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SPIKE SPOUTS



I have three main moans this month. Firstly, it's a common problem that bands get when they change part of the line up a new bass player a different drummer a depp or a cancellation or postponement of a gig unless you hear it from the band they have not broken up rumour mongering at its best and Chinese whispers have in fact caused two bands recently a lot of grief. If a band has to cancel a gig it's probably for genuine reasons and has probably caused the band a lot of anxiety in having to do so and is even more so a rare occurrence, we all have to phone in sick to work on occasion and a gigging band is no different.

Let's try and have a little more understanding and a little less gossip! As in one instance a popular band members wife was phoned and told that her husband was dead and that they were incredibly sorry, she did find the funny side of it as he had only left the house ten minutes ago and was on his way to a gig, but she thanked them for their concern and told them that the collection should go elsewhere check check and double check unless you hear it from the horses mouth and not the horses arse!

Secondly. regulation against regulations....

All clubs have regulations and many of these regulations are sensible and should be upheld but there have been a few phone calls to the Mad Rat

office about clubs with new regulations that are at best laughable and at worst ridiculous and these clubs are putting their members off attending on a regular basis and the few we have spoken to have said 'It would have to be something mighty spectacular to get me to go in a

(?) hurry.' So lets not regulate the fun out of the rockin' scene and think about the rules and regulations, it's bad enough contending with the government with all the different licenses and laws without bringing it into our social lives as well.

Thirdly, we at the mag have been in serious grief with our readership as Royal Mail has continually let us down. If you subscribe to the magazine and have not received your mag by the first of the month then please phone us and tell us so we can send you a new one, we obviously have a lot of rockin' postmen in this country as every month we lose some to the black hole called the post-box!

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Finally, Mad Rat Mag would like to send its sincerest sympathies to Mick, Peggy, Diane, Jason, Nigel, Eddie, Ade, Janie and their families and friends on the sad loss of PAUL.

Our thoughts are with you all.

Rockin Regards

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JANIE'S JAUNTS

Rockin' Greetings my dear friends,

Thanks for all your support and well wishes during my very painful few months of kidney stones and i am now back and raring to go. On 9th feb we went to Hillside Club nr Nottingham for CrazyJo's Birthday Bash with Paul Ansell's Number 9 and the place was buzzing. We got a table near to the bar as already many of the tables were busy despite the snowy weather outside, so we decided to stand up most of the night makes it easier to chat to people i think. Lots of people in tonight who had travelled to be here snow or no snow one said from Grantham. The first set was started later than normal at around nine-thirty as the Bass player was delayed due to the bad weather and snow around the Stoke area. Still he arrived safe and sound and the band began to play has they entertained the crowd with many of thier solid repertoire, always putting thier heart and souls into the music. People had brought in food to help with the birthday party and it was set up on tables at the back

of the room, as CrazyJo the hostess with the mostess was as usual welcoming and greetings everyone at the door, I really liked her new door stamp on your hands logo. Nice Touch!

She has worked hard at the club and it has been going for over a year now and yet she still makes a loss, despite this though her love and dedication of all aspets of the Rock and Roll scene inspire her to keep it running, so please come and see the bands and the venue for yourselves and support her and have your selves a great night out to boot! The second set on around eleven fifteen was as good as the first and we were all clapping and watching these guys enjoy themselves on stage, Jo was delighted when they played 'Sway' for her and we both went into see Paul and his band in the back room for a chat. I found them to be charming and very easy to talk too and i was chuffed too bits when Paul put his well known hat upon my head and said it looked good on me!

On a very wet and rainy night on the 20th Feb Ade and I went to Rock City in Nottingham to see Steven Seagal and Thunderbox, we had booked the tickets since October last year and when we got to Rock City they were already queuing up outside the big doors and by

the time they had opened them at seven-fifty the queue of fans was snaking its way up the very long street and going around the corner and out of site.

On first at nine pm was James 'Super Chikan' Johnson born in Darling Mississippi in 1951 and he was playing some mean Delta Blues on one of many of his home made banjo's this one was made out of a cigar box and snooker cue and the sound was amazing, he played 'I'm Bad' 'Tin Top Shack' and 'Little Red Rooster' to name a few, he had a great sense of humour too and the crowd really liked him alot.

Then at nine-thirty on came the main man himself, Mr Seagal and the place just erupted everyone went wild clapping and cheering and strait away The Mojo Priest and his blues guitar strummed into 'Love Doctor' He played many of his songs from his Cd's and though his voice was gravelly and not as clear as i have heard it, it was probably due to his heavy gigging in the UK and all the venues he was playing day after day, still his blues guitar playing was excellent, he was certainly enjoying himself on stage and you can see with out doubt how much he loves the music and the dedication he puts into all he does.

As for his band and backing singers they were incredible especially the amazing voices of Che' Best and Jermain Paul they had thier own well deserved solo spots and we were blown away with thier performances. All too soon Steven Seagal was gone but everyone in the room began to chant, at first softly then louder and louder MOJO Priest, MOJO PRIEST until he came back on stage grinning from ear to ear, it was around eleven and with a final encore of 'Wild Thing' he put his hands together and thanks us and then he was gone. With the beat and the band still ringing in our ears the crowd dispersed quickly and we went home with programmes and cd's, all of us very happy people indeed.



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Review of The Loco Lounge, Folkestone 17th February 2007

Featuring The Steve Hooker Rockin' Trio and artists from Ruby Revue By Fiona Wales

First things first, I must confess that I am not a rockabilly. If you are still reading, let me elaborate - I am a fan of all types of music, I keep an open mind towards it, I like a bit of everything. I am not, however, a die-hard one-genre-orientated type of girl. Those of you who know my husband, Duke (see his article elsewhere in this magazine), will find it hard to imagine any sort of musical compatibility between us, he is rockabilly through and through, and it is hard to even get him to listen to anything else, it is all his ears yearn for. Over the years, though, we have found patches of common ground, more due to my previously explained liking a bit of everything than his willingness to expand his tastes, although he's been known to branch out into listening to swing and Rat Pack, daring stuff for such an ardent fan.

One such compromise was our night out to 'The Loco Lounge' in Folkestone. This monthly event is held in a social club, elite in the elusiveness of the location. February was the second such evening, we tried last month but could not find the hall, grrr.

We were in luck this month, though, and we found ourselves in a large hall filled with an unusual mix of people, it was great to see such a diverse blend of looks and musical tastes getting on so well. Having purchased our remarkably cheap drinks at the bar (a situation guaranteed to have myself and Duke in a great mood!), we moved into an inner room comprising a dance floor, additional seating, and a very cool tiki-styled D.J. hut, where I was

introduced to Colin Henderson, the chap responsible, along with his wife Greta, for masterminding and operating 'The Loco Lounge', and tonight's D.J. It can not be a be an easy task to cater for the wide variety of musical tastes that require feeding on a night like this one, but the variety of music was impressive (as indeed was Colin's musical knowledge), and the crowd seemed more than happy with the northern soul, 1960's garage, rock 'n' roll and r 'n' b interchangeably on offer. Colin plays only vinyl, and for those who were allowed a peek inside his tiki-hut this was symbolic of what the club as a whole is trying to achieve; authenticity in a modern world, mirrored by the vinyl played on modern equipment, and by a retro club utilising the modern innovation of mspace to promote itself.

The feature that makes this club a little more unusual than most is its live burlesque acts. I suspect it was the promotion of these that ensured such a good turnout for this new venture. February's artists were Miss Ruby Fortune and Dolly Mae, both from 'The Ruby Revue'. Technical problems with their music meant that the burlesque was postponed until after the band's first set, but this only added to the excitement of the crowd, who were openly curious about this growing trend. An atmosphere of fun was building, and the tease of announcing the girls and then delaying them kept a notion of suspense in the air, building an anticipation that meant everyone's attention was raised.

To save the night, 'The Steve Hooker Rockin' Trio' took to the stage early, and was therefore greeted by an already highly enthusiastic audience. Visually, you would not have placed the three band members in the same picture, but they played well together, and were musically accomplished. They too, as well as Colin, had anticipated the diversity of the crowd, and responded accordingly. They even threw in some rockabilly.

Their set was sufficiently varied to keep all tastes covered. Technical issues sorted, it was once again time for some burlesque, and we were treated to a piece from Dolly Mae. Dressed in a retro corset and fishnet stockings, and armed with a parasol, Dolly Mae smiled her way through a routine blending dance and the removal of clothing all the while interacting with her audience. Corset removed and glittery pasties bouncing gamely, it was all very

seaside-postcard saucy, without being crude or offensive, and the whole audience enjoyed the act.

Following Dolly Mae was Miss Ruby Fortune, with her burlesque tribute to the late Anna Nicole Smith. This tongue-in-cheek performance managed to spell out the highs and lows of Anna's life from being a stripper in a Texan bar to marrying an elderly billionaire with a sense of fun and frivolity that was far from disrespectful, it was a treat for the viewers and I have no doubt that Anna Nicole herself would have enjoyed this theatrical parody.

The crowd were pleased to have seen this fun, and the most wary of the audience began to move closer for the second half of the show. Drink was freely flowing, thanks to the aforementioned very reasonably priced bar, and the more relaxed audience members were by this time on the dance floor once again enjoying Colin's own set.

Steve Hooker and his band returned for their second set, greeted this time by the sight of people on the dance floor waiting for their music, and they received growing applause after each number. Following Steve's encore the ladies of burlesque were back to give us another show. This time Ruby Fortune went first, with her number 'It's great to be a cat'. We were given a wonderfully comic performance of a cat succumbing to temptation and finally eating its owner's pet bird. Not the most obvious act in which to remove most of one's clothing you might think, but it worked, thanks largely to the themes of temptation, naughtiness, flirting with danger and eventual satiety contained within this piece. Burlesque may be stripping, but it remains dignified, innocent and creative, and I urge anyone who has never seen a show to check it out. Certainly, it is the primary selling point of this club.

Dolly Mae was back, this time using two huge blue feathered fans as props to tease the audience, allowing them mere glimpses of what was concealed beneath them until the climax of the performance, where once again frilly knickers and colourful pasties were revealed to the delighted onlookers.

Both girls seemed to genuinely enjoy themselves, and were pleasant and chatty as the mingled with the crowd afterwards. They are both performers with the Northern-based Ruby Revue, keep your eyes open for a performance near you.

All in all, despite a couple of minor technical glitches, I felt that the night was a big success, and for

only its second month the numbers were very impressive.

You may be wondering why 'The Loco Lounge' is being reviewed in a rockabilly magazine. There are two answers. Firstly, there will be rockabilly bands and artists featured, just not every month. Keep an eye on the website for postings of coming attractions. (January's band was Jack Rabbit Slim). Furthermore, it is a venue where you can wear your rockin' clothes, make rockin' friends, and watch some burlesque, which I know will appeal to many of you with retro sensibilities.

Secondly, spare a thought for your not-very-rockin' friends and partners. How often can you have a night out together you can all enjoy? As I hope I have made clear, there really is something for everyone at 'The Loco Lounge', there is no cliquy atmosphere, and if the featured band does not necessarily appeal, then the burlesque or the D.J. might, or vice versa. And above all, every month promises to be different, and, variety being the spice of life, you never know how much fun you might have until you give it a go.

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RECORDINGS



Artist: The Borderlines
Title: Rock 'n' Roll Hits
Label: Unsigned

Recommended to us by Paul (Mad Rat) Richardson this band and their record label kindly provided both of their latest CD's The First we review is The Borderlines Rock'n'Roll Hits.... The first thing that strikes you about this trio is pounding boogie woogie piano unusual I know in a trio but a major feature of this band's sound played by Jim Hammond also on guitar and harmonica and vocals the album contains Whole Lotta Shakin Goin On, I Got Stung,



Matchbox, Boogie Woogie Country Girl, King Creole, Folsom Prison Blues, Rip It Up, Johnny B Goode, Honey Don't, Great Balls Of Fire, each performed with dynamic intention it's a pleasure to have in the collection, a steady unobtrusive backbeat from Mark Richards helping to create the proper balance of the genre and double bass by Paul Lambourne produces a trio with such musical prowess you could well be mistaken of the year of recording, note for note fabulous.

Recorded at and I believe it says Fuzzy Pigs Southampton this album has got it all and without gushing for me it is great classic rock'n'roll just as it says on the box. It has great vocals, a fantastic overall sound and keeps its energy and the bands enthusiasm for the music, so whoever Fuzzy is well done in capturing the atmosphere and the love of the music. Now i know that most of you will say ive got the originals why would i want a covers album by a band i know little about well let me tell you this album is class and its about time bands like these guys remembered why they got into the music in the first place this album reminded me why i love this music so much and the reasons that passion will never die, and It's because this kind of talent keeps on coming and coming and coming I will soon have a stack of Demos from this album for DJ's so if you want some class in your collection call me at the mag.

I can't tell you how many times I have played this since it landed on the doorstep and I am really looking forward to seeing them live. All three members of the band have a real rockin pedigree with all sorts of big names in their catalogue of played with's to name a few, Lynette Morgan, The Caravans, Huelyn Duvall, Tennessee Rhythm Riders, Robert Gordon and many more. Cant wait to hear this live.

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Artist: The Itchy Feet Trio
Title: Cigarettes And Coffee Blues....
Label: Foot Tapping Records

Honey Don't, Teenage Heaven, Aint That A Dilly, Cigarettes And Coffee Blues, Mustang Sally, Rain, I Got Stripes, Tornado, You Shake Me, I'm A Hobo, Sure Like The Look In Your Eyes, Reputation, Brown Eyed Baby, Fray Bentos

This the long awaited album from The Itchy Feet trio is already setting the dance floor on fire in several parts of the country Im A Hobo is proving to be a popular bopper in the Northampton area as is Honey Don't . In the south Teenage Heaven has the girlies strolling from the first bar but I wonder how easy it is for the DJ's to pick just one of these tracks per night. This album really is full of the energy that the B52 club witnessed when they played there in August 06. Back then it was one of their first rockin gigs and since then they are pulling in the fans at every corner. The band have quite an authentic sound but feature a huge warm guitar and gravely vocals (Craig), solid drumming (Mike) on this album and a great bass player (Paul) .

The album contains enough of their original material to make it interesting and show us they are not just another cover band and that they are brave enough and believe in themselves enough o take a chance I have to say that Brown Eyed Baby is an excellent bopper written by Craig. So a big thumbs up for The Itchy Feet Trio a great album well worth a visit to the website or a gig to pick up a copy.I have to be honest was allittle suprised to see Mustang Sally on this particular album but i'm pleased to say it makes an amazing bopper.

The boys choice of tracks gives the listener something for everyone its well put together well recorded and in the right order. My favourite track cos im the sort of girly stroller type has to be Teenage Heaven but i found every track in some way grabbed me and i had to jig about or god forbid SING!!!! Charlie Feathers Rain is in my all time favourite top ten so I was more than happy. A brilliant debut cant wait for the next one..... Catch the guys at a gig near you soon.



Artist: Jack Rabbit Slim
 Title: Sleaze-a-Billy
 Label: Western Star Records

Last month we gave you the inside scoop on this next album and I have to say this review very nearly just said Ok as predicted Jack rabbit Slim has done it again! BUT feeling that although very true it wouldnt be very fair I sat down with the preview copy and began to listen AGAIN!

All of these tracks bar one is an original either written by Bob alone or by the band as a whole. Jeeze Louise is by now probably well known by all of us as it has been in the set for quite a while and always gets requested whenever i see Bob and the Boys, The Man Who Counts, captures perfectly the Johnny Cash Style and is Bobs personal tribute, Lula Mae bopper or fast paced jiver and there are still some who can, Kitten With A Whip, stroller with a bluesy sexy guitar edge nice one! Dragstrip A hard hitting surfy edge to this instrumental hot rod heaven.

Bop Attack a tale of a bopper in a bop style features some interesting Burnette style guitar.Black Dog More of this bluesy bopper sound excellent... has big F word in the first line (beware children) yeah right the kids loved it! A Devil's Heart my favourite on the album, I do love my songs to have a good story and how to love a girl with a devils heart says it all to me. Hightone Woman This is a great track although in places it sounds like something Burnette did played backwards incredible and very clever.

Queen Bee I want to hear this played through a desk i can imagine it flying through the floorboards and knocking you on your bum. Another JRS BIG BOPPER Wild Wild Party bringing the album nicely to Cars Thought this was an odd one but unbelievably it works, I wonder if it works because its JRS or because it actually works... or are we all just under the JRS spell Nah! for god sake go and buy it you know your gonna!

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The Rat Pack Crandall Rock 'n' Roll Club In memory of Paul

This review is in loving memory of my much missed brother in law - Paul, who sadly, but peacefully passed away on the morning of Friday 23rd Feb, aged 38 years.

Paul was on our committee and helped out at the club each month as my door partner, raffle ticket seller, table lifter & general helper, as well as contributing ideas occasionally. Friday 23rd Feb was one of the worse days of my life & also for my family. My in laws - Mick & Peggy (Paul's parents) also help us run the club each month. As you can imagine, our news was devastating. Now, do we, or don't we continue with the club for the next night? Before Paul left us, he was adamant that we kept the club going for the



Feb night. We decided to carry on & hold the event in memory of our Paul. It was extremely difficult for us all, but we did it. Of course Mick & Peggy were

there for Paul. Adi & I didn't expect them to contribute their help on this night. We had to tell the Rat Pack & Johnnie Fox when they arrived, what the night was all about, as everybody would know about Paul at the gig, and the band were now there, not just for a normal gig, but to lift the spirits of Crandall rock 'n' roll club. Johnnie was gutted as we all were, as he was Paul's favourite singer. We had a full house, and The Rat Pack started the first set with 'Rocking Rock & Rolling Stone', and after the second no. Johnnie Fox took over with the vocals with the most impressive singing & one of the best performances we have seen him do, with the backing of the versatile Rat Pack behind him, & playing guitar himself, Johnnie put his all and best, that he could achieve into the act for us & Paul. We can't thank you enough. Thank you so much Johnnie. And thank you for dedicating a song to Paul. We know that we gave you a bit of a challenge and put you under pressure at such short notice, and you did us, and yourself proud as did the Rat Pack.

With all the determination we had to make this as good a night as it could possibly be, without our Paul being there, and in his memory, we managed to organise a raffle with ALL proceeds going to Paul's wife-Diane, & his 3 kids. The response was absolutely overwhelming. We had countless amounts of donated raffle prizes from other clubs, Steve Unicorn, our bar staff, Pauline's kitchen, and the Parrot pub, Guildford, with top prize being a micro stereo system. It must have taken at least 20 mins to call the tickets, and we managed to raise, with voluntary contributions, just in excess of an outstanding £400 which has been donated to Paul's family and has been an immense help to them. Everybody was so unbelievably generous & so, so supportive to us all. We felt the atmosphere on this night so great, almost as good as Crandall's recent 30th anniversary gig. Whoever was there on this night, I would like to say a huge thank you to you all, you were all so kind & so

extremely supportive.

It will never be forgotten. Back to the entertainment, Some tracks from the Oh Boy! Record Hop and a tribute played for Paul. They kept that dance floor hot 'n' ready for the one & only.... no other than,The Rat Pack....yeeaaaah!

Rat Pack return to the stage. These lads just wanna have a ball and party, up stage. We have smiling Steve - Drums & vocals / full of concentration & good licks man, Spike - guitar, also sings / last, but by no means least.... bass slapper, occasional harmonica blowin' man, - Mick - he also sings...lots, & has good stage presence. Mick & Spike, I know have had many years experience with various bands, as has Steve. And the 3 of them blend so well together, you'd think they had all been playing as one band for all those many years. They are totally relaxed with each other & have a great time on stage together.

A completely dedicated band to their music, and wherever I see them, they always rock the house, always enjoying themselves on stage, no matter how far they might have travelled or how tired they might be. They are a great band to have at a party, and occasionally invite people to join them on stage, including myself this time I took the offer up & sang a couple of songs, of which, 'Gene & Eddie' I especially sung for our Paul.

Rat Pack do a lot of covers, and perform them well. They are pretty versatile, covering songs from artists such as Haley, C. Berry, J. Burnette, G. Vincent, Perkins, Glen Glenn, Big Bopper, Elvis & more. I have to say this.... Spike & Steve are the best backing vocalists that I have heard on the scene today, especially Spike, he has such good clarity in his voice. B U tiful! They also have a go at singing lead for one or two songs to give Mick a break, and to give the band some variety. I only have one complaint about Rat Pack's performance on this night, in that Mick didn't play his harmonica. Mick has this knack (or should I call it talent?) of being able to play stand up bass, harmonica & be lead vocalist all within the same song. But tonight, he must of forgotten to bring it with him. If yer haven't seen the Rat Pack, make sure you do, they are a good fun band.

Rat Pack finished with an encore, then Johnnie returned to stage unexpectedly for more, with Rat Pack perfectly accompanying him with a two songs worth encore. An enormous thank you to my mates Elaine & Elena for helping me on the door & with the raffle all night. And great appreciation to all our friends that helped voluntarily with setting & clearing up, especially Ray for washing up! Diane, Jason, Nigel & Eddie wish to convey that they are extremely grateful to everyone who contributed to our raffle for that night. You have made life for them a little easier at this sad time. Remember, life can be short, life can be long, life can be hard, whichever way it goes, be there for each other, and so life goes on. Enjoy it to the full & NEVER stop rockin'!

Til next time, keep rockin', it's good for your soul!

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The DUKE's Rockabilly Raves

It amazes me how many musicians in our genre there are, that actually go and see other bands perform. I have been to some shows where it appeared to me that more than half of the audience either sing, or play guitar, bass or drums in a band. Perhaps some are just starting their careers, and are the look-out out for people with similar ideas to their own on the sound that they would like to produce. There seem to be hundreds of people like this out there! You would think that finding that elusive sound would be easy with all those talented musicians amongst us.

Rachael Stokes, I first came across Rachael Stokes on the net, via the 'You Tube' website, where there are videos of her singing her heart out (in a bathroom!), with guitar accompaniment. Immediately I was taken by her voice and her vintage sound. Ronnie Weiser from 'Rollin' Rock' records has noticed her, recommending that she go V.L.V. to find the musicians that complement her voice. So again, with the help of the internet I was able to interview this young lady from Las Vegas; Can you tell me a little of your personal background? "I grew up in a small



town in Michigan called Westland. My family is pretty conservative. My father was a fire-fighter and my mother was a stay-at-home Mom throughout my complete up-raising. I have older twin sisters, and a twin brother named James. And even though my brother and I are twins, I've always been treated like the baby because I was technically the last one out! I was always a little bit shy. High school was tough because there were times when I wasn't doing my best. I was sort of a dreamer and only wanted to draw during class, and I always had songs stuck in my head while the teacher was talking. I was just the same during college as well. As much as I wanted that art degree, my mind was always somewhere else.

Becoming a mother at a young age really forced me to buckle down. I was twenty when I got pregnant. Robert was always such a great provider. He started working right out of high school. Unfortunately, only two months after we had Nora, he was laid off, and neither of us could get a job because there were no jobs to be had. So we quickly decided to move out here to Las Vegas. Thus far it has only been good. We have a wonderful little townhouse and I am able

to stay at home with my little girl!" Can you tell us a little about your musical interests and when you first started singing?

"Growing up, I always liked to draw and sing. It was sort of my escape from reality. But I really wanted to be an artist. Singing was just something that I did as sort of a secret thing. I would go out on the swing-set after school by myself and just sing. And for years, I don't even think that my family even knew that I could sing. I was always just very shy with it, but I would always listen to old singers by myself and sing it back as accurately as I could. The first time that I heard Ella Fitzgerald scat, I was amazed! So I tried it and found that I could do it! Not as well as Ella of course...but pretty good for a kid. I really didn't start getting comfortable with singing in front of people until my senior year in high school.

I started going to this coffee house maybe when I was 15 or 16, and just met a great group of kids there, poets and guitar players... and just people who went to listen. There was this little support system between everybody... even if someone wasn't that great. I was still a little shy but when I would scat for people they would go crazy for it! In school people would ask me to sing something really quickly for their friends just so they could hear my voice. And they'd say "She sounds like an old record!"

Does your husband play in a band? "Evensbakesale' was his ska band in high school! It was just him and a couple of his buddies! It was a fun band to go and watch! But right now, he's just a one-man ska band! But he's great! He's got a great rhythm... it's very catchy."

From your 'MySpace' page I can see your look and music style definitely have the vintage feel. But what kind of band are you looking for? "Definitely something that suits the sound of my voice. A rockabilly band would be the best! But I would want it to have that swing feel as well. I'd also like to keep some of that rawness of just my voice from time to time though too."

Can you tell us a little about your paintings and artwork, their style, and where you would like to go with these?



"Well, my artwork style can change depending on what style I am trying to convey. Right now I am doing a lot of 'pop art pin-ups' (as I call them). They're just fun to draw! I'd love to do something with that as well, but right now it is just for fun. When I first had my daughter I didn't draw for maybe the first couple years of her life! Things were just busy, busy! Now things are slowing down a bit. Nora is getting older and is more independent, so, I am able to sit down and draw or work on some songs! And it feels pretty good to be able to do some of those things that I love again!"

Today, I find most rockabilly musicians have enough talent to flow to different styles of music within the vintage genre. So I think a rockin' band would be perfect for you. Who are your favourite artists in this field?



"I really just love an old sound... there's something about it. It doesn't have to be rockabilly specifically. I have so many influences from so many different singers. Patsy Cline, Ella Fitzgerald, Etta James, Ruth Brown, Dean Martin, LaVern Baker, Louis Armstrong, Janis Martin, Billie Holiday, Sam Cooke, Slim Smith, Roy Orbison... they all just have great voices, signature voices that separate them from anybody else."

And who are your favourite rockabilly singers that are on the scene today?

"I like Sue Moreno, Phil Riza, Brian Setzer, and Ruby Ann. I really don't listen to very much modern music. And some of the more modern stuff that I do listen to isn't even really rockabilly. But whenever I go to V.L.V. out here, I always miss out on seeing some really great bands because I have my little girl with me the whole time, and by the end of a long day of checking out cars and shopping, she's spent! But my musical taste varies so much because I have been around so many different people who have turned me on to different things. I just saw a video of this rockabilly duo called 'The Lonesome Spurs', and they were pretty cool because the girl in the band used a suitcase as a kick drum while she was singing and playing the guitar! I love when artists jump out of the box and do something different."

When did you first discover the V.L.V. weekender? And why does it appeal to you so much?

"I only just moved here to Las Vegas three years ago, so this will be my third year going. My father-in-law told me that I had to go because he knew I would love

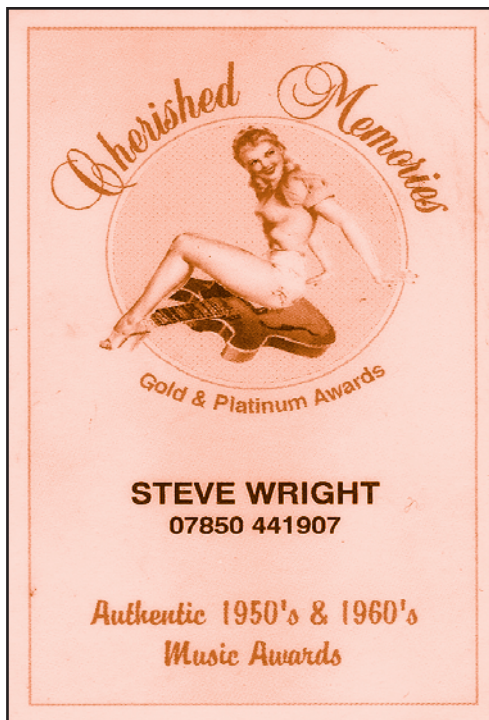
it. And I did, of course! Now I have to go every year. It's just so much fun to get all dolled up and go out. I always get my picture taken by people when I am there! And I always dress my daughter up, and she just looks so great in all the vintage clothes. Everybody flocks to her! My favourite era is the 1940's/1950's. I love shopping at V.L.V., looking at the cars, listening to great music, meeting people, and people-watching."

I like 'people-watching' too, and the V.L.V. weekender would be the perfect place to do it, but I am still waiting for that lottery win...

Thanks for taking the time to do this interview and the best of luck finding that band. But most of all, have a ball in 'Vegas.

Thank you Duke! I appreciate everything you've done. I really never expected like an interview as a result of posting my videos on the internet. A very pleasant surprise! And maybe one day I'll win the lotto and make it out there to you guys! I'd love to see the Rockabilly scene out there!

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NEWS

Crondall rock 'n' roll club has been invited by Gwen Hale from Showtime Enterprises to host a cruise that she and her partner Ken have organised.

The cruise will start at Bristol Hippodrome where Somethin' Else will be performing, (also to perform at Crondall later) and will take place on Easter Sunday - April 8th. There will be bands playing at Crondall, which have all been organised & arranged by Gwen Hale of Showtime Enterprises.

Crondall rock 'n' roll club has organised various stalls, (including Steve Runicorn's c.d. stall) a tattooist, & raffle. We have also organised a little extra parking space in the school grounds nearby.

The event, to be held in memory of Eddie Cochran, at Crondall r 'n' r club starts at 2pm and there will be hot food & a fully licensed bar available from that time. This is the first event of its kind that has taken place at Crondall rock 'n' roll club.

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Janie - Crondall rock 'n' roll club organiser

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Terry Lee has himself a real wild child!

Piano Pounding Terry Lee who up'd sticks at a young age and headed off to America in search of greater things has found himself the greatest gift of all. Terry has become a father to a little boy born February 15th at 11:25am USA time 5:25pm GMT! He was 7lbs 3 and is doing great! Mummy is well and resting after the speedy delivery! Terry says we were expecting a baby Girl but He's fooled us all! Because we were expecting a girl, we had no name but we have a name now.....Alexzander Paul Stephen ... Congratulations to Terry and Krystal and big brother Matthew from all at Mad Rat Mag and your friends in the UK!

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Thanks in advance and all the best, King B and Miss Lucy

JANIS MARTIN A NEW RELEASE IN MEMORY OF Janis Martin will record a new album this April in memory of her 49 year old son who sadly passed away earlier this year. Entitled *I did it my way* this will be the first recording for many years the last being a Hydra records release called *Here I Am* which contained material recorded in 1992. Other news recently in is that Janis will be performing at the Americana Festival in Newark (common knowledge) but for the first time ever in the UK she will be performing some country as well as her hits from the 50's. Watch this space for news of the forthcoming release.

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151 Rayners Lane, Rayners Lane, Harrow, Middx. HA2 0HX
Classes & Club, Record Hop with Rockin' Rico 8:15 -11:30
020 8866 9093

Fri 6 Apr 07 Blue Moon RnR Club North Walsham Community Centre, New Road, North Walsham, Norfolk NR28 9DE Revolutionaires Eddie's Bluemoon Record Hop 01692 500863

Fri 6 Apr 07 Dale Tavern West Street, Worsborough Dale, Barnsley, Yorks S70 5PG Alleycats Dave B 01226 205611

Fri 6 Apr 07 Jolly Jivers Of Ilkley Hollygarth Social Club, Leeds

Road, Ben Rhydding, Ilkley, W.Yorks LS29 8LY record hop only (r'n'r/jive/stroll) Jolly Jivers 01943 601070

Fri 6 Apr 07 Pink Cadillac Club Unionist Club, 28 St Johns Street, Newport Pagnell, Bucks MK16 8HJ Jets Rockin' Rick 01604 696123

Fri 6 Apr 07 Rockin Jukejoint Denton Labour Club, Ashton Road, Denton, Cheshire Johnny Bach & his Moonshine Boozers Poor Boy Paul + guests 07833 682201

Fri 6 Apr 07 Rockin' The Fens Hiam Sports & Social Club, Putney Hill Road, Prickwillow, Ely, Cambs Ramshackle Daddies Rockabilly Bob 01638 741402

Fri 6 Apr 07 Rockin' The Post Winning Post, Chertsey Road (A316), Whitton, Twickenham, Middsx Kingcats Wildcat Pete 020 8894 2772

Fri 6 Apr 07 Warners - Norton Grange Norton Grange, Yarmouth, IOW PO41 0SD John Leyton & the Rapiers 01983 760323

Fri 6 Apr 07 Winning Post RnR Club Chertsey Road (A316), Whitton, Twickenham, Middsx Kingcats 07767 358079

Sat 7 April The Rat Pack + Keys 6-5 Jive The Bancourt Hotel Avenue Road Torquay TQ2 5LG T : 01803 295077

Sat 7 Apr 07 Balby Ashmount Club Balby Road, Doncaster, S.Yorks Matchbox Didge/Fred the Ted/Crock 07808 828551

Sat 7 Apr 07 Centenary Club 21 Jubilee Close, Weymouth, Dorset DT4 7BG Memphis '56 01305 839310

Sat 7 Apr 07 Eldorado Club High Street, Jaywick-on-Sea, Essex record hop only Rockin' Roy 07791 757676

Sat 7 Apr 07 Empire Hall Library Road, Totton, Southampton, Hants SO40 3PY Mike Berry & the Outlaws/Rapiers (tickets in advance only) 023 8086 3356

Sat 7 Apr 07 Festival Inn Ilkeston Road, Trowell, Notts NG9 3PX Rip It Up plus DJ 0115 932 2897

Sat 7 Apr 07 Halifax RnR Club Siddal Ex-Servicemen's Club, Halifax, W.Yorks HX3 9JS Emperors Of Rhythm (ticket only event) D. J. the DJ 01422 354876

Sat 7 Apr 07 Jaguar Social Club Middlemarch Road, Radford, Coventry, W.Midlands CV6 3LL Eager Beavers (charity gig for MIND)

Sat 7 Apr 07 Juke Joint RnR Club 1940's 50's swing jive and stroll record hop - GYH Great Yarmouth Hospital Social Club, Great Yarmouth, Norfolk NR30 1BU The Professor/Rockin Shades 01760 338894

Sat 7 Apr 07 Luton RnR Club The Roman Way, Tomlinson Avenue, Luton, Beds Some Like It Hot Tartan Ted 01582

518211

Sat 7 Apr 07 Newtown Social Club Durham Road, Stockton-on-Tees, Cleveland TS19 0BS Sundowners Rockin' Jukebox Record Hop 0191 410 2914

Sat 7 Apr 07 Pear Tree Hotel 7 Devonport Road, Stoke, Plymouth, Devon PL3 4DJ record hop only Slim Jim's RnR Disco 01752 563260

Sat 7 Apr 07 Pit Stop RnR Club Coventry Colliery S & S Club, Bennett Road, North Kersley, Coventry, W.Midlands Glenn Darren & the Krew Katz plus DJ 024 7633 6533

Sat 7 Apr 07 Towcester Conservative Club Watling Street, Towcester, Northants Rhythm Aces Dynamite Dave 07860 943334

Sat 7 Apr 07 Worcester RnR Club Christopher Whitehead School, Bromwich Road, Worcester, Worcs Gregg G & his Crazy Gang plus DJ 01905 21313

Sun 8 Apr 07 BAWA Club Bristol Aerospace Welfare Assoc, 589 Southmead Road, Filton, Bristol BS34 7RG Rock Back The Clock Rockin' John 0117 976 8065

Sun 8 Apr 07 Carshalton Ex-Servicemens Club West Street, Carshalton, Surrey Rat Pack 020 8647 1951

Sun 8 April The Woodgrange Southchurch Ave Southend Essex Lee Scotts Big Jive 01702 460133

Sun 8 Apr 07 Crondall RnR Club The Village Hall, Crondall, near Farnham, Surrey GU10 5QG Bernie Woods & the Forest Fires/Prison Riot/ Oh Boy! Record Hop 07903 145018

Sun 8 Apr 07 Crondall RnR Club The Village Hall, Crondall, near Farnham, Surrey GU10 5QG TJ & the Bellevue Bombers/Something Else all dayer-Eddie Cochran Cruise 07903 145018

Sun 8 Apr 07 Erith RnR Club Erith WMC, 1 Valley Road, Erith, Kent DA8 1BT Sunsetters Cruisin' Record Hop 07973 170056

Sun 8 Apr 07 Nifty Fifties RnR Club Lowton Labour Club, 214 Newton Road, Lowton, Cheshire Rip Masters (USA) + Colin Paul plus DJ 01942 724166

Sun 8 Apr 07 Rossington Welfare Social Club West End Lane, Rossington, Doncaster, S.Yorks Earl Jackson Band Ol' Dell Boy 01302 863125

Mon 9th April The Rat Pack The Foresters Marine Parade Southend On Sea 2-9pm 01702 467927

Weds 11th April Ghostriders plus DJ's Houndog Jim & Timeshift Record Hop 7.15 till 11.30 Roadrunner Club Biggleswade UWMC Church Street Biggleswade Beds SG18 0JS Tel 07832 369373 for details.

Thu 12 Apr 07 Barnstaple RnR Club Cedars Inn Hotel, Bickington Road, Barnstaple, Devon EX31 2HP Itchy Feet Trio Destination 2165 07899 701498

Thu 12 Apr 07 Cardinal Wolsey The Green, Hampton Court Road, East Molesey, Surrey KT8 9BW B17s 020 8487 3651

Thu 12 Apr 07 Epsom Playhouse Ashley Avenue, Epsom, Surrey KT18 5AL Jive Aces 01372 742555

Thur 12 April Rock'n'Rollin' @ Ruislip Manor Sports & Social Club £5 151 Rayners Lane, Rayners Lane, Harrow, Middx. HA2 0HX Classes & Club, Record Hop with Harry J 8:15 - 11:30 020 8866 9093

Fri 13 Apr 07 Athletic Club - Kettering Rockingham Road, Kettering, Northants Rhythm Stompers Dion 01536 510779

Fri 13 Apr 07 Birdwell Club Sheffield Road, Birdwell, Nr Barnsley, S.Yorks S70 5UY Juke Box Eddies Clive the Jive 01924 376141

Fri 13 Apr 07 Borough Green RnR Club Village Hall, Borough Green, Kent TN15 8BJ Cavaliers Rock-a-Various 01732 887033

Fri 13 Apr 07 Brigg Pavilion Scawby Brook, Brigg, Lincs DN20 9JH Hula Hoop (rock'n'roll duo) Dave B 01652 656591

Fri 13 Apr 07 C'mon Everybody Record Hop - SM St Marys Social Club, Melton Street, Crossbank, Batley, W.Yorks WF17 8PT record hop only Johnny Whiteshoes 0113 229 4196

Fri 13 Apr 07 Crazy Jo's Hillside Club (ex-Western Club), 257a Derby Road, Lenton, Nottingham, Notts NG7 2DZ Drugstore Cowboys Kool Kat Charlie 07901 766863

Fri 13 Apr 07 Dance Jive Memorial Hall, Bodhyrd (off Chester Street), Wrexham, N.Wales LL12 7TP Alleycats resident jive DJ 07812 369702

Fri 13 Apr 07 Queens Hotel (Theatre Bar), South Promenade, Blackpool, Lancs FY4 1AY Jump & Jive Mike Rossi 01253 342015

Fri 13 Apr 07 Rock-Ola RnR Club The Paddocks, Long Road, Canvey Island, Essex Jets Pete Bruce 01268 515696

Fri 13 Apr 07 South Wales RnR Club British Legion Club, Penline Road, Whitchurch, Cardiff, S.Wales Good Rockin' Tonite Crazee Dave 029 2061 9271

Fri 13th April Beaconsfield Rockabilly Club Beaconsfield Football Club Slough Road Beaconsfield The Sugar Creek Trio + Wildcat Pete 01494 672605

Fri 13 Apr 07 Taunton RnR Club North Petherton RFC, Beggars Brook, North Petherton, Somerset record hop only (rock'n'roll/jive/bop/stroll) Flintstone 01823 332180

Sat 14 Apr 07 50s Jive Club Exeter Arms, Rydon Lane, Middlemoor, Exeter, Devon EX2 7HL record hop only Boppin Nigel's 50's Road Show 01404 46942

Sat 14 Apr 07 Beacon Castle Social Club 16 Channel Park Avenue, Efford, Plymouth, Devon PL3 6LQ '59 Ford Eddie Falcon 01752 662075

Sat 14 Apr 07 Brighton Jukebox Show Brighton Racecourse, Freshfield Road, Brighton, E.Sussex BN2 9XZ Gregg G & his Crazy Gang 2 day event 10am - 5pm 020 8722 7423

Sat 14 Apr 07 Bude Jive Club - BA Bullers Arms Hotel, Marhamchurch, near Bude, Cornwall Memphis plus DJ 01288 359966

Sat 14 Apr 07 Carshalton Ex-Servicemens Club West Street,

Carshalton, Surrey Cookie & the Bluejays 020 8647 1951

Sat 14 Apr 07 Chicken Shack Brogborough Club, Bedford Road, Brogborough, near Milton Keynes, Beds Sun-Rays Rollin Rock Record Hop 07960 991236

Sat 14 Apr 07 Crescent WMC 8 The Crescent (rear of the Odeon), York, N.Yorks House Rockers plus DJ 01904 690311

Sat 14 Apr 07 Croft WMC 6 Hurworth Road, Hurworth Place, Darlington, County Durham DL2 2DA Revolutionaires Shakin' Tony 01388 663628

Sat 14 Apr 07 Dursley RnR Club - LH Listers Hall, Long Street, Dursley, Gloucs GL11 Jive Crazy Rockin Mike 07766 010362

Sat 14 Apr 07 Guildford Hot 50's RnR Club Fairlands Hall, Fairlands Avenue, Guildford, Surrey B17s Two Houndogs 01483 856744

Sat 14 Apr 07 Hardy Spicers RnR Club Hardy Spicers Club, Edgerton Road, Erdington, Bham tba Kool Kat Keith 01827 250303

Sat 14 Apr 07 Higham RnR Club Higham WMC, Hermitage Road, Higham, Rochester, Kent ME3 7DD AI & the Black Cats (USA) Suzy Q 07721 489489

Sat 14 Apr 07 Hill Park Memorial WMC 78 Highlands Road, Fareham, Hants PO15 6JD Flames Rockin Billy 01329 280782

Sat 14 Apr 07 Jiveport Railway Club, Hamilton Street, Parkeston, Harwich, Essex CO12 4PQ record hop only (bim bam boogie/swing) The Colonels Swing Shift 01255 240869

Sat 14 Apr 07 Northampton RnR Club - FC Far Cotton WMC, Main Road, Far Cotton, Northampton,, Northants NN4 8EN Colin Paul & the Persuaders AJ The Rockin' DJ 01604 713851

Sat 14 Apr 07 Paris Rock Club - WAC Waterloo Action Centre, 14 Baylis Road, London SE1 7AA Alleycats Mad French Wolff/Dave 07944 775556

Sat 14 Apr 07 Revival Night High Royds Social Club, Menston, Otley, W.Yorks LS29 6AQ Honey B & the Kings Of Sting Shoe Shine Boy/Tallulah 01943 465457

Sat 14 Apr 07 Ritz Ballroom 73 Bradford Road, Brighouse, W.Yorks Blast Off Bradford Dude 01274 392380

Sat 14 Apr 07 Shoreham RnR Shoreham Centre, Pond Road, Shoreham-by-Sea, Sussex Rip It Up plus DJ 01903 243392

Sat 14 April Itchy Feet Trio + Radar record Hop The B52 Club Diner Eastern Perimeter Road Rochford essex 01268 457767 7pm til late

Sat 14 Apr 07 Staines WMC Staines, Middsx Whirlwinds

Sat 14 Apr 07 The Bull & Bush Uxbridge Drive, Ernesettle, Plymouth, Devon PL5 2SE record hop only Slim Jim's RnR Disco 01752 361726

Sat 14 Apr 07 The Queens Arms - Reading 24 Great Knolly Street, Reading, Berks RG1 7HL Furious Big Beat Pete/Waikiki Wayne 07956 314808

Sat 14 Apr 07 Worcester RnR Club Christopher Whitehead

School, Bromwich Road, Worcester, Worcs cancelled no dance 01905 21313

Sat 14 Apr 07 Yeadon Town Hall High Street, Yeadon, Leeds, W.Yorks LS19 7PP Marc Robinson & the Counterfeit Crickets Swinging Sue 01274 641800

Sat 14 Apr 07 Zodiac RnR Club Kingsway Arms, Kingsway, Luton, Beds LU4 8EH Crazy Jay & the Partytimers plus DJ 01582 861240

Sat 14 April Jiveport - Bim Bam Boogie Swing Dance at The Railway Club, Parkeston, Harwich, Essex. Record Hop:Galaxie Bob(R&B/swing/boogie woogie)All jivers welcome.Tickets Bookable:01255-240869

Saturday 14 April, Bernie Woods & The Forest Fires, with DJ Flying Home At All Saints Arts Centre, 122 Oakleigh Road North, London N20 8.00 until 12.00, licensed bar Entry £9 Carole 020 8810 7454

Sun 15 Apr 07 BAWA Club Bristol Aerospace Welfare Assoc, 589 Southmead Road, Filton, Bristol BS34 7RG Maria Vincent & the Millionaires plus DJ 0117 976 8065

Sun 15 April Beaconsfield FC SLough Road Beaconsfield The Ghostriders and Wildcat Pete 01494 672605

Sun 15 Apr 07 Brighton Jukebox Show Brighton Racecourse, Freshfield Road, Brighton, E.Sussex BN2 9XZ Gregg G & his Crazy Gang 2 day event 10am - 5pm 020 8722 7423

Sun 15 April The Woodgrange Southchurch Ave Southend Essex Midnight Shift 01702 460133

Sun 15 Apr 07 Carshalton Ex-Servicemens Club West Street, Carshalton, Surrey Bernie Woods & the Forest Fires 020 8647 1951

Sun 15 Apr 07 Skegness RnR Society Richmond Park Holiday Camp, Richmond Drive, Skegness, Lincs PE25 3TQ Jump & Jive see special events 0115 932 2897

Sun 15 Apr 07 The Sporting Green corner Hertford Road & Green Street, Enfield Highway, Enfield, London Cavaliers Captain Caveman 020 8926 8577

Tue 17 Apr 07 Parklands Ballroom (ex ICI/Dupont SC), Wheatley Hall Road, Doncaster, S.Yorks tba Dave B 01302 884707

Wed 18 Apr 07 Bewicks Live Music Jam Bewick Suite, The Swan, 73 High Street, Maldon, Essex CM9 5EP Zoltans rock-'n'roll jam night 01621 843001

Thur 19 April Rock'n'Rollin' @ Ruislip Manor Sports & Social Club £5 151 Rayners Lane, Rayners Lane, Harrow, Middx. HA2 0HX Classes & Club, Record Hop with Rockin' Rico 8:15 -11:30 020 8866 9093

Fri 20 Apr 07 Badderley Green WMC 922-924 Leek New Road, Badderley Green, Stoke-on-Trent, Staffs ST2 7xx Rockin' The Joint plus DJ 01782 537292

Fri 20 Apr 07 Blackburn Hall Commercial Street, Rothwell, Leeds, W.Yorks LS26 0AW record hop only Clive the Jive 01924 376141

Fri 20 Apr 07 C'mon Everybody Record Hop - AMW Askern

Miners Welfare Club, Manor Way, Askern, Doncaster, S.Yorks
DN6 0AJ Some Like It Hot Johnny Whiteshoes 0113 229 4196

Fri 20 Apr 07 Dale Tavern West Street, Worsborough Dale,
Barnsley, Yorks S70 5PG Black Cadillacs Dave B 01226
205611

Fri 20 Apr 07 East Coast RnR Clifton Hotel, Queens Parade,
Scarborough, N.Yorks YO12 7HX Hicksville Bombers Roger
07835 388820

Fri 20 Apr 07 Leabrooks Club Greenhill Lane, Leabrooks, Nr
Alfreton, Derbys DE55 1LU Blast Off plus DJ 01773 833035

Fri 20 Apr 07 March Jive Club Windmill Rooms, Whitemoor
Road, March, Cambs PE15 OAF Class Of 58 The Professor
01354 742309

Fri 20 Apr 07 Memphis Belle's Mytchett Community Centre,
140 Mytchett Road, Mytchett, Camberley, Surrey GU16 6AA
Crazy Jay & the Partytimers Oh Boy! Record Hop 01276
504898

Fri 20 Apr 07 Queens Hotel (Theatre Bar), South Promenade,
Blackpool, Lancs FY4 1AY Cadillacs Mike Rossi 01253
342015

Sat 21 Apr 07 Ambleside Social Club Ambleside Drive,
Southend-on-Sea, Essex SS1 2UP Alleycats 01702 465173
Sat 21 Apr 07 Cuxton RnR Club Sturdee Sports & Social Club,
Stoke Road, Hoo, Rochester, Kent ME3 9LT Porky's Hot
Rockin' Pete Bruce 01732 780076

Sat 21 Apr 07 Easington Colliery Welfare Hall Seaside Lane,
Easington Colliery, Easington, County Durham Blast Off
01845 525293

Sat 21 Apr 07 Gloucester RnR Club YMCA, Sebert Street,
Kinsholm, Gloucs Ian Fenn & the Starcats plus DJ 01242
232188

Sat 21 Apr 07 Hamble Aero Club Aerostructure Club, Kings
Avenue, Hamble-Le-Rice, Southampton, Hants Good Rockin'
Tonight Big Bounce 023 9264 0208

Sat 21 Apr 07 Melksham RnR Club Assembly Hall, Market
Place, Melksham, Wilts Colin Paul & the Persuaders Cockney
Rebel 01225 706463

Sat 21 Apr 07 Newtown Social Club Durham Road, Stockton-
on-Tees, Cleveland TS19 0BS record hop only
(r&b/n'r/jive/swing) Rockin' Jukebox Record Hop 0191 410
2914

Sat 21 Apr 07 Pigalle Club 215 Picadilly, London W1J 9HN
King Pleasure & the Biscuit Boys 020 7734 8142

Sat 21 Apr 07 Pink Cadillac Club Unionist Club, 28 St Johns
Street, Newport Pagnell, Bucks MK16 8HJ Wildcats Rockin'
Rick 01604 696123

Sat 21 Apr 07 Port Slade Town Hall Victoria Road, Port Slade,
Sussex Something Else Stompin' Steve 07745 453765

Sat 21 Apr 07 Rock'n Red Hot Club - SH Royal British Legion,
Staple Hill, Bristol Flying Saucers Rockin John 07879 228451

Sat 21 Apr 07 Tam O'Shanter Club Hertford Place, Earlsdon,
Coventry, W.Midlands CV1 3JZ tba Woody 024 7633 6533

Sun 22 Apr 07 BAWA Club Bristol Aerospace Welfare Assoc,
589 Southmead Road, Filton, Bristol BS34 7RG Joey & the
Jivers plus DJ 0117 976 8065

Sun 22 Apr 07 Carshalton Ex-Servicemens Club West Street,
Carshalton, Surrey Ghostriders 020 8647 1951

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Sun 22 Apr 07 Erith RnR Club Erith WMC, 1 Valley Road,
Erith, Kent DA8 1BT Cavaliers Cruisin' Record Hop 07973
170056

Sun 22 Apr 07 Hemsby Seacroft Site, Beach Road ,Hemsby,
Norfolk NR29 4HR AI & the Black Cats (USA) see special
events 01522 752453

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Mon 23 Apr 07 Boston Arms Junction Road, Tufnell Park, Lon-
don NW5 record hop only (50s/60s rock'n'roll 9pm - 1am)
Cosmic Keith + guests 020 8925 3050

Thu 26 Apr 07 Shipley RnR Club Shipley & District Social
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Fri 27 Apr 07 3R's RnR Club Reading Civil Service Club,
James Lane, Burghfield, near Reading, Berks RG30 3RS
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Fri 27 Apr 07 Barnsley RnR Team - BHSSC Barnsley Hospital
Sports & Social Club, Pogmoor Road, Barnsley, S.Yorks S75
2EP Black Cadillacs Jive Bop Record Hop 01977 613841

Fri 27 Apr 07 Basingstoke RnR Club Westside Community
Association, Paddock Road, South Ham, Basingstoke, Hants
RG22 6QB Tonemasters plus DJ 01256 462305

Fri 27 Apr 07 Beverley Memorial Hall 73-75 Lairgate, Bever-
ley, Humber HU17 8TE Mike Sanchez & his band 01482
861514

Fri 27 Apr 07 Borough Green RnR Club Village Hall, Borough
Green, Kent TN15 8BJ Graham Fenton + Gregg G & his
Crazy Gang Rock-a-Various 01732 887033

Fri 27 Apr 07 British Railway RnR Club Broad Green, Welling-
borough, Northants Flames Strollin Steve 07748 306989

Fri 27 Apr 07 Coast View Holiday Park Torquay Road, Shal-
don, Teignmouth, Devon Memphis Rockers see special
events 01626 872392

Fri 27 Apr 07 Crazy Jo's Hillside Club (ex-Western Club), 257a
Derby Road, Lenton, Nottingham, Notts NG7 2DZ tba Kool
Kat Charlie 07901 766863

Fri 27 Apr 07 Kirk Hallam Social Club Dallimore Road, Kirk

Hallam, Ilkeston, Derbys TR & the Rockets plus DJ 0115 932 9909

Fri 27 Apr 07 London Road S&S Club 279 London Road, Stoke-on-Trent, Staffs ST4 5AG record hop only (rock'n'roll) Rockit Roadshow 01782 845817

Fri 27 Apr 07 Rock-Ola RnR Club The Paddocks, Long Road, Canvey Island, Essex Mark Keeleys Good Rockin' Tonight The Pirate 01268 515696

Fri 27 April Band Nights a' Rockin' with The B 17s @ Loudwater Royal British Legion £7 Queensmead Road, Loudwater, High Wycombe, Bucks. HP10 9TZ 020 8866 9093

Sat 28 Apr 07 Ace Café Ace Corner, Old North Circular Road, Stonebridge, London NW10 AI & the Black Cats (USA) Bill Guntrip 020 8961 1000

Sat 28 Apr 07 Beacon Castle Social Club 16 Channel Park Avenue, Efford, Plymouth, Devon PL3 6LQ Alleycats plus DJ 01752 662075

Sat 28 April The Bricklane Boogie Boys + Rocket Record Hop Southern Jivers Chelmsford Social Club (Behind Tesco's car park) Springfield Road Chelmsford Essex 07767745770

Sat 28 Apr 07 Camberley WMC Obelisk Way, Camberley, Hants GU15 3SD Whirlwinds

Sat 28 Apr 07 Cardigan Bay RnR Club Village Hall, Cilgerran, near Cardigan, Pembroke Just Deuce 01239 810675

Sat 28 Apr 07 The Surfin' Gorillas & DJ Frog. Virginia Creepers Club 2007. The Water Rats Theate, 328 Gray's Inn Road, Kings Cross, London WC1 - 07958 295842

Sat 28 Apr 07 Crondall RnR Club The Village Hall, Crondall, near Farnham, Surrey GU10 5QG Persuaders Oh Boy! Record Hop 07903 145018

Sat 28 Apr 07 Junction 27 RnR Underwood Miners Welfare, Alfreton Road, Underwood, Notts Ian Fenn & the Starcats Sean & Alison 0115 953 4918

Sat 28 Apr 07 King Creole RnR Club Biggleswade WMC, Church Street, Biggleswade, Beds Johnny Red Kev 07748 306989

Sat 28 Apr 07 Mid Devon RnR Club Magelake Hall, Bridge Street, Uffculme, Devon EX15 3DR record hop only (r'n'r/rockabilly) Mooncrest Record Hop 07731 481814

Sat 28 Apr 07 Mynster RnR Club Coronation Hall, Westyeo Road, Burrowbridge, Somerset TA7 0RJ record hop only Dave's 55 Jive 01823 698618

Sat 28 Apr 07 Nifty Fifties RnR Club Lowton Labour Club, 214 Newton Road, Lowton, Cheshire Planet Boppers plus DJ 01942 724166

Sat 28 Apr 07 Pigalle Club 215 Picadilly, London W1J 9HN Jive Aces 020 7734 8142

Sat 28 Apr 07 RBL - Leighton Buzzard Thrift Road, Heath & Reach, Leighton Buzzard, Beds Rock Back The Clock Tartan Ted 01525 237923

Sat 28 Apr 07 Ritz Ballroom 73 Bradford Road, Brighouse, W.Yorks Rip It Up Bradford Dude 01274 392380

Sat 28 Apr 07 Rock Inn RnR Club Railway Club, Hunting Tower Road, Grantham, Lincs Jack Rabbit Slim Rock-Inn Rhythm Revue 07828 846175

Sat 28 Apr 07 Rockin' At The Legion British Legion, 399 High Road, Tottenham, London N17 5XQ Oo Bop Sh' Bam Dixie Sounds 07759 874167

Sat 28 Apr 07 Stage One Cobden Oxford Street, Long Eaton, Derbys John Lewis Rock'n'Roll Trio plus DJ 0115 973 4928

Sat 28 Apr 07 Starfighter RnR Club Village Hall, Wreningham, near Norwich, Norfolk tba Rockin Roland 01508 494735

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Sun 29 Apr 07 Carshalton Ex-Servicemens Club West Street, Carshalton, Surrey Beyonders 020 8647 1951

Sun 29 April Woodgrange Southchurch Ave Southend Essex Sunny 56 01702 460133

Sun 29 Apr 07 Link Club Parsloe Road, Harlow, Essex CM19 4RT Oo Bop Sh' Bam Strollin Steve 01763 241301

Sun 29 Apr 07 Northampton Rocks On A Sunday Ex-Servicemens Club, Sheep Street, Northampton, Northants Ghostriders (open 4pm till 7pm) AJ The Rockin' DJ/JukeboxQueen 01604 493713

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