity shots for stars lise Joan Crawior and bavis. Mepl pinching mysel throughout, it s a day lil never rorget. She wanted me lyricisis and
"She surprised me by being so tnowledgeatle about her new slbum 'Mistaten Identily' and tolo me which tracks she liked. I said: 'You moan you've listened to h?' She sad: 'My dear, l've studied it!

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THE WANDERERS: 'Only Lovers Lelt Alive' (Polydor POLS 1028)
By John Shearlaw
IT'S NOT only worms. it seems, that survive the losing of their heads and inis debut sel lrom the Wanderers does its over-polished best to pro hat there is ite aiter Sham B
vith former Dead Boy Stiv B cue clipped, urizaling Eastern American accented vocals) dratted in to replace Jimmy Pursey, with Dave Parsons and David Treganna still holding down the middie order. There's a valiant attempl to keep the torch alighe even though there no way the same.
Instead 'Only Lovers Leth Alve' is
curious and understatement: with all the atlack that ought io be bursting out getting hooelessly lost in a welter o cralled bul yacuous-lyrics.
synthesised keyboards. siudio oressing commentated links and 1984).
So where is the raucousness? Th angry chants? in a word. swallowed Make way then for the sott and eas sell. something you can only call would apparently imply. Even a would apparently imply. Even a Are A.Chenoin' can't sava them. lost in a sludio and a long. long way from home $+t+\%$
T.V. SMITH'S EXPLORERS: 'The Last Words Of The Great Explorer' (KRL.85087) By Jessamy Calkin
THIS is not essentialiy a commerclal album, but every commerctal used. what rosults is an interesting mixiure of styles with no definitive beat, Not surprising, considering the varled combination of musicians involved, an Advert. a Doclor of Madness, a $K$-Tel symin player, a
Qullarist from Colin Blunstone guliarist from Colin Blunstone 'Tne Servant' is undoubledly the
owst track $n$ has 00 wer which separates if from the rest of the atbum. 'Walk Away' could almost be by The Jam, white the litie track and Imagination are more in the ambing epic vein.
accomplished and prolessional, bul the overaill impression is like a pood movie with a weak and conlused plot Easy listening in the best sense, low-key production-this recotd won't knock you oul with it's originallity, but th will certainly grow
on you. $\&++$

PLUMMET AIRLINES: 'On Sloney Ground' (HEDONICS Hedon 1/2)
By Chas de Whalley
BACK IN 1976 there were two binds who all bul lived in the Hope and Anchor. One was the Stranglers and The other was Plummel Aitlines - a Nothngham - bred oultt who asburso with some success
funk helghts of the Band and Little Feat.
Indeed, in wild - eyed and grull voiced Harry Stephenson they even boasted a singer who had Lowell
$G$ George down to a tee. And Pichie George down 10 a tee. And
Havens. Jom waits and Chris Havens. Tom waits and Chris
Norman too. Like the Strangler they were a great gigging bard bu despite recording for Siff In 1977 . the Plummets were kissed oll by the punk explosion. Woke up one
morning to lind that twin quitar morning to lind that twin guita jamming bands were horribly out of avour
Parts of this double atbum suggest inat they protably fecordings, demos and Radio One John Peet sessions, tharks back to a bygone age of hippy excessos
are quite embarrassing in their are quite
sincerty.
sincenty
But in other olaces 'Stoney
Ground' tells of a line rock band who could have gone SRO in the US the Sad Cafe if their developmont hadn'ibeen so drastically curtailed.
The BBC version of 'Or Boogie' tells


## Moward Devolo looks suilebly comforted by revlewer's kind words.

## Devoto-shun to duty

MAGAZINE: 'Magic, Murder And The Weather' (Virgin V2200)

## By Sunle

From the lar - oll days when he played enigma to Polt Shelley's naive. Mowatr Devolo has adored by a large and dedicaled following. and ignored by the singles-buying public. One assumes that ine is conient noither with thal state of allats nor wilh Magazine's continued image at
highbrow art - rockers. for Mr Devoto "resigned" trom Magazine alter completing this, that fourth studio LP.
1 know journalists are lorever prating of Hits That Should Have. Been, but just listen to side one 's opening lrack, the single 'Abou
The Wealher': Bolh song and arrangement are puro Tamla, beating away while Howard observes with ironic resignation. "the weather's variable, so are yo
a lale of Voodoo Pop which should have swept the world while emotionally speaking, any of the plumked Smokie olt the para you remember the days of pub rock with any degree of alfection al all. this album will bring a tear to your eye. + + +

ROY SUNDHOLM: 'East To West' (ENVY 503) By Gill Pringle
MOST PEOPLE will be tamiliar with this style of macho lyricism by now Irom other artists, be in the Eagles,

I and I can"I do Ahing about the
weather." It SSould Have Been. 'So Lucky' follows, a fale of sublerfulto: personal, 1 link, rather than political. 'The Honeymoon Killors' is a less oblique narrative, norribly convincing recital of a murderers recollections. No of in cream and of liatening to Mantovant while waiting for the cops to come. The music is a carousel lune geng out ol synch, a suitably disfurbing devico that lurches and whirts slong.
'Vigilance' and 'Come Alive' are next, the laller concluding the slde keyboard work - out as Devolo sings - deliciously punning paean to Pepsi. Cola: "brings your anceslora Dack from the grave
Side two commences wilh yot snother change of mood. 'The Greal of fllm iheme and disco troll whose subiect matter takes care of the "magic" element of the tille. "This Poison' is esionishingly close to
just a teeny bit boned with midnight trains and desperate men on the run through the night?
Anyone with the audacily to thini Mp such a blandiy - tilled song-as expect the world to come fiocking line his pockel
Sitting here in grimy otd England this does seem to summarise the goneral atilitude to smooth US a whote hosi ol superlatives
US would emergo 10 greet this album. And atter all, that's the market t1's aimed at. A tilte such as 'East To West' hardly conjures upa pleture of trucking across the country from Grimisby to Blackpool.
reggae, wilh Barty Adamson's virile
bass style well to the fore. 'Naked Eye' teatures some hoppy drumming straight oul of the Hawail s-o theme, while Devoto and Formula's Subut ban Rhonde is soll. achoes of the sixties aboul it. Finally, "The Darden' boasts more compuisively danceable work from the Adamsan / Doyle thy inm section, lopped with a phased echoey vocal.
Repealed laying of Magic,
Murder And the Weather has mied Murder And the Weather has mied Ine winh a sneakng suspacion hat the first lime ever.. The quality of songs, playing and production is sa superb as you d expect 1 rom Magazine, bul the diversity of the maierial is a revelation. Too bad perhaps. by ot iwist of lale that bevoto would doubtless fully approciate, the very facl that in is a larewell will bring the LP the commereial success it deserves

The production on this album is good. heduction on this album is good. the conceplot tim sure th's got lust the rigm focky beal to make driving in ine Mercedes a lot of lun. $++k$

BRAM TCHAIKOVSKY:
'Funland (Arista SPART 1164)

By Chas de Whalley
BRaM Tchalkorsky's recent "back To The Boozers ${ }^{\circ}$ lour was an unashamed fiasco and cerrainly suggested that the man who once
put the motal in the Molors was put the metal in the Molors was
was the slipshod devil - may - care attitude he and his band adopted on ${ }^{3}$ slage Consequently 1 approached this his inird atbum with some reptation only to find it quite
surprisingly good. Not a clasg surprisingly good. Not a classic
perhaps but one inat went a long way towards living up to lis name Like lis predecessors 'Funland was oroduced by Motor mainspring
Nick Garvey and il hardly strays Nick Garvey and 10 , rock lormula nom the away rom the pop - rock iormula he
loroed itree years ago with Bram's brilliant debut single 'Saran Smites Admittedly there are new traces of Springsteen passion in the anthom choruses of 'Siand And Deiver' and synthesised orchestras on the singie 'Shall We Oa nce', but
'funland' delivers uo more slices ol beeted - up Birds gultars and hazy harmonies borne on the wind. With the exception of an orribly - avy verston of Breaking Down The Walls Oif Heartache' the songs ar all. Bram's and pretty good too.
As to whether 'Funland' will make him a superstar, I really couldo'? say, but it's good enough to sell a law copies and is well worth investigating. ++ +

THE PASSAGE: 'for all and none' (night and day p.m. a.m. 23.00 )

## By Mark Cooper

BUILT ROUNO receding. pounding dfum ligures, swifting, muody kocalisings. this record collapses under its own weight. Tunes or the semblance ol them wander in and out among the prosaic delivery of an
endiess siream of lyrics two sheets worth. The music is bullit arourid the words and vaguely suggesis operatic struclures of the Brech Welli variety
Witts reveals his delightully mordant wit on occasion, particularty on the celebration ol symbolic
sulicide entilled 'shave your head. sulicide enitied have your head
But by this point in the recors. midway through the second side, humourtessness has won out so
otally on the musical side that the tyrics make-no diflerence.

LOCAL HEROES: 'New Oplum' (Oval Records Oval 302)

By Doris Proudioot
NTERESTING ONE INI OI intriquing to be more precise. Side One features Local Heroes in a prelty savage assault on the system
we ve all anown to come and love as copllalism, while the flip. How The West was won', allows the band's olvotal force. Kevin Armstrong. free rein in his crit of imperiaism and all things related. "All noises Kev esities the sleceve rider.
The emphasis here rests on the music rather inan the message. allhough they d probably argue ithat basically comes down to is the thorny of question about whether ant forms in general, and (popular) mustic in particular can carty truly revolutionary content. This is a problom or which they're aware, an extenslon and etaboration o Marx's famous dictum about religion - containing the lines "revolutions can be markeled I money can buy them in measured doses

QUENTIN CRISP: 'An Evening With Quentin Crisp' (Cherry Red DRED 2)
By Simon Tebbull
AM EVENING with a sell - conlossed old aged perisioner who looks like a camp elderly aunt and olfers to eure prospect which has you fushing to switch oll 'Clossroals' and plug in the hl - fil. But what marks out Quentin Crisp trom the rest of the otd butlers and ineir tips for leens is his styte. And unlike so many of the chameleon. come-peacocks who the an of acting to the act of being the an of ac
$H \theta$ is style. Ho is slyle. it vecomes a lifestyle. something interesting by which you are proud to be identifled and something by which you can do barter with ine outer world to get what you want
is the basic message. ++++

## BOYCOTT BOG ROLLS NOW!

GEORGE HARRISON: 'Somewhere In England' (Dark Morse K56870)

## By Mike Nicholls

Well. IF we must have harmiess AOR easy-listening. . there's
 doubl and choose the word pleasant
ax-Bcatle McCartney, we all know he could do someining解 only being in it for the money.
All the songs are simple yet unpatronising, though lyrically he does fend to preach somewhat, At least iwo or the cuts, That Which I Have Lost' and 'Writing's On The Wall' are nothing more than righteous whilst 'S advocating his own God-head- World is more conscience delegating I mean what we to do atout the lact that 3.000 acres of rain torests are cropped for paper lowels every hour? Boycoll bog rolls?
thon again, as with most of the tracks. I's gol a catchy little fune and is cutely-constructed. A choice of array of session players and other triends, Ringo, Tom Scotl and ace percussionist Ray Cooper amongst others, contribute to this well-crafled work which Includes slories "Baltimore Oreole' and Hoagy Carmichael's "Hong Kong Blues", tributes The hatter deal with a couple of altacks on the rock machine, 'Blood From A Clone' fingerapointing at the biz and 'Unconsciousness Rules' showing up one of ils casualties
So there we have h . Scarcely the most ground-breaking opus of the year, but nonetheless allection of dignillied, uncluttered funes whos quief, inoflenstre unpretentiousness will be welcomed by those of a

## THE SINCEROS: 'Pet Rock' (Epic EPC 85003)

## By Simon Tebbult

THE SINCEROS have perfecied the an ol the inree(ish) minute pop song Nother shot through with vifiol nor succumbing to the overblown and flyblown lantasies of the pamp rockers, their brand of upbea
conlectionary is polisned and only everso occasionally bland
"Pel Rock' was produced by the mighty Gus Dudgeon-the man esponsible for much of the Ellon John sound and success-and here cool chorus song 'Disappearing", sets the pace for what is to lollow, a series well written and well constructed pop songs that take the melodk tradition into the eightes.
So, llisten to the Sinceroe They might be tunelul but they certandy aln't twee. +++ t

JEAN MICHEL JARRE: "Magnetic Fields" (Polydor Pols 1033)

By Simon Tebbull
CLASSY AND as sharp and cleas as Jean Michel's crystal blue eyes slating oul from the cover, il bet this is horalded as another electro Gautic master piece. But, honestly guv. I jusi found ti nullitying. sluttilyting and Hilimately 8ORING
Side one is just one long trach which, before long. had as reachingtor "monotonous". The pace de bid to lind alternativas for the word wonotonous". The pace does vary but even the sound of rippting and all micro chip lechnology albums it seems) with tho inevitable seagults calling to the tapping waves Wof - Edj does ittle to overcome the heavy sense of oppression, I've got "ghostly hooves thundering through desperale I was getting , really stands out, recalling as it does the feel of the south sce island beach I vist every winter. fhe palm trees swaying to the Hawaman gutiar and the rumba beat white dushy mardens
Anyway, 11 you like Jean Mfichel you tI naturally like this album because what he does, ho does well. And, as this is clearly what furns Charlotte
Rampling on, I wish I could the it too. But I don't + +

KIM CARNES: 'Mistaken Identjty' (EMI America AML 3018) By Robin Smith
AN OLD Irouper with a surprise hit on her hands Ms Carnes can't hold it Fhe wary wonderful album woes. The novelly of hor posena orgasmic sandpapered lithle voice soon wears thin and all the songs are written fo formula American mOR. Tahe the over olluted "HII And Run' as a prime example.
She even our-Elkues Ethte Brooks on the tille track. but she is in
sympathy with the spifit of Frankie Miller's 'When I'm Away From 8ympathy with the spifit of Frankre Miller's 'When I'm Away From You lust wish she didy whoresome all American girl, but once in a while

## ROBYN HITCHCOCK: "Black Snake Diamond Ro:a (Armageddon ARM4)

By Mark Cooper
ROBYN'S VOICE is ragged, deep and dark and recalis the early Kevin Ayers. It's also clear that he knows where Syd Barrett and host ol other acid victims live. Their early output is lovingly echoed here- in the sound of the ocean that opens 'Love' of such throwaway lines as "You can hear the children sing" on the album"s openor, "The Man Who Invented Himself
But white ti's clear that Hicticock has Invented himsell from a well establithed tradition. there's no question but inat he 's an original. Bolh the whimsy and the darknest ate his own. And the pervertily he lovingly maintains It. But is ithis not a perverse occupation? Surely whimey's dead in fougher times and our hero's a bit late in the day though not too long in the tooih? Well, in short. 16.
ot the past that Hilchcock 5 git is to construci a personailis, out or the past that gains relevance trom his sheer conmiltment dition record. Lols of laughs and dert cornere $+++++\quad$ come alive on this


## SINGLE FANTASY

YOKO: 'Season Of Glass' (Geffen K99164) By Mark Cooper
YOKO S RECORD mocts all the conventional supprossions we make In ine face of death head on. And slares them down. "Too painfull" cover or listening to the three shots thal open 'No. No. No' Yoko's batancy, her ability to make the privato public and the pubic private. ingese shillts will olfend.
Yoso's music has always varied between naive simplicity and the selt consclously avanl.galde arly. She mixes the vulnerable child dreamer
and lie tough, capable business woman, oplimism of the llower chitd and the tough, capabie business woman. oplimism of the hower chilo vatiety and a permanent sense of lerror, of the abyss. Her git has
always been for fuxtaposition. tor making sutprising connections that amuse, disturb and challenge. And she nas always recorded in the musical and personal shadow of John Lennon who is conspicuously missing from the back sleeve of 'Season Ot Glass
So lislen now, Yoko has made a record of tragivity, grief, and ullimately. of great human strength. Pain too terrible to confront is confronted, experienced and expressed, You might call $H$ therapy, I lind manufactured, oxquisitely produced collection of sangs.
manuractured, exquistey produced coliection of songs.
The first side is ass fender and delicate as a high choekbone, it's rocking, chai music. lull of rellectlon, over which "loneliness hanga like - curse" as Yoko puts it. In 'Nobody Sees Me Like You Do'. The melodies are simple bul sliong and the musticianship the same musicians as on 'Double Fantasy') utterly sympathetic and from the heart. The songs are diary enfifes, many addressed to John. ms many to
Yoko herselt.
The second side is less resiful, more lerrifying, closer to the old risky
Yoko. "You batards hale us, hate me, we had everyining, she cries in anguish at Ine end of the opener 'I Don't Know Why'. Uncomlortable. yes. and terrifying too, but nover alienating, Feelling can'l be denied, but it con be messy and Incoherent. Yoko's faithitul to fecling here while conirolling it . The sadness that pervades every song here is the seaso


RANDY CRAWFORD: 'Secret Combination' (Warner Bros K 56904 )
By Paul Sexion
CURIOUS THE way the music public keeps on discovering Randy Crawlord and then losing her againYou'd have thought that having once chanced upon such a delicate vocal and interpretativo talent as herst. they'd have put her in a sate
But ather her unvelling on the Butater her shvelling on it was the best part of a year lill she shinmered into the Top 10 with One Day I'l Fly Away
The source was the consislently beauthul Now We May Begin LP; but its subsequent single The Rain", elegant and worthy Falls The Rain', elegant and worthy
as 11 was, died quielly and it's only now that she emerges once more. Something that's suggested in her records and conifrmed when you've seen her perform live is that Randy
Crawlord really toves to sing and Crawlord really loves to sing, and thus every song is carefuly chosen and fecling. Hele she chooses one song written by Turley Richards 'When I Lose My Way' and one previously sung by him the single You Might Noed Somebody" - not quite up to his sulking, haunting version but still a happy route back
to the charts for her. to the charst her her. sadness and sellf-pity such as On Day' and there are several here which evoke great sympathy and
alfection Tony Joe White's 'Rainy Nifochi in Georgias, the light but Nlahi in Georgis., the light but leaden-hearted Rio De Janeir Blue, and most of all, Mark. Lives. The whole profect, neediesa to say, being played and sung with sureness of touch and style, and produced in similar festion by
pommy LiPuma. Don't let ner fly
swav this time $++\uparrow+$
THE FLYING LIZARDS: 'Fourth Wall' (Virgin V21908)

## By Simon Tebbuft

ELECTRONIC MUSIC normally leaves me as cold as those strange people who haunt the empty liames ot art house sci li movies. But David Cunningham. the quircky and innovative crealo and purveyor of the flying Lizards sound, ofters somerning more compuisive nab hause he
mifl bleep and liash syndrome becaus mis bleep and liash syndrome because he fust a litite humour.
The basic tormat of this second Lleards aloum to pretly much the same as the tast, with Patil Pallidin sounding remarkably like tormer vocalist Deborah who was chosen because she couldn'l sing mywn. Somewhere, hidden among my
souvenirs, is a chan that David Cunningham drew me explaining the process of making Lizasds me explaining the process of making aizar
frack, which apparentiy stats off oy throwing objects like rubber loys, casselles or a telephone
divectory into a ptano and taking the sound from there. For all is apparent sophisticaton, I'd thagine 'Fourth wail' lollows the same track. The new single, 'Lovers and Other Strangers',
isn't really the most distinclive lrack but it has a isn't really the most distinclive rack but thas a
light and airy teat and a muted calypso leol with light and airy weat and amuted calypso leol with
all the old eltects thrown in. Patti's vocals are persistent throughout the aibum, a dry cynical monologue.
Some of the album, is must be sakn, is meandering and repetitious This is particularly Itue of the lack. GididerSpin', "here the revere
Robert fripp plays guitar. And a couple of the Robert Fripp plays gultar, And a couple of th
numbers, paricularly $A$ Train' and Hands 2 Take thave an elleci on the brain like thos symphonies for the stoned of the similies. * * *
VARIOUS ARTISTES: "Mutant Disco: A Subtle Discolation Of The Norm' (Ze/Island ISSP 4001)
By Mike Gardner
THIS IS a collection of atx discomix-tength lunk delights from the stable thal will turn passing lanciers into rabio disciples. solendio Coc collection is Kid Creole and his silvers from the main fruit. Coati mundis' oxeellen th1 Que Pass/Me NO Pop 1 leads inio Girhy. Dan's disco hopper 'Cowboys and Gangslers' an The side is rounded off with Don Armando's Second Avenue Rhumba band whth the creamy
smooth fonda hae on Deputy Of Lova: smooth fonda Rae on Deputy ol the kio The main man Augusi Darnell the Kro, opens
the second side with Malacie D Amour' hom his debut album Oif the Coast OI Me . but discomixed to danceabivity.
While Material's 'Bustin Out leaturos some blistering vocals from Nona Hendry the best is saved to last, Was (Nol Was) and thele Wheel M have hit my stylus since.. The sound is hard, a have may my styius since. in the face, but what
Urick wall of tunk slammed in the can you expect trom a bunch of funksiers that
loak llike Molorhead and have the able assistance from the Paflettes. Pirliament's Thythm section and the MC5'g legendary Wayne Kramor. An album is due soon so watch out, In the meantume
wrap your gare around thie $t+t+t h$



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## BUMBLE AND THE BEES

 Half Moon, London By Chas de Whalley THE FIRST romarkable thing about Bumble and ine Bees was that theyhad no drummer. The second remarkable thing aboul hem that they really didn't neent orie elliner. Singer Michael Riley - o Stoel Pulse and Headine tame saw to all the percussion nimselt He stood the microphone pumping at a bass orum with his hoghloot and tapping al cowbel
he held in his left nand. He gave Bumble and the Beos all the kick
anyone mighl ask lor.
The rhythmic slack was laken up by the rest of this exceptionally flurd band. Two electric guitars chunked
out heallhy crossbeals which kept the feel tapping and the heads the feer tapoing and te heads
boboing, while Winston elissens: rip-rolling bass and Simon Walker's shimmering, jezzy violin gave Bumble and the bees an india rubber sound enlirely thetr own,
With quite slarling eciseticism With quite slarlling ecloeticism
iney offered social comment ska like They olfered social comment ska time
the amusing Plastic world and the followed it with some Patiliament. llavoured superlunk belore Michaet Riley decided to out-falsetto Curtis Maytield with some smoochy, sexy soh soul.
Ol course, too much variety can be recipe for disaster. But not in
hands as capable and sell assured as these Classy musicianship and more than a spot of imagination must make Bumble and the Bees one of the most interesting and unusual black music bands to emerge in ages. Even it iniee ol
inem are white.

BILL NELSON/JOSEF K
Heaven, London
By Sunie
IHAD hooed that seetng Bill Neison and his Practical Dreamers play live might nelp me lorm some sort ol impression of what all the fuss is
aboul. But it wasn't that sort of night. Far trom being editying. it wa Priends shot in and oul of vew, Bill was ill and decided to go on fitst and to toD $1 t$ all the PA was not functioning as it should
Such muddled impressions as I recetved. darting in and out ol the large and apprectative a vaience. were or a curbusiy uneven musical tascination to the disappoin orthodox, with an excellent 'Rooms Writh Brithle Views' early in the set and a mudoliey. inadequale 'Do You Dream in colour later on. Poor old souls Josel K played to -hall-empty hall, since many of the audience scutiled olt when 8 ilty
the Dreamers quit the stage. Their sound was simply appalling. bul their dynamic was just lime Urgent but not hysterical. hey raced inrough their funked up guita songs, wilh Paul Maig's competling voice and ironic, hip-curled stance a
seductive as aver.
They won'l have been happy abour his gig, but their essential
hatolaugh-shimmy did get throug and of made the evening worthwhile

## THE DREAMBOYS <br> Glasgow Waterfront

By Billy Sloan
SUDOE NLY A gatloping bass line speces out of the semtdarkness. joined quickly by random guitar chops and almost incidental leaden
percussive boats Dercussive baats.
suddenty fhe Dreamboys have sismissed regional cascily
contront all points south with tales ot 'The Last Ot The Cowboys', 'Bela Lugost's Birthday' or 'Genlus is Pain.
Suddenly, Ihree days later THAT song. the one which tritabits this manilests itsell Erasertead, The Henry Song is
the strongesi example of what The

Dreambors ofter, A stark eerie The seamy side ol Hollywangles. Henry whadaytu know" Not much str. not much sir".-a hook pledged to haunt me lor the rest of my natural life.
Suddeniy there's Roddy Murray, Temple Clark. Craig The Drummer and Peter Capaldi, The Dreamboys-
music lor all the right films. muatic 10 have illicit relationships to. mulic to be lormented by
A rare treal.

THE GAS
Fulham Greyhound, London By Mark Cooper
THE GAS are nol fashionable. 1
suspect they resent this and ine dominance of rock by mere imag In their rejection they have

## LIGGER MORTIS

## PRINCE

## Lyceum, London By Mike Gardner

A
FTER WEEKS of his androgynous teatures staring down from every other poster in London, it's no real surprise that tonight is spol the
punter night as the Lyceum is packed out with wail to wall music bir bods.
He comes on, weatings long raincoat, Sergie Leone slyle, and the five other members of the band all dressed to thrill. The sound is a pop hybrid of rock. funk, r'n'b and Motown all played in an uncluttered lashion with
pep.
His voice is sweet, almost Iraglie as he communicales his bite - the pillow talk aboul sex and lust with titles like the subtle 'I want To Jerk You $\mathrm{OH}_{\mathrm{H}} \mathrm{OH}$
His raincoal revealed his much vaunted body clad in nothing more inan a neckerchiel, knickers and stockings while his band pumped out quality tunk rock over the sleaze.
Tend verdicts afier woro mixed. Same called mm a "punk Teddy
pendergrass" ol olhers jusi plain "boring" while the nexi raved ecstatically about the thyitms. My verdicit A good band in the wiong place at ine right To Be Your Lover' are too goond to be kept within the hip conlines of those sulfering from ligger mortis.
perfected a stance surfmed up In The tite of their latest single. "Fingor sticking out, the angry young $G$ as attack ine world.
They do so in the time-honoured tradition of :he English trio: sadly the Jam nave exhausted virtually all the possibilities avalable to the hard rock melodic trio. The Gas lignore
this lact. As a consequence they are this tact As a consequence they are
not so much unfashionabte as in canger of being irrelevant. Donnic Burke, lead singer and gutiarist, wriles in a vein well established in 76 with thles like - Devastated' and 'Burning inside' and rages found the stage in wide bissedofil
There is genulno passion in their music and a dislinct gilt for power pop metodies The reason the Gas lail to lind
tavour is that they ve leamt to love
therr position on The Oulside an adienc all used up by the old punk'bands: the Gas are too power pooto go the punk route and too in love with their punk anger to allow their pop endencies the any emerpe. rel th ith pop that their writing talent seems to lie

ART OBJECTS, MUSIC FOR PLEASURE London, West Hampstead. Moonlight Club

## By Daniela Soave

ART OQUECTS nave the disfinction of being the worst band i have ever Sell induloent unimaginative and elongated, they didn't even take the rouble to tune their guitars properly betore they hit the stage.
The novelty of An Dojects approach wears ofl atter the thir song. Each number is a clever of very often reb guitar. .excepl there's nothing short about inem. They 90 on and on and on. By the time Music For Pleasure appeared. most of the crowd had gone home. But those of us who had been numbed inio oblivion by melody and mythm, Beginning with 'Lust Detail', the band looked omite unhappy, due to the bad sound which completely drowned out the singer.
Highlights of the night included good single with ils ialecticus good single with ils inlecticus single. 'Fuel To Tho Fire' and 'Light'.
Music
Music For Pleasure made up for what had slarted as a disastrous evening. I'd like to see them again
in better condtions and with a new in better
bassist.


FUNDAMENTAL FROLICS Victoria Apollo, London By Simon Tebbull
DO WHAT. John? Cough up 20 quid just for a lichel? it sounds a bil over the top 1 agree, but when you Consider for that you get lan Dury. Anderson, Stephane Grapelfit Cha o Dave, Hol Gossip. The Not the Nine O'Clock News crew and the Alternative cabaret bunch, then you might think twnce about passing over 50 notes to that shady geezer for a night with the big Broooce. And, desplte the feelling that you were watching a speeded uD move
with images merely llashing before your eyes. 'Fundamental Frolics' (described as a musicalicomed review in and of Mencap. the chanty for mentally handicapped people) was a bloody good night out to phose who could afford it. a cutious slid show alfair The 5 l.age was a curious sliding aliair done up as propellers, and first to slide oul wa lan Dury. The mainly middie-class audience really seni uo the "hoorahs" Hor him as he cut the perfect lipure ol an East End gangster lurching round the Surrey com and proficlent SPX band, he gavo a quick 'Clever Trevor', 'Spasticus Arlisitus and oll he slid again On stalked Alexl Sayle. the
heavyweight of the Allernative heavyweight of the Allernative
Cabarel set will a series of body Cabaret set. wilh a series of oody blows and sneering assaults on the he's acquired noveau chic status but the audience seem to miss the lact that the humour is aimed at them and collaose at every explelive. From street wise comics to that pub wise duo. Cnas Dave who
come out singing that song of theu come out singing that song of theurs capers follow this with e bar room otues number und 'Rabbit' betore they too slide off into the darkness,
Next stop, via two more
comedians, was Alan Price who
dropped the pace considerably. His oancing Bear' lurned out to be a vacal solo because the piano diton't pick up on the amp. but this was made up by 'You've Lost That Loving feellng where he was joined by the power and soul of Lynda Taylor. And so the night contimued with some tried and irusted sheiches acid of the Alternalive Cabaret. the soaring professionalism of Jon Anderson, through the cool and Jazzy violin or stephane Grapeli. which had everyone peering out of the wings in genuine awe. the the superior Benny Hill wit of Neil Innes. Then came Elvis Cosiello. He strolled on stage with a casual manner and an acoustic pullar to deliver and eerie and chilling performance. The texture of the couple of songs he sung were sounded more the Insorration of the sounded more eurent Nashulle excursion and will presumably be included on his upcoming aloum.

## SLADE

King George's Hali
Blackburn
By Alan Entwistle
TONIGAT was a lime for forgetting work, nolltics, reality y mushc. A and cull stalus. Keep singing Four cowboys. Noddy Holder's powertul voice at the helm. They could do no wrong tonight. Ordies. newies. songs of no realke - they were all oiven equal cheer. And the
coloured lights and dry-ice it was all really
Good, old-las hioned fun and a collection of memorablite keed spending. All 300 of the lans here had bought something. T-shirts and badges to remember the best night of their lives. And what a story to
tell their Iriends History it the making, It was Keep Stading You'll bring the house down on me one


## Turn On

## YOUR GUIDE TO WHAT'S ON FOR GIGS, RECORDS, TV, RADIO, FILMS

 mariy concent in November for the mentaly handicapped raised over cio.000 and the band recently took Me out to present a minibus to the Hendicapped Chudren or Minchally

- SECTOR 27, the band fronted by
fom robinson, play specia! benelit concen at Londoria Heaven 27's first British appearance fort 27 's ilrst British appearance for six
monthg, will be on atid of the Phitip Fotheringham Campaign -
fotheringham was refuseo entry 10 America when customs officuals in New York discovered lesters fevealing that he was gay ano put London Sector ar have recently relurned from their second American tour including several quent spois with the Police a Madison Square Garden and the Los Angeles Sports Arena
- ECCENTAIC Ausiralian singer Dulto, who's sth1 trying to crack the dig time, wril be appearinng at Kennedys Hamburger Restauran Kings Road London on June is. spacial Dutfoburger for the createc evening and cocklalls will also ovalable.
Ceflitely be endine AUX will now bang at Cambridge Corn Exchange June 20.
- ROSE TATTOO, the lasi made some allerations to their forthcoming tour. They've cancetled lpswich Corn Exchange on June 2 and instead they'll be playing Liverpool Warenouse. Porismout Locarno has been cancelied on Gaumoni June 29 is now Cleethorpes Peppers. They'll also be olaying Middlesbrough Rock Garden June 30. Ayf Pavition July Leeds Fiorde Green 5

SECTOR 27

- CHEVY AND Dark SIar mill be playing a special benefli gig at the Brmingham Barrell Organ on June 13. in ard of the Save Sheils Fund. Money raised from the show will go hospital care in Americe, for Shel Rossel tho former Picketywitch singer who is sutfering from a rere disease which makes her allergle to irtually everything she eals or

THE BLUECOAT Gallory, at
ruecoar Chambers School Lane. therpool, is pulting on an evening 1 Factory Records videos on June
The event will be in three sections - nant one titted Work In Progress Cabaret Voltaire and olhers; part in is an excerpt from the Joy Division ideo. while part three is a ono ho minute American compilation imed at the American market The ovent is the first all video overing organised by Factory and the ftrsi time that the Bluecosi Gallery has hoslod such an event. Enifance is - KITSCH WILL De headirning benerin git in ald of the
Interriational Year of the Disabted In Batterses Park, on Jure 21 , cosented by the Young Variety Alpine sports ine eyent plicial titted 'Battersea Roll ' 81 ' will star with a sponsored shate around a course in the park with Kilsch and oiner bands including Time Fites and The Loners appearin alterwards. Admission to the park to take pant shoutd contact o take pan shoutd contact Road, London WS You can also ollect application forms from any Alpine Sports shop.

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 The cold Edinburgh Odeon June 10 and Nowcas the upon-Tyne it the feutonic funesmiths emberk on dates it Minchester Free Trade Hall une 15, Glasgow Apollo 16 and Edinburgh Playhouse 17.
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whon they play London Earts Court June 13 and 14.

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## MOVIES



Things gel awkward for Cregory when a girl joins his team.

I fow daft characlerisations thrown in lor good measure of thess by lar the best is rone Mandl as Eddie's grand-
mum who is much glven to hip language of the mid-seventies while she poiters about making tea and being trene Mandi. Zoo: Money also suraces strongly as an apeing fed cum wunderbar motorbike mechanic who
sets about 'improving' fadle's sets about improving adates
machune to take on the challenge machune to take on the challenge Greatest Stunt Cyclist Judas S Chariot - a bloeted boozer and scarcely - concealed paricature of Evel's a tarly funky laugh Kmo homsell is no great shakes in the acting stakes and os unilkely to prove a threat to Str Lerry or the phost of dames Dean, but there ain't no doubl dbout his ability to handie a bike whan from the unbobievade finale are some splendid moments in cluding the opening sequence as ho
tears tirough in shanty lown (camera from pins theluding ciare Grogan movis from one nen of matural com edy to the next. the wasmith, fun and shear sexincss of the ftlm though there is no nudily - lough luck guysil formances of its young cast. marily actors from the Glasgow Youth syeare inluthe gfasp of the eccentryertes of young pcople wandering Dtindiy through adolescence
Dee Hapburn exudes the right sor of whotesome appoal that mont turn a young man's head white we ress o performances. Chic Murray as the piano - playing headmaster and Jake D Arcy as the team's coach provide jusi the right note adult werroness one normaty associstes with old men in yougressurviy Scolitish totm the sublect matter is unversal and clearly ioct matitable Jumes con't change for the young al school for the young a THE OTMEA Youth moves of the mo meriginally entited Hoavy Motal. which is not so much a movie more an ex hibition of motorbike stunt riding with Lears through as shaty fown (camera
strapped to the tront of ihs bikel and
his spectaculat faicrfuplion of chariol's cetebratory dinner - a riol of slow motion slapstick. Great soundirack too which includes Blon Pretenders and Clifl Richas (Yho?) - not a rrace of HW amongst em. COPS In drag musi be the latost thing and even butich old Syirester Stallone goes girl in Nighthawts. Nol thal if is $n$ any way a recommendstion as nosi of the fim it a dreary run of
the - mill cops v . terrorisis thingy that aets tar too pretentious for its own good and loses the simple impact of its opening sequences. Why did they have to force ulra topical signicance into what migni have gnore ints one and no sed The Firsh boadiy Sin instead which achieves lan more min far cus
FINALLY, a curiosity these days. successiul teature film made by a
woman $+1-3$ is a German com edy about on unmartied molher that manages to press all the riohl buttons of the social commeni machine without evar gelting 100 neavy Adelnets Arndrs combrtabe atrac dreness ts pertect as the pregnan her baby than pursue a childleas carecr and has no intention of getting marred to her allable creep of a with a new bortring ath a mols ins father of her chyr wailinn lo her and introduces thom this is Bernhare Grabowsth, the father of my chidd and whom jurgen Wieland the man with of toperal funny ainate atem tut like that aving a clapie statements the tenor of the tim as a whole - sumple, tunny. lonical and above all. domy always maan you can. Subtitos dony always maan ingmas Bergman Jo Dielrich


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JUST LIKE They always used to insist that Blondie is a group, now this should be told: Champalgn is a town. "it's a college town in llinois, haliway between SI Louis and Chicago," reports Michael Day, leader of the band that they named the town after. Well, no, actually It was the other way around. but with 'How 'Bout Us sweeping almost all before in the charts. you'd hardly think so. So the town's in a state of America, and the group.s in a state of shock as their first single mounts the charts, here and back home.
"We recorded the atbum (also called 'How 'Bout Us' and lust out
heres in September, Octoper and herel in September, Octoder and November and put the single out in
the States in January ." says Michael - very funtly, mind, on a line trom Chicago that sounded like li was full of champagne.
to be the sout Us was clearly golng always think that in might mate th always think that 1 might make th, usually it doesn t in America. the has the bonus distinction albeil a dubious one of topping the adult contemporary chart. Day, insists " all happened so quichly but $h$
dien'l seem that way to this pat dicn'I seem that way to thls pair of
ears. which had atfection for the solt ears. which had affection for the sof
soul smooch lrom the word go, For weeks Champaign seomed to bubble under, but once contact was made with our 75 , tit was never just going to be a minor hit. position to appreciate the succes because although Champaign have made it tirsi time around the sha


## BUBBLING OVER

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tndividual members have been
working on success tor a tong time. meople in the band have working on success lor a tong time.
not always with the desired resulls not always with the desired resulis 10 you good people) about 10 years ago. Our percussioniat did a record for AsM. A slifl, Jusl tike mine.
hnown each other tor to, 15 years in some cases. We"d been logether a doing lingles and so on. and we worked well topelher. The band's

We sent tapes to people, and some of us. like my self, were known in The business We signed with Ininnity but the week aflerwards, we
heard that MCA was absorbing al! the acts, and that delayed us considerably Columbta came and
saw us... and thus the band
Listening to the album, I was surprised to lind 'How 'Bout Us' the siowest trach therein, indeed, it young bay, what's the excuse? Wo're basically dance group. Our producer is Leo Graham, who had a very big record with the Manhatians called Shining Star', and we didn't want to make a Manhattans recoro. We're not really a soul ballad group we're a progressive internafional pop group.
many thar record doesnit have as many dance clements as we would one and we ll be taling the lew chances. Bul we're certainly no disco group." ${ }^{\text {I }}$ mention that in Britain, and seemingly in America 100 , ther been a revival recently of pure soul there too to promote the point which seemed almost to go under in the disco boom. Day givet the
theory the aH clear? . Oisco was theory the aH clear: "blsco was assoctated very closely with black didn't have 140 theats per minute. they didn't have a chance.

- The disco phenomenon had parallels with what happened in the novies. The technice developmen became more fimportant than the comtent. The problem was that people weren't finding careers out
of disco. The difference wlit dance
 Disco ts a cad word here now." Now doesn'I that beg ande remark from some quarters? 11 alvays was: At word for some people
At the moment Champers hive no 90 oul and lose money." says Michael Day honestly - but by the time this communicatlon gets to
you, they'll have been over here you, they ll have been over here heyboardist Dana Walden, who wrote the chocolate-coated sing delight. They're bubbling over ther and bubbling over here.

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## Choosy

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## Jane. Glasgow

PS Please print this as I'd like to show my apprecliation for such a Werci Buckets elc, sigh!

## Relentless

LAST WEEK I purchased your paper for the lirsi time in yonks, and was However, there is still one pago. where I was distressed to see that nothing nad changed, Matlman. You conlributors stiil waffle on the this retier - Ed) about some banal
subiect such as how wondrous subject such as how wondrous
Leana Becons bum is, or how gre Armitage Snanks vocals are on the new Hediey Ounk album. I mean what is going on when people are willing to spend 14p sending in crap like tis? Don ' These peopte have lobs to go to? Whatever happened to the good old days when King of your's truly used to write in? Perhaps they too have become Tory MPs like whal I did. Any road. there ts already too much dross in this country withoul breeding new generations of wimps. If slandards do not pick up. I may have to try and
take over the wortd agaln. You have treen warned.
Oe Krud (Minister of Culture)

## Face work

OK, SO Sunie doesn't like the new Dny Collins single: "If Leaving Me is Easy I think it s brillant. bui if
someone else duesn't appreclate someone else duesr' t apprectate enough. However, since when has rev ewing singles entiled atyyono to slart insulting rock slar's taces? is Sunwe incapable of thinking of
anyining else to say? I'd love to anything else to say? I'd love to have a pin-up of gorgeous Phil anyday and innow I'm not the only
one; so stich lo your proper job one; so

One devoled Phil Collins / Genesis and Peter Qabriel tan, Rolicortam.
P.S. 18 Sunie's tace so perfoct? - Sunie's featous because the doesn'I have such in energetic tacial growith es Phil "Mairy" Collins. Comie to think of it. he's nol a plcture is he? Sounds good
though.

## Feeble moan

IFEEL I must complain about your record reviewing. not for the way They are revewed because I foel we
all have the right to say what we tee about anyiting, never mind records. Bul what is annoying is the fact that Record Mirror leels they have the rlght io review the records that they feel are worth reviewing and to hell with the rest. May $t$ suggest if you singles and athums which are then selnased cach and every week why not just print the Artists and Title and leave the review out, ather all It was Record Mirror who once said. "Pecord Mirror likes to be as accurate as nossible

Paul Yates, Whiston, Morseyside. did all the singles they didn't lite

Welsh rabbit
I WAS interested to read the lelter Trom Wally McHeadband (Maliman RIA May 301h). While I have the
greatest sympathy with Scotish music tans al least bands such a Whitosnake do go lo Scotiand. I've seen Whitesnake lour limes since Aeading 1979 and not once havo
they been to Cardiff. There are hundreds of Weish rock tans who would love to see their tavourlte bands. even if they had to travel 10 Cardlif to soe them. Since the beginning of the year very fow "blo" bands have deigned to come to Wales. And when Black Sabbath lickets and many people had to travel home without seetng the band, or risk being stranded In Cardilf. I'd be very Interested if Mr Coverdale doigns to aclually "read the music press inal is) to know whal Whilosnake have got against those of us who would like to see the band should have io pay huce train taros (E16 90 is, a day returnl) to see them irr London jithe thub of the untverse?!. White l'm on the subject fod like to know why other bands who have played in Cardilf have 100 (e.g. Status Quo) I know Sophia Gardens isn'l exacily wondertul tul it's all we've got at the moment.
Berbara Sozy, Roath. Cardiff. Never trusi a Welshman, I say same. Home fule for the welsh then we could sel you loose to froa off info the Atlanilic.

## Low tone

THIS LETTEA is in reply to Hopo of Stourbridge who was complaining the littie glit thint he is uh? ion hink that The Undertones deserted their lans at the olo for no particular reason and think that Hopo is exaggeraling some whal. Also I bon see what hopo was gettrmg al with The relerence to roip - nothing as lar as I couid tell. Another thing Hopo, please yoursell - don"t 0010
the gig. Il's your loss umo mot their's, for il I remember rigntly you will observe that on the boltom of the thket il says that your money
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off your chos!, aren't you?

## Besf mega

grovel
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    this side of his personallty?

