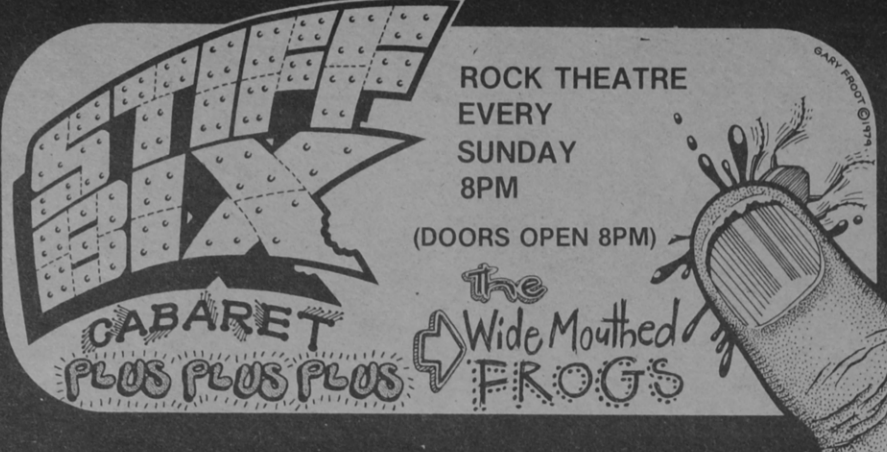


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Both **Th'Dudes** and **Citizen Band** are planning brief Aussie jaunts to coincide with the release of their albums in Oz. Th'Dudes may disappear in late October to support a major overseas act touring Australia. (Despite rumours, Dude guitarist, Ian Morris was not married last month.) CB intend to visit Aussie mid November staying for about four weeks.

All ya Nambassa addicts be warned, there's a big festival this summer two miles south of Ngaruawahia with 30 NZ bands, six Aussie bands and one over-the-big-seas act. Festival dates are January 26, 27 and 28.

Current drummer in **Havoc and the Hurricanes** is Warrick Steel. He replaced Graeme Scott ... Carl the **Primmers'** vocalist has left the band ... while in Oz Mike Caen of Street Talk witnessed one of the **Marching Girls'** rare performances. The lads were support act for the Models at Armadale Hotel, Melbourne ... **Street Talk** will be recording demos soon for their second album.

On the new Rick Wakeman album, musicians' credits read, "drums and percussion — Frank ('I'm an animal, I want to go home') Gibson, bass guitars — Bruce ('I can't work under these conditions') Lynch." In the next few months **Bruce Lynch** and **Suzanne, Dave McCrae** and Joy Yates (Pacific Eardrum) and **Frank Gibson** are all expected to return to NZ to live and work. Gibson is currently touring with Leo Sayer in the UK.

The **Mi-Sex** debut album *Graffiti Crimes* will be released in the USA by Epic records. Their new single "Computer Games" will be added to the album (in NZ too) ... overdubs are completed and mixing has started on **The Crocodiles'** debut album (Producer Glyn Tucker). Cover art will be by Fane Flaws and the band is working on film clips and plans for a promotional tour to coincide with the release of *Wall to Wall Sharkskin* ... working on albums at Auckland's **Mascot Studios** are Appaloosa, Shotgun and Golden Harvest.

Hello Sailor may tour NZ in December and **Split Enz** are thinking about visiting us next February ... **Terrorways** are back in town Oct 11-13 at Windsor Castle and Oct 14 at Squeeze ... **Snipes** are touring the country (the South Island too) October and November ... **Son of Dr Tree** (Murray McNabb, Andy Brown, Mike Walsh, Kim Patterson) play every Monday night at **Liberty Stage** ... **The Clean** are looking for a drummer.

THE CORPORATION

CHRISTCHURCH

A bleak starting note. Too many fights finally closed down **Wayne Manor**. Christchurch venues have a short life. However, there's a new venue **Rock City** down beside the Odeon Theatre. There are bands there most Fridays and Saturdays.

Several weeks ago, the **Heavenly Bodies** made a lot of people happy at **Dux de Lux** (on one of the rare evenings the cafe could have amplified music). Mick Dawson proving he hasn't lost his touch since the Enemy split ... **The Vacuum** are stealing much of the glory down here with some excellent appearances lately at Rock City and the British, Lyttelton.

JANIE JONES

WELLINGTON

Common belief that **Short Story** play their last gig at the Last Resort this month 18-21, and that on the Sunday **Wayne Mason** and Rockinghorse will re-unite for a probable rave-up. More locals at LR — **Medusa** 11-13th and **Reel to Real** 25-28th.

Binge of singles stemming from **Marmalade Studios** includes recently released waxings by

Hotlove ("He Just Can't Dance"), Short Story ("Halfway to Paradise"), Sharon O'Neill ("Words"), and out soon Wayne Mason's "Rain For a Blue Sky", and John Steven's "Jezebel".

Sunday night at the Rock Theatre is **Stiff Bix Cabaret**. A two hour show of original music, mime, dance and comedy. Musical director is Spats/Crocs keyboardman, Peter Dasent. Stiff Bix is the Wide Mouthed Frogs, John Bailey and May Lloyd (ex-Chameleon Theatre), Paul Wilson (ex-Mask Theatre), Garth Fros (Capt Frootkake's Punch and Judy) and Marshall Napier (Larry Lucas on Nev's TV show). By the way, if you've got an unusual act, contact John Bailey or Garth Frost Phone 850-241.

GARY STEEL

AUSTRALIA

A new **Split Enz** 45 penned by Neil Finn is to be released this month. It is titled "Things" and hopefully will give them their long awaited hit single. In the pipeline is a brand new album. Plans are that it will be recorded in Oz with UK wonderboy David Tickle producing. Tickle is the child protege of Mike Chapman.

It's rumoured that **Hello Sailor** bass guitarist Lisle Kinney has retired from the band. He will continue working with them until a replacement is found.

The **Mi-Sex** debut album *Graffiti Crimes* was a hit at the CBS International Convention. To date the album is set for release in Sweden, Greece, Israel, Austria, Canada, Germany, Britain, Norway, France and Denmark. The album will almost certainly be released in the USA. The band were going to tour NZ again this year but plans have been shelved.

Aussies, **The Sports** leave for the UK mid October where they will record at Eaton Studios in Chiswick. Peter Solley, ex-Procol Harum keyboardist, will produce the album.

Johnny & the Hookers are finding gigs a little hard to get but have done a couple of supports at the Civic Hotel. Their first night was fraught with PA problems but since then they seem to have held their own.

JON ADAMS


DUNEDIN

New band, **Red Tape**, formed around May, are managing to surface in the pub scene. **Growing Pains** are still together says member Andy Combe. Rumours of their split originated from a band squabble. Two three-piece bands, **Splash** (ex-Velvets) and the bluesy **Flying Backwards** are arousing interest ...

Heavenly Bodies are now a five-piece with the addition of another guitarist, Bevan Hudson. The band recently had a successful stint in Christchurch. It's about time the Cook picked up on them. **Rockylox** have recorded two original songs at 4ZB's studio for local airplay.

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