



Some Pop Mx and some Rank & File, Mainstreet. Brazier & the lads, Snake stir

**RUMOURS**

**UK & USA**

The forthcoming David Bowie single 'Putting Out The Fire' is produced by Giorgio Moroder and will appear on Backstreet/MCA in the USA ... Lynval Golding (Fun Boy Three) and two friends were attacked in a Coventry disco by white thugs. He needed 29 stitches in his face and neck and his eyesight will be impaired. The Fun Boy Three British tour has been postponed. Their new single is an old forties' piece called 'T'Aint What You Do' and it features three girls known as Bananarama ... Scottish popsters the Fire Engines are going through personnel changes ... in the UK, the Human League single 'Don't You Want Me' is the first single to go platinum since 'Mull Of Kintyre' in '77. Meanwhile the Dare album is now Virgin's biggest seller since Tubular Bells. Can Phil now afford a haircut? ... Pete Shelley is currently on his first British solo tour. The show features Shelley on vocals and electric 12 string guitar plus tapes, computers and a drum machine ... Richard Jobson has disbanded the Skids to concentrate on his acting career. Guitarist Stuart Adamson, who left last year has just formed Big Country ... Psychedelic Furs have lost saxist Duncan Kilburn and guitarist Roger Morris. The remaining four will carry on ... the Blockheads are working with vocalist Carol Grimes while Ian Dury is busy writing songs. Expect a single ... Jam are back at the top of the UK singles charts with 'A Town Like Malice' ... Metal corner: Whitesnake have lost a

guitarist, Uriah Heep have a new line-up featuring Lee Kerslake, Status Quo have just commenced their 20th Anniversary World Tour ... Midge Ure will produce Steve Harley for Chrysalis ... Jimmy Page has written the soundtrack for the Bronson movie *Deathwish II* ... Grace Jones is recording at Compass Point Studios again, with same band and producers as *Nightclubbing* ... next in the studio with Sly and Robbie are Black Uhuru ... Bow Wow Wow are recording in Miami ... longest Stiff act name ever is Pookie-snackenburger ... Reel Music, the Beatles' movie tunes compilation, includes a 12 page booklet of stills.

Vinyl in foreign lands: Orange Juice *You Can't Hide Your Love Forever*, Black Uhuru *Tear It Up (live)*, Sparks *Angst In My Pants*, Jethro Tull *Beastie*, Van Morrison *Beautiful Vision* (with bagpipes), Simon & Garfunkel *The Concert In The Park*, Lou Reed *The Blue Mask*, Sister Sledge *Sisters*, Jimmy Destri *Heart On A Wall*, Ohio Players *Ouch*, Knack *Round Trip*, Zoo Compilation (Teardrops, Echos etc.), Fall *Hex Enduction Hour*, 23 Skidoo *Seven Songs*, Birthday Party/Lydia Lunch *Drunk On The Pope's Blood/The Agony Is The Ecstasy*, XTC *English Settlement* (15 track double), 'Certain Ratio Sextet, Colin Newman *Not To*, Nick Lowe *Nick The Knife*, Theatre of Hate *Westworld*.

**Christchurch**  
Local recording is booming. The Playthings single is out mid March - 'Birds Eye View'. (They may play Auckland in April.) ... the Cowboys will release a 12 inch EP ... Desperate Measures will record an EP, 1984 ... Doug Hood

(BBB) will record three Christchurch bands for three plastic pizzas ... Gordons are looking for a sponsor for their tour and next record ... Soloman's Ball (Bill Direen and Alan Meek) have released a 45.

Newtones are amicably embarking on separate lives of fun, recreation and TV watching, but are all still writing ... Pedestrians have emerged from hibernation ... Bill Direen and the Builders may add a violinist and unusual percussion instruments and be known as Bilder Bergers ... expect Dance Exponents on *Shazam* soon ... walls will move to enlarge Star & Garter.

Dick Driver's Dance Band are heading for Dunedin and Invercargill early April and play Hillsborough Easter Monday ... look out for Louis and the Hotsticks ... Wastrels need a soundman (588-229) and Party Games require a guitarist (849-957) ... Wrong Way Corrigan Band tour West Coast and Dunedin early April. Peter Waller & Jim Wilson

**Auckland**  
Danse Macabre are recording a single at Mandrill. Glynn Tucker Jnr will produce their Reaction album. Back in the UK, John Peel is playing 'Conditioner' on his influential Radio One show ... after only two gigs This Sporting Life have lost drummer Phil Jackson to God. (The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away.) Replacement will be Darren the old AFC drummer, who will not now be in the new Androids.

Broken Dolls are off the road to record a new single, 'Joie De Vive'/'Action man' ... Pop Mechanix impressed with new tunes and new style at Mainstreet ... Hello

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