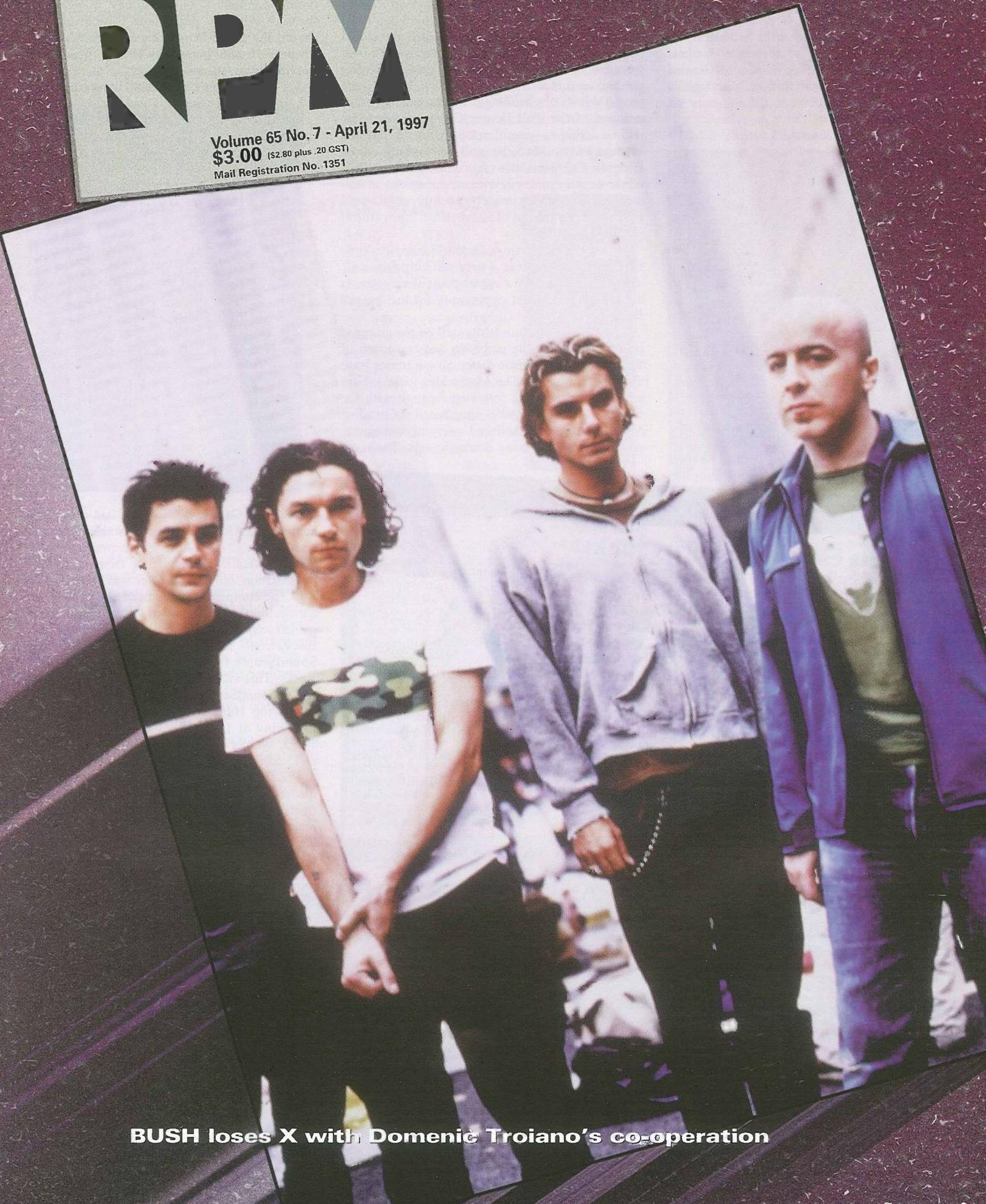


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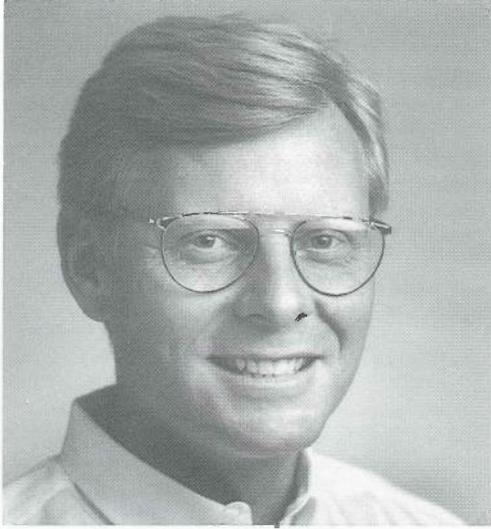
**BUSH loses X with Domenic Troiano's co-operation**

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## Zbitnew steps in as Alofs departs for Disney

After a whirlwind 19 months at the helm of BMG Canada, President Paul Alofs has resigned his post and decided to move on. Stepping up to General Manager position is Lisa Zbitnew, the label's marketing VP since she came to the company six months ago.

"Before I even recruited Lisa into BMG I



knew that I wanted her to join and that she would be the person that I would recommend to take over from me," Alofs commented last week following the announcement.

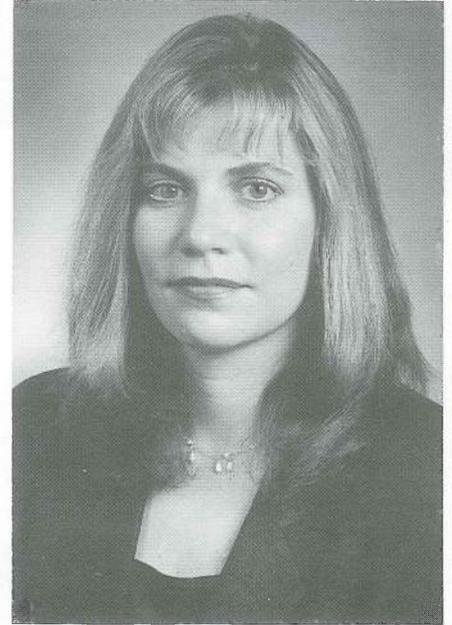
Alofs will be heading off to the seven figured pastures of the Walt Disney Company where he will be acting as general manager for Canada, the US and Puerto Rico. He will be working out of Glendale California in his first employment outside of the country and will oversee operations in 450 stores with approximately 15,000 employees representing about 152 million individual purchases a year.

"I really have enjoyed and still enjoy my time here at BMG so it was a very difficult decision," said Alofs. "But from a career point of view this is a huge job and career opportunity for me and my family."

Alofs' tenure with BMG will be remembered primarily for a strong emphasis and expansion of the company's domestic roster. Key signings from Treble Charger and The Monoxides to Jack Soul and Jaymz Bee were followed through with the formation of the ViK label, introduced at Canadian Music Week, and established solely to concentrate on the company's baby domestic acts. The most

dramatic emphasis on the policy, however, was through a highly publicised promotional trek aboard the Sonic Boom Bus in which Alofs and select BMG staff personally brought their product to radio and retail across Canada.

"The only thing that would have gotten me to



## Bush gets eXed at publicity junket

by Rod Gudino

Canada has joined the rest of the world in referring to Interscope/Universal artists Bush X by their correct namesake (sans the X) now that the Canadian legal rights to the name have been given over to the British band. Joined by Domenic Troiano, founding member of the 1970 Canadian rock band whose name caused the original trouble, the members of Bush took the stage at a press conference last week to officially remove the pesky X.

"It was really a matter of a misunderstanding," commented Troiano after several minutes of deliberating who would deliver the news. He added that it was never

his now defunct band's intention to stall the development of Bush's biggest per capita market, but only a matter of legal wrangling that was instigated and pursued by legal necessity.

"It was something that was never between us but between the lawyers," he remarked.

"We are excited to be able to carry the legacy of the name," added Bush singer Gavin Rossdale, who had personally discussed the taking on of the Bush name with Troiano.

While sales for Bush's newest release Razorblade Suitcase continue to skyrocket and the band claim a large responsibility for

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leave BMG Canada is a job that had everything," commented Alofs. "This is entertainment and it's retail and it's North American experience and it's Southern California and it's Disney. And that combination and a great offer was incredible."

The company kept its head above water over a dwindling retail climate of last year, and recently gained some ground with a strong release from the Backstreet Boys which has remained in SoundScan's top ten retail album chart for 27 weeks. That victory notwithstanding, BMG places last in SoundScan's first quarter results with 10.47 of the top 100 albums market share with EMI following at 13.65, Sony at 14.6, PolyGram at 14.95, Warner at 15.53 and Universal in the lead at 15.53.

Zbitnew, who joined BMG as Group VP of marketing in October of last year, will be taking over operations on July 1st and is committed to maintaining the company's policies introduced in the past year.

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### NO. 1 ALBUM



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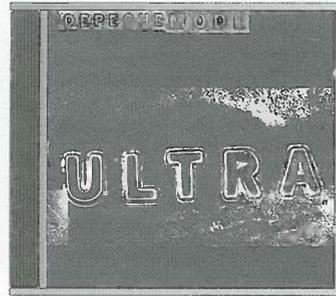


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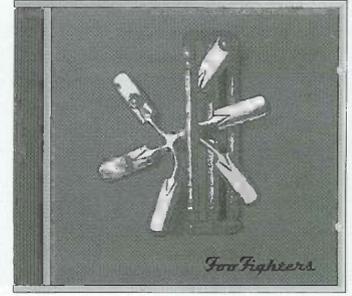


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### HIT PICK



**MONKEY WRENCH**

Foo Fighters

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"You can expect that we will continue on our plans as we've discussed them over the last six months and largely that's about maintaining our trend towards increased market share and increase in sales. Obviously the ViK label was very critical and remains very critical," said Zbitnew.

Plans to launch a full fledged ViK campaign in late June remain intact as the label maintains a "number one priority" on its domestic roster. With

BMG's fiscal year ending in June, there are several short and long term plans in place which will map out the company's strategic to the end of 1997.

"There's a whole bunch of initiatives to capitalise on bigger sales of some of our bigger projects like Backstreet Boys for instance," said Zbitnew, adding that the company has set a goal for itself to be at one million units by the end of the year. "There will also be campaigns around Toni Braxton, who has already achieved probably double the sales of her previous record and shows no signs of slowing."

Initiatives in urban music will continue with the label's first national hip hop tour which will showcase their own band Rascalz as well as a major multi-artist pop campaign that will lead to a priority release from Wu-Tang in mid-May. The album is being touted as the company's biggest release for the next fiscal year.

"Paul had a real positive vision in this company," said Zbitnew. "Right now we're just going to carry forward on what's been a really great plan with some really great results."

## Industry controversial for Music West '97

Vancouver's eighth annual Music West festival is set to kick off this May 8-12 and organisers of the conference/festival are putting together their most ambitious collective of industry executives and independent groups for the event. Sub-titled Feed Your Head, Music West will be spicing up the event this year by bringing some controversial issues to the forefront of its conference.

The Road To Nowhere, panelled by notorious drug offender Duff McKagan of Guns 'N' Roses and the managers for Sublime, Stone Temple Pilots and Blind Melon will, among other things, be tackling the question of whether or not the industry has a right to intervene into artist substance abuse. On Take The Power Back, MuchMusic's Avi Lewis, suppressed punk rocker

Brian Whitehead (Dayglo Abortions) and Elizabeth Gregory (attorney to Ice-T, The Jesus Lizard) will take on the issues regarding controversial art and the question of free speech. And on Fight For Your Right, several panellists will attempt to cut ground on the burning issue of royalty and neighbouring rights.

Music West conference director Cathy Black



says the emphasis developed from a year spent combing music publications for the hottest issues that came to the forefront of the industry.

"What sets Music West conferences apart from other events is that we aren't afraid to tap

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## Quality hottern'hell with '80s Revival

Made In The 80s, a 16-track album, released by Quality Music in cooperation with MuchMusic, has become a priority title at retail since it hit the stores on April 1.

MuchMusic has added muscle to the release with an official launch on the April 5-7 weekend, followed up by an '80s launch party in conjunction with CFNY in Toronto.

Included on the release are Culture Club's Do You Really Want To Hurt Me, Shout by Tears For Fears, Don't You (Forget About Me) by Simple Minds, Duran Duran's Hungry Like A Wolf, Billy Idol's Rebel Yell, Arias & Symphonies by The Spoons, Ball Of Confusion by Love & Rockets, The Cult's She Sells Sanctuary, and Walk This Way by Run DMC with Aerosmith, among others.

Various tracks are being aired by Vancouver's Z95.3FM, Edmonton's CFBR-FM The Bear, Winnipeg's 92.1, Saskatoon's C95, Calgary's KISS-FM, Orangeville's Hot 103.5, Burlington's Energy 108, Toronto's CHUM-FM, Toronto's 102.1 The Edge, Ottawa's CHEZ-FM, Montreal's Mix 96 and C100-FM in Halifax.

Quality is also running a Trivia Question promotion offering prizes of a Trivial Pursuit Game Board, Cabbage Patch Doll, E.T. Video, Risky Business Video and a Made In The '80s CD, to the first 80 respondents.

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Universal's market share lead over Warner, the question about the X in the name loses its magnitude. The matter was brought home after Universal Canada president Randy Lennox presented the group with a special plaque commemorating combined sales of over one million units of their debut album Sixteen Stone and their latest release Razorblade Suitcase in Canada, which were

"Really it was an act of integrity," commented Lennox following the event.

Bush showed their appreciation by presenting a cheque for \$20,000 each to the Starlight Foundation and The Canadian Music Therapy Trust Fund, both charities supported not only by the Canadian record industry but by Troiano personally. The announcement met with

overwhelming interest from the Canadian press who pestered the band for a breakdown of the monies involved in the passing of the name.

"I apologise for not pronouncing properly," said Rosedale, before explaining that the \$40,000 of charity money was an act of good will and not a fee for permission to use the name. The band continued to politely field questions about money even as they were herded out the door for a busy day of publicity prior to their show at Maple Leaf Gardens later that evening.

The full Canadian itinerary follows:

**General Motor Place/Vancouver, Jun 19**  
**Edmonton Coliseum/Edmonton, Jun 22**  
**Canadian Airlines Saddledome/Calgary Jun 23**  
**Saskatchewan Place/Saskatoon Jun 24**  
**Winnipeg Arena/Winnipeg, Jun 25**  
**Corel Centre/Ottawa, Jul 8**  
**Molson Centre/Montreal, Jul 9**  
**The Molson Amphitheatre/Toronto**



Warner Music Canada's Stan Kulin helps celebrate HMV's 10th anniversary by making a \$5,000 donation to the retailer's favourite charity, Music Therapy, which he turned over to HMV president Peter Luckhurst.



Universal recording artist Beck and his band receive platinum awards for Mellow Gold and Odelay from Universal Canada's president Ross Reynolds after a sold-out show in Toronto.

# WALT SAYS . . . !

**Fudge! Fudge! Fudge!!!** Well, we wouldn't want to look bad, but there are questions being asked about some industry statistics that are either too high or too low . . . and since one player complained, there are only five other suspects. (EC: *It's either a clerical error, or someone will own up to just a dollop of fudge!!!*)  
HONESTLY!



with Elvira Caprese

**Some doubters???** A major player in getting all the technology available to straighten out the data collecting is apparently having second thoughts. Another once believer in advanced technology told me he was concerned that with all the high-tech stuff in place, nothing is moving. Less, not more seems to be the norm for sales. And, some of the radio guys are concerned about what's being reported in their name. There's not much moving, and the whole industry has slowed down. (EC: *They can't blame the weather now!!!*)

**David Marsden is back!!!** Remember David Marsden, known back in the '60s as Dave Mickey, the guy who caused a mild revolt in Toronto radio? One of his big claims to fame was founding the U-Know Awards, a tasteful spoof on the Junos, while he was at CFNY-FM. The guy is a bit of a genius. And guess what? He's back into the awards thing. He's producing the first Pacific Music Industry Awards, which will be held at the Capilano Theatre at Cap College Campus on May 8. 54-40 is nominated for four awards and Colin James has three nominations. There are 77 nominees up for the 21 categories. The Fox will present a radio special on the awards on May 7 from 9 to 10 pm. I remember the U-Know Awards didn't win any friends over at CARAS, and a lot of pressure was brought to bear on Marsden and the station to get rid of it. The name was changed, Marsden went on to other things, and the rest is history. By the way, the awards recognize west coast talent, so he shouldn't run into too much opposition. (EC: *Remember, the Junos are going west this year!!!*)

**The Sniderman machine!!!** The Sam The Record Man operation is a recognized institution (EC: *Run by the inmates???*) and this powerful machine keeps rolling along. Sid, who will be 92 on December 13, and Sam, who steps up to 77 on June 15, have kept this well-oiled machine in pretty good shape, with a lot of help from Jason, of course. But with all the competition and the sniping they've been taking from the industry, why not sell off all the stores with the exception of the five super stores in the five major markets. As a matter of fact, they could probably accumulate a few more million dollars if they concentrated only on their Toronto flagship. Who needs all the aggravation, and there's more coming? (EC: *Who needs it???*)

**Dust off your clubs!!!** Garry Newman, not one to let things slide, wants it known that the Ontario Music Industry Golf Tournament is on again this year. The date is July 15 and they're going back to Sleepy Hollow. This is a pretty popular event, so you better get in touch with Jane or Garry to make sure you're in. (EC: *Do they have an emcee for their dinner yet? Maybe they can get Vito Ierullo!!!*)

**Go Vickie Gabereau!!!** Our favourite talk show host from Vancouver, Vickie Gabereau, is jumping from CBC Radio to host a talk show at Baton's

new television station, CIVT, when it goes on the air in September. The Globe and Mail must be real big fans of Gabereau, chronicling the news twice in their April 17 edition. One headline reads Vicki Gabereau switching to Baton TV show, the other Gabereau switches to TV. The body copy is the same however. Anyway the 51-year old Gabereau has given the switch a lot of thought over the last few weeks. Television is NOT radio. Sometimes the switch can be . . . well, frightening. But Gabereau has enough of that ham in her to make the transition. (EC: *She thinks you're a ham too!!!*)

**Memories of the Spitfire!!!** During WWII, the Spitfire fighter was one of the deadliest fighters in the air and Jackie Rae flew one of them during the latter part of the war. Ironically, he founded The Spitfire Band 15 years ago and it's still going strong with Jackie upfront on vocals. The Hamilton War Plane Museum got themselves a rare Spitfire and to help with the unveiling, they've invited Jackie and his Spitfire Band to take part in a diner and dance on April 26. Should be a blast for those who were in the war and for those who admired the Spitfire. Just imagine Jackie Rae, a Spitfire pilot 50 years ago. He was a kid when he enlisted. For more information on the band and the party, call Ed Preston in Oakville, Ontario at 905-827-5776. (EC: *You didn't mention the band's popular record releases!!!*)

**The art of John Lennon???** If you're into the Beatles thing, you might be interested in knowing that John Lennon had quite an eye for art, his own to be exact. The Toronto Eaton Centre will premiere Lennon's art, consisting of more than 100 serigraphs, signed lithographs and original drawings up near the Dundas Mall between June 18 and 22. As well, there are 20 handwritten song lyrics that will be on display. Peter Ashworth tells me that there is also a signed work from the original portfolio of "Bag One" lithographs first shown in 1970 which is now included in the permanent collection of the Museum of Modern Art in New York. (EC: *Security better keep a keen eye out!!!*)

**It'll be a hot summer!!!** Decisions are being made halfway across the world that will have a terrible impact on the Canadian industry. Some of the feedback I've received already is pretty disappointing. Shifting manufacturing, buying into manufacturing, changes in warehousing, changes in attitude, et cetera, et cetera, et cetera, and it's all called "downsizing". They are just waiting for the right moment to drop the axe. And watch it spread. (EC: *Any good news today???*)

**Hey Peno! How's it going???** What an interview that will be. After all those days in radio, Peno is now on the dark side. (EC: *It's a little brighter than radio!!!*)

**k.d.lang o.c.???** Well, congratulations are in order for k.d.lang, who is now an officer of the order of Canada. What the hell's all this lower case crap anyway?

**Times are achanging!!!** Hey! How about that Paul Alofs and Lisa Zbitnew? Was that shocking news or what? If BMG was on the stock market, the share price would have doubled by now. Want

a prediction? Watch BMG take a larger slice of the market share within six months. (EC: *Nice to end on a positive note!!!*)

**Is he, or isn't he???** We all know the big guy is going to retire, but when? When asked point blank he said "Yes, I'm going to retire . . . maybe in three years," which blows all that speculation that it might be this year. Now that he has a huge, specially-salt-treated aquarium in his office with all kinds of wild fish and crawly things, it'll take him a couple of years to get used to the different kinds and before they get to know him on a first-name basis, that is if they don't all die out. He's lost an eel and some other fancy-Dan fish, which kind of smells up his office, and replacements ain't cheap. (EC: *They've cut back in other areas, so he can afford them!!!*)

**This just in!!!** Bush, the English band, is safe. Domenic Troiano, who had the copyright on the name Bush, which made the English band call themselves Bush-X, can now drop the X. Dom, with the help of some legal guys from Universal Music, came through with the charitable gesture. (EC: *Bush should invite Troiano to guest with them!!!*)

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into the controversial issues," says Black, who has coordinated the conference end of the event for the past three years. "I read a lot of industry mags and keep in touch with the hot issues that are affecting today's music industry as well as the key players, so we're always working from a database of up to date news."

Keynote addresses from Virgin Music president and industry giant Phil Quartararo and Reprise Records' chief Howie Klein will lead a strong American contingent to the festival, that is also putting a spotlight on a celebrity interview with former The Cult and Guns 'N' Roses drummer Matt Sorum (now with Neurotic Outsiders). Quartararo, who has clinched acts as substantial as the Rolling Stones, Tina Turner and David Bowie, will be giving his address on Saturday May 10th, with Klein slated for a luncheon address on the 9th.

The appearances from the two industry giants mark a change in attitudes from the US which have in the past displayed minimal interest in the festival.

"I think Canada wasn't very important to the States for a long time," she says. "A few years ago the thought of coming out to a music industry event some small little town called Vancouver BC was just so far out of their realm, but this year especially they've turned around so much. They finally caught on to the fact that there's a huge, creative, beautiful live music scene out here."

Black insists the conference will retain a strong Canadian contingent, adding that the international character of the industry demands that a cross border dialogue be given central importance.

"To get an accurate view of any issue within the music business you have to offer a cross section of voices," she says. "It is very different what happens in the States and what happens in Canada. You'll find that with most of our panels there is a fairly even balance of Canadian and international executives and that's there to give the best possible perspective."

The staple meat and potatoes industry conferences will be offered on panels for A&R reps, record company/management relationships, music marketing into the future, the changing face of retail and tips on media and workshops for anything from songwriting to press kits.

This year, Canadian participants in the Music West conferences will include Warner Music president Stan Kulin, Sam The Record Man's Sam Sniderman, Standard Radio's Gary Slaight, and representatives from retail, radio, media, and major and independent record labels across the country.

"We do a lot of research in who the players are and their personality is as important as what they know," says Black. "That keeps the panels interesting because if you just put a whole bunch of publishers in a publishing panel, people will be sleeping in twenty minutes. We really pick people based on personality and knowledge of said topics and we're really willing to have fun with it and educate our delegates."

Education and fun will be creatively combined on the Strange Currencies panel, where a cast of industry execs will act out a mock contract negotiation meeting between an artist, his lawyer, his manager, and a team of publishers. Later, in Juke Box Jury, a selection of record company promo reps will go head to head with radio music directors who will give their thumbs up or down to a handful of unreleased singles.

The centrepiece of the festival, however, will still be the 200 unsigned bands who will crowd the stages of downtown Vancouver for an ultimate club crawl before an expected 7000 delegates (doubled from 3500 last year). Festival organisers have broken down pricing into festival wristbands, full delegate passes, day passes or individual session tickets to accommodate demand.

Former KISS guitarist Bruce Kulick will lead 1500 guitarists in a Guinness World Record Guitar Marathon on a 75+ minute rendition of I Want To Rock and Roll All Nite (the previous record was set last year by Randy Bachman and 1,321 other guitarists for a 68 minute version of BTO's Taking Care Of Business).

New this year will be a charity golf tournament with profits going to Rivers Canada, Music West Gala with performances from the lounge scene's Jaymz Bee and The Molestics, tenth anniversary festivities for Cargo Records and the 1st annual Pacific Music Industry Awards. A specially priced executive pass will also be introduced this year, for complete delegate access to the conference and priority festival pass laminate.

"This year is the first year that we're really going big on what we call premium events and there are things that are exclusive to industry," says Black, "but our mandate is still to expose unsigned talent."

Outside of Music West but not too far away will be Zolty Cracker's Music Waste, the alternative independent festival now in its fourth year of operations. Music Waste will be showcasing live bands in nineteen downtown locations with participants who didn't quite make the grade or the deadline or don't really care to be included in the festival up the street.

## Hanna, Alberta's Nickelback scores a couple of firsts

Jeff Burns, president of the Toronto-based Shoreline Records, reports that Nickelback, a band from Hanna, Alberta is the first signing to the label and "the first indie to rock Vancouver's Virgin Mega-store."

The band released their debut album, titled

Curb, nationally through Shoreline and Select Distribution on March 3/97, and less than three weeks later found themselves signing copies of their album for fans at the Virgin store. Burns credits the exposure given the band by C-FOX and other stations across the province.

Jennifer DeTracey, Marketing Coordinator for the Virgin store, was also impressed with the turnout and the performance by the band. "The sales of the CD went up substantially," says DeTracey, "and the support of CFOX was fundamental in promoting the event. DeTracey was also impressed by the young demographics of the fans "who were too young to see Nickelback perform at a nightclub."



Young fans of Nickelback, Shoreline's new signing, line up at Vancouver's Virgin Mega-store for autographs.



Steve Sullivan and Nick Kypreos were on hand at Sam The Record Man's flagship store to support Frontier College, a notional volunteer based literacy organization.

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BMG - N    EMI - F    Universal - J    Quality - M  
Polygram - Q    Sony - H    Warner - P    Koch - K

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Rank	Week	Weeks on Chart	Title	Artist	Distributor
1	1	16	<b>ONE HEADLIGHT</b>	The Wallflowers - Bringing Down the Horse Interscope 90055-J	
2	2	9	<b>FALLING IN LOVE (IS HARD ON ...)</b>	Aerosmith - Nine Lives Columbia 9412 (promo CU)-H	
3	4	16	<b>LOVE FOOL</b>	The Cardigans - First Band On The Moon Stockholm (comp 477)-Q	
4	3	15	<b>YOU WERE MEANT FOR ME</b>	Jewel - Pieces Of You Atlantic 82700-P	
5	5	10	<b>PRECIOUS DECLARATION</b>	Collective Soul - Disciplined Breakdown Atlantic 82984 (promo CU)-P	
6	9	7	<b>STARING AT THE SUN</b>	U2 - Pop Island 314 524 334-Q	
7	10	15	<b>DARK HORSE</b>	Amanda Marshall - Amanda Marshall Epic 80229 (comp 57)-H	100% Cancon
8	6	16	<b>A LONG DECEMBER</b>	Counting Crows - Recovering The Sattellites JGC 24975-J	
9	7	15	<b>EVERYDAY IS A WINDING ROAD</b>	Sheryl Crow - Sheryl Crow A&M 31454 0587 (promo CU)-Q	
10	8	14	<b>ABUSE ME</b>	Silverchair - Freak Show Epic 67905 (promo CU)-H	
11	12	6	<b>ELEGANTLY WASTED</b>	INXS - Elegantly Wasted Mercury 314 534 531-Q	
12	23	11	<b>MAKE YOU MAD</b>	Udds - Nest Warner 96303-P	100% Cancon
13	17	6	<b>I WANT YOU</b>	Savage Garden - Savage Garden Columbia 9435 (promo CU)-H	
14	11	14	<b>DISCOTHEQUE</b>	U2 - Pop Island 7316 (promo CU)-Q	
15	15	25	<b>BARELY BREATHING</b>	Duncan Sheik - Duncan Sheik Warner Bros. 82879-P	
16	16	11	<b>TELL ME</b>	Corey Hart - Corey Hart Columbia 80240-H	100% Cancon
17	19	10	<b>ALL BY MYSELF</b>	Celine Dion - Falling Into You Columbia 33068-H	
18	24	9	<b>LIE TO ME</b>	Jonny Lang - Lie To Me A&M 31454 0540-Q	
19	21	11	<b>IT'S IN YOUR EYES</b>	Phil Collins - Dance Into The Light Atlantic 82949-P	
20	41	5	<b>YOUR WOMAN</b>	White Town - Women In Technology Chrysalis 1473 (promo CD)-F	
21	29	8	<b>SAY YOU'LL BE THERE</b>	Spice Girls - Spice Virgin 7243 8 42174-F	
22	30	9	<b>I'LL ALWAYS BE RIGHT THERE</b>	Bryan Adams - 18 (I) Die A&M 05521-Q	MA PL
23	28	10	<b>PLEASE DON'T GO</b>	No Mercy - No Mercy Arista 3044 (promo CU)-N	
24	26	12	<b>ELECTROLITE</b>	R.E.M. - New Adventures In Hi-Fi Warner Bros. 46320-P	
25	20	13	<b>LAKINI'S JUICE</b>	Live - Secret Samadhi Radioactive 11590 (promo CU)-J	
26	13	13	<b>IF I HAD MY WAY</b>	Big Sugar - HemVision A&M 314 500 600-Q	100% Cancon
27	18	12	<b>SAVING FACE</b>	The Boomers - 25 Thousand Days Alma 76974-Q	100% Cancon
28	22	22	<b>UN-BREAK MY HEART</b>	Ioni Braxton - Secrets LaFace 26020 (promo CU)-N	
29	37	8	<b>STEP BY STEP</b>	Whitney Houston - The Preacher's Wife U.S.I. Arista 07822 18591-N	
30	36	10	<b>OUTTA SITE (OUTTA MIND)</b>	Wilco - Being There Reprise 46236-P	
31	38	9	<b>GREEDY FLY</b>	Bush - Razorblade Suitcase MCA 90091-J	
32	42	7	<b>DELIVER ME</b>	Roch Voisine - Kissing Hain HVI 51442 (promo CU)-N	MA PL
33	40	9	<b>EMPTY CELL</b>	Rusty - Sophomoric Handsome Boy HBCU 0016-N	100% Cancon
34	43	7	<b>HOPE IN A HOPELESS WORLD</b>	Widespread Panic - Bombs & Butterflies Capricorn (comp 486)-Q	
35	44	7	<b>RIGHT ON</b>	OMC - How Bizarre Polydor (comp 486)-Q	
36	45	7	<b>WHERE HAVE ALL THE COWBOYS GONE?</b>	Paula Cole - This Fire Warner Bros. 46424-P	
37	46	8	<b>EMOTIONAL LOVE</b>	John Mellencamp - Mr. Happy Go Lucky Mercury 314 532 896-Q	
38	51	6	<b>MIDNIGHT RAIN</b>	Wide Mouth Mason - Wide Mouth Mason Warner Bros. 17328-P	100% Cancon
39	50	8	<b>RETURN OF THE MACK</b>	Mark Morrison - Return Of The Mack Atlantic 84868-P	
40	14	14	<b>RESURRECTION</b>	Moist - Creature EMI 36188 (promo CU)-F	100% Cancon
41	25	12	<b>SUPERMAN'S DEAD</b>	Our Lady Peace - Clumsy Columbia 80242-H	100% Cancon
42	27	11	<b>THE HOLY RIVER</b>	The Artist - Emancipation NPG 611664 (promo CU)-F	
43	31	12	<b>BELIEVER</b>	Chantal Kreviazuk - Under These Hocks And Stones Columbia 80246-H	MA PL
44	49	7	<b>EVERY TIME I CLOSE MY EYES</b>	Babyface - The Day Epic 67293-H	
45	56	6	<b>REMOTE CONTROL</b>	Age Of Electric - Make A Pest A Pet Universal 81021-J	100% Cancon
46	57	6	<b>THE NEW POLLUTION</b>	Beck - Udelay DGC 24823-J	100% Cancon
47	54	5	<b>IF HE SHOULD BREAK YOUR HEART</b>	Journey - Trial By Fire Columbia 9411 (promo CU)-H	
48	55	6	<b>WHERE YOU GET LOVE</b>	Matthew Sweet - Blue Sky On Mars Zoo 614 223 113-N	
49	32	12	<b>DON'T CRY FOR ME ARGENTINA</b>	Madonna - Evita U.S.I. Warner Bros. 46346-P	
50	33	14	<b>FLAMENCO</b>	The Tragically Hip - Trouble At The Henhouse MCA 81011 (comp 21)-J	100% Cancon
51	34	15	<b>DESPERATELY WANTING</b>	Better Than Ezra - Friction Baby Elektra 61994-P	
52	35	12	<b>NIGHT TRAIN</b>	Bruce Cockburn - The Charity Of Night True North 0150-J	100% Cancon
53	39	12	<b>THE LINES YOU AMEND</b>	Sloan - One Chord To Another Murderrecords 23-J	100% Cancon
54	65	5	<b>GIVE</b>	Uishwalla - Pet Your Friends A&M 030397 (comp 2)-Q	100% Cancon
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56	64	6	<b>HERE WITH ME</b>	Ginger - Suddenly I Came To My Senses EMI 1455 (promo CU)-F	MA PL
57	62	6	<b>IT SHOULD BE</b>	Change Of Heart - Steel Teeth Virgin 1462 (promo CU)-F	100% Cancon
58	67	4	<b>VOLCANO GIRLS</b>	Veruca Salt - Eight Arms To Hold You Getten 30001-J	
59	66	6	<b>SWEET EMOTION</b>	West End Girls - Greatest Hits Outside 23339 2002-Dexter Ent.	
60	70	5	<b>NO REGRETS</b>	The Breits - The Breits Alert 81032 (comp 4)-F	100% Cancon
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80	87	3	<b>FREAK</b>	Silverchair - Freak Show Epic 67905 (promo CU)-H	
81	88	3	<b>IT'S NO GOOD</b>	Depeche Mode - Ultra Reprise 46522-P	
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94	52	13	<b>MY OWN SUNRISE</b>	Crash Test Dummies - A Worm's Life Arista 39779 (promo CU)-N	MA PL
95	58	19	<b>JUST ANOTHER DAY</b>	John Mellencamp - Mr. Happy Go Lucky Mercury 314 532 896-Q	
96	59	17	<b>THROUGH YOUR HANDS</b>	Don Henley - Michael U.S.I. Evolution 24866-P	
97	63	16	<b>WANNABE</b>	Spice Girls - Spice Girls Virgin 7243 8 42174-F	
98	60	13	<b>CRASH INTO ME</b>	Dave Matthews Band - Crash HCA-N	
99	NEW		<b>BITCH</b>	Meredith Brooks - Blurring The Edges Capitol 12014 (promo CU)-F	
100	NEW		<b>YOU WIN, I LOSE</b>	Supertramp - You Win, I Lose EMI 56183 (promo CU)-F	

No regrets for this Breit bunch

## The Breits: From the shadows to the spotlight

by Lisa Trainor

At the best of times, sibling rivalry can cause more than its fair share of problems. And when three brothers decide to double, if not triple, their time spent in close proximity by forming a band together, assumptions might lead to visions of nuclear-proportioned arguments and in-fighting. The Breit brothers (Kevin and twins Gary and Garth), however, seem to be an exception.

"My brothers do irritate me and get on my nerves," jokes youngest brother Kevin, who admits that three similarly non-aggressive personalities rarely, if ever, end up in serious disagreements.

"After spending a lot of time cooped up in a room together writing or on a bus touring, you get to know each other pretty well," laughs Breit, "so we get along great -- but maybe Ian (DeSouza) our bass player would be the one to really ask."

Born of a musical family in Northern Ontario, the Breit brothers along with DeSouza formed The

## Fragrance is priority for Jonathan M's new single

Halifax-based singer/songwriter/guitarist Jonathan M's new single, Stars, the follow-up to I Believe, has been shipped to A/C and CHR radio stations in a promo pack designed to attract the attention of programmers.

The single was accompanied by a miniature bottle of Sun Moon Stars perfume, courtesy of Elizabeth Arden Canada.

Those stations taking part in the promotion campaign will receive additional quantities of the perfumes which will be used as giveaways tied in with the Stars theme.

Some of the ideas that have already surfaced include morning horoscope readings, trivia questions about the Hale-Bopp Comet, Oscar winner trivia and others.

Both Stars and I Believe were written by Jonathan M, along and keyboardist Ron Huestis, and are included on his self-titled CD produced by Steve Negus (RPM New Releases - Feb. 10/97).

## Scottish Fiddle Orchestra firmed for Toronto date

The Scottish Fiddle Orchestra will host An Evening By The Lake at the Molson Amphitheatre which is located at Toronto's Ontario Place on July 12.

Tony Messum, Director of Marketing for the B&L Group of Companies, distributors of the band's video, CD and cassette product, reports excellent acceptance in both Canada and the U.S. of the orchestra's current release, The Scottish Fiddle Orchestra play Edinburgh the Festival City. "The SFO is being programmed on 80 PBS stations including all the border stations across Canada, even Dakota."

A heavy promotion campaign by B&L is expected to sell out the show. For product information call 1-800-897-7060 or call Messum at 416-288-8773, fax 416-288-8320.

Messum also points out that B&L has the largest selection of military band and pageantry videos in North American, including The Biggest Band Spectacular in the World - The Military Musical pageant at Wembley Stadium.

Breits in 1986 with Kevin handling guitars and bass, Gary on piano and keyboards and Garth on drums and percussion -- all three share vocal responsibilities. In '88 they released The Breit Bros. which spawned the single Slow Train and gave the band the opportunity to take things on the road.

"I loved going on the road with that," enthuses Breit, but he adds that the single wasn't necessarily the band's break in the proverbial ice.

"I don't know if we've had our big break yet," he says, "but MuchMusic was kind of young at the time, so that video did get played quite a bit."

Having logged countless hours as studio musicians and as live back-up talent with a veritable who's who of the Canadian recording industry (Amanda Marshall, Holly Cole, k.d.Lang, Corey Hart and a host of others), The Breits have yet to amass enough free time to really concentrate on their own efforts. In fact, their newest self-titled Alert release (New Releases 04/10) has already generated a hit with No Regrets -- which sits at 60 with a bullet on RPM's Hits 100 chart -- and at the time of this interview, the band was unaware of its success.

"I'm a bit out of it," says Breit, "we've been away travelling and finishing up some other obligations," he explains -- obligations which include his working with Holly Cole as well as on the new k.d. Lang record and brother Gary's assistance on Amanda Marshall's newest.

Although the paying gig of session work and touring with others has provided a wealth of knowledge and experience to the Breit brothers, Kevin admits that his personal preference lies in his work with The Breits -- performing and recording their own music.

"You feel this overwhelming sense of accomplishment," says Breit, "because you've been working on these songs and you've seen them come from nothing -- an empty page to being completed."

Comparatively, he says that being a sideman is almost an easy job in that "you don't have to do the dirty work."

He does add, however, that the sense of responsibility that comes with standing behind your own work is "a bit of a nail biter."

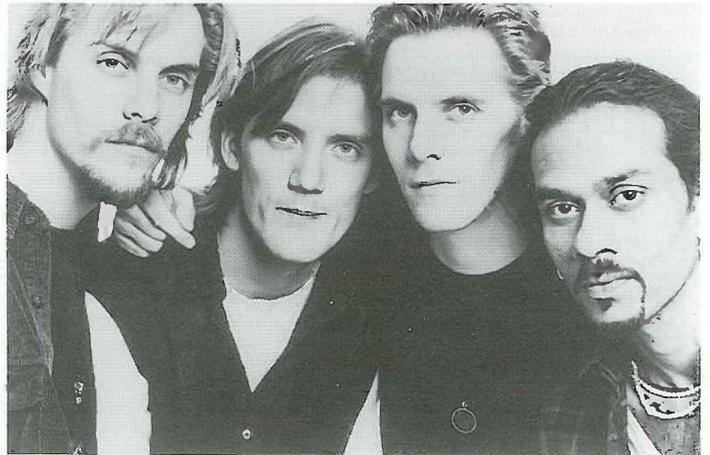
"When its your own music, you're the one in the spotlight and you can't just shrug it off," he

explains, "But I like that."

And the chance to stand in that spotlight may be as soon as this summer if all goes according to plan.

"I'm dying to hear what these songs are going to sound like live because they were kind of recorded that way.

"We're going to see how this record goes," says Breit who adds that some opening dates as soon as late May or early June may be in the works.



## EMI announces new Supertramp release

After a decade-long hiatus from the recording studio, '70s megagroup Supertramp is set and ready for a 1997 comeback.

The new album, titled Some Things Never Change, is set for a June 3 release and features 12 new tracks written by band founding-member Rick Davies, with two co-written by Rick Davies and Mark Hart. Producer Jack Douglas, who has worked with the likes of Aerosmith and John Lennon, was at the helm.

The legendary act has proven to be a strong seller in Canada with previous albums, Crime Of The Century and Breakfast In America having achieved diamond status as well as six others hitting platinum status.

Best known for such classics as Dreamer, The Logical Song, Take The Long Way Home and Bloody Well Right, Supertramp is expected to schedule some Canadian tour dates in support of this release.

The new album's first single, You Win, I Lose, is currently at radio.



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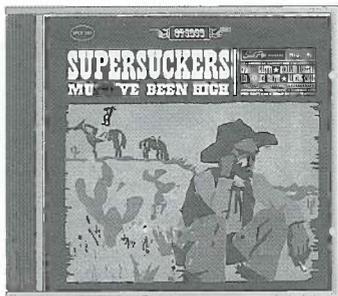


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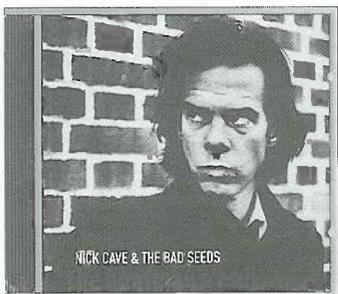


**SUPERSUCKERS** -Country  
**Must've Been High**  
 Sub Pop 380 98787 0380-P

The key to understanding an album like *Must've Been High* is in the context. And yes, you read right. That word above, identifying *The Supersuckers* is Country, stone cold country if we are going to be specific about the point. Which leads us to the understanding part, specifically how this band, traditionally made up of the hard knocks of punk rock'n'roll, could suddenly pull the plug on the amplifiers to fit in a dobro, harmonica, violin, banjo and steel guitar into the music. Heck, that *is* the music. From the poetic harmonica opening of the title track, the Suckers stroll easily through a set that is honest and simple and blown all to hell with tumbleweeds and dust and the narratives of Johnny Cash and Willie Nelson. Coming dangerously close to almost everybody in the canon (including -- by the circumstance of Renaldo Allegre's vocals -- to Tom Petty), *The Suckers* not only deliver the real thing, but deliver a damn good crop of it. Country radio ought to take heed on *Dead In The Water*, *Roamin' 'Round*, *The Captain*, *Hangin' Out With Me*, *Juicy Pureballs* and *One Cigarette Away*. Appearances from Mickey Raphael (Willie Nelson), Brantley Kearns (Dwight Yoakam), Brian Thomas and Jesse Dayton might legitimise the album on paper but whose reading? Listen up knuckleheads, you might learn something. -RG

**NICK CAVE & THE BAD SEEDS** -Alternative  
**The Boatman's Call**  
 Reprise 46530-P

A literary figure at heart, Nick Cave returns with another effort from his exhaustive wellspring of stories. Seemingly refreshed from last year's bout of death narratives (*Murder Ballads*) the poet/pianist turns his attention to the afterlife, concentrating



specifically on Jesus Christ of the Gospels. With a thick voice and a seven member accompaniment that fairly whispers in the background, Cave walks with the Christ of Gethsemane and Golgotha, the man of sorrows who tried to understand the necessity of his impending death in the light of a greater good. While there is nary an expletive on this outing, Cave's interest in the subject matter hardly makes this a gospel album -- either lyrically or musically. Still, *The Boatman's Call* is thoughtfully written and delicately performed and, because of this, experiences moments of genuine spiritual loftiness. With over a dozen albums to their credit, Cave & Seeds have pretty much settled into a piano centred, lyrically dominated sound that is light but never trivial. A strong fanbase and an artistically outstanding product will continue his legacy of modern story-telling and music but probably will be relegated to late night radio. A usual release from Cave, but usual in being unusual. -RG

**DAFT PUNK** -Dance/Techno  
 Homework  
 Virgin 42609-F

No, Daft Punk is not a movie and yes, that video for *Da Funk* is a movie. You've heard it already, heck, you've seen that dog headed freak boy going through the motions of buying a book, holding an inane conversation with an ex-next door neighbour and being turned down at a bus stop because, shit, he's a dog! (except no one



seems to know it but him). All the while that music which has become the spotlight in raves across Europe and now North America winds around and around in the background. No, it does not have a point. That is, according to Guy-Manuel de Homem-Christo, one of the two funktronic maestros who comprise this French band currently burning up the charts with said single and video. It does not come as such a surprise to us here at RPM, who have been waiting for the last while to see what bands were going to popularise the hard electronic scene. Virgin seems to have had the foresight to take a few calculated risks and are now holding the major players (besides Daft Punk, *The Chemical Brothers* and *Sneaker Pimps*) as the market explodes into the mainstream. With Daft Punk, the format finds an extremity of expression and for that reason, probably a period of concentrated popularity though the group's longevity might be compromised on endless remixes. Strong house, rave and techno and not one word to explain or interpret the format will go far to captivating a dedicated teenage market. *SoundScan* debut at 45 last week bulleting to 26 this week. -RG

**SABELLE** -Pop/Dance  
 Sabelle  
 Work OK67719-H

The folks at Sony music are touting Sabelle on her cumulative talents that allowed her to write, sing, arrange and produce her self-titled debut. While we recognise the strength of those credits, we are also compelled to add that we have never heard anyone tackle the subject of female masturbation with such elegance. Not quite a virgin to the music scene, Sabelle had her first hit in 1993 with *Where Did The Love Go* prior to signing to

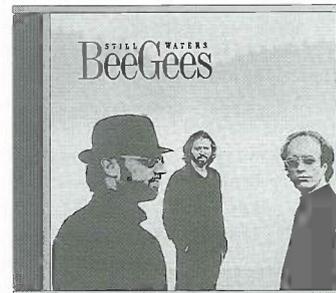


PolyGram publishing and releasing the R&B hit *Look What You've Done* for Columbia recording artist Asante. The WORK Group label has since signed Sabelle on and financed this release which is getting the push from Sony on the combination of vocal prowess, songwriting and producing abilities, not to mention sex appeal. Citing influences from Queen, Earth, Wind and Fire and Lionel Richie, Sabelle goes for the heart of the pop dance format with *Cupid's Poison* and *Robin Hood's* aim. The sensual embrace of *Maybe*, *Clouds*, *On The Line* and *One 'O' Clock* (with video directed by Randee St. Nicholas) will make her full length debut the mistress of A/C and an adulteress at CHR. Hold that thought, like it's a lady, and stroke her all night long -RG

**BEE GEES** -Pop  
 Still Waters  
 Polydor 314 537 302-Q

Hard to believe that 1997 marks the 20th anniversary of that whole Saturday Night Fever phenomenon. And with the current trend toward all things polyester and groovy, the Brothers Gibb couldn't have chosen a better time to hit the public with this, their latest release. Not only does this year mark 30 years of recording and setting musical trends for the trio, but it marks a year of lifetime achievement accolades including an induction into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. Hey -- you're no longer deemed a social pariah for admitting to liking the Bee Gees; after all, how many other bands have sold over 100 million albums and achieved number one status in the U.K. four decades in a row. *Still Waters* is an uptempo and contemporary sounding collection of 12 new tracks that

range from radio-friendly ac ballads to infectious and danceable pop songs. Alone, the first single has already reached the top of the charts in Europe and the U.K. and is quickly matching that progress here in Canada. No word on a second single yet, but the title track would be a stellar choice. David Foster, who shares production credits with Russ Titelman, Hugh Padgham, Raphael



Saadique and Arif Mardin, adds some musical assistance along with Carlos Alomar and Waddy Wachtel. -LT

**SAVAGE GARDEN** -Pop  
 Savage Garden  
 Columbia 67954-H

Given that their name comes from the Anne Rice series of vampire novels, *Savage Garden* is a refreshing surprise in that they don't sound moody, dark or gothic. In fact, they sound a lot like many of the Euro-pop synth bands that created such a huge following in the '80s. And if *I Want You*, the album's first single, is any indication of the success to be seen by these two young Aussies, then a bright future of serious album sales is on the horizon. Single success notwithstanding, the rest of this album is a collection of extremely catchy ear-candy, pretty lyrics and unabashed romanticism. Darren Hayes and Daniel Jones' photogenic looks aren't going to hurt album sales either -- especially in the midst of the current frenzy over teeny-bop music. To *The Moon And Back*, another infectious bit of pop magic, is slated as the album's second release and will no doubt cop the same kind of chart action as its predecessor. -LT

## ALBUM PICK

**DEPECHE MODE** -Alternative  
 Ultra  
 Mute/Reprise 46522-P

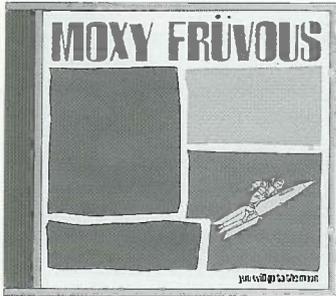
It's hard to think of Depeche Mode as a band that progressed their sound, taking into account the fact that they were one of the most progressive acts to come out in an age obsessed with progress (that would be the nineteen eighties for all you armchair anthropologists). Nevertheless, the band was ingenious enough on its orchestra of keyboards to maintain the interest of a substantial fanbase right into the purist ridden nineteen nineties. And while Depeche Mode meandered in the interim, 1994's *Songs Of Faith And Devotion* became a moment of triumph after the group re-examined itself in light of the new progressivism of the nineties -- and adapted. But as it sometimes happens, tragedy hit in a moment that might have been their strongest but turned out to be their weakest. David Gahan, having taken an unhealthy interest in the vice of drug abuse, experienced a two minute flatline death after overdosing on a lethal mixture of heroin and cocaine. Fast forward to nineteen ninety seven, after a lot of heart break, the departure of Alan Wilder, time spent in rehab and finally, a return to the studio. *Ultra* is the album that, like Gahan, almost didn't make it. The critical period has elicited a return to a more introspective, sombre sounding electronica that lets the notes linger over the steady hum of pop machinery. *Ultra* is a declaration that the genius which propelled this band out of a generic fad of new wave as one of the most vibrant progressive electronic pop bands of the past decade is still pushing the buttons. It's *No Good* has been taken in by radio which still hears the three dimensional future in these dark songs. -RG



**MOXY FRUVOUS**  
You Will Go To The Moon  
WEA 18049-P

-Pop

Accordions, banjos, catchy pop melodies, hip-hop overtones and soaring vocal harmonies and sarcastic, satirical lyrics. What in Sam Hill kind of combination is that?! A rather effective one; and one that has amassed more than its fair share of fans for Canada's Moxy Fruvous. Since their debut in 1993 with Bargainville -- which saw

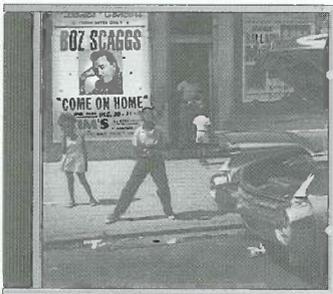


success with goofy hits like The King Of Spain and My Baby Loves A Bunch Of Authors -- Fruvous has become widely known for their live performances, wrought with high energy-levels, humour and sheer musical talent. Michigan Militia, a number that incorporates a melange of musical styles, is set as this album's first single. Check out an almost unrecognisable Bee Gees cover, I've Gotta Get A Message To You as well as Kick In The Ass -- a true Moxy Fruvous classic-to-be. Produced by Moxy Fruvous and Steven Traub. -LT

**BOZ SCAGGS**  
Come On Home  
Virgin 42984-F

-Blues/Rock

Although probably best known for his classic pop hit Lido Shuffle, Boz Scaggs is at heart a bluesman -- through and through. It is to this heritage that he pays homage to some of his own musical heroes with his latest release Come On Home. The 12-track disc features covers of such all-time blues classics as Sonny Boy Williamson's Early In The Morning, T-Bone Walker's T-Bone Shuffle, Jimmy Reed's Found Love and Ask Me 'Bout Nothin' (But The Blues), originally recorded



by Bobby Bland. Of course, for fans of Scaggs' original material, there are four new tracks -- Goodnight Louise, After Hours, I've Got Your Love and Picture Of A Broken Heart -- to sate your hungry ears. This self-produced effort also plays host to a few auspicious guests: drummer Jim Keltner, Little Feat's Fred Tackett on guitar and the legendary Willie Mitchell's horn arrangements. -LT

**THIRD EYE BLIND**  
Third Eye Blind  
Elektra 62012-P

-Pop/Rock

Third Eye Blind is Stephan Jenkins, Kevin Cadogan, Arion Salazar and Brad Hargreaves, four guys who cite Perry Farrell, Camper Van Beethoven, David Bowie and U2's The Edge as their early influences. Their sound has been described as power pop with an attitude but, in all fairness, it shouldn't be dismissed that easily. A combination of intoxicating guitar-driven pop and deeply introspective, somewhat dark, lyrics mixed



with a fierce sense of independence is part of what brought about this, the band's debut album. Not only is the album self-produced but it was done without the "assistance" of the execs at Elektra hovering over the band -- part of what sold 3EB to sign with the label in the first place. Semi-Charmed Life, an easygoing, upbeat ditty that tells of a junkie's spiral into crystal meth hell, is making a strong showing at alternative and campus rock stations. Motorcycle Drive-By, Graduate, Narcolepsy and God Of Wine are others worthy of note. -LT

**MOSCOW SYMPHONY**  
Orchestra  
Kerry Stratton Conductor  
Dorian Discovery-80144

-Classical

A reviewer must never permit legitimate enthusiasm to cross over into what could be construed as puffery, but damn, it's difficult after listening to this enchanting -- yes, we said enchanting -- album. Its title is precise as to contents but prospective listeners should put the emphasis less on Slavonic which has arcane intimations to many and more on Serenades; evening songs or instrumental pieces to inspire the softer emotions. The compositions



presented here aren't lollipops though. They are Anton Arensky's Variations on a Theme by Tchaikovsky (theme and seven variations); Joseph Suk's Meditation on the Old Czech Choral, St. Wenceslas; Kalinnikov's Chanson Triste and Glazunov's Suite for String Quartet Op.35 adapted by the conductor. This is solid tack presented in manner intended by their composers. As an example we offer Arensky's 4th Variation. Andantino tranquillo is what's called for and, by heaven, that's what the musicians deliver under the skilled and obviously loving baton of Canadian conductor Kerry Stratton. It's a short piece -- only 1:27 -- but it showcases the consummate bonding of a fine orchestra and equally fine conductor. And, it falls so pleasantly on the ears as indeed, does everything in the collection. Our favourite track is the Chanson Triste. The presentation here is a transcription for strings by Koehler from the original piano miniature and is achingly beautiful. If there is any justice at all, this album should move quickly up the classical best seller lists. We have spoken and, we trust, with not a trace of puffery. -BW

**JIMMY SMITH TRIO**  
The Master II  
Blue Note-55466

-Jazz

That which we call Easy Listening can't ever be jazz, but jazz can be easy listening. As proof, we offer The Master II. Drawing on several decades of experience Jimmy Smith roams his hands over the Hammond organ and produces music that's undeniably jazz,

but also easy on the ears. One can enjoy it for his sure touch and inventive lines or simply relax and let the smoothness of his artistry pour over a tired soul like smooth cream over a hot sweet. There are only six long cuts on the album recorded before a live audience on Christmas eve and day 1993

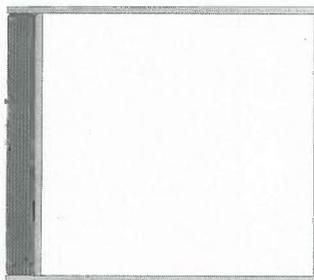


in Osaka, Japan, but each one is a jazz lover's delight. Summertime kicks in nicely with an interesting beat and Laura clearly displays Smith's classical training. Who else could do variations that include riffs on Clair de Lune and still cling to jazz? My Romance is a love affair with the keyboard and Mack The Knife is well, Mack The Knife as we think Weil intended it to be. A Child Is Born and Stormy Monday are perhaps more jazz oriented, but the delivery is still nice and easy. The estimable Kenny Burrell gives his always true delivery on guitar and Jimmie Smith -- the spelling -- is a more than able percussionist. Make no mistake however, though he generously shares the musical spotlight with his fellow artists, the album belongs to Jimmy Smith. Excuse us now as we change into a silk dressing gown, pour out a brandy and splash and settle back to enjoy easy jazz. Don't disturb us please. -BW

**MICHELLE GLOVER**  
Where's The Fire  
RDR-3194

-Country

Glover has a refreshing professionalism and polish that fits in beautifully with her equally professional session musicians and background vocalists. The vocal warmth and depth spreads a blanket of confidence over her material that borders on honky-tonk, blues and straight-ahead country. There's a musical theatre feel to her projection, revealing her early coaching in opera, allowing her to better grasp the lyric message, much of which she co-wrote with producer J.K.Gulley, not too shabby in the writing and producing field himself. Key here is The Ballad of The Woman Who Loved

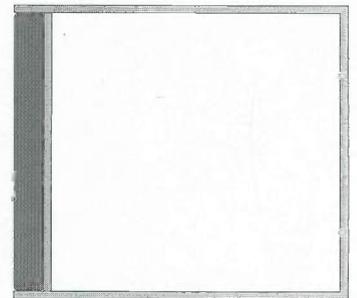


Jessie James, a pristine production featuring accordion (Denis Keldie) and mandolin (Dan Howlett or Bill Hullett). Also key is her bluesy approach to The Light's Of Home, written by Rory Bourke and the title track, written by Jerry Vandiver and Sandy Ramos. Bourke's penning of I Learn Something Blue Everyday, has hit written all over it. And don't overlook A Whisper, which she wrote with Gulley, and the Bryan Way/Gulley penning of Nobody's Minding The Farm. Great fiddle work by Don Reed. Recorded at the Power Plant in Barrie, Ontario. Contact 1-800 Joe Radio. -WG

**PAUL LAMOUREUX**  
Sce-nar-io

Disques-Lam-Chops-1002

Multi-instrumentalist Paul Lamoureux would seem to be a musical apostle of Gil Evans, Gerry Mulligan, John Lewis and Miles Davis. It was they who are credited by many with using the smallest number of instruments to produce a fully orchestral sound. With a small number of musicians playing several instruments, M.Lamoureux has put together an album that's seemingly jazz inspired but flavoured with the exotica of Martin Denny. We make the point because it's too easy to suggest that the compositions here are intended as mood pieces. They are not; they're quiet jazz inspired but have an extra je ne sais quoi which we suggest is exotica. Whatever, it remains that the tracks are all distinctive and all enjoyable. The track most likely to achieve airplay is Suave. It's all that the title implies; smooth suavité with Latin-



American overtones. With the exception of Bonsoir Jesus, which is a traditional song, the album is 100 per cent Cancon and a worthy addition to anyone's collection. Contact: 416-658-8199. -BW

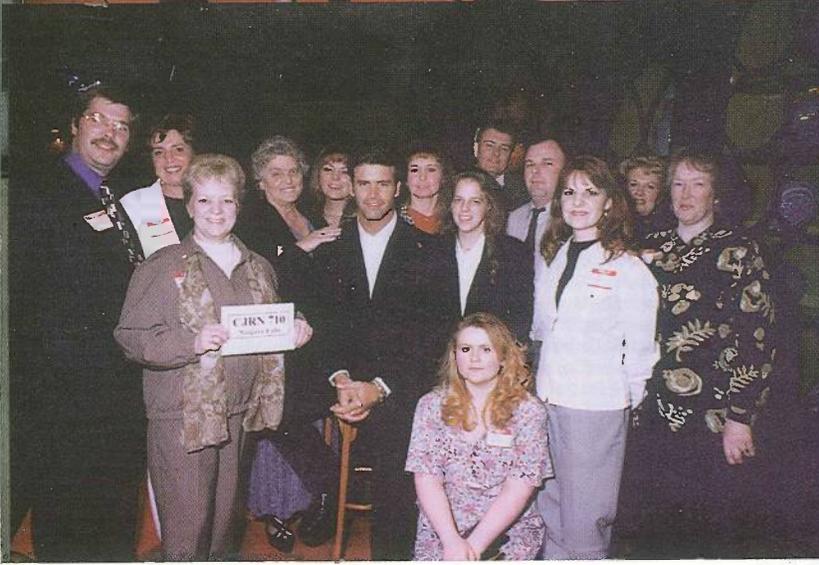
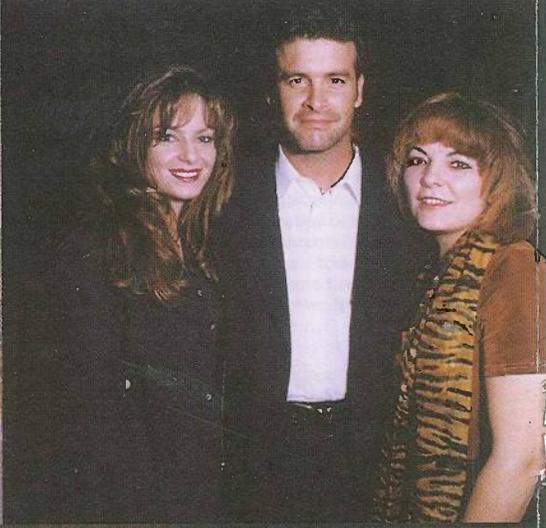
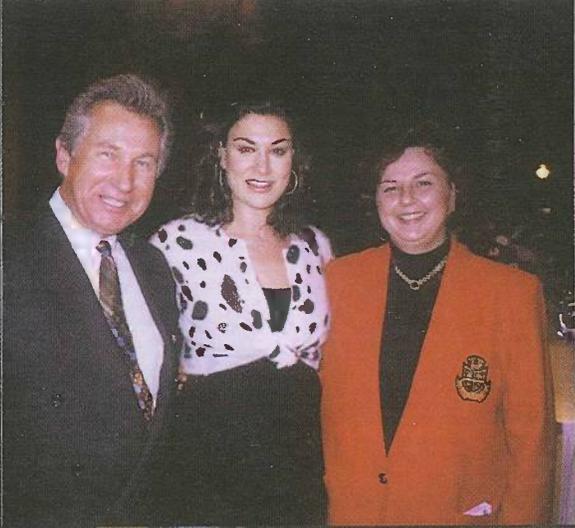
**PETER BREINER**  
& His Chamber Orchestra  
Beatles Go Baroque  
Naxos International-990050

-Baroque

Symphony orchestras have covered the Beatles, but baroqueing 20 of the most popular songs from the fave four is almost sacrilegious. But what an incredible introduction to the wonderful world of baroque. Breiner and His Chamber Orchestra (violinists Quido and Anna Hölbling and Juraj Cizmarovic, flautist Vladislav Brunner, and cellist Juraj Alexander) cleverly encase these pop treasures into slightly-to-the-left period pieces; Beatles Concerto Grosso No. 1 (in the style of Handel), includes She Loves You (a tempo giusto), Lady Madonna (Allegro) and Penny Lane (Allegro); No. 2, (in the style of Vivaldi), includes A Hard Day's Night, Paperback Writer, and Help; No. 3 (in the style of J.S. Bach), serves up the Long and Winding Road - Overture, Eight Days A Week - Rondeau, Hey Jude - Polonaise, Yellow Submarine - Badinerie, and We Can Work It Out - Bourree; No. 4 includes Here Comes The Sun, Michelle, Goodnight, and Carry That Weight. A perfectly delightful trip down memory lane and one that will certainly give younger audiences a new perspective on the entertainment value of baroque music. Recorded at the Moyzes Hall of the Slovak Philharmonic, Bratislava. Leos Komarek produced. Breiner, who lives in North York, Ontario will be including some of the above in his April 10 appearance with the North York Symphony Orchestra at the Ford Centre for the Performing Arts, North York. Contact Linda Donville at 416-782-3241. -WG



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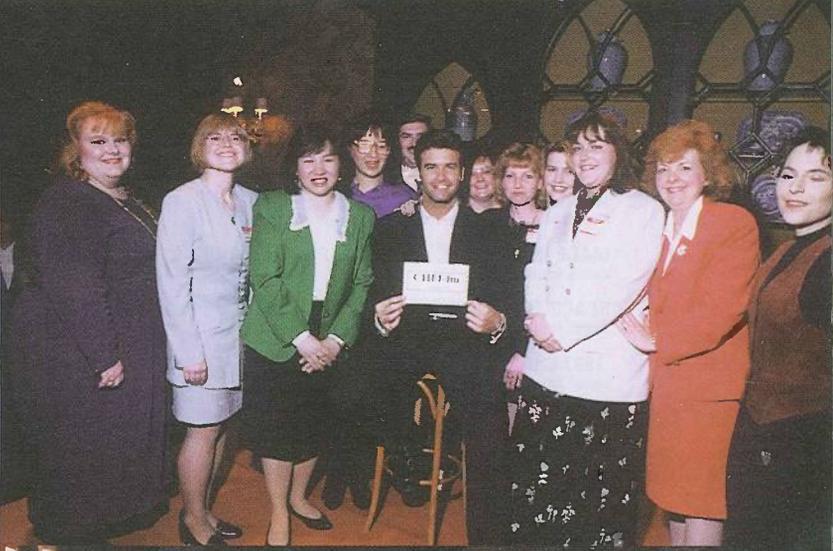
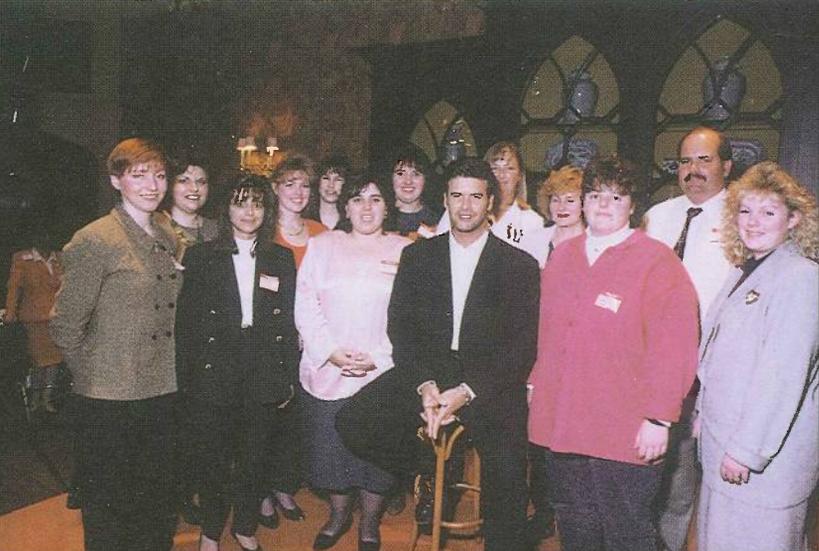
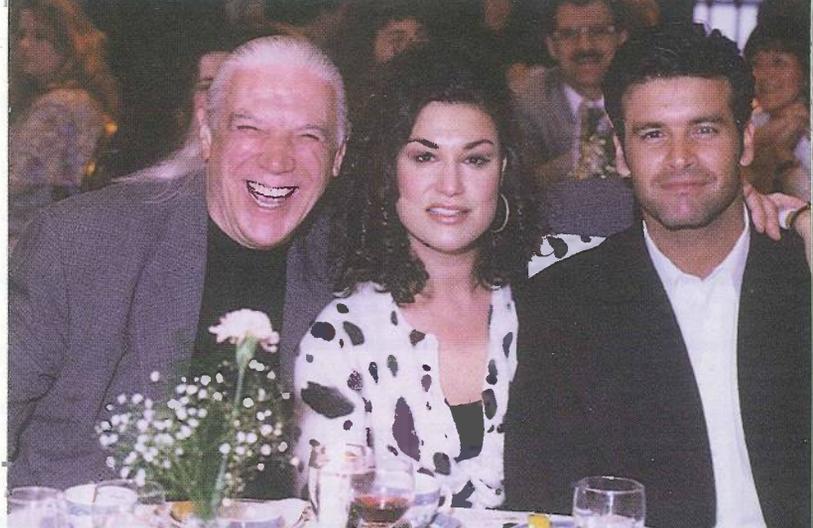


# Old Mill setting for a Roch Voisine concert

An intimate evening with Roch Voisine at Toronto's Old Mill, complete with cocktails, dinner, an unplugged session and a photo opportunity was the prize offered to listeners of ten Ontario A/C radio stations. Ten winners from each of the stations along with the program and music directors obviously enjoyed their close encounter.

1. BMG's Louise Allen with Roch Voisine and André Di Cesare.
2. The Old Mill's General Manager Hans Gerhardt, and Amy Sky.
3. Roch with Janice Raseta, owner of The Port Mansion in St. Catherines and Olivera Bajrozich.
4. Manon Dubois, Roy Roberts, Dulce Barbosa, Roch, Linda Dawe, Big Al Gregory, André Di Cesare, and Scott Richards.
5. Radio station representatives: Scott O'Brien Michelle Miatello (CFLY-FM Kingston), Craig James, Gaye Zaleski (Light 105.7 St. Catharines), Christopher Randall, Sunni Genesco (K-Lite 102.9 Hamilton), Jamie Hall, Tara-Dawn-Winstone (B101-FM Barrie), Walter Ploegman (CKSY-FM Chatham), Bob Dancy (CJRN 710 Niagara Falls), Andy Rogers, Christy Curtis (Magic 106.1 Guelph), Drew Keith, Christine Langos (CHFI-FM Toronto), Shawn Turner, Gary McDonald (Magic 94.5 FM Oshawa), and Nikki Davis, Sandra Talbot (K-104 Woodstock). The other photos are of Roch with the winners.

*Photos by Tom Sandler*





## Rush Tests For Echo - gets response

Overwhelming demand -- and lots of it -- will make Canadian veteran rockers Rush one of the big draws on this year's summer concert circuit. The trio recently expanded their sold-out Toronto date at the Molson Amphitheatre to include a second show, also at the Amphitheatre, after ticket sales went through the roof shortly after they were made available to the public. Persistent demand from fans in Ottawa and Quebec has further occasioned the extension of the tour to include the major cities in those markets with sold out shows also being maintained in Vancouver and Seattle, places where the band had failed to sell out in recent years.

Rush members Geddy Lee, Alex Lifeson and Neil Peart have heightened the show's appeal this year by making

the tour an out of doors event for the first time in their 28 year career. Fans will also be treated to a full rendition of Rush's swan song 2112, performed in its entirety for the first time in fifteen years. The decision resulted from the band wanting to "try out something they hadn't done before" according to a management representative for Anthem Records, Rush's long standing label.

Test For Echo's first two singles (Test For Echo and Half The World) have already reached top five single status in the country and sales for the album continue to grow with a surge expected as the tour moves across the country. The band will be making five stops total, with shows scheduled in Vancouver, Toronto (twice), Quebec City and Ottawa.



## Dalbello returns with AIDS benefit

Alterna-diva Dalbello will be returning to the stage this April 30th at Toronto's Phoenix concert hall -- her first performance in eight years. The visionary singer-songwriter will be headlining a bill comprised of other notable names, including Carole Pope, Barbara Lynch, Ken MacNiel from Rusty and I Mother Earth's Jag Tanna and Bruce Gordon, proceeds for the show which will go to Fife House Foundation for people living with HIV

and AIDS.

The date will also kick off a tour proper in support of Dalbello's newest release on EMI titled Whore for which the artist has spent the past six months promoting in Europe. Her current line-up will feature long-time bassist Steve Webster, drummer Randy Cooke (Kim Mitchell, Marc Jordan), and guitarists Tim Welch (Alannah Myles, National Velvet) and Bruce Dies (Ozzy Osbourne, Deadman).

## Downtown Jam opens for the working musicians

Toronto and area musicians are being offered membership in Downtown Jam, a recording studio project designed for those "with a desire to make music, whether amateur or professional," says the clubs manager Andrew Hall.

Styled after the physical fitness club, the facility offers all the equipment needed for "a fulfilling musical workout."

Located at 260 Richmond Street West in Toronto's downtown core, the location features two studios plus a practice room to house musical instruments and equipment. The studios are outfitted with microphones and amps as well as mixing and recording equipment, which are ready at any time for a cassette recording or a jam session.

Among the services offered are the taking care of booking arrangements, arranging musicians who share the same taste in music and who are available to jam together.

Hall also points out that for those members who would like to take their show on the road, he is in talks with local area club managers. He is also scheduling Open Mike Nights, Battle of the Bands, "and maybe even some charity work."

The annual membership fee is \$99. Jam sessions have been pegged at \$20 for 90 minutes during weekdays, and \$20 for 120 minutes on weekends.

For more information call Hall at :  
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22	23	5	<b>FREAKS</b> Live - Secret Samadhi Radioactive 11590-J
23	24	3	<b>TUMBLE IN THE ROUGH</b> Stone Temple Pilots - Tiny Music...Songs... Atlantic 97314 (comp 314)-P
24	25	4	<b>I WILL SURVIVE</b> Cake - Fashion Nugget Mercury (comp 492)-Q
25	14	14	<b>LAKINI'S JUICE</b> Live - Secret Samadhi Radioactive 11590 (promo CD)-J
26	29	2	<b>FREAK</b> Silverchair - Freak Show Epic 67905-H
27	28	2	<b>BITCH</b> Meredith Brooks - Blurring The Edges Capitol 12014 - (promo CD)-F
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## What ever happened to... W.A.S.P.?

by Rod Gudino

Blackie Lawless and Chris Holmes might look like Satan's offspring, but they sure don't talk like it. Lawless, fatigued from a twenty-hour flight from Tokyo, seems more like a connoisseur of artistry and nostalgia while Chris Holmes, the 6'2" cromagnon who has been tattooed right down to the bones of his knuckles, has all the affability of Beavis and Butthead rolled into one.

The two are in Toronto to promote a new album due out April 29 (the same day a worldwide tour kicks off), characteristically titled K.F.D. (Kill Fuck Die) on Castle Records distributed by St. Clair in Canada. The album marks the group's first studio effort in eight years since 1989's *Headless*, and pushes the envelope on a contemporary sound marginally explored on their last. Though circumstances ("politics" - Lawless, "pussy" - Holmes) kept the two apart for the duration, apparently the resolve to get back into the studio was incited by a short telephone call.

"Blackie called me up and said 'what do you think of the wine list?'" explains Holmes, warming to the interview with boyhood enthusiasm. "I said 'which one, is there one in the hotel?' He says, 'naw man, it's this band of whiners - those guys from Seattle, those stupid fucks.' I thought about it and said yeah, let's go out and kick some ass, show these whiners how to really rock!"

And just like that, the crazy machine known as WASP was back in working order. Lawless and Holmes soon immersed themselves into a writing, recording and production frenzy that operated under a blanket of fierce secrecy and concluded some two years later. The resulting album finds the duo carving out a new sound comprised of the standard metal chops and screeching vocals, but this time forced into a trash compactor of loops and effects, the whole thing then inked black with the kind of lyrics that put a strain on the First Amendment.

"The two most important things were that we wanted to do something that sounded like a garbage

disposal where you're just pouring silverware down inside of, or a sledgehammer hitting an anvil," explains Lawless. "We wanted the most metallic sound and the most aggressive and radical; we wanted to make the most aggressive record we've ever made. That was the two real starting points and then everything else became secondary."

To make sure none of their hard work goes unnoticed, Lawless and Holmes have put together a live show designed to scare the be-jesus out of the most hardened audiences. But in the age of the highly publicised acts from Marilyn Manson and The Impotent Sea Snakes, one is led to wonder just how the gruesome twosome -- who have fielded opposition from Capitol Hill in the past -- purport to outdo said acts.

"Well, for starters we're going to have a crucified nun on the stage," reveals Lawless, painting a picture in the air with the upraised hand of a fallen preacher.



## Chris Sheppard's Pirate Radio goes into orbit

The Pirate Radio revolution of dance radio continues as Chris Sheppard's highly successful Pirate Radio show takes to the sky. The show, which up until now has been nationally syndicated in ten major market stations across the country, will henceforth be available nationwide via satellite transmission.

"We have always wanted to be on the bird," said Sheppard, who hosts the weekly

four-hour show -- the only syndicated dance show in the country -- from studios in Toronto. "And now that we are we hope to reach a vast new audience of dance fans who've been starved for the music."

Pirate Music is hoping the satellite feed will incite secondary markets to latch on to the award-winning programme and expand touring grounds for the live version of the show.

"The idea is for Chris to go on tour regularly with acts that are on compilations or that he plays on the show and really start imprinting a national profile for himself," says Perry Stern, Pirate Records' Communications Manager. "Hopefully it'll be cross promotion in a way; it will turn more people onto the radio show but also everyone who listens to the radio show will want to go to those things, so it should work hand in hand."

Stern expects follow-up tours will be tentative with one show scheduled per month versus the three shows per week demand from the major markets. But he says Sheppard nevertheless does not plan to minimise the show, notorious for its weighty bombastics, on account of the smaller communities.

"I'm going to have a dildo with a saw and I'm going to fuck her and cut her open. Then I'm going to reach inside and take out her foetus and then I'm going to impale it on a sword. That's just for starters."

Further details revealed that a live pig has also been incorporated into the act, though we leave it to those who plan to actually venture into the show to find out what happens (hint: animal rights activists might be advised to begin picketing rehearsals). In the wake of these revelations, the matter of offending the moral right is pretty much a moot point, though one can't help asking whether so much calculated blasphemy will finally elicit divine repercussions.

"If you've ever flown over Alaska," philosophises Lawless, "you cannot look down and see that sunrise coming up and not acknowledge the presence of something greater than yourself. And I don't mean a record company, I mean some being that created all this." He pauses significantly as the tattooed beast across the bed begins to dose. "I just have a problem with man's interpretation of what it's supposed to be."

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"Chris definitely doesn't want them to be any less a show than he's done in the past year," says Stern.

Responses have been immediate and Stern expects "a windfall of enquiries" to continue into the next few weeks as the format's popularity continues to grow. Pirate Music may be contacted at 416-979-6715.

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# COUNTRY

**Trace Adkins** has his first #1 on the RPM Country 100 with (This Ain't) No Thinkin' Thing moving into the top of the chart. The song was written by Tim Nichols and Mark Sanders and is included on his Capitol Nashville release, *Dreamin' Out Loud*, which was produced by Scott Hendricks. Rob Chubey, EMI's promotion guy dropped off Adkins follow-up single, *I Left Something Turned On At Home*. The new single was written by Billy Lawson and John Schweers. The CD single also contains a 12 second "suggested research hook" that Capitol Nashville has been including on their recent releases, a great promotion vehicle and invaluable to on-air personalities.

**Among Rob Chubey's** bag of goods was the new single from Keith Perry, *All I Give A Darn About Is You*. Written by Jim Foster and Mark Petersen, the single was produced by Nelson Larkin and Mike Hollandsworth. Chubey also dropped off Burnin' Daylight's self-titled release, now being fueled by the first single, *Say Yes* (#92), and Sawyer Brown's *Six Days On The Road*, getting the retail lookover as the title track, released as a single increases its spins at radio (#24).

**Chris Cummings** has the biggest gainer this week. *Almost Always*, which began charting four

## Official launch for Country 95.5FM

Canada's newest country music radio station went to air Friday March 14, 1997 (RPM March 10/97) The official launch took place at Outriders, a popular Lethbridge nightclub.

Marv Gunderson, the station's Program Director, reports that the lights in the club were turned out and country 95.5FM was born. "The first song we played was Alan Jackson's *Gone Country*. To show our appreciation and recognition for their success in country music, the next two songs were by southern Alberta's Terri Clark and Paul Brandt."

The station is described as adult oriented, personality driven featuring contemporary country music. The day begins with Tim "Buzz" McKegan (formerly of JR Country and SRN Vancouver as well as Country 105 in Calgary) in morning drive; Lyndsay White (from siter station CHAT, Medicine Hat) on middays; Music Director Bruce Andrei (formerly of Q91 Drumheller) on afternoon drive; Wes Arden (from CKRX/CKTA) on evenings; Jeff Hollick (CKRX) remains with the station for weekend mornings; and Gloria Evans (formerly of CKXL Calgary and CHRB High River) on weekend afternoons.

"Although we will all miss 1090 CKRX and the Rock and Roll format," says Gunderson, "it goes without saying we are very excited about our flip to FM and the flip to country. The response so far has been great and we look forward to providing southern Alberta with a very exciting FM Country radio station."

The flip to Country FM also resulted in a format change for CKTA Taber. The country format was replaced with Classic Hits CKTA. Gunderson points out that "66 per cent of the music played is Top 40 hits of the '60s and '70s. The remaining 34 per cent is Top 40 hits of the '50s, '80s and '90s. "This fills a high role in the Southern Alberta market for an Oldies-based radio station and once again, the response from listeners has been very positive."

weeks ago, bullets up to #41 from #52. Cummings is currently touring with Terri Clark, Duane Steele and David Lee Murphy. They hit Toronto for a date at the Molson Amphitheatre at Ontario Place on May 30, and may make an appearance at Variety's Salute to Big Country that afternoon. Cummings has been nominated for a Big Country Award as Outstanding New Artist. The awards presentation takes place on June 1 to be telecast by BBS. Prior to his Toronto date, Cummings will be down east playing Saint John's Harbour Station (May 23), Halifax's Convention Centre (24), and Moncton's Coliseum (25). Upcoming dates include a return to Halifax (June 30) for a Citadel date, following by dates out west in Yorkton (July 2), Grande Prairie (4), Dauphin (6), Merritt (17), and Craven (19).

**Beverley Mahood** has returned to the chart with her debut single *Girl Out Of The Ordinary*, which re-enters the chart at #39. Mahood wrote the song with Mark Dineen. This is the title track of her Spin CD which was produced by J.R.Hutt. The single qualifies as four parts Canon.

**Noel Haggard** has the most added single this week. *Once You Learn*, taken from his Atlantic debut, *One Lifetime*, has caught the ear of Canadian country programmers, and enters the chart at #82. The song was written by Billy Livsey and Don Schlitz. The album was produced by Barry Beckett (RPM New Releases - March 21/97). The young son of Merle, has also made a good impression in his own country.

**Cindy Church** has been getting a major push from Anya Wilson Promotion & Publicity, resulting in an impressive pattern of acceptance for her latest *Stony Plain* release, *My Baby*. Taken from her new

self-titled release (see RPM New Releases), the single, a Church original, enters the chart at a modest #94.

**Silver Wings**, Linda-Brown and Scotty Wells, the husband and wife team from down east, have been piecing together a strong following among country programmers. They got chart action with *Cause I Love You*, the title track of their Earth Star debut and follow this up with *Heart On The Line* which enters the chart at #98. Both songs were written by Linda-Brown. Both of them produced the album.

**Garth Brooks** is taking his show to New York's Central Park. The free concert will take place in the North Meadow beginning at 8 pm on August 7. The date was announced by Brooks, New York Mayor Rudolph Giuliani and Parks Commissioner Henry Stern. This is the same show that Brooks toured with last year, which became the biggest-selling tour of 1996. The Central Park concert will be produced by Jon Small of Picture Vision, and directed by Marty Callner and televised live across the US by Home Box Office. The concert is offered in cooperation with EMI-Capitol Music Group North America and Parks. The Central Park free concerts have become a tradition, drawing millions of music fans to performances by some of the top names in the business, including Barbra Streisand, Placido Domingo, Simon & Garfunkel, Elton John and Luciano Pavarotti. Brooks is the biggest-selling solo recording artist in US music history. His nine releases have sold more than 62 million units in total, second only to The Beatles in overall domestic album sales. Brooks is in the midst of a three-year tour that has sold out multiple shows in each of the cities he has played, including Canada.

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## COUNTRYPICKERS

### STEVE JONES

CFQM-FM - Moncton  
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### GARTH STONE

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Let It Rain - Shirley Meyers

### PHIL KALLSEN

CKRY-FM - Calgary  
I'd Rather Ride Around - Reba McEntire

### CAL GRATTON

CJVR - Melfort  
Girl Thang - Rena Gaile

### COLIN McAULAY

CFCY - Charlottetown  
I Will, If You Will - John Berry

### BOB PRESTON

Nornet/Q91 - Drumheller  
I Will, If You Will - John Berry

### RICK FLEMING

CKQM-FM - Peterborough  
I Will, If You Will - John Berry

### DAVE McLAUGHLIN

CKGB - Timmins  
She's Going Home With Me - Travis Tritt

### RAY BERGSTROM

CFMK-FM - Kingston  
She's Going Home With Me - Travis Tritt

### PETE WALKER

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She's Going Home With Me - Travis Tritt

### RICK KELLY

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Whatever Comes First - Sons of the Desert

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CHAT - Medicine Hat  
So Long, So Wrong - Alison Krauss

### BRUCE LEPERRE

CKDM - Dauphin  
No Muss, No Fuss - Chris Bigford

### CHUCK REYNOLDS

CHYR - Leamington  
Loved So Much - Ty Herndon

### DAN MITCHELL

CKCQ - Quesnel  
Two Names - Duane Steele/Lisa Brokop

### FRANK McGWIRE

KIX - Brandon  
Who's Cheatin' Who - Alan Jackson

### DOUG HARRISON

CJNB - North Battleford  
She Won't Be Lonely - Prairie Oyster

### BRIAN SALMON

CHOW - Welland  
She Won't Be Lonely - Prairie Oyster

### DOUG ANDERSON

Y105 - Ottawa  
Count Me In - Deana Carter

### JANET TRECARTEN

CISS-FM - Toronto  
A Dozen Red Roses - Joan Kennedy

### BILL MALCOLM

KIXX105 - Thunder Bay  
A Girl Like You - Jeffrey Steele



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He has sold more than two million tickets since his tour began in March of last year.

**Clay Walker** is out on the road with Terri Clark and James Bonamy for a tour of the US, before Clark hits out on her own. According to US trade reports, Walker was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis last year, but it hasn't deterred him from keeping up a hectic pace of activity, including releasing a new album, which will be in the stores shortly. Rumour Has It, the title track of that Warner Bros album, is making good gains at radio on both sides of the border. Written by Walker and Jason Greene, the single sits at #3 this week on the RPM Country 100.

**Bryan White** has been making good gains with his latest Asylum release, Sittin' On Go, which moves up to #36 this week. White is expected to make even more gains as he mounts his Canadian tour. He was scheduled for dates in Ottawa (April 18) and Hamilton (19) before moving west to Regina's Agridome (23), Edmonton's Coliseum (24), Calgary's Saddledome (25), GM Place in Vancouver (27), and the Coliseum in Prince George (29).

**Lisa Erskine**, a new artist from up London, Ontario way (she has a horse farm in Komoka), dropped by the office to say hello and to leave her professionally packaged self-titled debut album and biographical material, which includes an eye-catching poster and a CD single of See You On The Other Side, a song she wrote with Deam McTaggart. The album was produced by Johnny Douglas, who co-wrote all the other tracks on the album with Erskine. The album was recorded at Moondog, a small studio in Nashville. All of the tracks qualify as three-parts Cancon (MAL). Watch for an upcoming album review. Erskine has been calling on a number of radio stations throughout southern Ontario, promoting her new release. Stations across the country have also been serviced with her album.

**Montgomery Steele** is big news in The Netherlands. His debut Cancon release, Indian Woman, tops the PeelGrass chart. The single also scores a #9 on Alex Pijnen's BRTQ Radio chart out of Holland. Steele has just returned home from a road trip through Alberta. Steele has also been getting good spins at country radio in Hawaii, which is near and dear to him. It was in Hawaii where he married his wife Sonia. His single continues to pick up spins in Canada where it jumps up to #77 this week. His album is titled First Time Out.

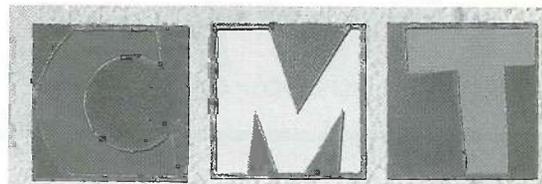
**Travis Tritt** has firmed one date for Canada, which is at the Keystone Arena in Brandon, Manitoba for May 8. She's Going Home With Me, his latest from Warner Music, bullets up to #74 this week after two weeks of charting. This Tritt original is the follow-up to Where Corn Don't Grow, now descending the chart (#55) after 17 weeks. Both tracks are included on his release of The Restless Kind, which he produced with Don Was.

**Tina Turley** makes a bid for the charts with Ready To Ride, the first single taken from her four-song CD release, This Could Be It. Turley, who resides in Northern Ontario, has been doing the country music thing since she was 13. Her press kit and release package is now heading for radio.

**The Life and Times of Anne Murray** airs on The Nashville Network (TNN) on May 14. The one-hour documentary takes a look at Canada's superstar and her 25 years in the business. Murray began her career as a country artist, but quickly crossed over into the pop field, where she still maintains star status on both formats. Murray is also the featured artist on TNN's Monday Night Concerts for the May 12 episode. Murray is teamed with American fiddle maestro Mark O'Connor and new artist John Jennings. The Life and Times series also airs profiles on "The King of Bakersfield" Buck Owens (May 7), Ray Price, "The Cherokee Cowboy" (21) and the artist known as the "guv'nor" Carl Perkins (May 28).

**No official BCCMA news**, but some of the more aggressive artists who were nominated for these west coast country music awards, have sent along news. The Cruzeros report that they were nominated in five categories; Best Album, Best Group, Entertainer, Best Video and the Ray

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COUNTRY MUSIC TELEVISION

**VIDEO & INSTANT TOP FIVE**

- #1. This Ain't No Thinkin' - Trace Adkins
- #2. I Give You My Word - George Fox
- #3. Til You Love Somebody - Amy Sky
- #4. Emotional Girl - Terri Clark
- #5. Valentine - McBride/Brickman

**BREAKOUT VIDEO**

Six Days - Sawyer Brown

**PICK HIT**

The Light In Your Eyes - LeAnn Rimes

## RPM COUNTRY ALBUMS

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<b>1</b>	2	22	<b>DEANA CARTER</b> Did I Shave My Legs For This Capitol-37514-F				
<b>2</b>	1	7	<b>LEANN RIMES</b> Unchained Melody/The Early Years Curb-77856-F				
<b>3</b>	3	112	<b>SHANIA TWAIN</b> The Woman In Me Mercury-314-522-886-Q	MA PL			
<b>4</b>	6	21	<b>TERRI CLARK</b> Just The Same Mercury-314-532-879-Q	MA PL			
<b>5</b>	7	50	<b>PAUL BRANDT</b> Calm Before The Storm Reprise-46180-P	MA PL			
<b>6</b>	4	35	<b>MICHELLE WRIGHT</b> For Me It's You Arista-18815-N	MA PL			
<b>7</b>	8	37	<b>LEANN RIMES</b> Blue Curb/EMI-77821-F				
<b>8</b>	16	22	<b>ALAN JACKSON</b> Everything I Love Arista-18812-N				
<b>9</b>	9	32	<b>PRAIRIE OYSTER</b> Blue Plate Special Arista-74321-40042-N	MA PL			
<b>10</b>	10	32	<b>ANNE MURRAY</b> Self-titled EMI-36501-F	MA PL			
<b>11</b>	11	21	<b>REBA McENTIRE</b> What If It's You MCA-11500-J				
<b>12</b>	13	25	<b>VARIOUS ARTISTS</b> The Best Of Country Sing The Best Of Disney Disney-60902				
<b>13</b>	5	27	<b>VARIOUS ARTISTS</b> CMI Canada 96 BMG/EMI-74321-40803-F/N	MA PL			
<b>14</b>	17	30	<b>TRISHA YEARWOOD</b> Everybody Knows MCA-11477-J				
<b>15</b>	12	32	<b>MINDY McCREADY</b> Ten Thousand Angels BNA-66806-N				
<b>16</b>	14	23	<b>THE RANKIN FAMILY</b> The Rankin Family Collection EMI-52969-F	MA PL			
<b>17</b>	15	15	<b>JOHN MICHAEL MONTGOMERY</b> What I Do The Best Atlantic-82947-P				
<b>18</b>	18	9	<b>MARK CHESNUTT</b> Greatest Hits Decca-11529-J				
<b>19</b>	20	26	<b>JOHN BERRY</b> Faces Capitol-35464-F				
<b>20</b>	21	15	<b>TRAVIS TRITT</b> The Restless Kind Warner Bros-46304-P				
<b>21</b>	27	2	<b>TRACE ADKINS</b> Dreamin' Out Loud Capitol-37222-F				
<b>22</b>	22	10	<b>COLLIN RAYE</b> I Think About You Epic-67033-H				
<b>23</b>	19	48	<b>BROOKS &amp; DUNN</b> Borderline Arista/BMG-18819-N	MA PL			
<b>24</b>	24	25	<b>CLINT BLACK</b> The Greatest Hits MCA-66671-N	MA PL			
<b>25</b>	23	22	<b>KEVIN SHARP</b> Measure Of A Man Asylum-61930-P	MA PL			
<b>26</b>	28	43	<b>VINCE GILL</b> High Lonesome Sound MCA-11422-J	MA PL			
<b>27</b>	25	22	<b>TRACY BYRD</b> Big Love MCA-11485-J				
<b>28</b>	34	17	<b>VARIOUS ARTISTS</b> The Best Of Country Heat BMG-40601-N	MA PL			
<b>29</b>	26	24	<b>MARY CHAPIN CARPENTER</b> A Place In The World Columbia-67501-H				
<b>30</b>	29	9	<b>DERYL DODD</b> One Hide In Vegas Columbia-67544-H				
<b>31</b>	31	32	<b>FRIENDS &amp; LOVERS</b> Various Artists Sony Music Direct-24024-H	MA PL			
<b>32</b>	NEW		<b>TRACY LAWRENCE</b> The Coast Is Clear Atlantic-82985-P				
<b>33</b>	33	18	<b>VARIOUS ARTISTS</b> Country Heat 5 MCA-298032-N	MA PL			
<b>34</b>	32	32	<b>BILLY RAY CYRUS</b> Train Of Tears Mercury-314-532-829-Q				
<b>35</b>	36	26	<b>DOLLY PARTON</b> Treasures Hising Iides/MCA-53401-J				
<b>36</b>	37	71	<b>GARTH BROOKS</b> Fresh Horses Capitol-32080-F	MA PL			
<b>37</b>	35	19	<b>FARMER'S DAUGHTER</b> Makin' Hay MCA-81029-J	MA PL			
<b>38</b>	38	24	<b>VARIOUS ARTISTS</b> Untamed And True 3 MCA-81022	MA PL			
<b>39</b>	NEW		<b>MILA MASON</b> That's Enough Of That Atlantic-82923-P				
<b>40</b>	40	7	<b>BRADY SEALS</b> The Truth Reprise-46248-P				

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## Adult Contemporary TRACKS



### Record Distributor Codes:

BMG - N EMI - F Universal - J M - Quality Polygram - Q Sony - H Warner - P Koch - K

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1	1	15	<b>DARK HORSE</b> Amanda Marshall - Self-titled Epic-80229 (comp 057)-H		21	24	8	<b>EVIDENCE (Can You Hear Me Now)</b> Tara MacLean - Silence Netwerk-30106 (comp 4)-H	MA PL	41	46	4	<b>SUNNY CAME HOME</b> Shawn Colvin - A Few Small Repairs Columbia-67119 (pro single)-H
2	6	7	<b>ALL BY MYSELF</b> Celine Dion - Falling Into You Columbia-80230 (comp 059)-H		22	22	15	<b>FOR THE FIRST TIME</b> Kenny Loggins - One Fine Day US1 Columbia-67916 (pro single)-H		42	35	9	<b>A LONG DECEMBER</b> Counting Crows - Recovering The Satellites UGU-24975 (comp 20)-J
3	2	12	<b>IT'S IN YOUR EYES</b> Phil Collins - Dance Into The Night Atlantic-82949 (CU track)-H		23	23	5	<b>ALONE</b> BeeGees - Still Waters Polydor-31453-7302 (pro single)-Q		43	55	2	<b>WHERE HAVE ALL THE COWBOYS GONE</b> Paula Cole - This Fire Warner Bros-16424 (comp 317)-P
4	4	13	<b>YOU WERE MEANT FOR ME</b> Jewel - Pieces Of Your Soul Atlantic-82700 (CU track)-P		24	25	6	<b>BARELY BREATHING</b> Duncan Sheik - Self-titled Atlantic-82879 (comp 305)-P		44	40	14	<b>JUMPING THE SHADOWS</b> Dambnait Doyle - Shadows Wake Me Latitude-50422 (CU track)-H
5	5	12	<b>TIL YOU LOVE SOMEBODY</b> Amy Sky - Cool Hair IronMusic-51005 (CU track)-N	100% Cancan	25	19	13	<b>DON'T CRY FOR ME ARGENTINA</b> Madonna - Evita US1 Warner Bros-46346 (CU track)-P		45	32	11	<b>VALENTINE</b> Jim Brickman/w/ Martina McBride - Picture This Windham Hill-11211 (CU track)-N
6	3	22	<b>UN-BREAK MY HEART</b> Ioni Braxton - Secrets LaFace/BMG-4200 (pro single)-N		26	20	8	<b>NO VALENTINES</b> Elton John - Love Songs MCA-11481 (comp 1)-J		46	39	17	<b>JUST ANOTHER DAY</b> John Mellencamp - Mr. Happy Go Lucky Mercury-314-532-896 (pro single)-Q
7	8	8	<b>I'LL ALWAYS BE RIGHT THERE</b> Bryan Adams - 18 til I Die A&M-05521 (CU track)-Q	MA PL	27	26	18	<b>TO LOVE YOU MORE</b> Celine Dion - Falling Into You 550 Music/Epic-67541 (CU track)-N	MA PL	47	49	5	<b>IT'S A PERSONAL THING</b> Laura Smith - Little track Universal-81033 (pro single)-J
8	9	8	<b>DELIVER ME</b> Hootie Volaine - Kissing Rain HV International-43978 (pro single)-N	MA PL	28	29	6	<b>SEE THE PEOPLE</b> Soul Attorneys - Self-titled Epic-80234 (comp 059)-H		48	44	15	<b>WITHOUT LOVE</b> Donna Lewis - Now in A Minute Atlantic-82762 (comp 306)-P
9	10	7	<b>STEP BY STEP</b> Whitney Houston - Preacher's Wife US1 Arista-18951 (comp 15)-N		29	31	5	<b>STAR PEOPLE</b> George Michael - Older Dreamworks-50000 (comp 4)-J		49	59	2	<b>EMOTIONAL LOVE</b> John Mellencamp - Mr. Happy Go Lucky Mercury-532-896 (comp 500)-Q
10	12	7	<b>UNTIL I FIND YOU AGAIN</b> Richard Marx - Hesh And Bone Capitol-31528 (comp 4)-H		30	33	15	<b>EVERYDAY IS A WINDING ROAD</b> Sheryl Crow - Self-titled A&M-514-540-587 (comp 11)-Q		50	51	4	<b>THE PROMISE</b> Tracy Chapman - New Beginning Elektra-61850 (comp 315)
11	7	13	<b>TOO LATE TOO SOON</b> Jon Secada - Self-titled EMI-55897 (pro single)-H		31	37	5	<b>STARING AT THE SUN</b> U2 - Pop Island-524334 (pro single)-Q		51	45	9	<b>WHEN YOU'RE GONE</b> Cranberries - To The Faithful Departed Island-314-524-234 (comp 9)-Q
12	13	12	<b>TELL ME</b> Corey Hart - Self-titled Columbia-80240 (pro single)-H	100% Cancan	32	30	20	<b>I FINALLY FOUND SOMEONE</b> Barbra Streisand w/Bryan Adams - The Mirror US1 Columbia-57887 (comp 056)-H		52	53	12	<b>THAT'S WHAT MY LOVE IS FOR</b> Anne Murray w/Aaron Neville - Self-titled EMI-36502 (comp 22)-H
13	11	11	<b>NIGHT TRAIN</b> Bruce Cockburn - The Charity Of Night True North-159 (comp 1)-J	100% Cancan	33	27	14	<b>UNDER THE WATER</b> Merrill Bainbridge - The Garden MCA-53019 (pro single)-J		53	54	11	<b>THE HOLY RIVER</b> The Artist - Emancipation NPG-11657 (pro single)-H
14	15	6	<b>LOVEFOOL</b> The Cardigans - First Band On The Moon Stockholm/Mercury-533117 (comp 477)-Q		34	34	10	<b>WHEN ANGELS BRUSH THEIR HAIR</b> Nicholson - Under The Influences Loggerhead/EMI-50609 (comp 1)-H	100% Cancan	54	58	3	<b>SAY YOU'LL BE THERE</b> Spice Girls - Spice Virgin-421474 (pro single)-H
15	16	6	<b>FLOWERS FOR JANE</b> Marc Jordan - Cool Jam Black Earth Peg Music-00076 (pro single)-H	MA PL	35	43	3	<b>THAT'S THE WAY IT GOES</b> Anne Murray - Self-titled EMI-36501 (pro single)-H	MA PL	55	56	12	<b>COME CALLING</b> Cowboy Junkies - Lay It Down Geffen-24952 (comp 21)-J
16	18	24	<b>WHEN YOU LOVE A WOMAN</b> Journey - Inal By Fire Columbia-87514 (pro single)-H		36	36	7	<b>HORO GHOD THU NIGHEAN</b> Mary Jane Lamond - Suas e! A&M-42000 (pro single)-Q	100% Cancan	56	57	20	<b>FLY LIKE AN EAGLE</b> Seal - Space Jam US1 Atlantic-82961 (comp 305)-P
17	17	8	<b>EVERYTIME WE SAY GOODBYE</b> Dan Hill w/Vann Johnson - I'm Doing Fine MCA-81012 (comp 3)-J	MA PL	37	38	4	<b>HAVANA</b> Kenny G - The Moment Arista-18935 (comp 15)-N		57	47	10	<b>SAVING FACE</b> The Boomers - 25,000 Days Alma/Polydor-2103 (comp 486)-Q
18	21	21	<b>IF WE FALL IN LOVE TONIGHT</b> Rod Stewart - Little track Warner Bros-46452 (comp 304)-P		38	41	5	<b>I WANT YOU</b> Savage Garden - Self-titled Columbia-67954 (pro single)-H		58	NEW		<b>IT STARTS IN THE HEART</b> Maxi Priest - Disney's Jungle 2 Jungle US1 Disney-80847 (pro single)
19	14	15	<b>I BELIEVE IN YOU AND ME</b> Whitney Houston - Preacher's Wife US1 Arista-07822-18951 (comp 11)-N		39	48	3	<b>ELEGANTLY WASTED</b> INXS - Little track Mercury-31453-45321 (pro single)-Q		59	60	13	<b>THROUGH YOUR HANDS</b> Don Henley - Michael U.S.I. Revolution-24666 (CU track)-P
20	28	17	<b>DON'T SPEAK</b> No Doubt - Tragic Kingdom Interscope-92580 (comp 18)-J		40	42	6	<b>IT MATTERS</b> Driving Blind - Self-titled Watch/MCA-89606 (comp 3)-J		60	NEW		<b>UNCONDITIONAL</b> Jackson - Absolute Ariola/BMG-38621 (comp 16)-N

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1	1	8	<b>INSOMNIA</b> Faithless Champion/Arista-N		11	14	5	<b>COLOUR OF LOVE</b> Amber Tommy Boy/Quality-M		21	27	2	<b>REQUEST LINE</b> Zhané Motown/A&M-Q
2	2	11	<b>DISCOTHEQUE</b> U2 Island-Q		12	5	7	<b>DON'T CRY FOR ME ... (RE-MIX)</b> Madonna Sire-P		22	25	4	<b>STAR PEOPLE</b> George Michael Dreamworks-J
3	3	10	<b>I'M GONNA LOVE YOU</b> Summer Junkies Panic/Popular-P		13	6	8	<b>FLEX</b> Belinda Ariola-N		23	24	3	<b>ARE YOU THERE?</b> Josh Wink Sony-H
4	10	11	<b>RUNAWAY</b> Nuyorican Soul Giant Steps-M		14	19	5	<b>PEOPLE HOLD ON</b> Lisa Stansfield Arista-N	24 NEW	24	NEW		<b>ONE MORE TIME</b> Real McCoy Arista-N
5	4	9	<b>I FELL IN LOVE</b> Rockell Robbins/BMG-N		15	17	6	<b>SAY...IF YOU FEEL ALRIGHT</b> Crystal Waters Mercury/Polydor-Q	25 NEW	25	NEW		<b>I BELONG TO YOU</b> Gina G Popular-P
6	7	6	<b>PLEASE DON'T GO</b> No Mercy Arista-N		16	18	5	<b>STEP BY STEP</b> Whitney Houston BMG-N		26	11	12	<b>JUST ANOTHER GROOVE</b> Mighty Dub Kats Quality-M
7	8	12	<b>RETURN OF THE MACK</b> Mark Morrison Atlantic-P		17	20	3	<b>MUSIC</b> Dolce & Gabana Popular-P		27	12	17	<b>WANNABE</b> Spice Girls Virgin-F
8	9	9	<b>ANGEL</b> Daisy Dee Attic/Universal-J		18	21	4	<b>GET UP EVERYBODY</b> Byron Stingily Nervous/Quality-M		28	13	6	<b>GOTTA GET YOU INTO MY LIFE</b> Ruback Ariola-N
9	16	3	<b>DA FUNK</b> Datt Punk Virgin-F		19	28	2	<b>HEAD OVER HEELS</b> Allure w/ Nas Crave-H		29	15	12	<b>LOST IN LOVE</b> Temperance Hi-Bias-Q
10	22	4	<b>HYPNOTIZING</b> Notorious B.I.G. Bad Boy-N		20	26	2	<b>I LIKE IT</b> Blackout All Stars Epic-H	30 NEW	30	NEW		<b>TRUE</b> Freebee Isba-K



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17 McCauley Memorial Horizon Award (Best New Artist). As well the band's producer Bill Buckingham was nominated for Best Producer and three musicians who performed on the album were nominated; Randall Stoll (Best Drummer), Robbie Steiniger (Best Guitarist) and steelman Jim Darin (Best Special Instrumentalist). Sean Hogan has been nominated for Best Male Vocalist and the Ray Macauley Memorial Horizon Award. Hogan is hosting a CD release party on April 23 at the Boone County Cabaret in Port Coquitlam. Hogan is charting with *Slow Turning*, which bullets up to #21 after 14 weeks on the chart. His self-titled album has also been nominated in the Best Country Album category for the first awards show sponsored by the Pacific Music Industry Awards to be held May 8 at the Capilano Theatre at Cap College Campus. Suzanne Gitzi was also a multiple nominee for the BCCMA awards; Female Vocalist (which she won last year), and Entertainer. More information is expected to filter in before the awards night of June 1.

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**Today's Country** will chalk up show #200 on April 27. Co-hosts Sharon Edwards and Greg Shannon marked this milestone in their Craven A series with a large cake and shared the cutting with guest band Ricochet. The Columbia band, currently charting with *Ease My Troubled Mind*, the title track from their Columbia release, treated the

audience to a performance of *Daddy's Money* and the national premiere of *He Left A Lot To Be Desired* the first single to be taken from their upcoming sophomore album. Jan Cody the Senior Producer of the series, says that the production staff was so overwhelmed with the band's talent they felt their performance could go "straight to CD."



Cutting the cake for Today's Country's #200 show, Ricochet's Teddy Carr, Greg Cook, Jeff Bryant, Jr. Bryant, Heath Wright, Eddie Kilgallon and co-hosts Sharon Edwards and Greg Shannon.

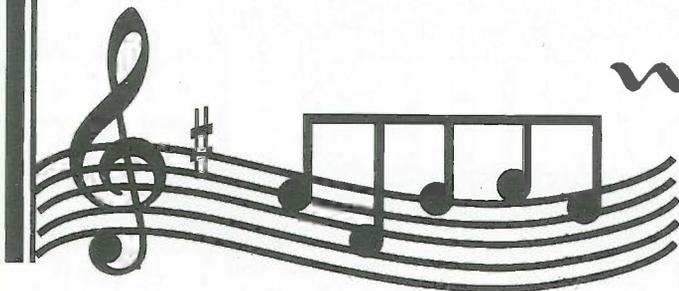
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