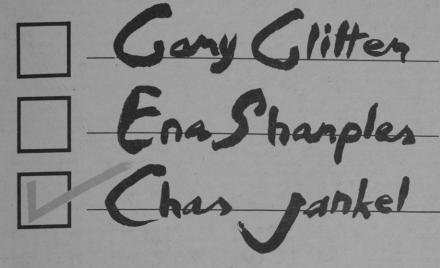
QUESTIONNAIRE

What do lan Dury's 'Hit Me With Your Rhythm Stick' and Quincy Jones' 'Ai No Corrida' have in common?



AVAILABLE ON ALBUM & CASSETTE







'New York Rocker' writer Ken barnes reviewed some NZ singles in the June 'NYR'. The reviews are printed below. 'RIU' has sent Ken Barnes lots of NZ recordings and a 'NYR' feature is likely.

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NZ Pop: I was recently able to purchase a batch of relatively current New Zealand singles, which turned out generally impressive. Two singles by the Scraaming Meamees, "Till I Die" and "Sunday Boys" biw "At At", were favorites, the latter coupling showing a lot of U2 and lagain) Cure "Primary" influence. The Mockers' "Trendy Lefties" is not only interesting lyrically but mixes clever, mildly ska-styled pop with an odd sort of neopsychedelic bridge; while two of the three flips, "So Close" and "Tonight," reminded me of a gentler Jam. Pop Mechanix's "Texas" is a memorable pop tune, and Blam Blam's "Don't Fight It Marsha, It's Bigger tise. And the Mal Green Sound, featuring Split Enz's former drummer, supply another thoughtful pop tune, "Follow Me." High-standard stuff, all in all, and worth investigating.

OFF ROAD

Tim from the Blams and Carol from the Gurlz are in Wanganui

Base hospital after an accident in the Blams' van on May 31 in the Wanganui township.

At the time, Tim was driving, Carol was on the far passenger side, while Mark Bell, and Jackie Brooks were seated between. They emerged unscathed. Tim, however at the time of writing however at the time of writing had been in traction for a week. He was due in theatre to have his index finger removed entirely, and at the end of the week would have a pin put through his hip. He was badly concussed. Until the accident the tour had

been going exceptionally well. Carol will have six weeks with a leg in plaster. Once Tim's had his operation they are going to try for transferral to Auckland

hospital.

The Gurlz had planned to rush out an EP and tour with the Meemees, but this now cannot go ahead. The Blams' Don McGlashan has gone to Australia to tour with From Scratch until June 18 June 18.

Propeller's Simon Grigg says the Blams' plans are "up in the

Pete Townshend and Jimmy Destri solo albums out soon.



RUMOURS

UK & USA

Joe Strummer has been found in Paris, tracked down by a private detective, a month after his disappearance on the eve of a UK tour. Drummer Topper Headon has left as he is dissatisfied with the band's musical direction. The trio are touring the US with a stand-in drummer. By the way, Joe explained his own absence: "I wanted to prove to myself that I was alive. It's very much like being a robot, being in a group" ... the Rolling Stones play two dates at Wembley, 72,000 each night. Allman Brothers Band player Chuck Leavell joins the Stones for the European tour. Still Life is the Rolling Stones' new live LP. Tracks are: 'Under My Thumb', Let's Spend the Night Together', 'Shattered', '20 Flight Rock', 'Going to a Go Go' (a Smokey Robinson song, the new single), 'Let Me Go', 'Time is On My Side', 'Imagination', 'Start Me Up' and 'Satisfaction' ... Motorhead guitarist Eddie Clark has left the group, finally this time. He objected to the band recording a send-up of Joe explained his own absence: tinally this time. He objected to the band recording a send-up of country classic 'Stand By Your Man' with Wendy from the Plas-matics ... Duran Duran have can-celled a major European tour. Guitarist Andy Taylor caught tropical fever in Sri Lanka ... Pig-bag have new members Oscar Verden (trombone, keyboards) Verden (trombone, keyboards) and Brian Nevill (sax, percussion) ... Gang of Four are looking for

a fifth member, a woman vocalist with percussive talent. May dates in Portugal were postponed as authorities decided the gang were too political to tour at the same time as the Pope ... James Brown is rumoured to have walked out



happy with Sly and Robbie ... Bow Wow Wow have quit opening on the Queen European tour because of aggressive audiences. Bottles and cans were thrown at the band in Holland ... Midge Ure has released a solo single 'No Regrets' ... Siouxie and the Bankhees are recording a new the Banshees are recording a new album. New single is 'Fireworks' ... Kim Carnes is recording ...

Mark Knopfler from Dire Straits will write film score for David Puttnam's movie Local Hero ... Echo & the Bunnymen have their movies Shine So Hard and Le Via Luonge screening with sci-fi flick Fantastic Planet in UK. Bunnymen have 12" limited single 'The Back

have 12" limited single 'The Back of Love' out.
Forthcoming material: Damned Lovely Money (a three track EP). Decorators Tablets, Newtown Neurotics Pissed as a Newt (on cassette through Rough Trade), Tom Robinson North by Northwest (on Panic label), Anti Pasti Caution to the Wind, Go Betweens Send Me a Lullaby, Girlschool Screaming Blue Murder, Monochrome Set Eligible Bachelors, Tom Verlaine Words from the Front, Rico Jama Rico. Rip Rig and Panic 1 Am Cold. Randy Crawford Windsong, Elvis Costello Imperial Bedroom. Mondo Rock Nouveau Mondo. Steve Winwood Talking Back to the Night, B.C. Gilbert & Graham Lewis Mzui, Joe Jackson Night and Day, Exploited Troops of Tomorrow. Nikki Sudden (ex Swell Maps) Waiting in Egypt. Mother's Ruin Road to Ruin, Jon Lord Before I Forget, Associates Sulk, Q-Tips Live at Last, Dexys Midnight Runners Where Are You Going With That Suitcase, Joe Cocker Sheffield Steel. Cabaret Going With That Suitcase. Joe Cocker Sheffield Steel, Cabaret Voltaire 2x45. John Cooper Clarke Zip Style Method, Hambi & The Dance Heartache.

