

# ALWAYS JAM WITH

March 2 Christchurch, Canterbury University  
3 Dunedin, Otago University  
4 Palmerston North, Massey University  
5 Wellington, Victoria University

## PANSY DIVISION

March 2 Christchurch, Quadrophenia  
3 Dunedin, Crown  
4 Wellington, Antipodes  
5 Hamilton, Exchange  
6 Auckland, Squid

## MECCA NORMAL

March 2 Dunedin, Empire  
3 Christchurch, Dux De Lux  
4 Oamaru, Penguin Club  
9 Wellington, Cuba Cuba  
10 Palmerston North, New Royal  
11 Auckland, Squid  
13 Hamilton, Exchange  
14 New Plymouth, The Mill  
17 Invercargill, Tillermans  
18 Dunedin, Crown

## RUBY TURNER

March 3 Hamilton, Founders Theatre  
4 Auckland, Town Hall  
5 Wellington, Michael Fowler Centre  
7 Palmerston North, Opera House

## CRANBERRIES

March 11 Auckland, Logan Campbell Centre

## GUINNESS CELEBRATION OF IRISH MUSIC

March 12 Auckland, Aotea Centre

## HOT CHOCOLATE

March 14 Auckland, Aotea Centre

## SLAYER & BIOHAZARD

March 19 Auckland, Town Hall  
20 Wellington, Town Hall

## VIOLENT FEMMES

March 21 Auckland, Town Hall  
22 Wellington, Town Hall  
23 Christchurch, Canterbury Uni

## LORENN McKENNITT

March 23 Auckland, Town Hall  
24 Wellington, Michael Fowler Centre

## PEARL JAM

March 24 & 25 Auckland, Mt Smart Supertop

## DINOSAUR JR

March 28 Wellington, Town Hall  
29 Auckland, Town Hall

## M PEOPLE

March 26 Christchurch, Town Hall  
27 Wellington, Show And Sports Centre  
(with **The Grid**)



James Brown

28 Auckland, Mt Smart Supertop  
(with **The Grid**)

## AFRICAN HEADCHARGE

March 31 Auckland, Powerstation  
April 1 Wellington, Victoria University  
2 Christchurch, Ministry

## JAMES BROWN

April 1 Auckland, Mt Smart Stadium

## REEL 2 REAL

April 1 Auckland, Powerstation

## THE ROLLING STONES

April 16 & 17 Auckland, Western Springs

## TONY BENNETT

April 17 Auckland, Aotea Centre

## SHERYL CROW

April 20 Auckland, Logan Campbell Centre

## AL JARREAU

April 27 Christchurch, Town Hall  
28 Wellington, Town Hall  
29 Auckland, Logan Campbell Centre

## POINTER SISTERS

June 9 Wellington, Town Hall  
10 Auckland, Town Hall

## DIONNE WARWICK

August 31 Wellington, Michael Fowler Centre  
September 1 Auckland, Town Hall

## RUMOURS '95

Red Hot Chili Peppers/Stone Temple Pilots/Tool  
(April)

Massive Attack Sound System (April)  
Sick Of It All (April)  
Sebadoh (April/May)  
Specials (May)  
D.R.I (May)  
Fugazi (June)  
The Kinks (June)  
Eagles (November)



Shihad

## SHIHAD TOUR WITH FAITH NO MORE

Wellington band Shihad are currently in Europe on a 20 date tour with Faith No More. The American group first discovered Shihad on their last New Zealand trip, and invited the band to join them for the European dates.

Shihad will remain in Europe after the FNM gigs, and will commence a 30 date club tour on April 20 with fellow Wellingtonians, Head Like A Hole.

## NO ALTERNATIVE GRANT

The Dunedin based HIV/AIDS prevention group, DIVO, has received a \$9,000 grant from the New York organisation Red Hot. The grant was given on behalf of the Straitjacket Fits and the Verlaines, who both featured on the *No Alternative* benefit album that was released by the Red Hot Organisation last year.

## PEARL JAM, SOUNDGARDEN & NOVOSELIC JOIN FORCES

Krist Novoselic, Pearl Jam and Soundgarden are fronting a new political action group, formed to fight the planned introduction of an Erotic Music Bill that would outlaw any music considered sexually explicit or sex related. The group, called Joint Artists And Music Promotions Political Action (JAMPAC), have instigated a fundraising campaign, in an effort to raise the money necessary to become politically influential on local, regional and state levels, says Novoselic.

In an unrelated matter, Novoselic has

decided not to join the Foo Fighters, the band he formed with Nirvana drummer Dave Grohl and ex-Germes guitarist Pat Smear. Smear has also hinted that he may leave the group.

## LABELS DROP REGGAE ARTISTS

Several major US labels have dropped well-known reggae artists from their rosters in the last month. MCA Records said goodbye to Barrington Levy, Ed Robinson, Morgan Heritage, the Dreds and Steel Pulse, while Columbia dropped Worl-A-Girl and DJs Tiger and Tony Rebel, and Elektra Records dumped Red Foxx and Shinehead. The Columbia departures have been described by their A&R spokesperson as part of "an annual shedding".

Meanwhile, Polygram have established Island Records Jamaica. Based in Kingston, the label's first release will be an album from dancehall artist, Spanner Banner. Label president Trish Farrell has also signed a multi-album production deal with Sly & Robbie's Taxi Records.

## A MILLION FOR CROWDED HOUSE

On February 18, Neil Finn was presented with a commemorative plaque in recognition of the Crowded House song 'Something So Strong' receiving one million plays on US radio. The presentation, at Auckland's Kermadec Restaurant, was attended by Rick Riccobono, the vice president of Broadcast Music Industry, America, Mike Chunn, the New Zealand General Manager of APRA (Australasian Performing Rights Association), Crowded House's manager Grant Thomas, and other industry guests.

The band's first single, 'Don't Dream It's Over', has currently received over a million and a half plays on US radio.



Mike Chunn, Neil Finn, Grant Thomas & Rick Riccobono.

