

Rumours

UK & USA

The Jam have split, see *Just Pics* for details ... Jackie Wilson ('Higher and Higher', 'Reet Petite') is said to be showing some signs of consciousness, having lain in a coma for some years ... Boy George of Culture Club narrowly escaped injury during a fracas involving skinheads at a North London gay disco ... Squeeze have delayed their split long enough to play a three-day festival in Jamaica, other acts appearing include the Clash, B52s, Black Uhuru, the Beach Boys and Aretha Franklin ... the Church are currently touring UK supporting Duran Duran ... Wah! are back in action with a new single, 'The Story of the Blues, Part I and II' ... a post-humous Led Zeppelin LP, containing previously unreleased tracks, is being released. Title is *Coda*. Tracks are 'Bonzo's Montreux' (an eight-minute drum solo by the late John Bonham), the Page/Plant compositions 'Poor Ten', 'Walter's Walk', 'Ozone Baby' and 'Wearing and Tearing', a group composition, 'Darlene' and covers of Ben E. King's 'We're Gonna Groove' and Willie Dixon's 'I Can't Quit You Baby'. Jimmy Page produced ... current big LP in the US for Walt Disney Productions is *Mousercise* ... Squeeze are disbanding, saying they feel "the band as a horse has run its course," but it is expected Glenn Tilbrook and Chris Difford will continue their partnership ... ex-Teardrop Troy Tate has joined Fashion replacing De Harris ... huge No.1 hit in Britain called 'Pass The Dutchie' by Musical Youth a reggae band whose members range in age from 11 to 15 ... Associates (Billy McKenzie and Alan Rankine) have separated temporarily to work on their own projects, but will reassemble in the not too distant future ... new Neil Young LP features experiments with electronic hardware ('I've always loved machines') ... Phil Collins is playing London soon with a band that includes the Earth, Wind and Fire horn section ... Durutti Column's Vini Reilly forced to pack a tour in because of anorexia nervosa ... Adam

Ant has decided to go back on the road, band as yet not named ... Mike Chapman producing new Bow Wow Wow ... Kirk Brandon and Stan Stammers (ex Theatre of Hate) have formed new band Spear of Destiny ... Jimmy Page got an unconditional discharge on a charge on possessing coke ... Ian Gillan is trying to buy the Reading football club ... Jah Wobble now leading eastern funk band entitled Invaders of the Heart ... Quotable quote: "I've got a really strong feeling that we're about to become the next Adam Ant." The source: Rat Scabies of the Damned ... ex-Blondie guitarist Frank Infante tours Britain next month with Iggy Pop ... Heaven 17 currently recording follow-up to *Penthouse and Pavement*, new single is called 'Let Me Go' ... controversy over British reissue of Beatles' classic 'Love Me Do', apparently an alternative take not seen before, featuring Andy White on drums, with Ringo playing only tambourine ... Syd Barrett was recently cornered by journalists at his mum's home saying he didn't want to play music again, he'd just had a minor operation and he spends most of his time watching TV ... WEA chiefs in Britain threaten to withdraw ads from any publication supporting home taping ... Marc Bolan's girlfriend Gloria Jones still wanted on drunken driving charge arising from 1978 car crash which killed him ... Marvin Gaye has switched to CBS for his new LP ... Peter Gabriel has played a one-off reunion gig with Genesis to pay off debts arising from the multi-cultural festival he organised ... new Haircut 100 album is in the can ... Undertones have an LP on the way, new single is 'Love Parade' ... next Jam release is a two-pack single, featuring new titles 'Beat Surrender' and 'Shopping' and reworkings of oldies 'Move On Up', 'Stoned Out Of My Mind' and 'War'. There'll also be a live LP, culled from dates over five years. They play two shows at London's huge Wembley arena next month ... Paul and Ringo are getting back together to make a movie. Linda will also feature. All will play themselves ... Higsons have signed to 2-Tone ... famed NY rapper J. Walter Negro currently recording in UK with several



Mockers hit AK in December. L-R: Gordon Costello (keyboards), Barry Caitcheon (guitar), Gary Curtis (musical director), Andrew Fagan (vocals), Brendon Fitzgerald (drums), Murray Costello (bass).

Members and Martin Rushent producing.

Forthcoming releases: Michael Jackson *Thriller*, Pil *Commercial Zone*, Neil Young *Trans*, UB40 *UB44*, The Damned *Strawberries* (Bronze), Blue Rondo *Chewing The Fat*, Hall & Oates *H2O*, Kool & The Gang *As One*, Diana Ross *Silk Electric*, Bauhaus *The Sky's Gone Out*, Bad Manners *Forging Ahead*, Fad Gadget *Under The Flag*, Natasha *Captured*, U2 *War*, Marc and the Mambas (Almond of Soft Cell) *Untitled*, Iggy Pop *Zombie Birdhouse*, Gary Moore *Corridors of Power*, Devo *Oh No It's Devo*, Judie Tzuke *Road Noise* (live double), Emmylou Harris *Last Date*, The John Lennon Collection, Cabaret Voltaire *Hail*, Status Quo *F.T.M.O.* (3 LP boxed set of hits and live tracks), Eagles *Greatest Hits Vol II*, The Sound *All Fall Down*, Yoko Ono *It's Alright*, Eddy Grant *Kill On The Rampage*, Siouxsie and the Banshees *A Kiss In The Dreamhouse*, Squeeze *Singles 45s And Under* (compilation), Tymon Dogg *Battle of Wills*.

Wellington

Seven track EP from the disbanded Hulamen features three recording locations including "a big room" and a myriad of performers ... Clyde Quay Tavern has squashed its popular Saturday afternoon gigs after complaints from local residents about noise and loutish behaviour. No more late licences for bands there either.

Los Dogs have disbanded ... bassist Rob Mahoney (ex of Hot

City Cats, Spines) is leaving town to study at a Sydney jazz school ... Brown Trout organisers are still looking for bands ... send info and demonstration tapes to 58 Trafalgar St, Dannevirke.

Crescendo Studios are recording a rock opera album for Gary Henderson, a single for a Zeb Snooks of City Limits Cafe and have four tracks down from heavy metalers Tyrant. Peter White

Christchurch

New Order and John Cooper Clarke appear in ChCh, Dec 1 & 2 ... Tony Rabbett and Brad Coates will leave the Newz and Lance Parkyn will rejoin on guitar and keyboards and travel with the band to Australia ... Mike Wilson (ex Androids) is now guitarist in Vertical Smiles ... 3ZM Heatwave concert December 6 will feature the Legionnaires and Ikista. The concert will be televised for Shazam ... Radio Avon will run a series of four rock concerts this summer.

In spite of the brawl at the Hillsborough on Labour Day, all day specials on long weekends will continue. Boot boys broke up a Labour weekend underage gig at the Art Centre - one less venue? ... Star & Garter will book young bands, their resident band Side-winder split due to "lack of public support" and they're selling their PA ... Clients play S & G Nov 11-13 ... Cauty & Westland Backgammon Club now have 100 members and hold their Tuesday club nights at Carlton's Palm Court Lounge. There's a late licence.

Mark Wilson (keyboards) is leaving Breaking Glass ... new Ikista guitarist is Mark Kahi ... Ross McKenzie, ex vocalist for Dunedin's Nerve, has joined Lipstick Collar. Under a new name they will tour Dec & Jan ... Aryan Army need a guitar player, contact Tim on 527-669 ... Unauthorised are changing their name to ALF (Animal Liberation Front). They intend recording a 45 featuring 'Max Factor' and ALF. The band are anti-vivisection.

New bands: Perk-U-Laters (Junior Chinaman on vocals, Rob Mayes guitar, Andrew Peeter bass, Beefa drums) and Smash & Grab with Shane (ex Desperate Measures) and Vince (ex Proud Scum) ... Toerag members are Richard Coburn, Norman Duffy, Brent Gordon, Campbell McLay and Toerag ... the often banned Johnnies are looking for work. GG

Auckland

The six track mini-album by the Gurlz is released ... on Nov 15 Dance Exponents release 'Airway Spys' (7" and 12") while Hip Singles release double A-side 'This is Goodbye'/'After the Party' ... forthcoming No Tag 14-track live album is entitled *A Night Out With the Chaps* ... from Propeller before Xmas are Ivan Zagni and Don McGlashan 5 track 12" Standards and a Propeller singles album *Doobie Do Disc*. Tracks are Meemees' 'See Me Go' and 'At At', Blams' 'No Depression', Newmatics' 'Doobie Do Boy', Marching Girls' 'First in Line' and 'True Love', Techtones' 'That Girl', Features' 'City Scenes', 'Victim' and 'Mirror', Spelling Mistakes' 'Feel So Good' and Birthday Party's 'Nick the Stripper'.

Recordings in the can for release in the New Year include the Herbs album, the Meemees' 'Dancing With Stars in My Eyes' 12" and a Blond Comedy single. The latter band are looking for a keyboards player. Phone 666-427 (no bunny rabbits) ... Gnomes of Zurich are Jon, Eddie, Chris, Simon and Norman ... stolen from Tim Mahon recently, a red Guild SG in beaten-up case. Phone 779-285 if know anything ... from December, Windsor Castle will feature new bands on Mondays and Tuesdays with \$1.50 doorcharge. Bands interested phone Ian or Paul 795-218 ... Dec 4 there's an electronic music workshop/event at

8pm, Limbs Dance Studio. For more info phone Andrew 766-163.

At the 1982 Recording Industry Awards, DD Smash cleaned up, winning the following categories: Group of the Year, Album (*Cool Bananas*), Male Vocalist (Dave Dobbyn), Sleeve Design (Wayne Robinson), Producer (Ian Morris) and Engineer (Paul Streekstra and Doug Rogers). Dance Exponents won Most Promising Group and Blams won Song of the Year ('Marsha'). Single of the Year was 'E I P' by Prince Tui Teka. Simon Grigg of Propeller won a Special Award for "his commitment to the recording and promotion of local artists" and Patsy Riggir won Top Female Vocalist.

The AMA (Auckland Musicians Association) are working on their venue at 179 Symonds St. If you can help, phone 769-482 (8-10pm). Plumbing, welding, painting skills required and carpet, a fridge, tables, chairs, hotwater zip, chip-board. The venue will have a \$5 membership fee, to join, write to AMA, 14 Sefton Ave, Grey Lynn, Auckland 2.

The big New Year Rattle is at New Plymouth. Bands will include Stones, This Sporting Life, Tall Dwarfs, Bill Direen and local lads, the Nocturnal Projections ... with Graham Brazier suffering from falling off/over/or on injuries, ex Dude, Peter Urlich filled in for the man at the Gluepot. Did a great version of James Brown's 'Sex Machine'. Peter is rumoured to be going into the studio to record an 'Oogie Nights' dance version. The Corporation

Dunedin

Malcolm Overton's Leptoid Promotions now handles Auckland's Flase Gods and Christchurch's s D.Faction.

End of November Stones embark on a two month North Island tour ... Sneaky Feelings and Chills have gone underground for a while.

Stew Myles has left Low Profile and bassist Tony Lumsden who left Foreign Agent has been replaced by ex Flex John Knox ... Netherworld Dancing Toys have a four track tape in circulation and are doing video and recording live tracks at the Mayfair this month ... all girl Neanics are alive and well, contrary to popular opinion. George Kay

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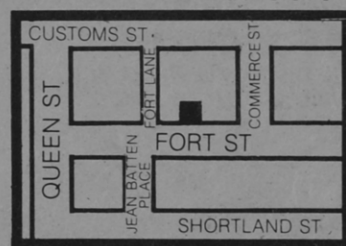
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