

LOVES UGLY CHILDREN IN TEA AND CHIPS SCANDAL!

Pictured here, Christchurch band Loves Ugly Children soak up the hurly burly of life in London. Oblivious to the camera they indulge in mugs of tea and plates of chip, that are apparently available "over the counter" in cafes around the city. While touring in England, the band recorded a five song EP, due for release on Flying Nun early 96. Meanwhile, the label have begun making preparations for their 15th Anniversary next year. Nunfest will take place in March , and will feature gigs in Auckland (21/22/23), Christchurch (28), and Dunedin (29/30), plus extracurricular events such as record fairs, picnics, and a field trip to the Dunedin Sound exhibition at the Dunedin Early Settlers Museum. Write to PO Box 677, Auckland for further details.



PAW TOUR

Kansas City band Paw make a brief promotional visit to New Zealand next month in support of their new album, Death To Traitors. Formed in 1989, Paw claim influences as diverse as Bullet LaVolta, and the Allman Brothers. They play December 6 at Auckland's Pod, and the next night at Warners Hotel in Christchurch.



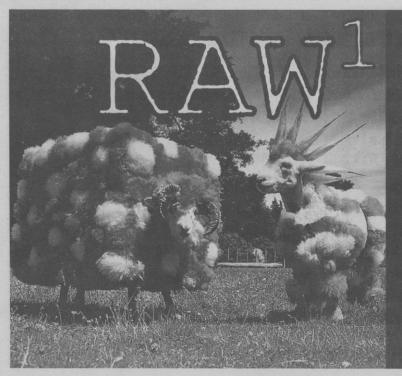
NIXONS IN THE US

Having completed the West Coast leg of their USA tour, the Nixons are working they way up the East Coast, before returning to San Francisco to play their final American date on December 9. The biggest news of the tour, aside from a support slot with Mike Paton's Mr Bungle in Madison, Wisconsin, is the signing of a publishing and distribution deal with New York's Silent Echo Music. The deal publishing deal covers all territories outside of New Zealand, and the distribution deal covers Australia, Japan, the UK, Europe and South Africa. The band will continue to work with Pagan Records in NZ, and San Fran label Incandescent in the US. The Nixons return home on Dec 14, they play at Squid the following night, and an all ages show at the Functions Room at Auckland University on Dec 16.



EXCESS ALL AREAS

On Saturday December 16, those in the know will be at the Waterlea Racecourse in Blenheim, to experience The Summer Rock, Beer, Wine, Steak, Bacon, Rock & Blues Festival. Acts performing on the day include Dave Dobbyn, Hello Sailor, the Mutton Birds, Fat Mannequin, and Bullfrog Rata. Entertainment for the kids is of the Bouncing Castle / Merry-Go-Round / Ferris Wheel variety, while adults can entertain themselves, sampling "a range of Lion Brown products and tinned spirits". Tickets are on sale now, contact (03) 577 6429 for further details.



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