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New Entrants ↑



**Birthday Party.** The Party's album, *Prayers On Fire*, will be on release in NZ soon through Propeller. Phantom Records are pinning their hopes on the *Flaming Hands*, and forthcoming are releases by *Surfside 6*, the *Machinations* and the *Dagoes*.

The *Women's Weekly Sweetheart*, **Kim Hart**, is on the road for a 16-week tour which is aimed at seeing her new single, 'Young Girl', make it.

### Wellington

**Puppertz** back in town for a month's break, have lost guitarist **Dave Berry**. At this stage, it seems the band will continue with plans for touring and recording ... new are the *Spines* fronted by **John McLeary** (ex-Negative Theatre) ... sundry ex-Rodents rumoured to be putting together a new band, with original songs and a heavy reggae flavour. Meanwhile former vocalist **Peter Marshall** is on his way to Auckland ...

**Steroids** are taking a couple of months off ... **Tony Richards**, late of the *Protons*, is putting together a new band, provisionally called the *Heaters* ... **BRF** bassist **Dan Birch** recently spent a spell in hospital after an assault on his person ... **Mockers** have just clocked up a year together ... **Bunk** have the *Wellington Zone* album, and singles from the *Red* and the *Protons* in the starting blocks.

Les Crew

### Christchurch

**Solitudes'** single, 'Home Again/Mother Suburbia' is to be released in late June ... **Gordons** album on the cards ... **Liz Wylie** (vocals) has joined the *Volkswagens* ... **Zero Bars** are now at the Imperial ... **Jellibabies** are now *Dramatix*

## RUMOURS

### Australia

Newest Swinger, **Ian Gilroy**, was unable to shake off his North Shore roots when he went to Australia. Lured into off-roading, he promptly fell off and broke his wrist. Bad enough, you might think, but the band were in the middle of recording their debut album at the time. All is consternation and delay. Meanwhile, we can look forward to the release of 'It's Not What You Dance, It's The Way You Dance It' as an interim 45.

**Pop Mx** now have a high-powered Australian agency deal to keep them warm at nights ... the *Newz* are getting over the setback of their NZ Customs run-in and are fishing for a record deal, with *Mushroom* and *CBS* both not uninterested.

**Missing Link Records** have had a bad month or so with the cancellation of the *Snakefinger* tour and a warehouse accident destroying stock, but they do have a genuine runaway cult success in Britain with the

... **Xtine Simpson** now playing keyboards with *Direct Descendants* ... **Thumbs of Brass** return to Dunedin and Invercargill in early June.

A series of ZM concerts is planned for June and July — bands include *Newtones*, *Newmatics*, *Techtones* and *Screaming Meemees* ... **Radio U's** first benefit concert, featuring *Ballon D'Essai*, *Exploding Phone Booths*, *Droogs*, *Drowning is Easy*, *Mainly Spaniards* will be held on Sunday, June 14.

New bands in town include: **Over the Line** (remains of *Old Dennis*), **Art Decade**, **Pin Group**, **Cause for Doubt** and **Master Race**.  
**Rose Stapleton**

### Dunedin

**Bored Games** have split up through frustrated ambitions and personal differences ... lead vocalist **Alf Joseph** has left the *Nerve* ... **Jeff Dickie** is back after a short visit to America, and he's currently playing with *Strictly Blues* on a casual basis and plans to join *Julian Finnerty's This Side Up*.

**Broken Models**, now with bassist **Mick Dawson**, have an unnamed original mapped out for recording in Christchurch as part of their prize for winning *Battle of the Bands*.

**Hoax** are breaking up ... the *Pictures* with ex-Drones **Brent Alexander** (drums) and **Richard Laverty** (guitar) are near completion. A suitable bassist is all that is needed. All?  
**George Kay**



### Errata

**STUDIO 132 RATES FROM \$5 AN HOUR!**

*Rip It Up* made its most serious typographic error ever in last month's issue. Ad copy for **STUDIO 132 Rehearsal Studio** should have read **RATES FROM \$5 AN HOUR**, not \$15 as our ad read. So for the correct details of the services **STUDIO 132** offers, check the revised ad on page 22 of this issue.

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