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The big news of the summer rock concerts is that Chicago and the Doobie Brothers are confirmed for outdoor shows in New Zealand.

Chicago, the eight-man brass rock group, play two dates — Christchurch at QEII Park on January 28 and Auckland at Western Springs Stadium on January 31st. The band are currently enjoying something of a resurgence with their new album, *Hot Streets*, attracting the most interest since their much acclaimed debut set, *Chicago Transit Authority*. New guitarist, Donnie Dacus replacing the late Terry Kath, seems to have injected some much-needed vitality into the line-up. But such criticism have never hindered the constant success Chicago has enjoyed. Every album (and there are twelve of them) has achieved platinum status making Chicago one of the most successful groups of the seventies.

The Doobie Brothers play Auckland's Western Springs on the 25th of January. Although the Doobies have yet to rival the unbroken chain of hit singles they racked up in 1973 and '74, they've moved onto a more sophisticated sound as led by ex-Steely Dan members, Mike McDonald and Jeff Baxter. This is the Doobie Brothers second visit to New Zealand.

The bad news is that **Elvis Costello**, instead of visiting Enzed, chose to play extra dates in Sydney on December 7 & 8. However, those who care to listen to gossip may be interested to know that visits from **J.J. Cale** in late January and **Linda Ronstadt** in early February are a strong possibility. Also possible are dates here for **the Eagles** in March and **Rod Stewart** in late February. And it's whispered in some quar-

ters that **the Stones** may visit this summer.

Don't forget that **the Little River Band** and **Split Enz** are playing exclusively at Nambassa Festival on the weekend 27-29 of January and that on the local front, **Citizen Band** embark on a Bay of Plenty summer resort tour taking in Rotorua, Waihi, Whangamata, Mt Maunganui, Whakatane, Gisborne and Napier between 2nd and 9th.

Chicago January 28, QE 2 Park, Christchurch, January 31st, Western Springs, Auckland.

Doobie Brothers January 25, Western Springs, Auckland.

Little River Band/Split Enz January 27-29, Nambassa Festival, Waihi.

Citizen Band East Coast Tour — January 2, Rotorua Soundshell, Jan 3, Waihi Memorial Hall, Jan 4, Whangamata Memorial Hall, Jan 5, Mt Maunganui Sports Centre, Jan 6, Whakatane War Memorial Centre, Jan 8, Gisborne YMCA, Jan 9, Napier Centennial Theatre.

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