It has been a long and complicated week, and so this is a long and complicated issue. Doug interviews David Pack of Ambrosia, Jon critiques the new autobiography by Whispering Bob Harris, returns to the stage alongside Stargrace, and gives timely advice to his young nephew about what to check out at Glasto15, and shed loads more!
THE THREE COMMANDMENTS OF GONZO WEEKLY:

1. Art is as important as science and more important than money

2. There is life after (beyond and before) Pop Idol

3. Music can and sometimes does change the world

If you think those three ideas are stupid then you should probably give up reading this magazine now. Otherwise... enjoy
Dear Friends,

Welcome to the latest issue of the increasingly peculiar music and arts magazine that I started for fun, and which has succeeded more than my wildest imaginings could have prepared me for.

I never know what I think about Facebook. In fact I have a completely yin and yang relationship with it. I spend a lot of time there because it is a convenient way of staying in touch with family and friends. Even quite a lot of stuff appertaining to this magazine happens there.

And what happened with this editorial is a case in point. I had been planning to write a rather mealy mouthed editorial about how I have become "friends" with at least one person that I cordially dislike, but how I couldn't really unfriend him, or even comment upon the way he summarily rehomed his dog in what I consider to be a monumentally unethical way, without bring down a brouhaha of cosmic proportions upon my head, which is something for which I do not have the energy or stomach. But then I realised that I just cannot be bothered with it all, and I was casting my mind around for another subject for this week's editorial, when I received an IM from Max, one of my adopted nephews, and a young man of whom I really am terribly fond. He wrote:

"Reminding you about the Glasto line up suggestions..." and I suddenly realised that it is indeed that time of year again!

And so I totally forgot about writing my vicious little editorial about the commodification of animals by ill bred dullards and their bovine and bourgeois wives who will, I am sure (if there is any justice in the world) be first against the wall when the revolution comes, and am adopting the mantle of a friendly, though worldly wise uncle dispensing avuncular advice to a much loved nephew.
We were somewhere around Barstow on the edge of the desert when the drugs began to take hold. I remember saying something like "I feel a bit light-headed; maybe you should drive..."
For some years Max (that’s him—the PhD student sitting on a giant fire salamander above) has asked me to go through the list of acts on the bill for that year’s Glastonbury Festival with recommendations as to what to see, and what should be avoided. I am very touched that this intelligent and successful twenty four year old actually cares about the opinion of an old fool like yours truly. So here, without further ado, is a list of what I think Max should probably see if he has the chance.

Here I would like to make the point that there are so many acts on the bill, and that I have never heard of most of them, and that a list of acts each annotated with that piece of information would be very dull reading. So here are the acts that I have heard of with a brief list of why and what and where. There are a couple of weeks to go, so I throw open a challenge to Gonzo Weekly readers, that if there is someone that you recommend that Max go see, or not touch with a bargepole, that is not on my list, email me, and I will include the comments next week.

On with the show.

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اللعنة لهم إذا كانوا لا تأخذ نكتة
FRIDAY

Main Stage

FOO FIGHTERS
21:15 - 23:45
I have to admit that I have never got this band. They are perfectly competent, and good musicians and all, but I have a sneaking suspicion that had one of them not been in Nirvana with Uncle Kurt, that they would never have been up there with the great and the good at Glasto.

FLORENCE & THE MACHINE
19:15 - 20:25
I haven't heard that much by this bunch, but what I have heard I like, and they are one of the Grande Fromage's favourite bands, so that is good enough for me.

MOTÖRHEAD
17:30 - 18:30
This is another band that I have never really got. But they are undoubtedly legends, and I bet my bottom dollar young Max will be there watching them.

ALABAMA SHAKES
14:30 - 15:30
I know absolutely nothing about this lot, but they have been recommended to me by various members of the Gonzo Weekly team, including my favourite roving reporter, so I suspect that they may be worth a punt.

Other Stage

RUDIMENTAL
22:30 - 23:45
The groovier end of drum and bass and perfect late night festie fodder

Park Stage

SUPER FURY ANIMALS
23:00 - 00:15
An irritating bloke who was once my lodger used to bang on about this bunch all the time saying that they "kicked Pink Floyd's butt", which is not only a regrettable vulgarism but something that I sincerely doubt. They sing in Welsh, and are quite good in small doses if you are stoned enough.

PUSSY RIOT IN CONVERSATION
12:00 - 12:40
This would be something interesting to watch, although a bit earnest

Acoustic Stage

CHRISTY MOORE
21:30 - 23:00
I saw him live at a folk festival years ago, and he was jolly good. Mind you, I was drunk.

THE PROCLAIMERS
20:00 - 21:00
I saw them at the same folk festival, and at various events over the years, and they are bloody good if you like two specky Scotsman singing in close harmony. They get better each time I see them, even when sober.

WILKO JOHNSON
18:30 - 19:30
A fucking legend, and a walking miracle to boot. Go and worship at his altar.

Left Field

BILLY BRAGG
21:00 - 22:00
I saw Billy Bragg at the last Glastonbury I went to in 1985, and I doubt whether his brand of earnest left wing polemic has changed much over the years. I was a big fan of his first three records although I have drifted away in the last few decades. Always good value though. I wonder if he still has Wiggy join him on guitar for his encore of A13 Trunk Road to the Sea. I hope so.

THEA GILMORE
19:30 - 20:30
The album she did recently putting music to unpublished Sandy Denny songs was nearly as good as it should have been, which is high praise indeed.

COMEDY WITH PHILL JUPITUS
17:00 - 17:30
I saw him live once, supporting The Who and he was about as funny as herpes. He was also repeatedly booed off.

The Glade

LUCAS LIVE AND RAJA RAM DJ SET
00:35 - 02:55
The mainman of Quintessence must be worth a punt. Whether he is any good or not, I look forward to finding out.

EAT STATIC
21:00 - 22:15
Ozric Tentacles spin off band who are mighty. Check them out you funk soul wassname.
DON LETTS
16:35 - 17:35
A fucking legend. The original punky reggae party.

THE EGG
12:25 - 13:25
A mate of mine was well into this band and spent ages, one Sunday afternoon in about 2002, trying to convert me to their brand of insane dance music, and very nearly succeeded. Well worth checking out.

Toad Hall

NICK HARPER
21:00 - 22:00
Son of Roy, and nearly as good as Dad. I have seen him live two or three times and supported him on one of these occasions. When he is on form he is electrifying. The last time I saw him he did a one man rendition of Frank Zappa's Titties and Beer which brought the house down.

SATURDAY

Main stage

KANYE WEST
22:15 - 23:45
PHARRELL WILLIAMS
20:00 - 21:15
Hmmmmmmmmmm

PALOMA FAITH
18:15 - 19:15
I had only vaguely heard of this young lady but my eldest stepdaughter is a fan and will hurt me if I don't recommend her.

BURT BACHARACH
16:30 - 17:30
Another living legend, and probably worth a punt. His album with Elvis Costello was very good indeed.

THE WATERBOYS
16:30 - 17:30
Another living legend, and probably worth a punt. His album with Elvis Costello was very good indeed.

THE UNTHANKS WITH CHARLES HAZLEWOOD & HIS ORCHESTRA
11:00 - 11:45
This band are totally awesome. I have been a fan ever since they were called Rachel Unthank and the Winterset. Their latest album is quite possibly their best yet. Watch out for their rendition of Robert Wyatt's Dondestan with clog dancing.

West Holts

THE MOTHERSHIP RETURN: GEORGE CLINTON, PARLIAMENT, FUNKADELIC & THE FAMILY STONE.
21:45 - 23:45
Free your mind and your ass will follow. One Glastonbury Nation under a groove blah blah blah. Totally essential.
The Park Stage

SPIRITUALIZED
21:30 - 22:30
Jason Pierce et al will quite probably be as insane as ever, which is pretty insane, and very trippy. I have seen them on stage before and they are well worth the effort if your head will stand it.

MAVIS STAPLES
20:00 - 21:00
The voice of the Staples Singers. Still awesome, still a great lady of soul.

GIANT SAND
14:10 - 15:00
I have always liked this Tex-Mex acoustic strangeness. The band from which Calexico sprung, I believe. vehicle for songwriter Howie Gelb, they were originally called Giant Sandworms. Very good indeed.

IBEYI
01:00 - 02:00
Totally bloody awesome. I wrote a long paen of praise about these two Santeria princesses a few weeks ago. They sing partly in Yoruba and partly in English, are very trippy and are like a female hiphop Dr John in his best night tripper guise. You MUST see them or face an Uncle's wrath.

John Peel Stage

SUEDE
22:35 - 23:45
Another one of my favourite bands of the past thirty years. Their reunion album the other year was far better than anyone had any right to expect, if not quite up to the benchmark of their 1995 Album Dog Man Star, which is totally awesome. Go and see them, even if you have not heard of them. You will not be disappointed.

LA ROUX
21:05 - 22:05
80s tinged electronica from a peculiar little ensemble with sexy chanteuse. What they will be like live I have no idea but it would be worth finding out.

Acoustic stage

THE MOODY BLUES
21:30 - 23:00
I never got this band either, but I will admit that I am in a minority. They are line of the classic British prog acts, and I have heard very good things about their current show.

NICK LOWE, PAUL CARRACK & ANDY FAIRWEATHER LOW
20:00 - 21:00
Three somewhat underrated great singer songwriters, who are more famous amongst other musos than amongst the general public. Should be jolly good though.

TOM ROBINSON
17:25 - 18:10
I saw him live with the TRB back in the day and he was terrible. However I saw him live at the Voiceprint Records sales conference in 1999 when I was vilely jetlagged and hungover and he was awesome. A legend in his own lunchtime.
Left Field

THEE FACTION
18:00 - 19:00
Socialist dreamers. I was mildly rude to them when, during an interview I said that singing songs about a socialist utopia without giving any guidelines as to how this may be achieved, was as pointless as hymns at a children's Sunday School. I may have even said something about “Trotsky wants me for a sunbeam”. They have never spoken to me since, and they hated my rude song about David Cameron. The People's Flag is Palest Pink. It's not as Red as you might think!

Free university

BRIX SMITH WITH JOHN ROBB
14:00 - 14:45
Brix Smith used to be in The Fall, and John Robb edits Louder than War. Two very good reasons to check this out.

Genosys

FOUR TET
03:00 - 04:30
Very interesting electronica and post rock experimentalism from a bloke called Kieran Hebden who used to be part of a band called Fridge back in the day. Check him out. He may be excellent, he may be wilfully tuneless, but at least he will be interesting.

Croissant neuf

RORY MCLEOD
17:30 - 18:30
More lefty leaning ethnic tinged folk. He is, however, jolly good at it, and worth checking out.

SUNDAY

Main Stage

THE WHO
21:45 - 23:15
I obviously don't have to explain who this lot are. However I saw them live when there were still three of the originals, back in 2000. I danced on my seat in the Albert Hall most of the night and could hardly walk for a week. Now I can hardly walk. Something went wrong somewhere. Maybe I should have died before I got old.

PAUL WELLER
19:30 - 20:45
Universally adored as a National Treasure, I have to admit that I have never been very impressed, and at times he has come over as a bit of a prig. But on a good night with the wind behind him he rocks like a bastard.

PATTI SMITH
14:15 - 15:15
Another living legend, and someone I would dearly love to see live. This original punk poetess has started more movements than most people have had hot dinners, and her debut album Horses is still a bona fide, gold plated classic.

HOZIER
13:00 - 13:45
I have only vaguely heard of this bloke, but his anti queer bashing video was good, and both my lovely wife, and my lovely niece Jessica have recommended him to me.

Other stage

THE CHEMICAL BROTHERS
21:45 - 23:15
I saw them live many years ago, when in a suitably altered state and they were great. However, I could both dance and take drugs in those days. My body won't let me do either now so I don't know whether to recommend them or not.

BELLE AND SEBASTIAN
18:45 - 19:45
Another one of my favourite bands. Stuart Murdoch's singular musical vision of the ultimate bedsit band still holds good with their excellent new album. I cannot believe they have been going for twenty years.

Acoustic

DONOVAN
21:30 - 23:00
I saw Donovan at - of all places - Butlins in Minehead about twenty three years ago, and he was totally awesome. My only gripe is that he never seems to do much from his 1974 album Essence to Essence which was produced by ex-Yardbird Paul Samwell-Smith, and is totally sublime.

GRETCHEN PETERS
16:20 - 17:05
I'd not paid much attention to her until Lee Walker wrote a piece on her for Gonzo Weekly a few weeks ago, and I was so impressed that I checked her bittersweet melancholia out. She truly is an enormous and sadly underrated talent.
It's a Legal Matter Baby

A lot of the time the pictures that we include in this publication are unique to Gonzo Weekly, and used with the photographer's permission. However, this magazine is free, and at least at the moment only available online, and so in our opinion we are covered by a recent decision by the European Courts of Justice.

Websites can link to freely available content without the permission of the copyright holder, the European Court of Justice says. The court's decision came after a dispute in Sweden between journalists and a web company that had posted links on its site to online news articles.

Some of the pictures in this magazine are hotlinked to other websites where they are freely available. It is our opinion that we are covered by this ruling. So there!

And to the rest of you in the Gonzo Weekly readership. Who did I miss out? Who did I recommend that I shouldn't have? And who cares? Email me, and I will publish anything not too abusive.

Love on ya,
Jon Downes
THE GONZO WEEKLY
all the gonzo news that’s fit to print

This is quite simply the best magazine you will ever find that is edited by a mad bloke (and his small orange cat), and produced from a tumbledown potato shed on the outskirts of a tiny village that nobody’s heard of in North Devon. The fact that it is published with Gonzo Multimedia - probably the grooviest record company in the known universe - is merely an added bonus.

NAMING THOSE RESPONSIBLE

This issue was put together by me and Captain Frunobulax the Magnificent, (who is, in case you didn't know, an insane orange kitten on the verge of adulthood) ably assisted by:

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(The House Wally)

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(The Grande Fromage, of whom we are all in awe)

and Peter McAdam
(McDada in residence)

This is the nearest that you are ever going to get to a posh weekend colour supplement from the Gonzo Daily team. Each week we shall go through the best bits of the week before, and if there aren't any we shall make some up, or simply make our excuses and leave (you can tell the editor once did contract work at the News of the World can't ya?)

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You will have certainly noticed that it has all changed. In fact there is no certainly about it. But if you haven’t noticed I would like to know what you have been smoking, and can I have a large packet of it please.

Yes. It has indeed all changed. Basically I have been wanting to upgrade the visuals of the magazine for some time, but now the technology to do what I have wanted to do for yonks has finally become within our budget (i.e, free) and we are going to give it a go.

If things don’t work out we can still go back to the previous method of putting the magazine together, and we shall still be utilising those jolly nice fellows at MailChimp in order to send out the subscriber notifications.

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**IS HE TALKING BOLLOCKS?**  Dave Grohl thinks Kanye West's personality can be "hard to swallow". The Foo Fighters frontman is gearing up for his band to headline the Glastonbury music festival on June 26, with hip-hop star Kanye doing the honours the following night.

The event has a history of rappers taking to the stage, with Jay Z performing in the past, but some fans still aren't happy about Kanye's inclusion. Dave can see why, but not for any musical reason. "I think maybe Kanye's personality might be harder to swallow than his music. But those are the moments that make for great moments in the history of rock 'n' roll," he told British newspaper The Sun.  

**AWARD FOR THE MUSWELL HILLBILLY** The winners of this year's prestigious London Music Awards (LMAs) were announced today, 11th June, during an awards evening held at the Camden Roundhouse. Presented by Laura Whitmore, the awards began with a performance from NYJO London, conducted by Jazz Rising Star winner Phil Meadows. The Mayor of London, Boris Johnson, whose Mayor's Music Fund (MMF) charity established the awards in 2014, gave an opening speech, welcoming guests representing the music industry and the creative education and business sectors.

"An unbeatable mix of ingredients has helped make London the music capital of the world. Our city has produced amazingly talented musicians, who have gone on to conquer the globe. We have fantastic live music venues both large and small, where they hone their craft. As the London Music Awards show, schools across London are providing a fine musical education. And there are the enthusiasts and supporters, both inside and outside the music industry who back creative talent and help promote a sector that attracts audiences in their millions and is a massive earner for our country's economy. These awards are a celebration of London as a city of music and the talented individuals that bring so much joy to our lives."

**DRUMMERMAN BLUES** The sentencing of AC/DC drummer Phil Rudd has been pushed off a few weeks. Rudd was due to be sentenced on June 26 on charges of threatening to kill, possession of methamphetamine and possession of cannabis; however, the date has been moved to July 9.

According to SunMedia, shortly after the launch of his first solo album on August 29, 2014, Rudd went on a rampage, firing employees of his restaurant, Phil's Place. Although the reason for the firings was not made public, the drummer allegedly made a call to a friend in Australia telling him he wanted him to 'take out' a specific person. He later offered the man $200,000, a motorcycle and his car or house. On September 26, Rudd called the prospective victim telling him he was going to kill him. Slightly over a month later, after a police investigation, officers raided Rudd's home and found just under a half gram of methamphetamine and 91 grams of cannabis.

**FLEETWOOD KNACKED?** Fleetwood Mac have cancelled their gig in Manchester tonight (June 12) through illness. The decision to pull the gig comes after the band postponed a date in Birmingham for the same reason earlier this week and just days before they are due to headline the annual Isle of Wight Festival. A statement on the Manchester Arena website reads: "We are very sorry to announce that tonight's Fleetwood Mac 'On With The Show' tour date in Manchester has been cancelled, due to illness. The 1 July show will go ahead as planned."

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DISCWORLD DEPICTED A (light) fantastic graffiti tribute to author Terry Pratchett has been completed in Shoreditch. The fantasy writer died in March aged 66, and his death moved east London street artists Jim Vision and Dr Zadok to pay homage to his much-loved work. The pair, part of contemporary creative collective End of the Line, have produced the giant mural on a wall in Code Street just off Brick Lane. As well as honouring Pratchett, their work commemorates cover artist Josh Kirby whose vivid illustrations featured on the Discworld books until his death in 2001. **Read on...**

AIN’T GOT NO GNOME Police are investigating after more than 100 garden gnomes turned up on a stunned woman’s doorstep in Ivybridge. Bemused Marcela Telehanicova, 30, said pranksters had lined up the ‘Terracotta army’ of lawn ornaments in rows on a path leading to her front door in Bowdens Park. The dental nurse, who lives with her young son, was closing her curtains in the early hours of the morning when she was confronted by 107 gnomes. The scene was reminiscent of the episode of One Foot in The Grave when Victor Meldrew famously acquired 263 garden gnomes on his lawn. **Read on...**

DOCTOR AT LAST A 102-year-old German woman has become the world’s oldest person to be awarded a doctorate on Tuesday, almost 80 years after the Nazis prevented her from sitting her final exam. Ingeborg Rapoport (then Syllm) finished her medical studies in 1937 and wrote her doctoral thesis on diphtheria - a serious problem in Germany at the time. But because of Nazi oppression she has had to wait almost eight decades before being awarded her PhD. As her mother was a Jewish pianist. So, under Adolf Hitler's anti-Semitic race laws, Ingeborg was refused entry to the final oral exam. She had written confirmation from Hamburg University that she would have received her doctorate "if the applicable laws did not prohibit Ms Syllm's admission to the doctoral exam due to her ancestry". **Read on...**

DIDN’T SOMETHING LIKE THIS HAPPEN IN SWAMP THING? Randy Llanes, a 47-year-old Hawaiian man, has died after leaping into the water to spear a swordfish, receiving a fatal injury in return for the one he delivered. The Department of Land and Natural Resources reports that the Kona fishing charter boat captain was fatally injured by a broadbill swordfish he had speared in the Honokohau small boat harbour in Hawaii. Llanes had seen a swordfish swimming in the harbour in the late morning. Witnesses saw him jump into the water and spear the fish before it struck him in the chest with its sharp bill. He was a tough man, his sister-in-law told the local television station. "He was such a tough guy that everyone's scared of him," the BBC reports her as saying. **Read on...**

PARTIAL VINDICATION FOR ASTROLOGY Columbia University scientists have developed a computational method to investigate the relationship between birth month and disease risk. The researchers used this algorithm to examine New York City medical databases and found 55 diseases that correlated with the season of birth. Overall, the study indicated people born in May had the lowest disease risk, and those born in October the highest. The study was published this week in the Journal of American Medical Informatics Association. “This data could help scientists uncover new disease risk factors,” said study senior author Nicholas Tatonetti, PhD, an assistant professor of biomedical informatics at Columbia University Medical Center (CUMC) and Columbia’s Data Science Institute. The researchers plan to replicate their study with data from several other locations in the U.S. and abroad to see how results vary with the change of seasons and environmental factors in those places. The researchers also uncovered 16 new associations, including nine types of heart disease, the leading cause of death in the United States. The researchers performed statistical tests to check that the 55 diseases for which they found associations did not arise by chance. **Read on...**
"If you don't want your tax dollars to help the poor, then stop saying you want a country based on Christian values, because you don't."

Jimmy Carter
THE LAST WEEK AT GONZO DAILY

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IF YOU ARE NOT A PART OF THE SOLUTION YOU ARE A PART OF THE PROBLEM.

ELDRIDGE CLEAVER

Two types of people visit rhino in the wild

The strong and courageous take a camera
The weak and cowardly take a gun

What sort of person are you?

Celebrate wildlife on World Wildlife Day don't shoot it.
Hi,

This is Bertrand POURCHERON, we may know each other or you may have heard of me.

I have written voluntarily in several fanzines since the 80s (Harmonie, Koid'9, Highlands, etc) but also worked for professional press from 1995 to 2008 (Rockstyle, Hard Rock Magazine and Rock Hard before stopping for serious disease).

I helped Japanese bands to tour (Wappa Gappa, Ars Nova, Gerard) across Europe, and I was also involved in booking gigs in Paris and in Marseille, my living area, through the organization Prog La Vie (Halloween, Ars Nova, Drama, The Flower Kings, IQ, etc...). It was often without counting my hours, voluntarily and sometimes at my own costs.

I helped spreading the word about Japanese progressive scene through reissues, production and management of local groups via Musée label (I travelled to Japan every year from 1998 to 2007 in search of new bands to manage). I also supported some French bands like ECLAT or LAZULI.

Today, my life has changed. I encountered some professional, personal and health issues. I am now alone, caring for my daughter during weekends and holidays. Besides, my disabling health prevents me from working.

And unfortunately, my invalidity pension is far too small to honour all my monthly charges. I have very few money to live, even with the financial help of my parents.

I am now turning to you, friends, persons who know me from word-of-mouth or who read my articles. You could help me in several ways.

I try to sell the remainder of my CD collection; you can make your choice on Priceminister website. I am registered with the moniker PROG13 (the list is updated every week):
http://www.priceminister.com/boutique/PROG13

Or you can write to me at BERTRAND POURCHERON RESIDENCE LE BALZAC - BATIMENT A ALLEE CALLELONGUE SAINTE ANNE 13008 MARSEILLE - pourcheron@orange.fr and I will provide you with the complete list, as all references are not recorded on Price Minister. However, selling my records isn’t enough to allow me to live and raise my daughter in good conditions.

If you feel touched by my misfortunes, you can also donate by check, Western Union or Paypal: emma.pourcheron@orange.fr.

Any financial help, be it minimal or higher, is welcome. I thank you in advance for your help, and also for relaying to whoever you think might be touched by my situation. I would prefer not to ask for donation, but my living conditions are increasingly worsening. Thank you very much.
WHO GONZO? WHY GONZO? WHAT GONZO?

What? You don't know who Hunter Thompson is/was/might have been/will be? Without Hunter Thompson there would be no Gonzo Multimedia. It would have been completely different and that would have been an unforgivable pity. So here is:

- A potted history of his life and works
- Rob Ayling explains why he called his company 'Gonzo'

C.J. Stone suggested that as well as explaining Gonzo to those wot don't understand, we should do a weekly quote from the great man himself. So here goes:


Hunter S. Thompson

GALAHAD RELEASE 4 TRACK 'TASTER' EP FOR 'WHEN WORLDS COLLIDE'

The band are "pleased to announce that, as part of our ongoing 30th anniversary celebrations, we will be releasing a limited edition (500 copies) ‘taster’ EP simply called ‘30’ containing four newly recorded versions of ‘older’ songs which will appear, possibly in a slightly different form, on our ‘When Worlds Collide’ double CD retrospective which will be released later in the year. The ‘30’ EP will be officially released at our 30th anniversary show, at Mr Kyps in Poole, Dorset on Saturday 4th July and will be available thereafter exclusively from the merchandising page on our official Galahad website at www.galahadonline.com

The EP also features our very own tribute to a certain legendary and much missed rock DJ who was very supportive, back in the day, to many up and coming rock/metal/progressive bands.

The ‘30’ EP track listing is:
Chamber of Horrors (5:37) (1990/2015)
GUITAR LEGEND MERRELL FANKHAUSER RELEASES NEW SCI-FI SYMPHONIC INSTRUMENTAL SURF ALBUM

Arroyo Grande, CA - Guitar legend Merrell Fankhauser has released a new Sci-Fi symphonic instrumental surf album “Signals From Malibu” featuring strange radio signals from the underwater anomaly off the Malibu California coast. A few years back UFO buffs began investigating some strange electronic signals that appeared to be emanating from a spot deep beneath the Pacific Ocean off the Malibu coast. They reported bizarre psychic phenomena in conjunction with them, and legendary surf guitarist Merrell Fankhauser was inspired to write music based on, and including them.

Says Merrell, “The song 'Signals From Malibu' was inspired by the odd anomaly that is off the coast of Malibu California 2000 feet on the ocean floor. The area has had many sightings of UFO's diving into and coming out of the ocean. This has led many to believe it is an underwater base. An ex Army radio expert recorded some strange signals coming from the area. The signal recordings were sent to me by Michael C. Luckman director of the New York Center for Extraterrestrial Research and I incorporated them into the song. After listening more to the signals I was compelled to write a symphonic song using more of the signals titled 'Messages From The Dome'. I had the feeling the signals were communicating with me and I was inspired to keep writing the rest of the songs on this disc. If you feel tingly after listening don't worry its perfectly natural!”

Merrell Fankhauser is considered one of the main innovators of surf music and psychedelic folk rock, and is widely known as the leader of the instrumental surf group The Impacts who had the international hit “Wipeout”. He has presented a number of television programs over the years including 'California Music', 'Route 66 TV Live', and in 2001 he began hosting a music show called 'Tiki Lounge' that airs on the California Central Coast, Southern California, Hawaii and parts of the East Coast.

Watch the promotional video for “Signals From Malibu”: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uzCqfIepKVo


Merrell's new CD comes hot on the heels of his recently released critically acclaimed biography “Calling From A Star”, also released on Gonzo Multimedia. To purchase “Signals From Malibu” CD: http://www.gonzomultimedia.co.uk/product_details/15834/Merrell_Fankhauser-Signals.html

To Purchase “Calling From A Star” (book): http://www.gonzomultimedia.co.uk/product_details/15816/Merrell_Fankhauser-Calling_From_A_Star.html

http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/1908728388/ref=as_li_tl?ie=UTF8&camp=1789&creative=9325&creativeASIN=1908728388&linkCode=as2&tag=aquaradi-20&linkId=2WYL4WGLODDXPM3K

Official website: http://www.merrellfankhauser.com/
In the Obituaries this week we pay tribute to Sir Christopher Lee. But Bart Lancia writes how he "Always liked this actor.. From your side of the Atlantic."

He also sends an interesting article from Rolling Stone that tells the story of Sir Christopher's late blooming love affair with Heavy Metal:

"Does a man have to fight all his life only in death to take flight to the skies?/Warmongers vie to take my throne, no respect is ever shown."

The lyrics from the song "Massacre of the Saxons" could easily be mistaken for something by Iron Maiden, yet they came from the mouth of the then-91-year old British actor Christopher Lee, who died from respiratory problems and heart failure today at the age of 93.

While he's best remembered for playing various evil characters – Dracula and Frankenstein's monster, for Britain's Hammer Films, James Bond's foil Francisco Scaramanga in 1974's The Man With the Golden Gun and the wizard Saruman in Peter Jackson's Lord of the Ring flicks – Lee had a longstanding fascination with metal, which he channeled into his own music late in his life.


BARBARA DICKSON NEWS

BANGOR FESTIVAL - 06/06/2015
Barbara will be performing in concert at Bangor Abbey in Northern Ireland on Saturday August 24th, 2015 as part of this year's Open House Festival. Tickets are now available here: https://openhousefestival.ticketsolve.com/shows/873534908/events?TSLVq=3459fe62-f41a-4da4-8099-bdbb2f5f729d&TSLVp=1fe90f9-979c-4e0c-b967-3894659005c1&TSLVts=1433585114&TSLVc=tsolve&TSLVe=openhousefestival&TSLVrt=Safetynet&TSLVh=a4626e91ee9933db99dce64591853d7

ALBERT HALL CD - 06/06/2015
A two-disc CD, 'Barbara Dickson Live at the Royal Albert Hall' is due for release on July 10th and is now available to pre-order on Amazon
Portobello Shuffle CDs still at special low price of £5.00 each, 1 x CD inc. p&p = UK £6.80; Mainland Europe £8.90; USA £9.95; Rest of the World, contact Rich Deakin for postage price.

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EXCITING NEWS FROM THE PINK FAIRIES WHO WRITE:

“We went into Brighton Electric on May 27 and recorded 3 more tracks for the CD. These were ’DEAL DEAL’, ’GOLDEN BUD’ and ’DOWN TO THE WIRE’.

We also got some good news about forthcoming studio time from GONZO, when, with a bit of luck we’ll be able to complete the disc. Meanwhile we’ll be rehearsing for the SONIC ROCK SOLSTICE ON June 19th. Looking forward to this, hope to see you there!”
Each week Richard Freeman: world famous cryptozoologist, explorer, author, and one of the most peculiar people I know picks a suitably off story from the world’s press. THIS WEEK:

Man dies during sex with scarecrow he dressed in lipstick and long-haired wig
Gonzo Web Radio started off as a medium by which interviews and radio programmes about the various acts covered by Gonzo Multimedia could be broadcast to an eagerly attentive world.

But over the past few years, it has become more than that. We now host regular weekly shows by Neil Nixon, a lecturer in professional writing at North West Kent College who uses his weekly radio show, Strange Fruit, as a learning experience for his students on the Foundation Course. I’ve known Neil for years, and he approached me with the idea of syndicating his show.

I agreed, and then the floodgates opened. We have regular weekly shows from Tim and Jaki on their submarine, and from the mysterious M Destiny on the other side of the pond with Friday Night Progressive. We also have a regular visit to the world of the Canterbury Scene courtesy of our friend Matthew Watkins. There are several other shows in the wings, waiting to join us, so stay glued to your seats boys and girls, your life is never going to be the same again!
Strange Fruit is a unique two-hour radio show exploring the world of underground, strange and generally neglected music. All shows are themed and all shows set out to give the most hardened of sound-hounds some new delight to sample.

The show is also unique in providing homework for undergraduate students on North West Kent College’s Foundation Degree in Professional Writing (who dig up many of the odd facts featured in the links between tracks).

Neil Nixon, the founder and co-presenter of the show has released a book about rare albums for Gonzo Multimedia.

The show is broadcast on Miskin Radio every Sunday from 10-00-midnight.

Sir Mask and Jimmy Spice Curry: If
Remotely: Last Rites
Crystal Pony: Summer Daze
The Jesus Abyss: Mohandas Karamchad
Ghandi’s Acid Trip
Black Tape for a Blue Girl: We Watch our Sad-Eyed Angel Fall
Chainsaw Harikari: The Garden of Putrefaction
The Best Boys: Stuck in Cyberworld
The Best Boys: Blind Mouse
Richard Dawson: Lost
Eggiwegs: Girl
Tyler Traina: In my Life
Porktamer: Enoch of Unlight
Journeyman: Cabbie
The Jesus Abyss: The Church of Charles Manson
The Jesus Abyss: Blood on Reagan’s Hands
March Rosetta: Dartford Crossing
Pennies Day Nurseries: Dancing with Mummy
Caprice: 48 Crash
Freakylittlethings: Rubberman
Lolski: Autumn Skies
GTAustin Workshop: Look for the Lion
Cochise: Invasion Psychobilly Number 2
Yak Nepper: Aldrig Mer (Heroin addict edit)
The Jesus Abyss: Holy Week of Ambiance (sic)
Brut Choir: Upon Exit

Listen Here
more than that. We tend to boast that the musicians played on FNP are above the status quo. This includes the multi-instrumentalist and the educated musician. We tend to shy away from computer generated creations and rely on talent using musical instruments and steer this talent for purposes of sheer inspirational indulgence. It is only in the FNP chat room where you will find the most talented musicians packed at one time into such an honored space.

**ARTISTS:**

- Mindspeak
  - [http://www.facebook.com/mindspeakmusic](http://www.facebook.com/mindspeakmusic)
- YAK
- Dark Matter Trio
- Luiz Bertoni
- Hibernal
  - [http://www.facebook.com/hibernalband](http://www.facebook.com/hibernalband)
- El tubo elastic
- Kant Freud Kafka
- Telergy
  - [http://www.facebook.com/telergymusic](http://www.facebook.com/telergymusic)
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  - [http://www.facebook.com/DelgiftC08](http://www.facebook.com/DelgiftC08)
- Vincent Carr
  - [http://www.facebook.com/vincentcarrsumic](http://www.facebook.com/vincentcarrsumic)
- Steve Cochrane
- Michael Farrell

I first came across Friday Night Progressive totally by accident, but I soon found myself beguiled by the style and taste of presenter M Destiny who presents a weekly two-hour show showcasing all sorts of progressive music that you are unlikely to hear anywhere else. This is surely a man after my own heart. I also very much approve of the way that it is the hub of a whole community of artists, musicians, and collaborators. I hope that you enjoy them as much as I do. Welcome aboard, chaps.

Hello, I am M Destiny host of Friday Night Progressive. You will find it to be an incredible independent internet broadcast show. But it’s
CANTERBURY SANS FRONTIÈRES:
Episode Twenty Two

We at Gonzo Web Radio are very proud to bring you Canterbury Sans Frontières - a podcast dedicated to the music of the 'Canterbury Scene' and more. Creator Matthew Watkins writes:

As with Canterbury Soundwaves, a new three-hour episode will be released with each full moon. I decided to wind down Canterbury Soundwaves so that I didn't end up

(i) repeating myself,
(ii) scraping the bottom of the Canterbury barrel, or
(iii) becoming increasingly tangential.

This new podcast broadens the musical remit, so it'll be about one-third 'Canterbury sound', together with progressive/psychedelic/experimental music from the Canterbury of today, the remainder being a mix of music from various times and places which I feel to be in a similar spirit of creative adventurousness. I'll be doing a lot less talking, and the programme will be less expository - so no interviews, barely listenable bootlegs, etc. I also plan to include guest one-hour mixes from various musicians from the current music scene in Canterbury (Episode 2 features a mix from Neil Sullivan from Lapis Lazuli).

And for those of you who wonder what Matthew was referring to when he writes about Canterbury Soundwaves we have brought you all the back catalogue of that as well. Those wacky guys at Gonzo, eh?

This episode we dig deeper into the recently released Hugh Hopper archives, as well as his brother Brian's "Canterburied Sounds" collection of home tape recordings, including a phenomenal 1972 Caravan instrumental demo. Also, the newly surfaced, earliest existing recordings of Gong from 1968 and something very punchy from their 2014's "I See You" album, an insane piece of prepared piano from Lindsay Cooper's private tape archive, Robert Wyatt singing a poignant John Lennon song as well as singing backing vocals for his biographer's band, Richard Sinclair singing lyrics written by novelist/fan Jonathan Coe, some "Bitches Brew" inspired Donald Byrd from 1970, a gem from the 80's King Crimson lineup, a Japanese acid-folk masterpiece from 1975, Japanese Canterbury-heads Happy Family from last year, and some loveliness from early 80s feminist collective Jam Today. From the Canterbury of today, there's a full live set from Lapis Lazuli, recorded here last December."
of folk song: providing deceptively simple melodies for small groups with an intuitive, collective musical language and a strategy for playing without preconceived chord sequences. Coleman died of a cardiac arrest at the age of 85 in New York City on June 11, 2015.

Sir Christopher Frank Carandini Lee, CBE, CStJ (1922 – 2015)

Lee was an English actor, singer and author. With a career spanning nearly 70 years, Lee initially portrayed villains and became best known for his role as Count Dracula in a sequence of Hammer Horror films. His other film roles include Francisco Scaramanga in the James Bond film *The Man with the Golden Gun* (1974), Saruman in *The Lord of the Rings*...
Vincent T. Bugliosi, Jr.  
(1934 – 2015)

Bugliosi was an American attorney and New York Times bestselling author.

During his eight years in the Los Angeles County district attorney's office, he successfully prosecuted 105 out of 106 felony jury trials, which included 21 murder convictions without a single loss.

He was best known for prosecuting Charles Manson and other defendants accused of the seven Tate–LaBianca murders of August 9–10, 1969.

Although Manson did not physically participate in the murders at Sharon Tate's home, Bugliosi used circumstantial evidence to show that he had orchestrated the killings.

After leaving the LA district attorney's office in 1972, Bugliosi turned to private practice and represented three criminal defendants, achieving successful acquittals on behalf of all three—the most famous of which was Jennifer Jenkins, whom he defended for the murder of Eleanor "Muff" Graham which occurred on the South Pacific island of Palmyra.

The case was the subject of his 1991 #1 New York Times bestselling book And the Sea Will Tell. He turned down opportunities to represent famous defendants Jeffrey MacDonald and Dan White because he did not represent anyone whom he believed to be guilty of murder.

Bugliosi, along with Curt Gentry, authored the book Helter Skelter in 1974, which presented the account of the investigation, arrest, and prosecution of Charles Manson and the Manson family.

He later wrote Reclaiming History: The Assassination of President John F. Kennedy and The Prosecution of George W. Bush for Murder.

Bugliosi died of cancer at the age of 80 at a Los Angeles hospital on June 6, 2015.
Ossining, New York. Bacon's family lived in many places in the New York City area while he was growing up due to economic hardships caused by the Great Depression. The family settled in Newark, New Jersey in 1939, where Bacon graduated from Newark Arts High School in 1940. Bacon's introduction to jazz was through the radio. "My brother and I realized we were jazz fans after hearing Benny Goodman on the Camel Caravan show in 1935," Bacon said. In Newark they were members of a "hot club," a group of teens who listened to and talked about jazz.

After high school, Bacon took a design job with Scheck Advertising, a small ad agency in Newark. He was drafted in 1943 and joined the Marine Corps. With the Marines he was sent to Guadalcanal, Guam, and China, never seeing any action.

He was discharged in 1946 and returned to Union Beach, New Jersey, where his family had moved. Shortly afterward he moved to New York City. He later married his roommate's cousin, Maxine Shirey, a dancer in Charles Weidman's house company for the City Center Opera in New York. Bacon died on June 8, 2015, aged 91, in Beacon, New York.

Nick Marsh
(1962 - 2015)

Marsh, the British vocalist and guitarist best known for the years he spent fronting the band Flesh for Lulu, has died at the age of 53 after a battle with cancer.

Marsh, along with drummer James Mitchell, founded Flesh for Lulu in 1982, with the band scoring an early break when they caught the ear of legendary disc jockey John Peel and were invited into the BBC studios to record a quartet of songs — "Dancer," "Walk Tired," "Missionary," and "Spy in Your Mind" — for Peel's show. Although additional musicians for the session included bassist Philip Ames and former Tom Robinson Band keyboardist Mark Ambler, Marsh and Mitchell soon filled out Flesh for Lulu's lineup with bassist Glen Bishop and guitarist Rocco Barker, formerly of the post-punk band Wasted Youth.

Paul Bacon
(1923 – 2015)

Bacon was an American book and album cover designer and jazz musician. He is known for introducing the "Big Book Look" in book jacket design, and has designed about 6,500 jackets and more than 200 jazz record covers.

Paul Bacon was born December 25, 1923, in New York, New York. Bacon's family lived in many places in the New York City area while he was growing up due to economic hardships caused by the Great Depression. The family settled in Newark, New Jersey in 1939, where Bacon graduated from Newark Arts High School in 1940. Bacon's introduction to jazz was through the radio. "My brother and I realized we were jazz fans after hearing Benny Goodman on the Camel Caravan show in 1935," Bacon said. In Newark they were members of a "hot club," a group of teens who listened to and talked about jazz.

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THOSE WE HAVE LOST
James Last in Concert 2015" farewell tour took place in Cologne's Lanxess Arena on 26 April 2015, ending an era of almost half a century of "happy sound" music. Last died on 9 June 2015 in Florida at the age of 86.

Ron Moody (1924 – 11 June 2015)

Moody (born Ronald Moodnick) was a British actor, known for his Golden Globe-winning and Oscar-nominated performance as Fagin in Oliver! and as the wizard Merlin in Disney's A Kid in King Arthur's Court.

Moody worked in a variety of genres, but is perhaps best known for his starring role as Fagin in Lionel Bart's stage and film musical Oliver! based on Oliver Twist by Charles Dickens. He created the role in the original West End production in 1960, and reprised it in the 1984 Broadway revival, garnering a Tony Award nomination for Best Actor in a

Those we have lost
Musical. For his performance in 1968 film Oliver!, he received the Golden Globe Award for Best Actor (Musical/Comedy), the Best Actor award at the 6th Moscow International Film Festival and an Academy Award nomination in the same category. Reflecting on the role, Moody states: "Fate destined me to play Fagin. It was the part of a lifetime. That summer of 1967 [during filming] was one of the happiest times of my life". He reprised his role as Fagin at the 1985 Royal Variety Performance in Theatre Royal, Drury Lane before Queen Elizabeth II and the Duke of Edinburgh.

Moody appeared in several children's television series, including the voice of Badger and Toad in the TV Adaptation of Colin Dann's The Animals of Farthing Wood, Noah's Island, Telebugs, Into the Labyrinth, and the Discworld series. Among his better known roles was that of Prime Minister Rupert Mountjoy in the comedy The Mouse on the Moon (1963), alongside Margaret Rutherford, with whom he appeared again the following year in Murder Most Foul (1964), one of Rutherford's Miss Marple films. He played French entertainer and mime artist The Great Orlando in the 1963 Cliff Richard film Summer Holiday. He acted again with former Oliver! co-star Jack Wild in Flight of the Doves (1971).

In 1969, Moody was offered, but declined, the lead role in Doctor Who, following the departure of Patrick Troughton from the part. He later told many people (including Doctor Who companion Elisabeth Sladen) that declining the role was a decision he subsequently regretted. He played Ippolit Vorobyanninov alongside Frank Langella (as Ostap Bender) in Mel Brooks' version of The Twelve Chairs (1970). In 2003, he starred in the black comedy Paradise Grove alongside Rula Lenska, and played Edwin Caldecott, an old nemesis of Jim Branning on the BBC soap EastEnders. In 2005, he acted in the Big Finish Productions Doctor Who audio play Other Lives, playing the Duke of Wellington.

In 2004, the British ITV1 nostalgia series After They Were Famous hosted a documentary of the surviving cast of the film Oliver! Several of the film's musical numbers were re-enacted. Moody, then 80 but still spry, and Jack Wild (seriously ill with oral cancer at the time) recreated their dance from the closing credits of the film. Moody appeared in an episode of BBC1's Casualty (aired on 30 January 2010) as a Scottish patient who had served with the Black Watch during the Second World War.

On 30 June 2010, Moody appeared on stage at the end of a performance of Cameron Mackintosh's revival of Oliver! and made a humorous speech about the show's 50th anniversary. He then reprised the "Pick a Pocket or Two" number with the cast. Ron Moody died in a London hospital on 11 June 2015, aged 91.

**Jorge Galemire**  
(1951 – 2015)

Galemire was a Uruguayan guitarist, arranger, composer and vocalist and member of Trelew along with vocalist Karen Ann. Galemire is recognized as one of the earliest creators and exponents of candombe beat. On May 22, 2008 he was awarded a Graffiti (Uruguayan equivalent of the Grammys) for his lifetime's work. In 1975 he participated for a short time in the group Canciones para no dormir la siesta. In 1977 he co-founded Los que iban cantando, one of the most important groups in Uruguayan popular music during the military dictatorship.

After performing a number of shows in Uruguay, and then Argentina, Trelew released their debut album...
Randy Howard (1950-2015)

Country music singer Randy Howard has been killed in a shootout at his home with a bounty hunter trying to detain him on a DUI charge, authorities said. Several media outlets report the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation is looking into the Tuesday night shooting of 65-year-old Randy Howard in Lynchburg. Media report Howard has performed with country music stars Willie Nelson and Waylon Jennings.

The Tennessee Bureau of Investigation was looking into the circumstances of Tuesday night’s shooting of 65-year-old Randy Howard, agency spokesman Josh DeVine said in an email.

Howard was a member of country music’s "Outlaw" movement, which rejected Nashville’s polished music in favor of a rougher sound. Howard shared the stage with Willie Nelson, Waylon Jennings and Hank Williams Jr., and has written songs for Hank Williams III, according to Howard’s LinkedIn site.

Hank Williams III posted a picture on his Facebook page Thursday of him and Howard smiling together under the words, "RIP Randy Howard."

Ruth Alice "Ronnie" Gilbert (1926 – 2015)

Gilbert was an American folk singer, songwriter and activist.

She was one of the original members of the music quartet the Weavers, as a contralto with Pete Seeger, Lee Hays, and Fred Hellerman. Gilbert was married to Martin Weg from 1950 until 1959, and the couple have one daughter, Lisa (born 1952).

Their marriage ended in divorce. In 2004, Gilbert married her partner of almost two decades and her manager, Donna Korones, when then-Mayor Gavin Newsom temporarily legalized gay marriage in San Francisco. Gilbert moved to Caspar, California, in 2006. Gilbert died on June 6, 2015 in Mill Valley, California, from natural causes, age 88.

Those We Have Lost
Now, I don't know whether this is a good idea, a bad idea, or just an idea, but - as I believe you know - this magazine is put out each week on a budget of £25, and is free. It will remain free, but I would like to be able to generate some income so I can pay our contributing writers. So, 'why not flog Gonzo Weekly T Shirts?' I thought. 'Why not', I answered...

http://www.zazzle.co.uk/gonzoweekly
Artist Merrell Fankhauser  
Title Signals  
Cat No.HST314CD  
Label Gonzo  

New Sci Fi Symphonic Instrumental Surf album
Featuring strange radio signals from the underwater anomaly off the Malibu California coast. A few years back UFO buffs began investigating some strange electronic signals that appeared to be emanating from a spot deep beneath the Pacific Ocean off the Malibu coast. They reported bizarre psychic phenomena in conjunction with them, and legendary surf guitarist Merrell Fankhauser was inspired to write music based on, and including them.

Artist Hugh Hopper  
Title Volume 8: Bass On Top  
Cat No.HST250CD  
Label Gonzo  

This acclaimed 10 volume set of unreleased recordings by the legendary Hugh Hopper, bass player with Soft Machine and so much more, was curated by Canadian Hopperologist Mike King, who sadly died during the production of the series. Volume eight consists of an improvised studio session with pianist Slava Ganelin & drummer Aahron Kaminsky, Israel 2007.
Artist Tommy James  
Title Hold The Fire  
Cat No.7060  
Label Aura

How many musicians are not only surviving but thriving after 40 years in the business? Well, you can count Tommy James as part of the latter category. James’ first record "Hanky Panky" ravaged the charts back in 1966.

He followed that up with a string of gold and platinum records like "Mony Mony", "Crystal Blue Persuasion", "Ball and Chain", "Draggin' the Line", "Crimson and Clover" among many.

His music has never lost its importance as it is constantly in demand for soundtracks such as Austin Powers, Apollo 13 and Forrest Gump.

James' latest record is another solid lineup of great rock 'n' roll songs. His songwriting has not diminished with time as this set proves the well is not dry. The title track is a compelling piece that shows James is in quite good voice as well. "Isn't That the Guy" is a hooky piece with a rhythm that goes straight for the hips. "Love Words" is one of those gorgeous slow cuts that James does so well.

Not merely a retro set from another '60s star, Hold the Fire is a terrific record that would be of interest to anybody who likes great Adult Oriented Rock delivered by a guy who still has the goods.

Artist Inner City Unit  
Title New Anatomy  
Cat No.RRA104CD  
Label Gonzo

In 1982 Inner City Unit, the band led by ex-Hawkwind sax man Nik Turner was put on hold as Turner recorded with another ex-Hawkman Robert Calvert. But in 1984 they were back and recorded this exciting album with drummer Steve Pond. It was originally issued on a label owned by yet another one of Hawkwind’s many alumni, effectively keeping it in the family. ICU were at the top of the game at the time with UK tour which saw them blowing Americans Husker Du off stage night after night.

Artist Mick Abrahams and Guests  
Title Mick Abrahams Revived  
Cat No.HST277CD  
Label Gonzo
In the middle of a career which had seen him play with everyone from Rod Stewart to Jefferson Airplane, multi instrumentalist, continued his lifetime's habit of doing what everyone least expected with the release of what he himself describes as “an avant garde piano album” in 2000. Great stuff.

Over the years Mick Abrahams has recorded a number of solo albums, steeped in the delta blues DNA that had mystically been passed down to him by Robert Johnson. Mick is 71 now, and not in the best of health, but he still has the heart of a bluesman and the remarkable musicianship on this gem of an album pays testament to that. And now, at the age of 71 he has made what is possibly the strongest album of his career. This time he is accompanied by a whole slew of special guests including Martin Barre his successor in Jethro Tull, legendary singer Paul Jones, Elliott Randall, Steely Dan’s one-time guitarist, Jim Rodford drummer from The Kinks, Bernie Marsden the guitarist from Whitesnake, and Bill Wyman the best bass player The Rolling Stones ever had.

Graham Walker - drums
John Gordon - bass
Jim Rodford - bass
George Muraymi - keyboards
Elliott Randall - gtr
Geoff Whitehorn - gtr
Martin Barre - gtr
Bernie Marsden - gtr
Emily Gardner - gtr
Josh Phillips - hammond organ
Mark Feltham - harmonica vox
Paul Jones - harmonica vox
Beverley Skeete - vox
Don Andrews - vox
Patrick Walshe - vox
Peter Aldridge - vox
Frank mead - saxophones, squeezebox
Nick Payn - saxophones, vox
Bill Wyman - bass
Terry Taylor - gtr

Artist Barbara Dickson
Title Answer Me
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Label Chariot

Barbara Ruth Dickson, OBE (born Dunfermline, Fife, 27 September 1947) is a Scottish singer whose hits include "I Know Him So Well" and "January February". Dickson has placed fifteen albums in the UK Albums Chart from 1977 to date, and had a number of hit singles, including four which reached the Top 20 in the UK Singles Chart.

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Over the years I have had the signal honour of interviewing many famous men and women, but the pinnacle of my career came this week when I interviewed the living legend, that is John Shuttleworth.

I received the following curriculum vitae from a shadowy figure in a dark raincoat who scared the living daylights out of me when he accosted me in Tesco and insisted that I include it in this week’s magazine.

Who he was, or why and how he tracked me down to the fresh pasta counter I have no idea:

**Name:** John Shuttleworth

**Address:** Oo I can’t tell you that. Alright then - Walkley, Sheffield.
John Shuttleworth
Versatile Singer-Songwriter.

Ambition:
To become successful in the sphere of popular music.

Agent:
Impresario Ken Worthington TV's Clarinet Man.

Favourite Colour: Fawn.

For some reason that I truly don’t understand he also insisted that I talk to some bloke called Graham Fellows.

I vaguely remember meeting him before, just after I split up with my first wife and he told me that he empathised with me. “I know what its like to be jilted, Jon,” he said.

However, I have no idea why Mr Shuttleworth, or should I refer to him as ‘Maestro’ because somehow it seems more appropriate, wanted me to interview this Fellows fellow, but when a star of Shuttleworth’s magnitude asks you to do something, one does not demur for a moment.

Interviewing this masterful songwriter was one of the great moments of my life, equal only, probably, to the day that I managed to breed my SouthAmerican Aequidens for the first time.

You too can share in this magnificent interview by clicking on the link below.

Go on...CLICK!!!

Occupation: Well, I used to be a security guard for a sweet factory in the Rotherham area, and before that I worked for Comet. Now I’m a versatile singer/songwriter. (I also do a bit of drama, and I'm available for instore promotions, theme nights, sheltered accommodation etc.)

Parts Played:
Wishee Washee in Aladdin at Dinnington Alhambra; Ethiopian Slave in South Yorkshire Amateur Operatic Society’s production of Aida; a Waiter in Just Good Friends - unfortunately you only see the edge of my tray as Paul Nicholas's head is in the way (his hair is very thick and lustrous, you see); Talent Contestant in BBC TV’s The Paradise Club. (Hey, I’ve done quite a bit really haven't I?)

Special Skills:
Swimming underwater - though I haven't attempted it for a while. (There’s always too many kiddies in the shallow end). Carpentry, Pingpong.
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David Pack (http://www.napacrossroads.com) is the composer, producer and multi-talented musician who led the progressive rock band Ambrosia with his superb songwriting, vocals and guitar. The group recorded five albums and staged numerous tours over the years. Since that time, David released several quality solo albums, which reflect his love of melodic inventive pop, with R&B and jazz sensibilities, and rich vocal harmonies. Concurrently, David’s had a successful second career as a Grammy winning record producer, including among others Phil Collins, Kenny Loggins, Aretha Franklin, Wynonna, and has been a Music Director of global stage events including both of President Clinton’s Inaugurals and events for Barbara Streisand, Elton John, and Billy Joel. Of all these events, one of his most cherished projects was to honor his friend, mentor, and godfather of his oldest daughter, Leonard Bernstein by doing a contemporary pop version of West Side Story with 27 of the world’s biggest stars doing his arrangements and production to raise money for Grammy in the Schools and Bernstein’s BETA education fund. Of additional note to prog fans is David’s long association with Alan Parsons including his appearances on several of Alan’s albums, and the Walk Down Abbey Road U.S. and Japan tours, among other collaborations.

Most recently David wrote and recorded with a large number of collaborators including Ray Manzarek (The Doors) Todd Rundgren, Alan Parsons, and many other luminaries, to create David Pack’s Napa Crossroads. Last month at Napa’s BottleRock festival David assembled a band to present one of those new tracks, along with hits from Ambrosia and those of three additional contemporary lead singers, famous for their work in Kansas, Chicago, Survivor and others. We were there for the show with friends and family, and had a fun afternoon rocking out to these classics. I had the opportunity to talk to David about Napa Crossroads, and his BottleRock tour date.

The Napa Crossroads album represents a return to form as it includes some prog-based sounds alongside an eclectic mix of folk, jazz and rock influences. The song “Silverado Free” is a highlight with keyboard and spoken word from The Doors alum Ray Manzarek. “Progressive music has always been a part of my life,” says Pack. “It lives in me. I’m steeped in classic music. Thinking of Ray and how artistically incredible he was – I wanted to challenge him so I wrote the song in 6/4. He lived on Silverado Trail, so I worked that into the...
song. It turns out to be his last great recording – It’s my favorite track and meaningful to me.” While David is preparing to present the new album live, he’s also been arranging concerts that showcase his hits alongside those of his contemporaries, and this is what we saw at BottleRock. Explains Pack, “Napa Crossroads Live is a brand I’m building, so we can bring in legendary stars for a collaborative effort, just like the CD. It’s another way of telling my brothers from my generation: ‘here is a way for us to come together and play.’ Its reflective of how much I love Napa Valley and want to be an ambassador to it – bringing the upscale wine enthusiast together with a different demographic.”

David performed two mega-hits originally recorded with Ambrosia, “You’re The Only Woman” and “Biggest Part of Me” along with “Every Time I Look At You,” one of the new songs written and recorded with Silver Oak Cellars CEO David Duncan who joined David on stage. The band was in great form, and each of four main vocalists played a few of their most popular songs. Of particular note, David’s voice is undiminished by time, and he remains one of our greatest vocal talents (and quite a guitarist it must be said!) In anticipation of the show, David shared the plan. “The preference of the BottleRock promoters, and the assumption is, the fans are going to want to hear our hits. So its under our banner of Napa Crossroads Live, but you are going to see Bill Champlin of Chicago and Sons of Champlin doing his hits [including “Hard Habit to Break”], John Elefante doing Kansas hits [“Point of Know Return, “Dust In The Wind” and “Carry On My Wayward Son”], and Jim Peterik performing several songs from his playbook [including “Hold On Loosely” and “Eye of the Tiger.”] We are backed by a superstar band, which includes Kenny Arnoff (drums), Alex Al (bass), Tom Brooks (keys) and Dave Coyle (guitar). I’m the host – the invitee – so I asked all these guys to play, and we’ll present our popular songs – we’ve done this show before, sometimes with other artists, and it’s been a blast.”

The concert was indeed special as each of the vocalists presented at their best and celebrated in style. There wasn’t time to dig deeper into back catalogs for more rare tracks, but when time permits in the future we expect David will include more of his progressive and rocking material. “I am tired of promoters calling me asking if I would perform in some kind of ‘Yacht Rock’ band – I would rather put my hand on a burner than to see myself on YouTube under that banner” says Pack.

David’s next project will be to capture the Napa Crossroads material live: “What we’re working on now is a PBS special for Soundstage – it’s in the making. We’ll do a concert in Napa Valley then hopefully tour it. It’s an artistic endeavor – the art of fine winemaking, and the music that follows.”

Here’s hoping for that video and tour. In the meantime, for those unable to catch David live, but appreciate adventurous music, try out some of his past and present work. Highly recommended from two different eras: Ambrosia’s Somewhere I Never Travelled (1976) and David Pack’s Napa Crossroads (2013).

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Asante sana (thank you very much),

David Banks
Director, Africa Region
The Nature Conservancy

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Long time *Gonzo Weekly* contributor Bart Lancia (aka my favourite roaming reporter) edits a sport newsletter called ‘Stepping Out’. In an issue just before Christmas he was kind enough to include a piece about the Jon Anderson/Matt Malley charity single that we released late last year.

Thank you Bart. That is very kind of you...
Legendary YES Singer/Songwriter Jon Anderson and Counting Crows Matt Malley To Release Charity Single “The Family Circle”

London, UK - GONZO Multimedia is proud to announce the release of a new charity single “The Family Circle” by legendary YES vocalist/songwriter Jon Anderson and former Counting Crows bassist Matt Malley. The money received from the single will go to the following charities: Flutie Foundation - www.flutiefoundation.org (Jon Anderson), Sahaja Yoga Meditation - www.sahajayoga.org (Matt Malley) and National Autistic Society - www.autism.org.uk (Rob Ayling, GONZO Multimedia president)

“'Family Circle' came together when Matt sent me the beautiful music earlier this year. I sang the song and lyric idea and sent it back to Matt, thanking him for the great energy. Eventually, Matt added some more sounds and the haunting guitar solo. We decided to have all sale proceeds go to our respective charities. It's a pleasure to release this around Thanksgiving time, reminding us of our connection with our families and how our children keep us together, bonding our love of life.” - Jon Anderson

“Not only am I a fan of Jon's voice but I'm a fan of his fearless spiritual outlook which appears in all of his music. A mutual friend said we should meet and got us in touch and after talking a little, Jon said, 'So send some music!' - so I had a cup of my best Darjeeling tea, went into my studio and came up with the instrumental arrangement that you hear on 'Family Circle'. I sent the file up to Jon and it came back with his marvelous voice, lyrics...everything that brought the song to becoming fully realized.” - Matt Malley

Jon Anderson is undoubtedly one of the most recognizable voices in progressive rock as the original lead vocalist and creative force behind YES. Anderson was the author and a major creative influence behind the ground-breaking album 'Fragile' as well as the series of epic, complex pieces such as “Awaken”, “Gates of Delirium” and especially “Close to the Edge” which were central to the band's success. Additionally, Anderson co-authored the group's biggest hits, including “I've Seen All Good People”, “Roundabout”, and “Owner of a Lonely Heart”. In addition, Jon Anderson had great success with a series of albums he did with Vangelis, and most recently released the critically-acclaimed solo album entitled “Survival and Other Stories” (GONZO Multimedia). In the fall of 2014 Jon Anderson teamed up with jazz violin legend Jean-Luc Ponty to form the AndersonPonty Band.

Matt Malley is an Oscar, Grammy and Golden Globe nominated songwriter who is best known for co-founding the multi-platinum selling rock band Counting Crows back in the early 90's. He appears as bassist on their biggest hit records and songs. In 2004 Matt retired from the band so he could work from his studio at home and be with his family. He is a student of the Indian Slide Guitar and a fan of Progressive Rock,
Celtic Folk, World and Indian Music.

Listen to a sample of the track here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hATdN-XMBSQ


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Jon Anderson's official website: www.JonAnderson.com
Matt Malley's official website: www.malleyablemusic.com
Jon Anderson, Matt Malley and Gonzo Multimedia each chose a recipient for their share of the profits from this single.

- Gonzo chose the National Autistic Society [www.autism.org.uk](http://www.autism.org.uk)

Go to iTunes and buy the record. It is not only a great tune, but will do an immeasurable amount of good.
AUTISM AFFECTS FAMILIES
The Doug Flutie, Jr. Foundation for Autism was established in 1998 by former NFL quarterback Doug Flutie and his wife, Laurie, in honor of their son, Doug, Jr. who was diagnosed with autism at the age of three. Autism is a neurological disorder that impacts the normal development of the brain in the areas of social interaction and communication skills. Autism prevalence figures are growing and today it affects 1 in 68 children and 1 in 42 boys. It is the fastest-growing serious developmental disability in the U.S and can cost a family $50,000 a year on average.

OUR MISSION
The goal of the Doug Flutie, Jr. Foundation for Autism is to improve the quality of life for people and families affected by autism. We are dedicated to increasing the awareness of autism and the unique challenges of families who are faced with it everyday. Our commitment is to support these families by helping them find the resources they need and by funding advocacy programs as well as educational, therapeutic and recreational opportunities.

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AND PROVIDING SUPPORT
The Doug Flutie, Jr. Foundation for Autism serves a unique and important role in connecting people and families living with autism to the resources and support they need throughout their challenging journey. In 2013, the Flutie Foundation awarded over $700,000 to support the autism community, touching the lives of approximately 5,000 people. Through our general grants program, we granted $451,000 to 36 outstanding non-profits across the US (and in Canada). In addition, the Flutie Foundation gifted $52,800 to autism support groups and to families for special projects. $72,000 in Connecticut family grants through a new program called Joey’s Fund, and $103,000 in technology grants to Northeast schools and programs through the growing Allison Keller iPad Program.

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In the spring of 1984 I was at the RSD warehouse prepping some gear for a Caribbean festival and carnival we were doing in Leeds. A guy came in and asked us if we knew any backline technicians who would be available for a few gigs in the summer with Roger Chapman. I gave him my number and said that I was not a guitar tech as such, but I could tune them and set amps up. If they were really stuck I would be happy to do it. I always liked Roger’s music right from the days of seeing Family play Middle Earth way back in the ‘60s.

The next day I got a call from Chris Youle, Roger’s manager at the time and he asked me to come and see him in Bromley. He was also meeting another guy who was up for the job. After a fairly short conversation we were both hired. The other guy was called Gordon Waters, and we divided the stage up between us. He would do the drums and the keyboards and I would look after the guitars and saxophone. We went along to 101 Studios in the Holloway Road to meet everyone and go over the gear.

There were quite a few people crammed into that small room. The band consisted of Sam Kelly on drums, Geoff Whitehorn on guitar and vocals, Nick Pentelow on sax and keyboards, Brian Johnson on keyboards, and Tony Stevens on bass – with Roger on vocals of course! There was also Wilf Wittingham (tour manager and part time Fagin lookalike – it was he who came to RSD that day), Brian Gallivan, who seemed to have no particular function except to drive Roger to the studio and back, ‘H’ Griffiths, front of house engineer, and Ray Salter who did the monitors. Gordon and I had the job of driving the transit van to the gigs as well as looking after the gear. That was the beginning of a long friendship between the two of us. I think, in the five years that I toured with Roger, we never argued once.

Geoff’s guitar set up was interesting. It was the first time I had come across those clamps that lock the strings in place once they are tuned. I also had to apply solder to the windings around the ball of the strings to stop them unravelling when he went savage on the whammy bar. I told him that I was not the kind of tech that would be able to take his guitar or amp apart and fix it, and said that he should show me exactly how he wanted it all set up and I would do it that way for him. This seemed to work. After an hour or so I pretty much...
understood how he wanted me to set the guitars up.

The gigs were a series of festivals in Germany and a few gigs in the Eastern Bloc. Roger had given a few tracks to an East German record company and they released an album. This meant that Roger was one of the few western acts to be allowed to play in East Germany. This also meant we had to get all sorts of documents and visa sorted out. Neither Gordon nor I had been in East Germany before – apart from the brief trip through the corridor to West Berlin, and my unmeaning excursion to the Polish border with Pink Floyd. When we had loaded the van with the back line we went to Chris Youle’s house to get the money for the trip, and the information about which border post we were to go to, to cross into the east. Then Gordon and I set off to drive to Rostock, the first port of call.

East Germany was a stark place in the 1980s. Uniformly grey, as if it was the only colour that was allowed in this land. Buildings were either very old and crumbling, shored up with bad concrete patches or brand new square blocks with an austere uniformity to them. It seemed odd to cross from the jangle of colour that was the prosperous West Germany into this dark land. In later winter tours of East Germany I noticed the fog that would shroud most East German towns, but even that would stop when it got to the border. Even the fog could not escape that totalitarian regime. It was a shock for travellers used to more western delights. The food was mediocre to bad and, even the good hotels had a miasmic smell about them, sort of stale and unwashed. One thing that struck me was that all through the time I was in East Germany every single toilet had the same pungent smell.

There is a book that is well worth looking up if you don’t know it. It is called The Meaning of Liff by Douglas Adams. It is very funny. I won’t go into details, but the idea behind it was that there were things and experiences that had no names for them and lots of names doing nothing useful except hanging around on signposts pointing at places. Douglas Adams put the experiences and things together with the place names. It is a great book and I used to carry a copy around with me in my briefcase. I remembered a family holiday when we rented a house on the beach at Worthing, and a summer’s storm dragged in acres of seaweed and deposited it on the beach to rot. That was the smell that seemed to hang around the East German toilets, and I called it Worthing. Whatever the country lacked in food and amenities it made up for in enthusiasm for the music.

The band went down an absolute storm and we marched on through this short tour. Weimar was a lovely little town. It is famous for its cultural associations with Goethe and many other people. We stayed in the Hotel Elephant, whose booklet proudly trumpets a list of people who have stayed there, Bach, Liszt, Wagner, Thomas Mann and Tolstoy. It does not mention another famous guest. Adolf Hitler was pictured standing on the balcony addressing the crowd below. The room that lies behind that balcony is now the manager’s office and not a suite, as it was back in the ‘30s when the photo was taken. Roger tried to get the manager to allow him to have his photo taken there, but was steadfastly refused. I have no doubt that it was a question he got asked a lot.

After the brief set of gigs in East Germany we went on to Yugoslavia and then to Bratislava for the Lyra Song Festival. The Lyra Song Festival is the ‘Commievision Song Contest’ – their version of Eurovision. It takes place in a large TV studio and, not speaking any of the languages used, I had absolutely no idea what was going on most of the time. We set up Roger’s gear on a rolling riser which would be pushed out into the main stage area when it was his turn to perform. Roger had a pretty big hit with the Mike Oldfield song ‘Shadow on the Wall’. It was No.1 in Germany all over Christmas in 1983, and in most of Europe too. That was the song he was going to perform here.

While I was setting up for the show I was approached by a lovely woman. I thought I knew her from somewhere and when she introduced herself as Dana Gillespie I felt a little foolish for not recognising her before. I can remember the cover of hers for ‘Weren’t Born a Man’ (a song that hints at a lesbian dalliance). She asked me if Roger was around and said they had done some recording together a while back and she hadn’t seen him for ages. I was just replying that he was back at the hotel and would be along soon when Wilf yelled at me from the other end of the corridor, ‘Oi, stop chatting up the tarts and get the gear ready, we are on in 20 minutes.’

Dana looked back at him. ‘I think you should hold your tongue until you know who you are talking about,’ she said, ‘and I have not been called a tart for a long time.’

‘Friend of Roger’s – Dana Gillespie,’ I said to Wilf as I walked past him.….
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Jubilee

2012 was the year of the Queen’s Jubilee.

Have you ever wondered where the word "Jubilee" comes from? Obviously it denotes a celebration, a time of jubilation. But the question is, what is it we are supposed to be celebrating exactly?

Originally the word represented the ancient practice of debt forgiveness. In the Bible this took place at the end of seven times seven years, that is in the fiftieth year, when debt was cancelled, debt slavery was ended, and property returned to its original owners.

As it says in Leviticus 25:10: “Consecrate the fiftieth year and proclaim liberty throughout the land to all its inhabitants. It shall be a jubilee for you; each one of you is to return to his family property and each to his own clan.”

The practice was also undertaken by Bronze Age kings and the Roman State. Whenever the debt burden became too great, the kings would declare an end to debt, thus ensuring the loyalty of the people. The debt ledgers would be burned and a clean slate declared.

Often this was done on the King’s anniversary. This was something seriously worth celebrating. Hence the association between royal birthdays and the idea of the jubilee. It’s a pity we don’t understand the meaning of the word anymore, or that the Queen can’t declare debt forgiveness on her birthday.

This, of course, is precisely our problem now. The world is so deeply in debt that it would take several lifetimes to pay it back. Meanwhile, the people we owe it to – the bankers – are so wealthy that it would take them several lifetimes to spend it.

The debt is greater now than at the onset of the Great Depression.

We have seen a massive redistribution of wealth, from the less well off to the wealthiest. The people who created the banking crisis have been rewarded, while the rest of us are suffering. And, meanwhile, nothing is being added to the world’s wealth. Bankers are not engaged in manufacture, in innovation, or in research and development. Really they are little more than administrators who happen to have the keys to the safe.

They are administering our money, and then gambling with it for their own profit. Or as the title of a famous book by William K Black has it: “The Best Way to Rob a Bank Is to Own One.”

Live-in Vehicle

There was a story in the Daily Mail recently about self-employed auto-electrician Daniel Bond who converted a double-decker bus into a home.

This is not new, of course. It’s exactly what New Age travellers were doing over thirty years ago: turning buses, lorries, horse boxes, vans, trailers, army trucks and other vehicles into mobile homes. It was one of the reasons the travellers got so comprehensively trashed back then.

It’s exactly what gypsies and Irish travellers are still doing, only their preferred type of live-in vehicle is a highly polished trailer with glittering cut-glass windows and hundreds of knick-knacks all over the place.

Irish travellers and gypsies are also still being
"Promise me, David...
you will look after the rich
and ruin the country
for everyone else, won't you..?"
comprehensively trashed to this day.

Daniel Bond’s double-decker home cost £11,000 to convert and has all the mod-cons, including a fitted kitchen and a fully-functioning bathroom. He did it because of the ridiculous house prices, he said.

The problem with the travelling lifestyle is that it doesn’t tie people to the planning system and is therefore relatively cheap.

Everyone knows that house prices are grossly inflated. Between 1998 and 2007 house prices went up, on average, by 168%. Much of the reason for the current recession has to do with the banks’ aggressive lending over this period, driving up house prices to many times average earnings and fuelling a speculative bubble.

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The Masters of the Universe do seem to have a steady stream of interesting stories featuring them, their various friends and relations, and alumni. Each week Graham Inglis keeps us up to date with the latest news from the Hawkverse.

A new release, "Moonrockin" by Moonloonies, might not be greeted with nods of familiarity in the music world, but it's nonetheless of potential interest to Hawkwind fans, as it's mainly the project of an ex-Hawkwind performer, Crum. and it's the fourth Moonloonies release, too.

Crum played keyboards on some of the 1989 "Hawkdog" dates and on the 1997 UK and Europe tour. And of the several guest musicians on the album, one is a certain Mr Dibs - the current Hawkwind bass player and vocalist. Here, though, he brought along his electric 'cello.

The press release describes it as predominantly space-rock, "complete with drums, bass and samples, and it sounds like one mighty amalgam of all sorts of musical ideas that you may have glimpsed at in the past echelons of bands such as Hawkwind, Gong, Tribe of Cro and Melting Euphoria." - Notably, Tribe of Cro was the band Nial Hone played in before he joined Hawkwind.

The description continues, "It's all performed, played and arranged with some degree of real originality ... A lot of the music is instrumental and what vocals there is are kind of melded into the music as part of the instrumental wash of sound. The 'space' theme remains present throughout all eleven compositions, all of which are varied, yet similarly connected enough to give a flow from start to finish."

One track has the challenging name of "Deep Flat Flier" which I imagine radio DJs might mispronounce if they're in a hurry, especially if they're thinking about fish and chips at the time. Then again, though, this work might not register on the radar of most radio shows. It's available from Compact Disc Services for 11 quid.
Greetings space travellers!
This is your Hawkwind Earth Visitors Passport application form.

Please fill it in and return to Mission Control, at PO Box 617, Newcastle Upon Tyne, NE15 7WA, together with two passport sized photographs, signed on the back and a 16cm x 11.5cm stamped-addressed envelope.

The idea is for Hawkwind fans to have access to special Hawkwind events such as Hawkfest, obtain limited edition DVDs and CDs of exclusive material and to attend private Hawkwind parties.

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Volunteer Crew Register

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THE WORLD OF GONZO ACCORDING TO

Mark Raines

SUPER GHSTMAN

Power

Old Paranoid
Old Fart

Carpson
You know the score as well as I do. I’m not even going to try to pretend that this is an original idea of mine; the BBC thought it up decades ago and it was Rob Ayling’s idea to apply it to the Gonzo Weekly. The concept is a simple one: one takes a celebrity and plonks them on an unnamed desert island with a bible and the complete works of Shakespeare. Although any of our celebrities would be welcome to take a copy of the Bible and the complete works of Shakespeare with them, this being Gonzo, we can think of other, more appropriate accoutrements – what was it the good Doctor took with him on his most well known expedition? “We had two bags of grass, seventy-five pellets of mescaline, five sheets of high-powered blotter acid, a salt shaker half full of cocaine, and a whole galaxy of multi-colored uppers, downers, screamers, laughers and also a quart of tequila, a quart of rum, a case of Budweiser, a pint of raw ether and two dozen amyls.”

I wouldn’t necessarily go that far, but if we may again quote the good Doctor: "I hate to advocate drugs, alcohol, violence, or insanity to anyone, but they’ve always worked for me." I am not going to lay down the law as to what luxury, or indeed essential items, our castaways are going to be given. The only thing we are going to ask them is for ten records which they believe would be utterly essential for their wellbeing if Gonzo Multimedia really were going to plonk them on an island in the middle of the ocean, which I have to say that, after the week I’ve had, sounds like my idea of utter bliss.

You have, I believe, read me on the subject of my friend Andy Phillipson the druid. I know that his name has cropped up on several occasions in these pages.

Well. Have you ever wondered what a druid would take for listening material to a desert island? I know I have. So here is your chance to find out.

Wayhay!
Andy’s Top Ten

Right fella here they are, in no particular order:

Bob Dylan - Blowin’ in the Wind
Fleetwood Mac - Albatross
Led Zeppelin - Stairway to Heaven
Bob Marley - Redemption Song
Procul Harum - Whiter Shade of Pale

Damh the Bard,

(who you might not have heard of. All these are on Youtube:)
- Green and Grey
- Lady of the Silver Wheel
- Samhain Eve
- Antler Crown and Standing Stone
- Merlin am I
*The Court Circular* tells interested readers about the comings and goings of members of The Royal Family.

However, readers of this periodical seem interested in the comings and goings of Yes and of various alumni of this magnificent and long-standing band.

Give the people what they want, I say...

It has been another pretty good week for Yes-watchers, starting with a heartfelt tribute to ailing bassman Chris Squire. And news of a rare solo outing from Jon Anderson.

- JOOST MAGLEV: June - On Chris Squire's illness and Yes music
- Solo Sessions: Jon Anderson, the 'Voice of YES,' on June 19

Next, a couple of stories about the forthcoming live DVD, and an interview with guitar star Steve Howe

- Yes, “Heart of the Sunrise” from Like It Is (2015): One Track Mind
- Yes Guitarist Steve Howe Discusses Solo ‘Anthology’ And Prog-Rock Legacy, As Yes Summer Tour With Toto
- Like It Is – YES at the Mesa Arts Centre (2014, Close To The Edge & Fragile albums live)

And finally a Portuguese interview with Jon Anderson from last year. Don’t worry, he is speaking in English even if the interviewer and presenter aren’t...

- The Noite (14/10/14) - Entrevista com Jon Anderson, fundador da Banda Yes

I am probably getting a bit OCD about all of this, but I find the Yes soap opera of sound to be absolutely enthralling, and I for one can’t wait to see what happens next!
As I have intimated recently, Martin Eve and I are at the heart of a new venture - Wyrd Music. This is an extension of what I have been doing with music and theatre over the past ten years and is intended as a sister project to the CFZ Publishing Group. Working on vaguely Fortean and Anarchist, and strictly anti-capitalist lines, in the same way as CFZ Press, Fortean Words and the others put out books strictly because we want to read them, and because we think they should be out there whether they make a profit or not, Wyrd Music aims to do the same for music. Although it doesn’t officially launch until April Fool’s Day, a Blog, a website, a Facebook page, and some free music will be up in the webiverse in the next few days and will always be plugged shamelessly on the CFZ and Gonzo blogs. Why? Because I can.

So mote it be.

This really is hot off the press, this evening Wyrd Stalwarts Stargrace (pictured here with special guests Dogleg) and yer editor appeared at a music and poetry evening in Hartland at the Small School.

It was a lovely, relaxed and good vibey occasion, and a splendid time was had by all.

There was also cake, which is always a good thing. Videos of both Jon and Marianne’s sets will be up imminently.
Rob Ayling writes:

"Thom the World poet is an old mate of mine from way back in my history. Even pre-dating Voiceprint, when I was running "Otter Songs" and Tom’s poetry tapes and guest appearances with Daed Allen, Gilli Smyth Mother Gong are well known and highly regarded. It just felt right to include a daily poem from Thom on our Gonzo blog and when I approached him to do so, he replied with in seconds!!! Thom is a great talent and just wants to spread poetry, light and positive energy across the globe. If we at Gonzo can help him do that - why not? why not indeed!!"

LISTEN TO THE LIVING!

Waters of history blood sandwiches
Terror fear religion riots
hunger hate litanies petitions
walk down streets of cobblestoned
breaking windows.We have no key to NOH
Locks open for slim rivers.Occupation is for ever.
Gaelic Hedgerows.English gun schools
Black soutane betrayers.Where be poetry in this?
Mad Ezra?Exiled Joyce?Faerie mystic Yeats?
All wrote in arcane code our suppressed speech
Even the Bards are dead @Eisteddfods.Musical rhymes.Settle Down .
Hard stones and harder bread.Now we sell our Heritage.
Rag Tag broken Castles and stories of Wilde Bards.(Buried)
Mild child,abused ,told lies.God will not save the Irish
English God of Derry Provos vs Kneecap Real IRA .Both kill us
Germans gave rifles.They were defeated.The only gun is free speech
How many prison riots needed?How many dead brave Irish heroes?
Me?Rather listen to the living,as they sing on Galway Bay
Guinness in their hands.tears in eyes-sad,soft,sentimental sod sediments

Poor dear Ireland!Even her Emeralds only shine from the skies..
is almost painfully honest. Harris has had a most peculiar life, in which he has been buffeted and knocked about by the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune, but he has come through it remarkably unscathed. He is either a remarkable liar, or is truly not bitter about the way that he has been treated by various teams of management at the BBC who made him redundant on several occasions, and even by fellow DJ Bruno Brookes who made him bankrupt.

From the music buff's point of view, it is - of course - the earlier chapters of the book which are most interesting. His relationship with Marc Bolan in the late 1960s and the early 1970s is particularly interesting. He chronicles the break up of the relationship that Bolan had with John Peel in some detail, but the events that he describes have far more cogency than any of the other accounts that I have read, including Peel's. He also describes how Peel drew a line under his friendship with Harris himself, because he disapproved of the way that he was treating his first wife.

I had not realised that Bob Harris had been one of the original founders of *Time Out* - half the original editorial team, in fact.

With customary self-deprecation Harris describes the world of the 'underground' of the late 1960s in a way that suggests that he was far more of a mover and shaker at the time than I had ever guessed.

My interest in that particular movement was far more from the viewpoint of the revolutionary arm and in particular people like Mick Farren and his cohorts, but it was interesting to read about the other arm of the people who followed the good vibes of people like Harris.

One thing that comes over from the book, is that whilst he was only ever in line with what the mainstream media decided was public taste was for a few years in the early 1970s, when he won awards at the NME Poll-winners concert, for
example, he has always had a sizeable public following. He seems bewildered at this, but also bewildered at the way the management at the BBC and other radio stations have ignored this groundswell of public opinion in favour of what they, or the focus groups, think that the public should like. His description of the night that he left the BBC for the second time is particularly poignant, and one truly feels for this straightforward but oddly naive man.

His health scares take up nearly as much of the book as do his marital problems, and they both add to the emotional rollercoaster which anyone with any empathy has to feel as they follow the ups and downs of this extraordinary life.

From a Gonzo point of view, (and I, of course, mean the record company which finances this magazine, rather than the genre of journalism spearheaded by Hunter Thompson and followed enthusiastically by yours truly at various times in my career) it is his description of working with the Yorkshire prog rock band Wally whose records can now be found proudly nestling amongst the Gonzo catalogue, that are particularly of interest.

I loved the anecdote about Rick Wakeman absconding from the hospital where he was recovering from a heart attack, to oversee one
This is also the only book that I have ever read that says anything positive or complimentary about Mohamed Al-Fayed, but he seems to be genuinely fond of the man who was both his wife's employer, and someone who has helped Harris out on at least one memorable occasion.

Something else which is notable is his friendship with his ex-wives. Most of the people that I know (including me) are on terrible terms with their ex-spouse(s), and I think it is testament to Harris' personality that he is friends enough with his exes that they all turned up to say nice things about him when he appeared on *This is Your Life*. I, on the other hand, am one of those people who are very glad that I will never appear on the show, if only because most of the people I have left in my past (including my ex-wife, and a couple of major ex-girlfriends) are firmly in my past, and both I hope stay there.

The thing that I wish that he had expanded upon, however, was the way that he has translated his very 1960s attitude to life into the Internet savvy world of the 21st Century.

Because it is here that Bob Harris has finally found his professional home. He has taken to online life like a duck to water, with a thriving community based around his website. He even gets his head around Twitter which is something that I truly do not understand at all. After finishing the book I spent a couple of hours pottering around his website, and was most impressed by the family vibe of it all.

This is an uplifting and heartwarming book, even though the catalogue of disasters at various places along the way, and the descriptions of some of the more over the top 1970s rock and roll music debauchery make uncomfortable reading. But this is par for the course for the book. Bob Harris does not sugar coat the difficult bits, any more than he exaggerates or becomes maudlin over the good bits.

Like the book he has written, Bob Harris has integrity, and that is an increasingly valuable commodity in our increasingly unreliable and facile world.

Well done Bob. Whisper on, you funk soul brother.
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FOOD ALL DAY & LATE BAR
In Victorian times every well-bred Gentleman had a ‘Cabinet of Curiosities’; a collection of peculiar odds and sods, usually housed in a finely made cabinet with a glass door. These could include anything from Natural History specimens to historical artefacts.

There has always been something of the Victorian amateur naturalist about me, and I have a houseful of arcane objects; some completely worthless, others decidedly not, but all precious to me for the memories they hold.

But people send me lots of pictures of interesting, and, may I say, peculiar things. But once again this week it is over to my lovely wife…

“June is bustin' out all over!
All over the meadow and the hill!
Buds're bustin' outa bushes
And the rompin' river pushes
Ev'ry little wheel that wheels beside the mill!”

And apart from ‘buds bustin’ outa bushes’ and that ‘rompin’ river’ pushing, it is also the month of my mother’s birthday (tomorrow, in fact, the 13th) and this year she will be 86. So Happy Birthday ma!

And now I have passed on that wonderful earworm to those of you who know the tune (from Carousel by the way, for those who don’t know what I am talking about) I shall move swiftly on to this week’s titillating, awe-inspiring, and extra-ordinary items that I have dug up for the cabinet.

In truth, most of them are probably tat, but for the sake of over-glamourising this column just let yourself be titillated, awed, and extra-ordinaried to humour me.
MICHAEL JACKSON LAST HOME ITEM FROM HIS BEDROOM AT CAROLWOOD - US $3,700.00

"THIS ITEM CAME FROM THE BEDROOM WHERE JACKSON SLEPT AND PASSED AWAY. IT WAS BY THE FIREPLACE IN HIS BEDROOM CAN BE SEEN IF YOU LOOK IN CRIME PHOTS FROM THE COURT CASE OF HIS DEATH."

JULIANS AUCTION BEVERLY HILLS COMES WITH AUCTION PAPERS OF JACKSON HOME ON CAROLWOOD MUST SIGN AND COMES INSURED.

THIS ITEM HAS SOME HIDDEN ITEMS INSIDE THERE IS ANOTHER BUCKET THAT CAN BE REMOVED THERE ARE MATCHES, CANDLES, TRADERS JOES LIST OF FOOD BOUGHT DATED 10-27-2004 RITE AID TAG DATED 2-28-06 NEWSPAPERS FROM THE TIME"

"YES, YES, YES. BUT WHAT IS IT? YOU JUST KEEP WRITING ‘THIS ITEM’ – HA, YOU DON’T KNOW WHAT IT IS DO YOU? GO ON, ADMIT IT. BUT AS LONG AS IT COMES FROM MICHAEL JACKSON’S LAST HOME IT DOESN’T REALLY MATTER WHAT IT IS DOES IT? PAH."

VERY RARE CHER MERMAIDS BLOW UP DOLL-GREAT CONDITION-HARD TO FIND-CHER FANS-WOW! - US $99.99

"HERE IS A VERY RARE AND HARD TO FIND CHER ITEM. THE MERMAIDS BLOW UP DOLL,... NOT MANY WERE MADE SO THEY ARE VERY RARE. A GREAT ITEM FOR YOUR CHER COLLECTION,... NO HOLES IN THE ITEM IT HOLDS THE AIR"

Another ‘item’ I see. But at least we know what this item is. And that it has no holes in it and holds the air. We can’t have leakage.


"COUNTRY JOE & THE FISH: THE FISH GAME - ORIG. 1967 BOARD GAME. THIS 1 SIDED POSTER WAS AN INSERT FOR THE "I-FEEL-LIKE-I'M-FIXIN'-TO-DIE RAG" ALBUM IN 1967. THE BOARD CONTAINS 22 DETACHABLE CARDS, CUTOUT PIECES OF ALL 5 BAND MEMBERS. THE OBJECT OF THE GAME IS TO GET FROM THE FILLMORE TO THE AVALON BALLROOM. ART: GARY "CHICKEN" HIRSCH. CONDITION: NM- SLIGHT HANDLING. FOLDED AS ISSUED. NO TEARS. NO PINHOLES."

"THE BITCH IS BACK"
Well you don’t see this band name on the listings very often. In fact this is the first time I have seen it. A ‘wow’ moment if ever there was one.

Genesis, Peter Gabriel Pins and Play Cards Music Memorabilia - US $139.99

“Each ceramic pin a work of art, each one depicts a reference to early Genesis years, also a sealed deck of cards, each card, with all different depiction of older genesis years, Each pin hand made by Peter Wood in the UK, amazing set”

Well now you are talking. At last a quality product regarding a quality band.

Unfortunately, though, it states that the seller may not sell to the UK. But the pins were made in the UK! The band came from the UK! They were the best to come from the UK!

Let’s feast our eyes some more!

RARE VINTAGE 15 INCH MECHANICAL BEATLES DOLL (GEORGE HARRISON) 1960′S? (Don’t ask me – how am I supposed to know? - US $97.73

“Hi, I can not find any information on this 15 inch mechanical Beatles doll, it looks like a original from some company but I do not know. It could be folk art but everything on it looks like it was manufactured as a Beatle doll. He looks like George Harrison and the doll moves and plays "Que Sera Sera". It must be from the 1960′s and is in very good condition, only a small hole in the

SHAMELESS SELF PROMOTION TIME

Just in case you are interested, here is yer beloved Editor at iTunes

Check it out now...
No smell or stains on the back side of his pants? Gosh. Ah well, whatever will be, will be. It was Paul and Ringo who had something to do with the Mary Hopkin version, though not George. Bizarre.

RARE 1997 MADAME ALEXANDER THE BEATLES "ROCK 'N' ROLL GROUP" 8 INCH DOLL SET (#222110), IN LIKE NEW, VINTAGE CONDITION. INCLUDES ALL 3 GUITARS WITH CASES & THE RARE DRUM SET (STILL FACTORY SEALED). DOLLS ARE IN MINT CONDITION. SLEEP EYES WORK PERFECTLY SMOOTH. DOLLS COME IN ORIGINAL "MADAME ALEXANDER" BOX. SOME WEAR/TEAR ON BACK PACKAGE (AS SHOWN). OFFICIAL MADAME ALEXANDER MERCHANDISE, 1997. BID WITH CONFIDENCE. EMAIL ME FOR DETAILED PHOTOS NO FUNNY BUSINESS PLEASE*

Erm…..'no funny business'? I am intrigued. What possible business of the humorous kind could there be, Madame Alexander?
for the 2009 board game, Grateful Deadopoly, and feature individual illustrations of Jerry Garcia, Ron “Pigpen” McKernan, Phil Lesh, Bob Weir, Uncle Sam plus Bill Kreutzmann and Mickey Hart together on one piece. They range in size from 5.5” x 8.25” to 8” x 11”. The medium is pen and ink on 2-ply Bristol board, and they have been professionally framed (acid free matting, archival UV-blocking museum glass) as a set. Each of the six pieces is signed by the artist. Overall measurement of the framed piece is approximately 28.5” x 40.8”. The Deadopoly board game is not included in this auction. Photo of the game is for illustration purposes only.

This is a rare opportunity to obtain high quality, one-of-a-kind original artwork for your Grateful Dead collection. Tim Truman’s contributions to the GD art scene over the years have been extraordinary - a genuine talent!

Toodle-pip

“On accounta it's June!
June, June, June
Jest because it's June, June, June”

(Just in case that earworm wriggled out, let’s just put it back again)

Rare Willie Nelson Concert Doll Mint Condition Original Package Country Plush – US $199.99

“Rare Authentic Willie Nelson Concert Doll. New sealed in plastic.

Very nice and detailed has his earring, Willie Nelson and Family shirt, bandana, and cute braids.”

Someone else you don’t see very often on the listings. And the braids are darn cute. So willie or won’t he?

LED ZEPPELIN FIGURES DOLLS BAND statue - US $89.00

“THESE ARE LED ZEPPELIN FIGURES ARE APPROX. 6’ TALL, THE FIGURES BAND WITH INSTRUMENTS (NOT ACTION FIGURE). THE FIGURES AND ALL INSTRUMENTS ARE MADE OUT OF POLYRESIN, HANDPAINTED. PLEASE LOOK AT THE PICTURES FOR MORE DETAIL.”

Not so much ‘Ah, Ah, Ah, Ah’ but more ‘Aaaargh, Aaaargh, Aaaargh”

Grateful Dead Original Art by Tim Truman. 6 Illustrations from Deadopoly Game - US $1,599.00

“Offered for sale are six pieces of original artwork from Timothy Truman. These images were designed
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*The Weird Weekend* is the largest yearly gathering of mystery animal investigators in the English-speaking world. Now in its fourteenth year, the convention attracts speakers and visitors from all over the world and showcases the findings of investigators into strange phenomena.

For the second time, Cryptozoologists, parapsychologists, ufologists, and folklorists will be descending on The Small School in Hartland, to share their findings and insights. Unlike other events, the *Weird Weekend* will also include workshops giving tips to budding paranormal investigators, and even a programme of special events for children. The *Weird Weekend* is the only fortean conference in the world that is truly a family event, although those veterans of previous events should be reassured that it is still as anarchically silly as ever!

The event is raising money for the Centre for Fortean Zoology, the world’s only full time, professional cryptozoological organisation. The profit from food and beverages goes to The Small School.
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There are nine Henrys, purported to be the world’s first cloned cartoon character. They live in a strange lo-fi domestic surrealist world peopled by talking rock buns and elephants on wobbly stilts. They mooch around in their minimalist universe suffering from an existential crisis with some genetically modified humour thrown in. I think Peter McAdam is one of the funniest people around, and I cannot recommend his book The Nine Henrys highly enough. Check it out at Amazon. Each issue we shall be running a series of Henrybits that are not found in his book about the nine cloned cartoon characters who inhabit a surreal world nearly as insane as mine...
This book, which was released by Gonzo earlier this year is an erudite catalogue of some of the most peculiar records ever made. The authors have lined up, described and put into context 500 “albums” in the expectation that those of you who can’t help yourselves when it comes to finding and collecting music will benefit from these efforts in two ways.

- Firstly, you’ll know you are not alone.
- Secondly, we hope that some of the work leads you to new discoveries, and makes your life slightly better as a result.

Each issue we are featuring one of these remarkable and peculiar records in a crass attempt to flog you the book.

The Aphex Twin:
Selected Ambient Works Volume 2
(Warp Records, 1994)
What? Out there, ethereal and more familiar than you might think.

Richard D James AKA The Aphex Twin has long been a feature of the stranger end of dance music and his soundscapes have also seen heavy rotation as backing tracks for all manner of television and film productions. His rampantly experimental approach to his craft has taken in stunts that push the whole concept of making music to the limits. He has, on occasion, produced a ‘dance’ track with beats so fast they obliterated the melody line and spun a sandpaper disc during a DJ set.

His stated method of working during the period in which this double disc collection was amassed was to fall out of bed, create the work in the same room and compile the final running order after listening back to the varied results. Maybe so, but the one thing that sets apart this ethereal collection of 23 untitled works from much of the material produced in the mid-nineties ambient boom is the coherence it offers up. Apart from anything else the same production, same keyboard sounds and same absence of any driving rhythm mean everything here sounds like it belongs in the one collection.

Slowly turning melodies seep into each other, elliptical percussion echoes in the background and the soft edges of the synth sounds wrap the collected works in a soft audio fog, giving it a dream-like quality. As such, Selected Ambient Works Volume 2 lends itself to offering up new possibilities with every random play, and exists for all time in a curious borderland of experience, at once a focussed work of some genuine ambition and insight and at the same time a fleeting experience always just beyond the bounds of consciousness.

Well, either that or it sounds gorgeous and gives you a sense of sharing a room with a loving companion, even when you are completely alone.
Slartibartfass was founded in early 2005, and is a medieval influenced Pagan metal band with partial Humppa similarity in the style of Finntroll. The band is from Ulm, Baden-Württemberg, in Germany. The band’s name is based on the character, Slartibartfast from Douglas Adams' *The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy* (“Slartibartfaß” in the German translation). In the story, he works for a company that builds planets and - during assembly of the Earth - designed the Norwegian fjords himself. According to an interview, the name was chosen by the band to establish a Nordic connection without limiting themselves to typical themes that come with the genre. Also, it “doesn’t sound clichéd”.

**Band Members:**
- Philipp Bulling (vocals, guitars, Jew’s harp)
- Vladimir Nikolov (guitars)
- Jessica Bulling (bagpipes)
- Thomas (keyboards, Jew’s harp)
- Nicolas Hibst (bass, accordion, Jew’s harp)
- Juan (drums)

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Nineteen years ago this week I called an end to my career as a live musician. This was partly because my soon to be ex-wife was having an affair with Nigel, my ex-keyboard player and was planning to call time on our relationship, (that line in Spinal Tap about “Nigel leaving has given us the gift of freedom” never sounded more apposite, and partly because Dave the drummer was moving to London. It was never intended to be a permanent state of affairs, but until this year I had only trod the boards twice in the intervening years - once solo at a festival in 1997, and once with the band at the 2002 Weird Weekend.

Then Martin Eve persuaded me to do his charity show in April, and I enjoyed myself so much that this evening I did it again. Now there is no stopping me, and I think it will become a regular occurrence.

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