



A&R: Chrysalis pins its big time hopes for FUN LOVIN CRIMINALS on a softy.





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Griffiths puts faith in A

Richard Griffiths has vowed to turn BMG into an A&R powerhouse after announcing his first major restructuring since becoming BMG UK and Ireland chairman and executive vice president of central Europe in February.

Griffiths is revamping both of the company's main labels. He has poached Harry Magee from A&M to run RCA. He is consolidating a range of A&R resources at a newlook Arista, reporting directly to Jeremy Marsh. And he is restructuring BMG's approach both to selling UK product overseas and international product in the LIK

[the structure] so we can become more focused," says Griffiths When I came it was unbelievably confused !

Magee has been general man-ager of A&M since 1994 where he has helped break acts such as Sheryl Crow and the Bluetones and worked with the Mo Wax label.

One of his first tasks will be to broaden RCA's pop-orientated roster which has had notable success with acts like Annie Lennox, Natalie Imbruglia, Gary Barlow and Five. He is already thought to be in talks with at least one senior A&R player with a view

Meanwhile, Griffiths is ting to beef up Arista's A&R presence by establishing it as a nervecentre for other labels. The Deconstruction, Northwestside and Boilerhouse labels will now operate under the Arista umbrella, all

reporting to Marsh. The move will allow the labels to maximise efficiency in marketing, sales and promotion, while keeping the independence of A&R teams saws Griffiths. There are no plans to appoint a new MD at Arista, a post which became vacant with the departure of Martin Heath is

and Arista were two good companies," says Griffiths, "What was missing in particular at RCA was a leader and at Arista it was primarily an A&R presence, which it has not had since I is a Stanefield

Meanwhile in the third strand of the Griffiths plan. A&M international director lan Dickson is to take up the newly-created position of VP of international, heading a centralised department overseeing sales of UK repertoire overseas. This replaces the current system under which BMG has had five separate international departments. In a parallel move, David Inglis become head of international A&R

responsible for incoming releases. PolyGram chairman Kennedy says he is unable to say when Magee and Dickson will be freed from their A&M contracts. which run until the end of 1998 and

He refused to be drawn on speculation that A&M will be folded into another PolyGram label. "In terms of the next step I'm waiting for approvals. I'll then discuss it with A&M first," He suggests he may agree a transfer deal with BMG to replace Magee and Dickson,

1999 respectively.

Culture Minister lines up for BPI

at this year's agm with six vacant council places up for grabs and an address for the fifth year running by a senior politician.

Two vacancies on the 16-man council follow the departures of president/ceo Jean-Francois Cecillon and BMG Entertainment international UK and Ireland chairman John Preston from their jobs earlier this year.

Other empty seats have arisen because the terms of four council members - Virgin Records presi dent Paul Conroy, First Night Rec ords managing director John Craig.

Telstar chairman Sean O'Brien and PWL chairman Pete Waterman have ended. These four and Tony Wadsworth and Richard Griffiths, who have deputised for their prede the Bafta meeting on July 8. But they face competition from other nominees who have until June 23 to enter the election race

Secretary of State for Culture. Media and Sport Chris Smith is due to deliver a 30-40 minute address. BPI director general John Deacon is encouraging members to participate in a O&A which is due to follow Smith's address.

A spokesman for Smith's office says, "I'm sure he [Smith] will be praising the richness and value of UK music."



Fat Les's Vindaloo is emerging as the front runner in the battle for World Cup song supremacy after shipping an initial 380,000 units and last week moving to the top of The Box chart. The single, which features week moving to the top of the Box chart. The single, which features agic Kelth Allen, arith Damiel Hint and Alex_Inner of Blue, it released today (Konday) through Turlleneck/Telstar and is expected to have a closerum context with the Elpc release, Baddiel, Schinner & The Upthing/Seeds' Three Lons '98, which is also issued today, Telstar's marketing direct-Adam Hollywood believes Vindado to same energed from the pack because people can chant along to it. "It came out in to som they are the vindadous, and well sums." It is a well you duried well because the Vindadous, and well sums." It is a really good pop song and Reith is the best songwirther of forbeits longs;"

Music returns to Lottery TV show Weekly music slots are set to be revived on the Saturday National

Lottery programme as the Big Ticket format completes its run.

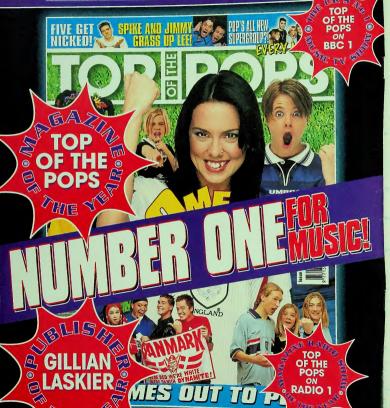
The show, which has helped boost sales of countless releases, will change to a roadshow format hosted by Bradley Walsh on July 18 with the BBC promising a music performance every until the end of August.

Music was dropped by the corporation for the 16-week Big Ticket run, although it has featured in recent weeks with performances by Gloria Estefan nd Dana International.

Nicki Chapman, a partner in The Brilliant Plugging Company, says the move is welcome as there are not many TV outlets for music during the summer.



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AS WITTEN IN THE 1998 PPA AWARDS
AND THE SONY RADIO AWARDS

Scott named editor as MW restructures

Alax Scott is the new editor of Music Week in a restructuring which anticipates the magazine's 40th anniversary pext year Scott, 32, joined MW in 1992 as

news editor. He became deputy e tor of sister magazine MBI in January 1994 before taking over as editor in 1997. His new role comes In addition to his role at MBI. Editor-in-chief Steve Redmond says, "Aiax has a broad knowledge

of the music industry, and his expe rience at MBI gives him a unique overview of the position of the IIK in the worldwide business. Pictured right are, from left.

Scott, Redmond and special pro-



De Whalley adds web to MW responsibilities

Group special projects editor Chas de Whailey is given additional responsibilities in the Music Week restructuring, reflecting the growth of Milier Freeman's UK Music Group.

As well as his existing role o seeing supplements in both MW and MBI and managing Miller Freeman's newsletters operation de Whalley will oversee the editornet site, the MW and MBI World arising out of MW's 40th anniver sary next year.

De Whalley, 44, first joined Music Week in 1993 after a career In A&R and music publishing.

newsfile

RA SET TO RULE ON YEM TAKEOVER ide at its July 2 meeting whether it will allow Capital Radio to buy London's alternative musi station Xfm for £15.9m. The RA had received around 35 submissions on the proposed buyout by the closing period of last Friday (5), including one from

the Ginger Media Group which believes a takeover would limit EMBRACE PLAY HMV STORE

competition

Embrace were last night (7) set to become the first act to play a pre-midnight PA at HMV's flagship Oxford Circus store. The band were due to play a 45minute set leading up to The Good Will Out went on sale.

MUCE LOBBIES FU OVER COPYRIGHT

The Music Users' Council of Europe (MUCE), which represents music as part of their commercial activities, is lobbying the members of the European Parliament and the Council of Ministers to establish a

mandatory arbitration process under the EU oppyright directive.

MERCURY DEADLINE APPROACHES The final closing date for entries for the 1998 Mercury Music Prize is this Friday (12). Entry forms for the September 16 event are available from Kevin

Milburn on 0181-964 9964. CABLE TV TO CARRY DI CONCERT

The Princess Diana mer concert featuring Sir Cliff Richard and Chris de Burgh will be broadcast live on pay-per-view cable TV. Front Row has snapper up the rights to the concert from Althorp Park on June 27 and has negotiated deals with more than eight cable companies, including Cambridge Cable and Birminghan Cable, to carry the programme. The broadcast will cost £5.99

screening the concert on July 1.

although the BBC is also

MTV joins Planet Hollywood to open London music venue

MTV has teamed up with Planet Hollywood to create a £10m music venue in London The Sound Republic project, due

to be launched next month, will be the first of a series of combined music venues and restaurants which the partners are preparing to onen around the world over the next

Located at the Swiss Centre building in Leicester Square, the complex comprises a 600-800 seat live music venue linked to a restaurant and incorporates a working television studio which will allow performances to be recorded or go

a good live entertainment venue in the form of a network across the world can do very well," says Planet Hollywood's chairman Robert Earl. ute to live music in the same way we've been involved with Holloward and sports."

The complex's restaurant is due to open in July and the music ver this autumn, though from 4pm today (Monday) MTV will begin broadcasting its live two-hour daily programme from the Select

Earl says several artists and industry figures, whose names will be ennounced later this month have been brought in as shareholders to help expand the Sound Republic brand globally. A second site is planned to open in New York later this year with others to follow next year in Paris, Dallas, Las Vegas and Washington

For MTV, which began broadcasting a UK-only service last summer. the London project represents its



most visible commitment to date to both the UK and the live music ene. "We're very much moving MTV into the fabric of the UK more so than we've done in the nast

director Michiel Bakker, "We felt this was a unique opportunity to make a further commitment to live music. We've just finished our Five-Night Stand, but this is a greater opportunity for live music."

He anticipates both established and new acts will play the venue, with the mix generally representing the flavour of the MTV playfist. "Our commitment to new bands is extremely important and we want to put them on in the venue." he says.

WEA's head of international Hassan Choudhury, who visited the site as part of an industry delegation last month, says it is ideally sized and located, "We were told it would hold 800 people which is a fantastic size because there aren't many venues like that around. It's also a good central location so for media it's going to be great," he

Connolly heads for radio with joint Chrysalis bid

Comedian Billy Connolly has set his sights on owning a radio station after teaming up with Chrysalis Radio to bid for the second central Scotland regional FM licence. Connolly is equal lead share-holder with Chrysalis in the bid.

called The Edge. The pair are joined by the Mirror Group's Daily Record and The Big Issue in Scotland. It is the first time the comedian has been involved in a radio licence bid and the first time Chrysalis has sought external partners Chrysalis Radio chief executive

Richard Huntingford says, "We believe our best chance of winning is to team up with a strong Scottlish partner, Scotland is very different and with the changes being brought about by devolution we believe it is even more relevant to have partners."

The licence for the station, which has a potential audience of 2.8m adults, is being strongly sought by groups such as Emap and Capital olus high-profile names such as Creation boss Alan McGee



The Edge is proposing an alternative hits/indie dance format and bands, targeting a 15-30 audience. The consortium arrived at the format after using a research method called MixMaster which was used

in the last US presidential race. We think there is a huge gap for someone to come along to champion youth, together with the lifestyles associated with that, says Huntingford.

The closing date for applications is July 28, with the Radio Authority expected to grant the licence in October and the successful appli cant going on air in spring 1999.

Emap picks targets for local digital bids Emap Radio has pinpointed London and Manchester as its first targets

for local digital licences.

The plans follow the company revealing last month it had ruled itself out of bidding for a national digital radio licence as part of an industry consortium. Chief execu-tive Tim Schoonmaker says London and Manchester are the most appropriate licences because the group already has radio interests in these two areas. A third local licence, for Birmingham, also figures in the first wave of local licences which the Radio Authority expects to

advertise by this autumn.

Meanwhile, the Emap group as a whole last week an tax profits up 17% to £141.7m for the year ending March 31 1998 with operating profit up 2% to

Its UK consumer magazines division reported a 25% rise in operating profit to £56.1m over the past year. Radio also saw strong increases with operating profit up 9% to £22.7m and revenue rising by 10% to £70.3m.

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PENNIES FROM HEAVEN

Sky Box Office's live broadcast of the Robble Williams show at London's Forum last Wednesday was a triumph. An early taster of what to expect had come with the extraordinary promo film for the gig which featured Robble touting his wares from door to door in a suburban street.

offering to play 'live in your living room'. If you haven't seen this ad, grab a copy, it uses the stateof-the-art promotional skills that Sky has already used to

such stunning effect in the world of football. And then the show itself. While the gig didn't begin until 9.15pm, the show - with Chris Evans as presenter - began at 8pm and featured video clips, an interview with Robble and a short set from support act The Montrose Avenue. Some doubters suggest that at £9.95 the price was steep but given the strength of the package - and the fact that it is a flat fee, regardless of the number of people you manage to squeeze in front of your TV set – it was a snip. As it happened, I had tickets for the gig, but a stomach bug prevented me going. The convenience of being able to phone and order the concert is an impressive benefit. The only problem for Sky is the lamentable marketing of the UK cable TV industry. My cable TV supplier, Cable London, did not even inform viewers that the Robbie gig was available. It was only when I rang up and asked, that they expressed any Interest in relieving me of my £9.95. Having spoken to some who were there at the Forum, it is clear that the show was even better than Sky's presentation revealed. No TV show can ever match the excitement of being at a gig. But for showing the way forward and highlighting a new, exciting revenue stream for the Industry, Sky, Robble Williams and Robble's

management all deserve congratulations. Steve Redmond TILLY

A SINGULARLY IMPRESSIVE CHART

Just back from Waterloo with a bucket of Vindaloo me, Fat Les and a few footie friends. A true soccer-style cert number one. I would love to know what the rest of the world think of this monster tune. They already think we're mad. Now they probably believe we've gone completely over the edge. Listening to our National Singles Chart lately has become a pleasure isn't it great that it has slowed down and that true big-selling pop singles are hanging around the Top 10 for weeks? Great singles like LeAnn Rimes, the fab Steps, Savage Garden etc. are records that don't get to Number One, but sell up to 400,000 over a period of a couple of months. Yes, real records without the marketing hype. And then last week we had 9 new entries in the Top 20! However, the brand new numbers 1,2 and 3 are truly great records. At number one, Ireland's answer to the Spices, the wonderful Ray Hedges-produced B*Witched; at two the soulful US number one single from Brandy & Monica, and at three, the hottest dance tune around - Mousse T's Horny. Wow, isn't it great to have real class occupy the top three, being supported in the top five by two ex-number ones - the fabulous Tamperer and the delightful All Saints. I am sorry to keep going on but we probably have the best Top 20 currently than we've had at any other time in recent years. It's so exciting! I am also delighted that TOTP has used two other quality artists two weeks running - Raul Malo and the truly unbelievable Mavericks, and Bus Stop's Carl Douglasenhanced, Kung Fu Fighting. Well done Chris for giving the people what they want, in contrast to your mates at Radio One, as neither feature in their Top 30 airplay chart. Yes, in case you hadn't noticed, I'm feeling really positive - well done to everyone for this great situation. May it continue throughout the summer. Who needs those Managing Directors? Tilly Rutherford's column is a personal view

Ferguson boards Disco Volante as managing director

Andy Ferguson has been made managing director of Julian Palmer's new venture Disco

Ferguson, who left Mute In March after four-and-a-half years, will take charge of the record pany's operations from new offices in central London while Palmer will head the business from Los Angeles.

Ferguson's appointment comes three months after Palmer, who co-founded 4th & Broadway, set up the new label with financial backing from Sony Independent Network Europe (Sine). The one-time Mute executive



says he had virtually retired fro the industry when he left the but has been tempted back because involvement in the project and the acts who have



acts: female singer-songwitten Santessa, duo Darling and He band Absinthe. Ferguson is expecting the first releases around the first quarter of never

"It's got enormous potential." he says. "It's got the power of Sony worldwide and when you look at all the majors at the moment they look like the most stable."

Ferguson brings to the role 16 years experience as a manager of acts including The Undertones. Thomas Dolby and That Petrol Emotion.

Sky*claims Robbie pay-per-view a hit

BSkyB has proclaimed the UK's first pay-per-view live pop concert a success after last nesday's Robbie Williams huge broadcast attracted a TV audience equivalent to "filling Wembley several times over

Precise viewing figures for the event will not be released until after further screenings at the weekend, but an early indication of its popularity was given by director of pay-per-view and movies Bruce

Steinberg reveals further similar events will follow. "I'm talking with whole bunch of artists to see who will be second, If they were all like Robbie Williams it would be fantastic. He's a hard act to follow " he adds record company Williams'

Chrysalis says it was delighted with the event, which was broadcast from London's Forum and cost £9.95 to view. The programme, which was broadcast five during prime-time viewing and repeated on Saturday and Sunday night, was hosted by Virgin Radio

BORRIE WILLIAMS - LIVE THRU' A SCREEN

man on earth who used to feel insecure about his ould strip naked for attention. However, new-found

confidence garnered through album sales means that, as spelt out on his drum kit. It's now a case of 'Kit On' rather than 'Kit Off' and time to let the music

From the perfect opener Let Me Entertain You to the thrash version of Back For Good, a

syelte-looking Robbie had an air of Gene Kelly about him as he support band The Montrose

Footage of the sold-out concert

was supplemented by interviews with a nervous-looking Williams in his dressing room before going on stage and by Evans talking to stage and clearly enjoyed reception.

The covers which split the Life Thru' A cover of The Shop Boys' I Wouldn't Normally This Kind Of Thing while standout Williame originals

the triumphant Killing Me. There is a limit to how long one man can hold an audience's attention but that was Robbie last year. This time it was all about songs, and that was pure

some excited viewers at home "It's hard to get the feel of a live

entertainment

concert, but I think we got damned close," says Steinberg. "The great thing is that everyone who saw it they wish they had been

Mulholland quits BBC to join expanding Buddah

editor of BBC Digital Radio Broadcasting to take up the role of managing director at Mark radio production company Wise Buddah. Mulholland, who joins on August

3, will be charged with developing and managing the company's strategy as it prepares to enter new business sectors, including digital radio and the online market His departure is certain to

disappoint the BBC, which he joined in 1995 and where he was most recently responsible for the editorial development of digital radio; arguably the biggest development ince the introduction of FM in confirms Mulholland will be

A BBC spokeswoman replaced but couldn't say when. Wise Buddah, which produces



Pete Tong's, Judge Jules' Goodier's own Radio One shows among other BBC and syndicated programmes, is forming a new subsidiary, Wise Buddah Music, to focus on production, composition and music publishing. The four-yearold company is also setting up a Creative Services division and building new production studios.

C5's Chart Show goes international The Pepsi Chart TV show is going

international after securing slots on Portuguese and Swedish TV. Bazal, whose sister company

Initial produces the programme in association with Broadcast Innovations, has secured a 1pm Saturday slot on Portugal's main station SIC, while Sweden's Kanal 5 will transmit it at 7pm on Fridays.

Peter Christiansen, head of strategy and entertainment marketing for Bazal says the two territories will receive the same show as Channel Five but have local presenters front them.

Christlansen adds negotiations are currently at an advanced stage with other broadcasters in Asia, Europe and the Middle East. "It's hard to sell music shows, but the key part of our proposition is our ability to

localise it," he says. MUSIC WEEK 13 JUNE 1998

Pinnacle pact takes Moio into specialist shops

Pinnacle is joining forces with Emap Metro's Mojo magazine in a catalogue promotion involving 100 indle music setallors Mole which has a circulation of 70.000 readers aged 25 and

unwards, will include a doublepage spread listing 100 shops as part of the Mojo Filter section. Participating shops Rhythm Records and Select-A-Disc in London, Track in York, Avalanche in Glasgow and Edinburgh and Cobb in Bangor, Each listed store will stock the

which will distributed by Pinnacle and backed by promotional material relating to Mojo and releases from Pinnacle labels such as Ace. See For Miles and RPM. "There's a definite fit between

Mojo and these types of shop," says Emap Metro publishing director Jerry Perkins. "These are neonle who take much certainly Pinnacle marketing manager Simon Holland says, "The majority of the shops have never sold magazines such as Mojo before. This exercise is a prime example of how different sectors can work

together to help grow sales, particularly of catalogue titles."

Two months after Teistar signed the new-look E17, its publishing arm, Strong Songs, has secured one of the band's songwriting

teams to a long-term, worldwide deal. Jonathan Beckford, and

coming R&B album, which will

August or September. The song-

tracks for new Arista act Sister

Nature. Strong Songs managing

director Anna Jolley, who signed the songwriters, says, "I'm absolutely delighted they trust

ed their gut feeling when they could've signed to someone

two years ago, also has Sashi

[with a bigger roster] like EMI." Strong Songs, which was set up

and Duke on its roster. Pictured

(I-r) are Jonathan Beckford, John Hendy, Anna Jolley, Mark Reid.

Brian Harvey, Ivor Reid and Terry

writers have also penned four

Ivor and Mark Reid have demoed tracks for E17's forth

be preceded by a single in

Album tests waters for solo Spice Girls

by Paul Gorman The Spice Girls are taking their first step towards establishing themselves as standalone artists by recording solo tracks for the next

Work on the third album has taken place over the past few weeks in downtime during the Virgin act's live schedule, although Geri Halliwell - who announced her departure from the group last week
- is understood not to have had any musical input. The recordings have been made principally at Dublin's Windmill Lane studios

*The plan is that this will be a fully-fledged Spice Girls album, but for the first time, all the girls will not sing on every track," says one insider. "For example Sisters, the duet between the two Mels, has been a live hit, and there will also be some solo tracks."

"Big chunks of the album are already in shape," says another source, adding that it could see the light of day in the New Year.



Spice Girls: sponsorship Intact

Following Halliwell's departure last Sunday, Mel B, Mel C, Victoria and Fmma have wowed to continue as a foursome. However, reports that Mel C was recording in Dublin last week are understood to be false.

Asked when he expects to release the new material, Virgin UK chairman Paul Conroy says. "I don't know. We are not commenting on the situation other than to say that it is business as usual

The recordings would create foun dations for solo careers, particularly for Mel C, who is credited with the strongest voice, and Emma, who is

reported to be the most popular. It also fits with the original game plan drawn up by ex-manager Simon Fuller, It is believed he proposed that the girls take a break after their tour ends in September, with five individual solo projects, or one album where they each sang a song, for release next year

Fuller is also understood to planned solo deals for each of the group and engaged in talks with out side labels, including Sony S2 and RCA. "While there were no contracts, gentlemen's agreements were reached, which would have been triggered at the appropriate time," says an insider.

Some observers believe Geri's departure will have minimal impact. Virgin was last week reporting a 36% increase in sales of Spiceworld and 16% of debut album Spice, and the girls' lawyers have denied any problems with tour promoters and sponsorship deals. Walkers was the first to release new promotional chote (pictured)

newsfile CADITAL COLD DROMOTES THRNER

Capital Gold's head of production Andy Turner has been appointed to the newly-created post of programme director for the AM network. His new role coincides with Capital Gold being rolled out with Capital Gold being rolled out last week across the group's AM services in Birmingham, Hampshire and Sussex. It is also being broadcast in Kent.

TELSTAR STRIVES HE VILLY DEAL

Re-issue specialist Simply Vinyl has gained a presence in the UK through a distribution deal with Telstar Distribution, Until now, the company has concentrated on the albums over the past six months, including titles from Bob Dylan and The Byrds. Four titles were added last week, inclu first vinyl pressing of the Reservoir Does film soundtrack.

SAI SIGNS IFRKINS FOR FURNDE

American producer, writer and remixer Rodney Jerkins, who produced the current Billiboard Hot 100 number one The Boy Is Mine by Brandy & Monica, has signed a European management deal with London-based Sai deal with London-based Sal Entertalnments. Jerkins, whose production credits also include hits by Mary J Bilge, Brownstone and Aallyah, is handled by Sal's managing director Kenl Desal.

KEY 103 POACHES CAPITAL'S TOOLAN Radio presenter Mike Toolan has left Capital FM where he hosted

early breakfast to join Eman Radio's Key 103 in Manchester. He begins presenting the breakfast show next Monday (15)

The Bee Gees plan to play a series of dates between August this year and March next year. The five dates, will include Dublin on August 29 and Wembley Stadium on September 5 – their first concert in the UK for nearly 10 years.

LOCAL STATIONS WIN FM LICENCES The Radio Authority is awarding

three local FM licences in Leicestershire and Rutland after considering proposals from eight applicants. Fosseway Radio will provide a news and information service augmented by music; Oak FM will broadcast a community-led service; and Rutland Radio will target mature

In a photograph printed on page 28 of the May 30 Issue of Music Week, Vital Distribution managing director Mike Chadwick was incorrectly identified as the company's

CORRS GO PLATINUM

The Corrs' Talk On BPI Corners reached platinum BPI gave gold certification to McAlmont & Butler's The Sound Of McAlmont & Butler. There was

of noralmont & south. There was a gold gward for chart stopping single Feel It by The Tamperer featuring Ways, while silver awards went to Mousse T Vs Hot & Spicey's single Horry, Rod Stewart's When We Were The New Boys and the compilations Dave Pearce Presents Dance Anthems, Club Culture Uncovered and Urban Rhymes.

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Finance bill ends tax-free touring

The government has dealt a blow to bands and their crews touring overseas after rejecting a request from the Rolling Stones' lawyer to reconsider scrapping the foreign earnings deduction

Joyce Smyth, a partner at Smyth Barkham, wrote to members of the Commons Finance Bill Committee urging them to reconsider the move introduced by Chancellor Gordon Brown in his

March budget. The Treasury hopes to gain up to £250m from the new legislation, which will take effect

retroactively from budget day -March 17 1998 The tax means that everyone on the Bridges To Babylon tour

will now receive an additional

Chrysalis improves focus with staff shuffle Chrysalis Group is consolidating its sitions, Alison Coneybeare is pro

position in the music and publishing sectors via internal reorganisatio and a number of new appointments. Music Division chief executive Steve Lewis has promoted finance

director Neil Fenton to the new position of finance and comm director, while head of business affairs Catherine Bell takes on the additional responsibility of general manager at Chrysalis Music following her appointment by MD Jeremy Says Lewis, "Neil and Catherin

have both made fantastic progress in the five years they have been here. We are giving them additional responsibilities and bringing in new people to take up the slack Says Lascelles, 'This newly-cre-

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ated position reflects Catherine's abilities, particularly in terms of license negotiations and secondary usages. She will be responsible for

these areas as well as administration, while A&R will continue to report to me directly To enable Fenton to focus on deal from Chrysalis Music royalties man ager to the same title at the Music Lascelles has also appointed Gemma Dempsey as head of film of

moted from Echo label account

to chief accountant at the Music Division and Jan Quant is moving

TV music. She was previously music supervisor on a number of films including Leaving Las Vegas and Shallow Grave. Polly Comber also joins Chrysalis Music as A&R manager from Island Records. These changes will free up

some of Jeremy's time to enable him to concentrate on deal making and the creative side of the busi ness," Lewis says.

newsfile

GRAFTON PROMOTED AT EMI Richard Grafton has been promoted to EMI Records marketing, replacing Georgina Capp who left earlier this year. Grafton, previously head of tra marketing, will report to EMI Records group executive vice president Ian Hanson. His new responsibilities include outward licensing, TV and film isation, direct mall and record clubs

LONDON'S BURNING AT LEVI'S

Customers of the Levi Strauss retail store in London's Regent Street can now cut their ow compilation CDs while they shop. It follows a deal between the retailer and Cerberus Central to install a touch screen virtual record store kiosk. Customers can choose from several thousand hip hop, dance, drum'n'bass and indie tracks on labels including Slip'N'Slide and Kickin' Records, and 'burn' their

ROSS GETS BIGGER BREAKFAST Entertainer and radio DJ onathan Ross has signed to Virgin Radio for another year. Ross joined the station in March, presenting the two-hour Sunday morning Late Breakfast Show. His show, which starts at 10an has also been extended by a further hour

BANA GUESTS AT GAY PRIDE Eurovision Song Contest winner Dana International and 911 are among the first acts to confirm their annearance at this year's Lesbian And Gay Pride Festival in London on July 4. For the first time new organisers Pride Events UK are charging £5 (£3 for unemployed, disabled and OAPs) for Pride '98. A spokeswoman says the admission price is necessary due to increased costs with the hire of the park alone Baddiel, Skinner and The Lightning Seeds. Released TOP TALKERS FOR RADIO FESTIVAL today (Monday), Three Lions '98 went to radio last Monday

BBC director of radio Matthew Banister, arts minister Mark Fisher and GWR chief executive Ralph Bernard are among the speakers at this year's Radio Festival which takes place between July 13 and 15 at the ICC in Birmingham, Wise Buddah managing director Mark Goodier and Bob Geldof will also be speaking at the event which is organised by the Radio Academy.

VHI BREAKS EMERGING ACTS VH1 is being pinpointed by record

companies and artist managers as playing a vital role in breaking veral emerging acts including The Mavericks and The Corrs, broadcaster points out The Mavericks' single Dance The Night Away has been on the station's playlist for two-and-a-half months, while The Corrs have been regularly featured since their VH1 debut in January 1996

PLATINUM EUROPE AWARDS

PLATINIDE EUROPE AWARDS
The IFPI has handed out a second Platinum Europe Award to France's Particla Kaas for Dans Ma Chair, as well as first time Platinums to Ricky Martin's A Medio Vivir and The Corrs' Talk on Cornes. Double Platinum Europe awards for May go to Madonna's Bedfilme Stories and Enya's Paint The Sky With Stars. Meanwhile. Madonna's Bey Michards 19 Amany Madonna's Park Madonna's P while, Madonna's Ray Of Light and Aqua's Aquarium also get multi-platinum awards.

Retailers attempt to score with promotional hat-trick

retailers are undertaking their biggest offensive ye for a World Cup campaign that attempts to lure customers away from the tournament

and back into stores Pricing campaigns, giveaway offers and even in-store screens to show tournament matches have all been lined up in a bid to avoid a repeat of the huge downturn in trade

which took place during Euro '98.

"It's no secret Euro '96 really had a huge impact," says Virgin Our Price's local marketing and PR man-ager Simon Dornan. "There was a elgood factor around the nation up until the semi-final, but it was keep

ing people indoors. The retailer, which is providing 33-inch screens for its Virgin stores has a special display of eight of the main World Cup singles across all Virgin and Our Price branches, Our Price has a two-for-£20 campaign running throughout the tournament featuring current albums by acts Natalie Imbruglia, Cornershop and Bernard Butler.

coming back. Three

most of England was most of England with two singing along with two years ago, looks on huge suc-

course to become a huge success all over again with Som

shipping an initial 400,000 units of the new version by

(1) and has already won some

significant support, including A-listings on Radio One, Capital

FM and Virgin Radio. Epic prod-

uct manager Angle Sommerside

says the new version was made in response to public demand and has taken off without any

great push from Sony. "We're

and we've hardly done any

doing loads of marketing

begun a three-for-£22 campaign, backed by TV advertising. The campaign, which includes Nirvana's Nevermind and the Pulp Fiction Nevermind soundtrack, is designed to bring in customers ahead of a further campaign in early July. Tower, which will also have screens in its stores

showing matches, undertaking a world music promotion featuring artists from the 32 countries playing in the tournament Andys' effort is The Full Result, a two-for-£22 eral hundred titles

Pecord companies have undertaken a number of special pricing

only the effects of the World Cup but also parallel imports and the general summer downturn. Current titles by Agua and The

is

a france '98

offers to combat not Virgin Our Price World Cup promotion

Mayericks are included in Universal promotion which closed to retailers last week, "Summer is a impact of the World Cup it's going to hit business twice as hard this time." says the company's head of national accounts Paul Coster.

PolyGram's one-off discount to retailers, which allowed them to buy as much product as they wanted a prices similar to import levels, is being supported with £180,000 worth of PolyGram support, including national and local press advertising, "We looked ahead because we know from experience it tends to he quiet around events like the World Cup," says sales director Nigel Haywood. "We've had a very good reaction to the offer, but now want to see it sell through.

BMG's sales director Richard Story says his company's campaign, called The Full Monty, is going across budget, mid-priced and fullpriced titles, while Warner is hoping to capitalise on its busy release schedule in an otherwise quiet time for new releases. "Because we are dominating the album chart at the moment our main strategy is keep the profile up on our titles," says sales director Jeff Beard.

England not picked for Sony's squad

As England Utd battle it out in the singles chart this week against some stiff competition, the song has, however, failed to qualify for Sony's official World Cup album.

Allez! Ola! Ole, to be released in the UK next Monday (15), is being issued in seven slightly different versions around the world. The UK tracklisting includes Three Lions 98, the Chumbawamba and Del Amitri songs but not England Utd's

The album will be advertised throughout ITV's competition coverage. as well as Fantasy World Cup '98 Live and selected programmes on Channel



Single releases reach fever pitch

to take a firm grip on the singles chart this coming Sunday with three new releases vying for the top. Fat Les's Vindaloo, and Baddiel, Skinner and The Lightning Seeds' Three Lions '98 appear to be heading the ever-growing pack, though with Warner initially shipping re than 100,000 units of Dario G's Carnaval De Paris, positions one, two and three could be filled by World Cup songs next week.

Whatever the outcome, at this stage the three appear to be outstripping the official England World Cup song, England Utd's (How Does It Feel To Be) On Top Of The World By mid-week last week it had only reached number eight. The official single's project con-

sultant Rick Blaskey believes the









Five on-side: the race for the top kicks off with these World Cup related singles

likes of the original Three Lions have drastically raised the standard of football songs - more than 20 have been released this year. "People have suddenly cottoned on to how viable football and music are together. The quality of songs has got better and better," says Blast managing director of the Music And Media Partnership.

Besides the England song Chumbawamba's similarly-titled Top Of The World (Ole, Ole, Ole) and

Scotland's official World Cup song were also looking for a Top 20 place yesterday (Sunday). The Scotland single, Del Amitri's Don't Come Home Too Soon, is already the most successful by a Scottish squad since We Have A Dream reached number five in 1982.

Several other Scotland team songs, including The Tartan Army's Scotland Be Good and The Corries' Flower Of Scotland, are also being issued, while both the BBC coverage

The Wimbledon Choral Society's Pavane by Faure, and ITV's theme, Jean Michel Jarre featuring Apollo 440's Rendezvous '98, are both being issued on June 15.

The competition's official international song, Ricky Martin's The Cup Of Life, is being released by Columbia on June 22 and there are also a host of novelty songs, including Grandad Roberts and his son Elvis's Meat Pie Sausage Roll. already out on WEA.



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he new chart rules are one of several factors that Columbia believes will help thrust Maxwell into the Top 10 and deliver him wider recognition as one of the

neties' most talented soul artists. Maxwell is widely recognised (along with D'Angelo) as one of the genre-defining artists in R&B, yet similar success to his US platinum status and Grammy nomination has been hard to replicate in the UK. His 1996 debut, Urban Hang Suite, has chieved gold status but never climbed higher than number 39, while his highest placed single was Sumthin' Sumthin' The Mantra, which reached number 27 in

February last year. But Columbia's head of black music Matthew Ross says the Chart Supervisory Committee's move to lessen the burden on artists and labels by reducing the number of CD tracks from four to three from July 6 plus Maxwell's new-found willingness for his acks to be remixed - will lead to less

"filler" tracks and should hoost sales Certainly in 1998 his success looks far more assured than in the past, Ahead of the release of Maxwell's stunning new alb Embrya, Ross says, "We've struggled for repertoire before, but not any more. Maxwell is going to chart with albums and singles. And we're looking to chart Top 10. The album will sell 30,000-40,000 copies in the

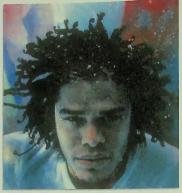
"Our objective is to reach gold quickly and use it as a platform to reach a wider audience and platinum sales and beyond. People will talk about B*witched having a fanbase after one hit single, but I'll tell you, a fanbase is when you sell out The Royal Albert Hall within a day, as he did."

Columbia knew it was on to a good thing with Maxwell from the start, which explains why Sony Music ceo Paul Burger and Columbia MD Ged Doherty have thrown their

As Ross says, "They knew they were in it for the long haul. That's why he could do three tours in the UK alone for Urban Hang Suite. We all knew it would be a gradual, nic growth with him.

One of Ross's key considerations in broadening Maxwell's market includes, for one thing, looking to Radio One for support in a genre in which it has been notoriously weak outside its specialist shows. Ross says, "I realise Maxwell's not a core Radio One artist but Radio One is not the same place it was three years ago. Now it is supposed to reflect genre-defining artists like Maxwell.

Radio One and MTV's R&B specialist Trevor Nelson describes Embrya as an m that's a must among his collection of 50 or so albums in his front room at home 'There's an incredible sound quality to this album, even full orchestral strings on some tracks. There seems to be fewer singles. than on Urban Hang Suite, but as an album



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The second aspect Ross has to take into consideration is Maxwell himself; an artist who readily admits to not being too interested in the who

pop game There's a pop and dance sensibility throughout Europe which I don't fall in line with and don't have the hooks for and never will I'm not trying to get on radio - if I was, these records wouldn't be this

way," Maxwell says. Despite what he may say, however, he is

beginning to play the game. Unlike Urban Hang Suite, Embrya will carry his photograph on the front cover which Columbia will be able to use to push his

simmering good looks and obvious sexappeal. And this time Maxwell's actually looking to let other people work on remixing his singles. None are planned until at least

a month after Embrya is released on June 22. 'Our objective is to Luxury: Cococure has been chosen as the first single and is already getting strong support from specialist stations such as London's Choice FM and Kiss FM, but it is not due for release anywhere until the right mixes and

- Ross video are put together (unlikely before the end of July). After several listens, Embrya has the feel of something great, and that is in part due to Maxwell having taken the reigns of production and arrangement. It again

sees Maxwell playing some of that late Seventies/early Eighties sound but this time it's funkier, more up-tempo and he reveals more of his other childhood influences, including Latin, Reggae and Calypso. In essence, Urban Hang Suite had the songs but not the grooves, but Embrya has both.

All 11 tracks are produced, written and ing by Maxwell, except for three songs cowritten and produced with Sade's band member Stuart Matthewm Standout tracks include I'm You, You Are

Me And We Are You, which has him singing partly in funky Spanish, and the mellow Maxwell standards Know These Things. Shouldn't You and Submerge: Till We come The Sun

Maxwell had already written a completely different second alloum about a year ago but went back to the studio to make Embrya because he wanted it to have a "conhomore" feel, "Embrya is like a limbo neriod taking a bit of what was and experimenting with a bit of what will be. I can't completely depart from what I did before because you know even as you write, as you mix and set it all up that if it sucks then everything sucks: the album, the promotions, the marketing, everything,

Maxwell seems intent on getting the right message across, which translates as a mixture of good, serious music, with cool looks that also sets up a really wide range of media interest

For promoting this album in the UK alone he's had interest from everyone from teen media like O-Zone, The Box and Da Bomb, to specialists and broadsheets, including Trevor Nelson on Radio One, Touch, Blues & out and The Times

Musically it's difficult to doubt Maxwell's eclectic tastes and inspirations. Last July he produced the critically acclaimed seven-song MTV Unplugged EP, which featured an excellent version of the Kate Bush classic This Woman's Work and a gospel re-working of Nine Inch Nails' Closer. Columbia shelved plans to release This Woman's Work as a single but Maxwell says it will be a B-track on one of the upcoming singles. Even though most of the EP was made up of live versions from a year-old Urban Hang Sulte, it still shifted 30,000 copies.

As Nelson says, this album may surprise people, and early indications are that Embrya is a classic album that breaks the mould and gives Maxwell the sales and respect he truly deserves. Yinka Adegoke

Artist: Maxwell Label: Columbia Project: album/single Songwriters: Maxwell/Matthewman Producer: Maxwell/Matthewman Studio: Hit Factory/Sony Music Studios New York Publisher: Sony Music Publishing Released: June 22/end July '98



STEVE LAMAC QON A&R

y computer thinks it's 1956. Honestly, I turned it on the other day and when I saved my Radio One running order the date on the file came up as 1956. Is this pre-Millennium Bug tension? Are we in for a Bill Haley and Tony Hancock revival? Or has it just caught something from being too close to the record industry? Everywhere I turn at the moment there seems to be a pervading sense of nostalgia and uncertainty in the air. With the continuing merry-go-round of jobs and gloomy rumours about various record companies, you get the feeling that we're suffering from the music industry equivalent of a computer virus. Sure there are bands being watched - and one or two signed - but there is a general lack of

direction visible everywhere apart from toddlers marked "R&B" and "Girl Bands". I've never known the music scene to be so up in the air waiting for plots to fall into place. It's all a little unsettling (not helped by the onset of the World Cup, which is as good an excuse as any to pack up and head for the pub). At least the records keep coming, however, including a top single from Food's Idlewild. Browsing through some old issues, it was a year ago this week that I first mentioned the 'Wild in this column after a gig at London's Hope & Anchor. A week later we were reporting on the chase for Ultrasound, which had been whittled down to a three-horse race. A year on, it's an even more leftfield outfit who are one of the few bands worth a mention -

those uncompromising Arab Strap boys. Two LPs down and after flirting for a year or more, the Strap are reportedly on their way to Go Beat, the label that has been on their tail for what seems like forever. Of course, the record's maybe sorted, but the battle to secure their publishing is still on (none of their tracks are published and their LP made the Top 40 thanks to a healthy underground following)... Another Scottish band worth mentioning are Astral, back with a fine new demo. Since their first mention in this column, they've been tracked by various labels. But having passed on one offer, they've recorded three new songs including the terrific Give Me Everything. If you're local, they headline at Glasgow's King Tut's on June 30.

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FUN LOVIN'CRIMINALS

e Fun Lovin' Criminals have been one of the best kept secrets in the business and Chrysalis intends to keep it that way with a slowly-slowly approach to breaking them big time.

However, as one of the few true "growers" of recent years, their 1996 Too 10 debut album. Come Find Yourself. eventually gained enough momentum over an 18-month period to sell 400,000 units in the III

The US trio are only now beginning to gain wider recognition in this country with their blend of rap, rock and blues and their larger-than-life, Hollywood-inspired wacky personalities, having received a Brit. nomination for Best International Newcomer and the Q Award for Best Newcomer.

EMI/Chrysalis MD Mark Collen explains that subtly building on their previous success is crucial to the band's long-term future. "The important thing is that everybody who bought that album felt they had discovered the band. That was the key to the last campaign and it will be an important thread in promoting the new record. It wasn't a brutal, above-the-line pop campaign," he says.

The follow-up album - tentatively titled 100% Colombian - is not due for release until September 14 but carefully selected and targeted, credibility-enhancing appearances have been ongoing since the start of the year. Singer/guitarist Huey appeared in both the BBC Perfect Day video and duetted with Ian McCulloch for Jools Holland's Hootenanny.

Collen is optimistic, but not over confident. "I think potentially we've got a

very big selling

not going to shave

it down people's throats," he says

(released on

August 3) is a

The first single,

THE SLOW ROAD TO SUCCESS debut tonight The Grave And The Constant Come Find Yourself (album) Scooby Snacks
The Fun Lovin' Criminal King Of New York

Love Unlimited I'm Not In Love/Scooby Snacks tongue in cheek tribute to Barry White's backing band The In Whiley Show and the hand's The cartoony, Hollywood stylism that first

brought Fun Lovin' Criminals to public attention has been toned down on 100% Colombian, while the guitar element has come to the fore. This is due in part to Huey's narratives developing beyond botched hold-ups and jailbreaks in

olyGram/Island A&R director Nigel Coxson didn't let the fact that threequarters of Lodger were moonlighting from other bands get in the way of snapping up the quartet last year. Although vocalist Pearl is now free of her

duties with faded Britpop contenders Powder, drummer Danny Coffey counts Supergrass as his day job while vocalist Neil Carlill and guitarist Will Foster are bona-fide members of Leicester-quartet Delicatessen. Meeting through Delicatessen and

Powder's shared management (namely Tony Beard at Sanctuary), inspiration came one drunken night around Coffey and Pearl's plano, and songs poured out, filtering Delicatessen's quirky cabaret-pop through stronger pop melodies and a dueting style that recalls Sixties cult items Lee Hazely and Nancy Sinatra. In other words, a unique

proposition for a supergroup.

Coxson says, "Their demos were so fresh and unusual. I loved their Lee 'n' Nancy, slightly trashed-up vibe and I subsequently liked the characters involved."

With music by Coffey and Foster (Carilli and Pearl supply lyrics), Lodger gives freer reign to two musicians who normally



downtown Manhattan, although fans of King Of New York will be pleased to know he's written a sequel, The View,

The album also includes a song about Huey's dog (based around a sample of Daryl Hall & John Oates' One On One), a riotous collaboration with blues legend BB King and 40 friends in the studio called Mini Bar Blues, and Big Night Out, a sleazy tale of supermodel sexcess. Love Unlimited receives its worldwide

> Radio One's May '96 Evening Jul '96 Session and Aug '96 22 TV promotion Nov '96 26 follows a week Mar '97 later with 12 Huev's appearance on

appearance on TFI Friday the following week Katle Conroy, former Chrysalis head Ol

media, and now EMI promotion and artist relations vice president, says, "My campaign was put in place before they heard the single, and since they have, nothing has changed. I've been in one of

"I write songs in Supergrass, but it's just that these are weirder songs than those Initially, it just started out as someth do over last winter for a laugh, but it all orked out, which I'm very happy about." Lodger, in turn, liked Island's roster and

reputation, Pearl says, "We head-hunted them. The last thind we wanted was a

those nice positions where you go. "I've got the new Fun Lovin Criminals record' and everybody goes, 'Great!"

The band will spend three weeks in the UK in June and July to spearhead a media campaign that will culminate with a V98 appearance. A Radio One Roadshow, a day at MTV, an Evening Session and Top Of The Pops are also in the bag.

Collen adds that coverage is likely to be backed up with cinema advertising. "We did it on the last album and it was successful. We also did TV, buying into tastemaker programmes like Frasier and ER. I would anticipate doing that again. Huev attributes part of the trio's

songwriting development to their experience supporting U2 on the PopMart world tour. You can't help but be inspired when you tour with a band of that nature," he says. look at everything like Willy Wonka And The Chocolate Factory. On the first album we were Charlie, and Willy Wonka was played by Bono. He showed us around the candy store."

To take the analogy to its logical conclusion, when Willy took Charlie into the great glass elevator at the end of the film. the only way was up. Shaun Phillips

bidding war. EMI were interested but we knew that would be a clash of interests. Lodger and Island's faith in each oth has already been rewarded with a Top 40 placing for the debut single I'm Leavin month, which was heavily supported by Radio One and garnered a TRI Friday performance. Always Round Here is set to be the follow-up on June 22. The debut LP, A Walk In The Park, is out on August 17. But there are potential pitfalls. For

starters, the album took 18 months to complete, recorded between Coffey's commitments with Supergrass. For the same reasons, the drummer is unavailable for touring or promotion - to date speaking only to speak to Music Week - while Carlill and Foster have no intention of letting Delicatessen become a side project

If Coxson foresees any problems, he's not saying. "Obviously it's less than ideal, but all parties are being reasonable about dating each other "It still feels like a band without Danny Our live drummer fits in well," Pearl says.

With such a strong debut album, Lodger don't appear to need star names to m

ONES TO WATER

Seafood are the latest Fierce Panda act to attract A&R attention, having caused a stir with a series of support slots on Kenickie's nationwide tour, which culminated last Wednesday at

London's Electric Ballroom The London-based guitarpop act features the year-old line-up of Caroline Banks (drums/vocals), Charles Macleod (guitar), Kevin Hendrick (bass/vocals) and David Line (vocals/guitar). Their agent is Steve Strange, their

plugger is Stuart Bridgeman, Sarah Neve at Press Counsel is handling their press and Fierce Panda bosses Simon Williams and Ian Damage have taken to managing them

The band's next release, on June 22, is the single Porchlight. This wistful, popular live track demonstrates the hand's nuck leanings as well as their pop sensibility and helped to win them slots at the Phoenix and Reading festivals.

SOUNDTRACK OF OUR LIVES This idiosyncratic rock nutfit with a wildly confident name are generally acclaimed at home in Sweden as one

the most inventive bands of the moment Radiohead meets U2, if you will. The UK is an album behind - Coalition is feverishly working the 1996 album

Welcome To The Infant Freebase, white Warner Sweden has just released the new Extended Revelation package - but signs are emerging of a UK breakthrough The band received an enthusiastic

reconnee when they onened for Kula Shaker recently and XFM are caning the unusually summery instant Repeater 99 (out today, June 8). ut today, June 6).
With UK festival dates being firmed fono

up, this could be their summer



Coco and the Bean - Fair Play (Mantra) A sleek and dreamy R&B track perfect for those summer nights (single, July 6) Silver Sun - Too Much, Too Little, Too Late (Polydor) An increasingly addictive po pop cover of the Johnny Mathis track

(single, June 8) Art Of Noise – album sampler (2TT)
Complex wizardry in layers, featuring guest John Hurt urging listeners to imagine Debussey (album, the)

Stephen Simmonds - Get Down (Parlophone/Rhythm Series) Talented Swedish rock/blues artist teeters on the edge of international success with a mello iazz-influenced feel (single, June 22) Sparklehorse - Good Morning Spider (Parlophone) Glorious and Intense kicking (album, July 20) Roachford - Naked (Without You)

(Columbia) Emotive rock with mass market appeal could "do a Robbie" and rejuvenate interest in the album (single, June 22) Delakota - The Rock (Gol Beat) One of the most intriguing guitar bands/production duos on the up and up (single, June 29. Embrace - The Good Will Out (Hut) An excellent, if overdue, debut album that will drown those Oasis comparisons

Six By Seven - Six By Seven (Mantra) Gloriously dark songs that explode from (album, out now) nothing

Some other supergroups...Cream – Clapton, Baker, Bruce: Billed Faith – Clapton, Winwood, Baker, Grech; The Travelling Wilburys – Cylans, Harrison, Petry, Lynes, Ordison, Asia – Howe, Palmer, Downes, Veitton; Coosty, Sillis, Nash à Young, Power Station – Tojior, Tojor, Calando Thompson, Pointe – Beeck, Bagart & Aspior: The Smoking Hold Filters – Weller, McCartry, Gildiger, Healthe Pe – Arrinott, Grauppon

SINGLEreviews

WHALE: Four Big Speakers (Hut HUTCD96). With new album lined up, the Swedish band here give us a taste of things to come. Four Big Speakers is an addictive groove with samples and funky guitar riff supporting Cia Soro's winsome vocals, Whale's last impression on the chart was left by Hoho Humpin' Slobo Babe in 1995, which spent a total of six weeks in the Too 75, peaking at number 15. Although not playlisted yet, the single has received plays on Radio One and Xfm and should follow hot on the heels of

AUDIOWEB: Personal Feeling (Mother MUMCD104). The follow-up to the Top 30 nan Skank is another mix of heavy dub and rock with airy reggae style vocals. The track is already playlisted on many regional stations, though national statio

DISCO CITIZENS: Nagasaki Badger (Xtravaganza 0091595EXT), Disco red a Top 40 hit with Footprint in April 1997, while in their Chicane guise they enjoyed three Top 40 singles (Sunstroke Offshore '97 and Lost You Somewhere) in the latter half of the year Nagasaki Badger has all their tradema summery, ambient synths, here joined by a

nagging trancey synth line, breakbeats and BT-style piano. It's currently in the top 10 of the RM Club Chart, 55 METALLICA: Fuel (Vertigo METCJ16). Fuel is taken from the gold-selling Reload album. From its hard-hitting vocal opening throu to the dynamic chorus, this is a high-octane thrash metal tune. Due to heavy touring schedules, the band won't be available for

promotion, but an interview will appear in GQ along with ads in the rock press. Fuel could well be yet another in this metal act's long line of Top 20 hits. 25 MINIMAL FUNK 2: The Groovy Thang

(Cleveland City CLE13046). This slice of ky Italian disco-house is destined to take to the radio airwaves in the coming week There's nothing new in the ingredients, but the end result has an appealing mix of contemporary and retro sounds faced with a summery flavour. It's so far peaked at number two in the RM Club Chart, and is a dancefloor favourite with handbag DJs, so the right radio exposure could translate this into a Top 40 placing. The ROACHFORD: Naked Without

You (Columbia 6659362), Co-produced partner Martin Phillips and cowritten by Rick Nowells, this is the third single to come from Roachford's fourth album Feel. It's a guitar-led track which will have mass market appeal and is likely to be supported by commercial radio stations - but most importantly it could 'do a Robbie' and rejuvenate interest in the album. Indeed, has the potential to become his biggest hit for several years. A preview has been shown on the Chart Show and an exclusive due to be screened last Saturday.

SINGLE of the week

MATTHEW MARSDEN: The Heart's Lone Desire (Columbia/Viper 6661154). Listeners might find it hard to be convinced that this is Matthew Marsden convinced that this is Matthew Marsden and not Gary Barlow. The latest in an over growing line of soap stars (Coronation Street) hoping for chart stardom – but more Natalie than Patsy – this track is destined for the top of the charts. The sleek

R'n'B-style ballad is co

CAMISRA: Feel The Beat (VC Recordings

VCRC39). Originally released two years ago

currently in the top 10 of the RM Club Chart

courtesy of mixes by Perpetual Motion and Tall Paul himself, While its predecessor Let

February, Feel The Beat lacks such a strong

mula and one that, to date, has helped

Clock to score 11 Top 40 hits out of 11 singles: pick a dancefloor classic and make it as commercially accessible as possible.

In songwriting terms at least, single 12 breaks the usual mould by being an original

composition, but otherwise it really is

business as usual. Like its unimaginative

Hartman-style hassline Still it works and

Pavane (Telstar TCD2979). Football songs

THE WIMBLEDON CHORAL SOCIETY:

are a funny old game. And some bar

philosophers will still argue that they

peaked eight years ago when the world's

greatest-living tenor became a pop star

worked for Pavarotti and Nessun Dorma

While it lacks the commercial appeal of

then there's no reason why this version of

Faure's Pavana cannot become a chart hit.

Three Lions, as the BBC's World Cup theme

it is likely to be the tune heard more than

any other by millions of TV viewers over the

next few weeks. Only a mishap by Hoddle's men can get in its way.

WO447CD). This second cut from Pilgrim is

ERIC CLAPTON: Circus (Warner Bros

a beautifully-constructed song which is

ensitively sung by Clapton. Part of the

overnight. The theory here is that if it

hook, relying more on repetitive synths to wreak dancefloor devastation.

MCSTD40160) It's a hydicronely simple

under his alias Sunglasses Ron, this

pumping house tune by DJ Tall Paul is

Me Show You went to number five in

CLOCK: Rock Your Body (Media



written and produced by

Rick Novells (Madonna, Celine Dion, Robert Miles) and is the kind of quality adult pop song that Barlov
desperately needs himself. For his part, Marsden makes a convincing vocalist and puts in a more than
credible performance on this moody, atmospheric song. 25 25 album, it fits in with the melancholic mood of the rest of the LP, but has an uplifting

of the rest of the LP, but has all upining quality which should find a home at more discerning radio stations. Cries (Universal UND 86523). Following quickly behind Universal's international standard-bearers Aqua, this good-looking Norwegian crooner - often tipped as the next George Michael - has the rest of Europe weeping at this mollow, heart breaking smoother. The first single from his debut album Red, Susannah is one of those unfussy, straight-shead ballads that come atong all too rarely and radio is sure to pick it up with enthusiasm. His cute, little-boy lost looks should ensure coverage in the

THE FREESTYLERS: Ruffneck (Freskanova FNT12). Freestylers take on Norman Cook and Lionrock at their own title, Rock Your Body is musically something game with this excellent ska-infused single you're sure you've heard before as it rides a catchy, formulaic chorus over a Dan ploving a skipload of samples, rapping by MC Navigator and scratching by J-Rock Spaced Invader takes up the flip with its with more than 1m singles sold so far in the UK who can argue? breakbeats, heavy bass and samples from Tim Westwood. Their last single B-B Stance reached 23 in February, 13.73 187 LOCKDOWN: Gunman (East West

EW176CD). This bass-heavy speed garage monster, which reached the Top 20 last November, has been re-released in the wake of 187 Lockdown's last single, Kung Fu, which reached the Top 10 in April, Featuring ragga shouts and gunshots on top of a floor shaking bassline, it should improve on its placing last time. New mixes by garage producers G.O.D. and breakbeat maestros

Danmass should broaden club anneal JEAN MICHEL JARRE AND APOLLO 440-Rendez-Vous 98 (EPIC EPC666110) ITV

has adopted this collaboration as its official theme for the World Cup, and it's easy to see why. Overblown keyboard riffs and pompous melodies sit triumphantly atop a pop-techno beat, with the overall song in a similar field to Dario G's Carnaval De Paris. This is lifted from Jarre's latest album Odyssey Through O2 as well as the official

World Cup album Allez! Ola! Ole! 😂 📆 CUCKOO: Blackmail (Geffen GFSCD22342). The Derry indie-rock foursome return consolidated in method and personnel with a new single showcasing a precocious talent for songwriting. The tune begins easily enough but soon gives way to a savage guitar workout whilst retaining its elodic character and a mid-tempo velocity. The vocals perfectly complement this style.

Having been previously compared to Smashing Pumpkins and Sonic Youth. Cuckoo have got busy as they continue their June UK tour prior to the July release of their debut album Breathing Lessons. 2 BOOTSY COLLINS: Do The Freak (WEA 3984 22525-21. Honoured with the li achievement award at the Mobos for a career now spanning four decades, the ex JBs bassist and Parliament/Funkadelic exponent returns with a single lifted from last year's Fresh Outta P University album. It features A J Gizmo, Teray, Be-wise and Rodney O and an array of remixes, the pick of which is the Classic Freak Mix sampling lan Dury & The Blockheads' classic Hit Me With Your Rhythm Stick. It's smooth and accessible while remaining true to Bootsy's own incomparable style, 27

706/572 328-2). It appears as if the London-based duo have come up trumps with an instantly addictive, mellow and acoustic pop/R&B offering with winsome vocals interchanging between the talk/rap of New York-raised Lucas and the more soulful styles of London singer Chardel. The track is given an extra lease of life by deeper dubbler remixes from Lucas and Mickey P and uptempo Todd Terry, Curtis & Moore

SPRINKLER: Leave 'Em

omething To Desire (Island CIDX

and Tuff Jam versions. These are already gaining DJ support, resulting in the track entering the RM Club Chart at 17 last week. Backed with a placing in the Melody Radio Top 10 and TV appearances on National Lottery and Fully Booked, you cannot help but feel that this is just the beginning of something big. 20 10 REASTIE BOVE



famed MTV Unplugged performance, though STEPHEN SIMMONDS: Get Down (Parlophone Rhythm Series CDR 6500). Simmonds is the latest in a long line of

young and talented Swedish rock/blues artists to be found teetering on the edge of international success. The 21-year-old singer-songwriter hails from the same stable as Stockholm's other UK chartbreaker, Eagle Eye Cherry, but the similarity stops there, with Simmonds adopting a more mellow, jazz-influenced feel, compared with Cherry's rockler sound. Get Down, Simmonds' UK debut, follows the Scandinavian success of his previous single Tears Never Dry, which topped the Swedish airplay charts last year. Losth to be pigeon-holed, Simmonds

release this fifth alburn. Musically and lyrically they've updated their sound a little since 1994's III taster from their Communication, and put an insistent vecoder loop and crunching beats under their raps and hollers. Brixton shows and various festival appearances are plamonths; a second summer of Beastlemania is on the cards. 2010 ed over the coming

CDCL803). The timing couldn't have been better: with the Eighties old skool revival still kicking in, Run DMC dominating the European charts and NYCC's cover of Fight For Your Right in the Top 40, the

Intergalactic (Grand Royal

MALCOLM MCCLAREN PRESENTS DAKIM-Buffalo Gals Back To Skool (Virgin VSCD1628), McClaren gives rejuvenal

rapper Rakim the master tapes of his old skipping and chanting cut-up pop classic. The result is a slowed-down iam which without the detail of the Afrika Bambaatas inspired, Sugar Hill-influenced original - has lost its charm. The original version is ded and still sounds excellent. ROCKET FROM THE CRYPT: When In

Rome (Do The Jerk!) (Elemental ELM47CD). This is the first single from the band since 1996's much-acclaimed Top 40 Scream Dracula Scream album, which spawned the NME Brat award-winning On A Rope single. All the traditional Crypt ingredients are present - howling guitars, tribal drums, sax stabs and Speedo's yearning vocals - but the whole thing is less than the sum of its parts. No doubt the Kevin Shirley-produced LP will be but this comes across weakly. La La

A L B U M reviews

EIVE- Sive (DCA 74321589762) With all the strategy of a well-thought out military operation. RCA releases one of the most keenly sought-after boy band debut albums of recent years - the cunningly titled Sive by Five It contains 17 tracks which see the boys veer from straightforward, R&B influenced-pop towards swing, a Human League cover and even an attempt at a De La Soul-style rap, It's not exactly a unique musical feat, but as a pop record aimed at the teen market, it is pretty much spot on. Their ever-expanding fanbase should propel it into the top three with ease. New single You Got The Feelin', released this week, is getting radio and TV attention which only help further boost sales. DES'REE: Supernatural (S2 4897192). Four years after her Top 20 album I Ain't

Movin Dec'ree returns with this clickly

produced radio-friendly collection of folk-flavoured tracks. While the quality of the lyrics is uneven - notably in the poppy current single Life - her soaring, soulful vocals still dominate her sound There's a noticeable widening of her musical style. with strings much in evidence alongside her trademark folky guitar, as well as reggae on Provid To Be A Dread and a Celine Dion-style ballad, I'm

Missing You, But one can't help but wish she'd return to the folky simplicity that she N'DEA DAVENPORT: N'Dea Davenport (V2 VVR1002022P). The funky

diva is back with a

vengeance with this debut album. Featuring her latest single Bring It On, which reached number three in the Urban Chart, this album is marked by its mellow, soulful and groovy sound. Since leaving the Brand New Heavies, Davennort has moved back to the US and concentrated on her own projects - a fact which reflected in the personal material. GENESIS: Archive 1967-1975 (Virgin 72438422123). Aimed at the die-hard fan, this four-CD boxed set traces the Peter Gabriel-led Genesis from their beginnings up to his departure. The tracks are arranged in backwards order - CD4 comprising demos from the band's first foray into the studio, plus a handful of tracks from the now defunct BBC Nightride show. CD3 includes live versions of Supper's Ready, and CDs 1 and 2 feature a 100-minute-plus reading of

their live tour de force The Lamb On Broadway, Engrossing, 2013 JAH WOBBLE: Umbra Sumus (30 Hertz 30HZ CD5). Wobble here returns with pretty much the original invaders Of The Heart

of the week

KAREN RAMIREZ: Distant Dreams (Manifesto 5369462) Manifesto has found a singer songwriter who seems to comb

smooth radio appeal with dancefloor credibility in this 27-year-old Londoner, whose excellent debut single Troubled Girl reached number 50 in March. Her follow-up single the Everything But The Girl cover



too five of the RM Club Chart. This debut album includes both singles, as well as a selection of self-written tracks with backings ranging from lush, jazzy Latin rhythms to drum & bass. Ramirez's vocals - a soulful, plaintive blend of Sado, Tracey Thorn and Carleen Anderson - are a highlight throughout.

line-up but also collaborates with musicians from around the world, including vocalists Amila Sulejmanovic and Natacha Atlas Umbra Sumus will delight fans with its ambient and moody soundscapes, heavy atmosphere and experimental feel, drawing on many influences and styles which blend easily into Wobble's unique and inimitable grooves, Essentially, it's a consistently accessible selection of tracks that easily stands up to his previous work 15 77 VARIOUS: Clubbers Guide To...Ibiza

(Ministry Of Sound MOSCD1). Over 50% of the compilation chart consists of dance albums, so any new series needs an angle, which MoS have found. Clubbers Guide comes with a guide to Ibiza's nightlife along with a free pass to the Ministry Of Sound's nights at Pacha, Musically, it's Pete Tong and Judge Jules lending their names to a

collection of underground and crossover ce tunes including Freakpower, Mousse T, Adamski, Klubbheads and State Of Mind. Although the selection isn't exactly inspired. the MoS stamp of approval will guarantee sales and exposure.

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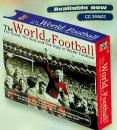
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AN EMBARRASSMENT OF RICHE

As budget and mid price begin to flatten out, labels and retailers must work hard to exploit the sector's full potential, writes Colin Irwin

ith artists such as Led Zeppelin, Dire Straits, Madonna, Guns N' Roses Simon & Garfunkel and Lou Reed crowding the release schedules, it appears that the mid-price and budget markets have never had it so good. As consumers are presented with an array of attractively packaged product, blinding bargains and irresistible campaigns, this sector of the UK music industry seems to be bouncing back.

But while the leading low- and mid-price labels take an unbeat view of business in general, the fact is that sales in this corner of the UK music market remain essentially static. In 1997, more than 13 million mid price albums were sold in the UK, with budget accounting for another 12 million according to CIN figures. Although both sectors redistored mardinal increases compared with 1996, a year in which fewe

titles were

just to stand

'It should be about marketing establishing ranges. were less aggressive, the Not many companies growing number of specialists are prepared to do now in the market means that' - Martin labels must

Baxter, John Menzies move faster

But while they agree that quality repertoire and classy packaging has boosted catalogue wareness and created a significant demand for "dead" material, by sucking in lapsed record buyers and opening up new retail outlets, many retailers are concerned that labels are often too reliant on outside factors, such as the recent success of the Boogle Nights and Jackie Brown movies, to create the kind of public interest that drives sales (see breakout).

Martin Baxter, music buying manager at John Menzies, applauds the efforts of specialist labels such as MCI, Castle and Carlton as well as the new initiatives shown by EMI's Gold, BMG's Camden and PolyGram's Spectrum labels. But he still believes they are missing out on valuable

'It should be all about establishing ranges - and there aren't many com-

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laxploitation

exciting when the more collectable black funk, disco and sounds of the Seventies hit retail at the right price. Initially banking on the music's kitsch cult appeal, labels such as Castle, MCI, BMG and Ace have enjoyed an unforeseen boost from the release of high-profile Hollywood movies such as ogle Nights and Jackie Brown helped catapuit blaxploitation-style soundtrack albums and compilations to the front of the display racks and to the top of the mid- and low-price best-seller lists.

Just as most of the budget labels have created their own spin on The Full Monty and Titanic compliations, Seventies black music and disco compilations have become an essential ingredient of any selfrespecting budget catalogue. One of MCI's current best-sellers is its Bad Muthas collection, while Tring has high hopes for its Best Disco in Town collection as well as a re-recording of the songs from Saturday Night Fever. Clearly blaxploitation albums at this price point appeal to both impulse purchasers and dedicated collectors.

Armstrong,

idea that Boogle Nights and Jackie Brown would focus so much attention on its catalogue. "It just goes to show that you can't predict what might happen with catalogue. We have the original Stax soundtrack to Shaft, which has done well on the back of this

which has done well of the back of this blaxploitation thing. The Savage and Sweet Sweetback's Baadassss Songs are also going well," he says.

Similarly, PolyGram has benefited from the unexpected stimulus to its black

the unexpected stimulus to its black catalogue. The company reports increased sales of "hits" albums by Cameo, Rick James and The Gap Band among others.
"It's amazing what a knock-on effect the success of movies can have," says Maya Jenkins, product manager at PolyGram's Spectrum label, "We've been re-promoting a lot of our related catalogue of black

product too, especially from Virgin and Heart. The market seems to have become quite obsessed with retro black

That's not a bad state of affairs for a company that is vigorously promoting its second batch of Motown 40th anniversary compliation CDs. Meanwhile, PolyGram's mid-price label Debutante is also reporting mici-price label Debutante is also reporting lively retail support for its And We Got The Funk compilation, featuring classic acts such as Curtis Mayfield, Isaac Hayes, James Brown, Brothers Johnson and

It remains to be seen whether current sales volumes will be sustained, but for ose involved, it's a case of making hay

music and it has done incredibly well word cup fever

oncerns that the World Cup will compound the summer and percent energetically tackled by record to some lined up some compound the summer slump are being companies, who have lined up some of their most competitive discount campaigns to date, writes Karen Faux.

At the top of the league is PolyGram's World Cup CD Bonanza, featuring 100 CDs retailing at £10.99 each. Stock was reduced to a dealer price of £7.05 for one day on June 1 and many indic stores who took advantage of the offer now report they are generating healthy returns on what were erly slow moving catalogue items. A major consumer marketing assault featuring TV and press advertising and outdoor posters in key locations such as

Birmingham, Manchester, Southampton and

Bristol, provided a kickstart for the campaign, which runs throughout June. Point of sale support has also been generous with a full range of posters, window stickers and free star display units. Hot titles of the moment include Pulp's This is Hardcore, Portishead's eponymous second LP and White On Blonde from Texas. "It's good to see some of the best releases of this year in there along with

many solid catalogue items," says Steve Brewer, owner of indie store Round Sounds Retailers are also anticipating that the next phase of Virgin's 25 Years promotion will keep the sales momentum going. Strong PoS including special FSDUs helped them to

maximise business for the £9.99 campaign, that ran throughout May, and this is about to evolve into a new range with CDs at £7.99 each or three for £22. Albums including Massive Attack's Protection, Neneh

Cherry's Raw Like Sushi and The Verve's A Storm In Heaven will be available at this price point from June 15 to August 2

Other artists tipped to do well include Iggy Pop, The Lightning Seeds, Chemical Brothers and Roxy Music, Virgin's ongoing investment in press advertising is helping to maintain retailer confidence and the deal also gives them the chance to win a weekend in New York

SINGLES





CHART COMMENTARY



Mariah Carey registered her 13th American number one with My All a couple of weeks ago, a remarkable achievement, and one which places her behind only Elvis Presley (17 number ones) and the Beatles (20) in the roll of honour. She's a major artist here too but not in that league. My All debuts at number four this week, becoming her 21st hit in all, and her 14th Top 10 entry. That tally of Top 10 hits includes

SINGLE FACTFILE 12 in a row, ending only when her last single Butterfly peaked at 22 last December, Butterfly, Honey (number three last September) and My All are taken from Mariah's Butterfly album, which has underachieved compared to her previous releases, selling only 220,000 copies so far. Ironically, Mariah's only UK number one, Without You, reached only (I) number three in the States.

by ALAN JONES

Airish girl group B*witched hang on to pole position, though with a much secreased majority. C'Est La Vie sold 93,000 copies last week, 17,000 more than Mousse T's Horny, which moves 3-2, swapping places with Brandy & Monica's The Boy Is Mine.

Lack of space last week precluded any nention of the fact that the Irish double at the top of the charts was also something of a triumph for the Lynch family — twins Keavy and Edele of B*Witched are the sisters of Boyzone's Shane. They're the second siblings to be members of groups who simultaneously topped the singles and albums chart - the only precedent being in December 1968 when Paul McCartney and the Beatles were riding high atop the album chart with The Beatles (the "White Album") while Paul's brother Mike McGear's medicinal compound was clearly working well enough for the Scaffold's Lity The Pink to top

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With the World Cup about to get under way, three "official" football records enter the Top 40 this week, though they're all likely to be overtaken next week by the unofficial update of Three Lions by the Lightning Seeds/Baddiel/Skinner and Vindaloo by Fat Les. For the moment however, the soccer strikes are made by Chumbawamba, whose Top Of The World (Ole, Ole, Ole) debuts at number 21; Del Amitri, in at 15 with Don't Come Home Too Soon; and England United, who lead the stampede at number nine with (How Does It Feel To Be) On Top Of The World. Chumhawamha's track appears on the official FIFA album Altez! Ola! Ole!, while the Football Associations of England and Scotland have endorsed the England United and Del Amitri tracks. The Del Amitri record is, naturally, number one in Scotland, where - perhaps surprisingly - England United is doing well enough to rank 39th, according to

the singles chart. The Lynch mob has another card to play, with elder sister Tara (24) aiming chartwards in a few weeks as

THE YEAR SO FAR... **TOP 20 SINGLES**

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MADONNA	MAVERICK
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ROBBIE WILLIAMS	CHRYSALIS
TAMPERER FEAT MAYA	PEPPER
JANET JACKSON	VIRGIN
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ALL SAINTS	LONDON
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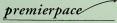
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by ALAN JONES

minor downturn in support last we caused Lutricia McNeal's Stranded to ose pole position to the Tamperer's Feet It. This week, roles and chart positions are reversed yet again, with Lutricia enjoying strong upwards momentum. An increase of 117 plays helps her to add 10% to her audience. This, combined with a slight fall off in support for Feel It, allows her to establish a lead of nearly 12% at the top of the chart

One of the key factors in Lutricia's recovery was increased support from Radio

AIRPLAY FACTSHEET

Since Tin Tin Out ended their seven-week residency atop the airplay chart four weeks ago, it has changed hands every week. Dana International's Diva is still starved of airplay. Apart from 10 plays on Radio Two last week, it managed to log only 36 other plays on the Music Control panel.

Fven before today's (8th)

release, Three Lions is outranking the England United record on the airplay chart. Three Lions moves 119-19 this week, while On Top Of The World treads water (29-31). Fatboy Slim's Rockafeller Skank replaces Madonna at the top of Radio One's list. Its 32 plays are well over two-thirds of its total audience.

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Two, where Stranded was played 11 times last week, enough to put it in a four-way tie at the top of the station's most-played list. alongside Chris Rea's Sweet Summer Day, Tanita Tikaram's Stop Listening and Elton John's If The River Can Bend, Lutricia is

certainly the odd one out here, since her single is a big sales hit, while Chris, Tanita and Etton's singles have reached only 67, 114 and 32 on the CIN chart, respectively. There is no obvious successor to Lutricia looming - Aqua's 7-3 climb simply restores their audience to what it was when they were number four a fortnight ago - though a good outsider might be Mousse T's Horny, which has increased its audience by over 30% in each of the last three weeks, while moving 33-20-13-6

Virgin 1215 is ostensibly a rock station but it has its first ever dance number one this week. After initially resisting its urge to play Madonna's Ray Of Light, it finally came on board a fortnight ago, since when it has played it 69 times, including 42 times - three more than any other record - in the most recent week. Meanwhile, it should be noted

that Atlantic 252, which is usually very conservative, has gone completely nap for Electrasy's Lost in Space. It played it 56 times last week, enough (unusually) for it to be the Dublin-based long wave station's number one spin. It got rather less support elsewhere, and ranks only 51st nationally, though even that outstrips its sales chart debut at number 60. Virgin 1215 is the record's other big ally, and played in 25 times last week. Between them, the two stations supplied provided 61% of Lost In Space's total audience.

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oakie quits east west After months of Speculation, Paul Oakenfold has

A statement from Perfecto says, "We can confirm that Paul Oakenfold and his company Perfecto are parting company with East West Records. Paul is currently on a 16-date tour of the US and is unavailable for comment."

unavailable for comment."
Perfecto joined East West in 1994, having previously been with
BMG. Oakenfold enjoyed a hit almost immediately with 'Reach Up
(Papa's Got A Brand New Pigbag)' by Perfecto Altsirs, which reached
number six in January 1995. Recently hits have been harder to come by, and Oakenfold has concentrated on developing album acts – he currently has four acts with albums ready to release.

Oakenfold is rumoured to be considering deals, with up to five labels interested. Insiders say Universal and Virgin are among the

East West was unavailable for comment at the time of going to press

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AM:PM's Simon Dunmore may have had a top three record last week with Mousse T's 'Horny' but he was fuming nonetheless. For AM:PM was scuppered in its plans to release a version of 'Mas Que Nada', the classic Brazilian track featured in the Nike football advert published by Peer Music, only to find that Peer has its own version by Echobeats coming out on

WEA dance imprint Eternal To further complicate matters, Virgin's VC Recordings has a version of 'Mas Que Nada' by Italian

is a French drum & which features on

Sony France's compilation 'Trip Do Brazil'. In addition, Talkin' Loud is releasing one of the original Sixties versions of the song by the Tamba Trio.

Dunmore says AM:PM was planning to do a remix of Sergio Mendes' definitive Sixties version of the song but when that proved difficult it decided to do a new version. We didn't think it would be a

problem," he says. "We didn't want publishing and it's a track that's been covered so many times before wever, when Peer Music heard the version it objected

the song to be used by AM:PM, When contacted by RM, Peer Music declined to comment but did confirm that a dance version of 'Mas Que Nada' by Echohoste created by Peer Music-related

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producers, would be coming out on Steve Allen

head of Flernal expects its version will be a hit. "It's massive. It's worldwide," he

The AM:PM version, by Renaldo's Revenge, thus looks set to be come an instant collector's item. The 150

far resulted in an entry in RM's Gool Cuts chart this

"It's not really cricket," says Dunmore. "You think they'd want the biggest and the best version to come out.

We got an excellent response from our version. We've already had seven Top 40 hits and were really going to go for

Echobeats' 'Mas Que Nada' is scheduled for release on

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ianet settles Jackson's 'Got Till legal dispute with des'ree Des'ree's 1992 hit

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swittly sent off letters. Last week an out-of-court
settlement saw the LIK singer-songwriter granted 25% of

the publishing for the track, which was a worldwide hit and a key track on Jackson's most recent LP 'The Velvet Rope'. A spokesperson for Des'ree (pictured below) gave the following statement about the settlement: "An action was launched last year by Sony Publishing on behalf of Des'ree after the Janet Jackson single 'Got Till It's Gone' was found to bear close similarities to Des'ree's 1992 hit 'Feel So ligh'. Des'ree's representatives argued that the similarities e too close to be coincidental and therefore release of 'Got Till It's Gone' constituted an infringement of her publishing rights. It is understood that Janet Jackson accepted the songs resembled each other in a way that was not coincidental and that this could be seen as opyright infringement. Therefore by agreement 25% of the publishing of Got Till It's Gone has been allocated to Desr'ee. And henceforth Des'ree will be named as

esriee. And henceforth desiree was de hamed as antributing writer on the track on "The Velvet Rope"." This doesn't leave much for Janet and her producers tam & Lewis, half the publishing having already been given Joni Mitchell for the use of a sample from her track 'Big flow Taxi'. Des'ree, meanwhile, releases a new single,



'Life', today (June 8) and her third LP "Supernatural" on June 29. Des'ree is also said other recent chart hits which she says esemble her work

[7 DAYS IN DANCE]

ali & sharam deep di

"Sunday: Dued at the members' party at the MINISTRY OF SOUND to a packed crowd. The toughest crowd we've had to play for in a while, but at ti end of the night we had them all DANCIN' AND PRANC Monday: Slept all day baby. After a drunken night behind the wheels of steel

nothing can top an all-day SLEEPING SESSION. Tuesday: Went over to OMID NOURIZADEH's crib to collaborate on a remix for his upcoming single. We told him we couldn't stay more than two hours because we were busy, so the poor guy was a NERVOUS WRECK all night long trying to make us stay longer, while the entire time we knew we were going to stay to finish the project. We hadn't laughed so much in a long time. It was fun. Wednesday: Did a lot of press. Enough said. Thursday: SHARAM had a long and annoying day at the

IESE EMBASSY trying to sort out his visa situation, while ALI had a wonderful time going to LIVERPOOL and MANCHESTER doing more press! Friday: We missed our flight to RUSSELS. Finally sorted a flight out, arrived late, went straight to a radio station to do an Interview, had dinner and went over to WHO'S WHO'S LAND to DJ. We'd like to forget this day altogether, including the club. Saturday: Final day in Europe. Woke up to find eight journalists waiting in the lobby of the hotel to interview us. More FREAKIN' PRESS!

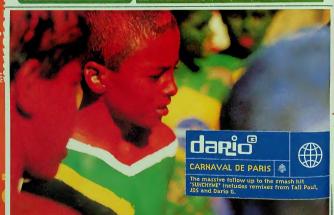
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Rhythmic started life 15 years ago as a market stall, and has gradually moved into dance from its indie roots. The only shop in

The top 10 tracks flying out of Upbeat this week are SLENT INTRODUCTION' Moodymann (Planet E) PHAZERS SET TO FUNK' Muzique Tropique (Glasgo) Underground) • VIBES FROM THE DARK SIDE Alex Maron (Glasacow Underground)

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Greenock selling vinyl, local DJs flock to Rhythmic for its selection of house and trance, including cuts on local fabels Glasgow Underground and Soma, all procured by dance buyer Ed McGill.



















BEATS&PIECES

Jason Nevins will be making his debut UK DJing appearance at the FSUK STREET JAM at the Playstation Skate Park in London's Ladhroke Grove on Saturday June 13. This will be one of three ESHK Street Jam events which will combine ekatehoarding, BMXers, roller-bladers and graffiti artists. There will also be the Ministry Of Sound sound system and local DJ talent. The other date is Snowdome, Birmingham, on June 20, 7PM MANAGEMENT has added new names to its roster Joining DJs such as Stonebridge, Danny Howells and Eric Kupper will be Allister Whitehead, Andy Morris, Chris Coco and producer Tom Frederiske... THE IMPERIAL GARDENS in Camberwell, South London, will be showing many of the World Cup matches live. Music, dancing, cheap drinks and international food will also be on offer. Entry will be £3... ICE CREAM and BOOGIE BEAT are looking for up-and-coming producers/engineers for new projects. Interested parties should write to Ice

Cream/Bopgie Best at PO Box 3557, London N7 70W, or phone Andy Lysandrou on 01992 635476... Italian tabel DIY has moved and can now be contacted at Do It Yourself. Via Francesco Redi 8, 20129, Milan, Italy, tel: + 39 (0) 2 2951 8760, fax: + 39 (0) 2 2951 9477... Apologies to JERE LASCELLES, MD of Chrysalis Music, who was incorrectly captioned as being Robin Taylor-Firth in our Ivor Novellos story last week. Those pictured, from left, were in fact Jeremy Lascelles, Tim Kellett, Rupert Lord, Buth-Anne Boyle, Cheryl Robson, Polly Comver and Steve Sasse,

danceairplayforty

For the second week running R&B is kicking serious ass on the Dance Airplay 40, accounting for around half the chart, with WYCLEF JEAN'S 'Gone Till November' displacing

MOUSSE T after just one week at the top, "It's one of our top airplay songs," says Ray Bonics from Music Control. "It's still moving up the top 10 in the Official UK Airplay Chart and Radio One are continuing to hammer it.

The highest new entry this week comes from a new R&B star in the making, STEPHEN SIMMONDS, whose mellow debut 'Get Down' is in at 25. Originally from Stockholm, Simmonds looks like clocking up another hit for Parlophone's Rhythm Series imprint. His equally radio-friendly labelmate BEVERLEY KNIGHT is

still up at number five with 'Made It Back'. Another newcomer is the highest climber this week. KAREN RAMIREZ climbs 19 places to 17 with 'Looking For Love'. This is her second

single on Manifesto and according to Arlene Moon at Mercury radio promotions, it's enjoyed a much higher level of radio support than her debut, 'Troubled Girl'. "It went straight on to Radio One's A-list on May 16." she says, "so we're hoping for a Top 10 entry when it's released on June 15." The single is currently enjoying heavyweight rotation on Vibe and Galaxies 101 and 102 as well as support from Kiss, Galaxy 105 and Choice Birmingham.

Three of the four remaining new entries are also on an urban tip: N'DEA DAVENPORT 'Bring It On' at 33; JAZZY JEFF & THE FRESH PRINCE'S 'Lovely Daze' at 35; and USHER'S 'My Way' at 38. Also new is LOVESTATION's 'Teardrops' at 34. The new entries are joined by three old favourites which re-enter the chart.

ULTRA NATE's 'Free' is back at 29. FAITHLESS return at 32 with 'Insomnia' and OLIVE's 'You're Not Alone' pops back in at 37, fresh from its success at the Ivor Novello Awards.

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BREAKBEAT ERA 'BREAKBEAT ERA' (XL) Originally surfacing on Full Cycle's 'Music Box' compilation, Roni Size's outing with DJ Die and Lennie Laws as Breakbeat Era now sees light of day on XL. Laws' vocal moulds impeccably with the trademark twangy Bristolian double-bass, tight breakbeats and occasional punctuation from the "Hey this new girl is...break, breaking in" applause sample. 'Breakbeat Tera' keeps the melody, strips the vocal, replacing it with a "This is not over yet" sample and wobblier bassline. With Reprazent's huge following this slice of future jazz will equally delight the digital generation.

PROPELLERHEADS 'BANG ON!' (WALL OF SOUND)

Previously available as a limited 5,000-only white vinyl 12-inch. 'Bano On!' thrashes along with Chris Lawson's 'plank-spanking' slide guitar, title shouts and brisk breaks. Bonus track is the surreal "Velvet Pants" with its hippyish "groove" and female samples. With a Top 10 debut LP behind them, this single could notch up a similar chart position. . . .

DJ DADO VS MICHELLE WEEKS 'GIVE ME LOVE' (VC) (HOUSE) This vocal house package in four mixes sees the Italian DJ Dado team up with the

singer Michelle Weeks. A former Italian number one, 'Give Me Love' comes with mixes from the club-airned Kamasutra and the more radio-friendly Full Intention, with the latter perhaps nosing in front for its accessibility on various floors, but

PURE INDIGO '7/8 EP' (WILDLIFE) ALTERNATIVE

DJ Trax has quietly worked away with a minimum of fuss since cutting his teeth on Moving Shadow way back when. This three-tracker moves away from the drum & bass formula as he goes for some jazzy business with a dash of hip hop The cut to go for is the fastest of the three tracks, entitled '7/8', a gracefully constructed piece of dynamic music that tugs tightly on the emotional chords as well as your footwork on the floor. Good stuff. . .

D'MENACE 'SPANK' (INFERNO)

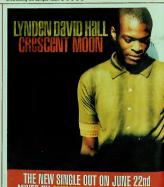
Another little gem that's been picked up by Inferno, sampling Jimmy Bo Horne's 'Spank' and featuring mixes by Joey Negro and Burger Queen. Joey Negro produces a laid back funky retio sound revolving around the 'Spank' bits which fits wonderfully in any disco house set. Burger Queen on the other hand introduces more pace and a harder beat with the trademark Huggy bass, but still showcasing the sample hook. . . .

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week at number one, just managing to see off the challenge of ENERGY 52's 'Cafe Del Mar high rises 3-2 after increasing its support

hy more than 20%. 'Cafe Del Mar' is also up 6-3 on the Pop Tip chart, and is the number one record overall this week, when all the panels used for our three charts are added together... Next week's chart is likely

to see both Pianoheadz and Energy 52 making way at the top for this week's highest new entries - STATE OF MIND. who debut at three with the latest in a long line of Sound Of Ministry monsters, 'Take Control', while MARTHA WASH continues her conveyor-belt hitmaking with 'Catch

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The Light', in at nine ... While the return of the likes of Donna Summer and Edwin Starr aren't so surprising, it is a bit of a shock to find LIONEL RICHIE getting exposure in cool venues once again. Lionel's success comes with a DMC remix of 'All Night Long', in a funky Hustlers

Convention update, backed by his upcoming single 'Closest Thing To Heaven', a ballad by Diane Warren, who already has one long-running ballad in the chart via LeAnn Rimes' 'How Do I Live', and is looking for another with Xscape's current US Top 10 single 'The Arms Of The One Who Loves You' ... Now fully active

again after the collapse of its deal with BMG, the Delirious label was unlucky not to have a number one hit last week with 'Burnin', BABY BUMPS' 'Disco Inferno'hased monster, which slips 2-6 this week. It has an even better chance of a number one with LUCID's 'I Can't Help Myself'

which is apparently about to be promoed again, having been a monster club hit for the last several months. It even gets used regularly on trailers for Radio 5 - proof that it has huge crossover potential...

MICHELLE WEEKS has topped the chart both solo and as vocalist with State Of Mind in recent months, so it's a surprise to see that 'Give Me Love', her hugely commercial collaboration with DJ DADO has slipped a notch from its debut position

to number 15 this week. Whether or not it recovers, it's the type of record which ought to do very well when commercially released, not least because it is very popular at present in Southern Europe where it will surely attract the attention of

holidaymakers.

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behind this means that Jermaine Dupri has mixes featured on all our top three. Dupri also has mixes on AZ's 'Hey AZ' which is being reissued and comes straight into our chart at number 11, backed by 'What's The

Deal' ... This week's highest new entry is Body Bumpin' Yippie Yl-Yo'. Most of you will need no reminding that Public

Announcement were once R Kelly's backing hand... Further down the chart, there's a march of the crooners with

ONBS all making substantial gains. While it'll be too downtempo to feature in our chart, sure to be one of the biggest R&B records of the year is SPARKLE's 'Be Careful'. Sparkle is the new protégé of

LLY, and the track is a duet between the two about a broken relationship. 'Be Careful' is currently the most-played track on US radio and has an excellent six-minute video. Apparentiv Kelly's own new album is also finished and ready to go... I'm happy to report that BRANDY's album is as classy as her debut. The standard track for me is

'Almost Doesn't Count'. Twenty-year-old wünderkind producer Rodney Jerkins produced Brandy's current hit 'The Boy Is Mine' and is now exclusively managed in the UK, Europe and Japan by Keni Desal at

Sai Entertainment, tel: 0181-830 2483.

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the remixed 'State Of Independence' with 'Carry On', her Grammy-winning reunion with long-time producer GIORGIC RODER. The record vaults 13-1 this week VAL, the Israeli transsexual winner of the Eurovision Song number two. How powerfully? Well, its points position in any of the past five weeks, but it

twice as many DJs returned it as their number one record as selected 'Carry On' margin over third-placed ENERGY 52's 'Cafe Del Mar', and seems likely to topple Summer next week... SHANIA TWAIN follows fellow country songbird LeAnn Rimes into the chart, debuting at number 19 this week with Soul

Solution's remix of her recent hit single You're Still The One'. The song has already been a Pop Tip hit, reaching number three last month, when released by ROCHELLE on

the Almighty label... Two records which can be expected to take off in a big way are A's fourth single 'My Oh My', and 'Vindaloo' by FAT LES, which debut at

number 27 and 39 respectively. Neither had anything like a full week with DJs before the current chart was prepared, and both have the potential to top not just the Pop Tip chart but also the CIN sales chart.

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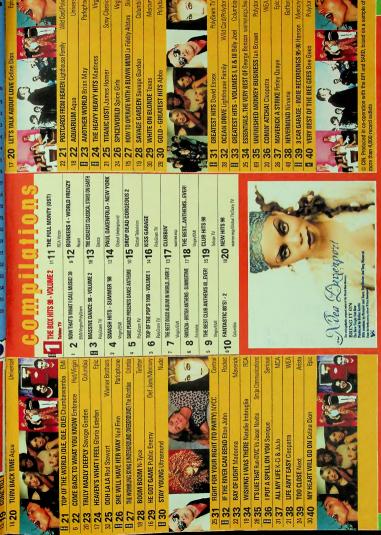












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ALBUM FACTFILE

One of the most celebrated veterans of the British music scene, Rod Stewart almost secured a surprise eighth number one album this week with When We Were The New Boys, In the end, Rod had to settle for number two, a position he has now secured with three albums in the Nineties, the others being 1991's Vagabond Heart and 1993's Unplugged...And Seated. The reception given to When We Were The New Boys, which sold nearly

40,000 copies last week, suggests that fans approve of Rod covering the material of artists like Casis and Skunk Anansie. But they also like his old hits, and a Woolworths promotion, in which buyers of When We Were The New Boys were entitled to purchase his Spectrum label "best of" Maggie May — The Classic Years for £2.99. was an unqualified success. The album debuts at number one on the budget chart this week.

by ALAN JONES

Olmply Red's Blue returns to pole position as Boyzone's Where We Belong slumps to number four. With Rod Stewart debuting at number two and The Corrs maintaining their highest ever position at number three. the top three are once again all Warner Music releases, repeating the feat the company first performed a fortnight ago. Dive sold 46 000 coniec last work to take its three week tally to 190,000.

Aside from Rod Stewart (see story above), nere are two other new entries in the Top 10 — The Smashing Pumpkins' Adore at number five and Shed Seven's Let it Ride at number nine - both of which maintain the groups' impetus.

The Smashing Pumpkins' previous two albums, 1993's Siamese Dream and 1995's Mellon Collie And The Infinite Sadness, peaked at number five. Shed Seven reached number 16 with 1994's Change Giver and number eight with 1996's A Maximum High

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artist albums' market increasing by a miserly 0.4 percent. A corresponding decrease in the number of sales of compilations leaves the marker flat overall.

One of the effects of the simultaneous arrival of so many hit albums is to send recent favourites into decline. Among the albums suffering is Madonna's Ray Of Light which declines 8-11, losing its Top 10 status after 13 weeks in the upper echelon. The last Madonna album to enjoy a longer introductory spell in the Top 10 was True Blue, way back in 1986. Catatonia's International Velvet has been severely buffeted by the glut of newcomers to though this alone cannot explain its 1-2-5-10 decline in the last three weeks.

Possibly to cash in on resurgence of popularity of ska as practised by American bands like No Doubt, the Mighty Mighty Bosstones and Smash Mouth, Virgin has issued The Heavy Heavy Hits by Madness, which debuts this week at number 24.

COMPILATIONS

A That's What I Call Music! 39 is finally dethroned, but it didn't give up ithout quite a fight. It sold over 20,000 copies last week, in a close three-way battle for the title, just 350 less than The Box Hits 98 — Volume 2 and 500 more than Massive Dance:98 - Volume 2, which debut at one and three

respectively Despite the arrival of these two new heavweights, the compilations market remains in the doldrums and recorded its second lowest sales of the year last eek. The Box Hits 98 - Volume 2 released by Telstar in association with the increasingly influential cable music station The Box, which also broadcasts overnight on satellite on Granada Plus

ps the number two peak of Box Hits 98, which was a hit in March but couldn't get past The Full Monty.

While the Top 20 is dominated by the usual mixture of hits compilations, most skewed towards dance music, the imber 21 album this week is The Very Best Of Latin Jazz, Global Television's excellent compilation which includes lots of good music but only two bona fide hit singles among its 27 tracks - and even these were fairly minor, with George Duke's Brazilian Love Affair reach number 38 in 1980, the same year Azymuth's Jazz Carnival reached number 19 Other well known tracks on the album include Mongo Santamaria's classic Watermelon Man and Sergo Mendes' Mais Que Nada





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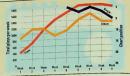
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TRACK OF THE WEEK

ALL SAINTS: UNDER THE BRIDGE/LADY MARMALADE

THE BOX

RADIO ONE PLAYLISTS



by KAREN FAUX

he fact that Under The Bridge/Lady Marmalade debuted at number one in the singles chart the week that its predecessor Never Ever finally dropped out is a perfect example of the kind of seamless continuity that radio pluggers like to dream about. Never Ever had enloyed spectacular 24-week reign on the CIN chart and with its help the group's eponymous album had retained an iron prin on the Too 10. The influence of Under The Bridge was to prove even stronger. with the album recently powering back

nher three By the beginning of April, Under The Bridge had rapidly began to replace Never Ever on radio playlists, with Atlantic 252 picking up where it had left off as one of the radio stations which proved to be among to band's strongest supporters. Availability of a

THE TOP 10 PLAYERS BEHIND UNDER THE BRIDGE



romo to go with the track meant that initially it picked up at least three times as many plays as its notional equal Lady alade. In week one the promo was MTV's most-played video and it sustained a high rotation until the single's enactscular debut

However, subsequent exposure of the video for Lady Marmalade proved a highly effective way of injecting new life into the single. And with the help of a timely screening by Top Of The Pops, Under The Bridge reclaimed the number one spot in its third week of release

We serviced Under The Bridge to stations really early and everyone was extremely quick to pick up on it," says ondon's national radio promotions man Nick McEwen. "Support was pretty evenly matched between Radio One and

the regionals, and stations have recently made the switch from Under The Bridge to Lady Marmalade." Lady Marrialade.

London Record's in-house promotions

team have sustained loyalty for the band among stations such as Atlantic 252, Aire FM and Rock FM whose weekly spins peaked at between 60 and 70. Radio One and Capital FM also played an important part in accelerating sales prospects for Under The bridge giving the record significant exposure well in advance of release.

McEwen believes that the success of the single has come down to an integrated campaign which delivered equally strong oress and TV for All Saints. For sheer tenacity in the singles and albums chart it seems that few acts can currently challenge them.

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AMERICAN CHARTWATCH

by ALAN JONES

th no new entries in the Top 20 this week, there's only a slight shuffling of the pack at the top of Billboard's Top 200 album chart. There is, however, a new per one, with the City Of Angels soundtrack taking pole position at the ninth attempt, Among the artists contributing to the elburn are two Brits - Eric Clapton and Peter Gabriel - and, more importantly from the point of view of current credibility and radio evensure. Alanis Morissette and the Goo Con Dolls. As well as appearing on the er one album, Eric Clapton continues to have the top album by a British artist, with Pilgrim at number 40. For the second week in a row. All Saints' self-titled debut album tops the Heatseekers Chart - a nursery chart plotting the most popular albums by artists who have yet to have a Top 100 album. In the past fortnight, All Saints has climbed 167-137-107, having originally peaked at number 113 some weeks ago. Interest in the record has been reawakened by pre-release exposure of Never Ever, which is currently dimbing the airplay chart. Sarah Brightman's Time To Say Goodbye is on a gentler upwards curve, climbing 159-158 this week - but it continues its remarkable run on the Classical Crossover Chart, having held the number one

position for 22 weeks in a row. On the Hot 100 Singles Chart, Brandy & Monica's The Boy is Mine surges further



Almighty, the London-based hi-NRG label responsible for its creation. ACTS IN US AND UK ALBUM CHARTS

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Eric Clapton Pilgrim	37-40	53-64
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ARTIST PROFILE: CONNER REEVES



by PAUL WILLIAMS

&B performer Conner Reeves is going &B performer Conner Reeves is going Hard Rock in a bid to capitalise on his huge radio popularity in South East Asia.
With an airplay number one already behind him there, the singer/songwiter has been lined up to play a series of promotional dates at Hard Rock Cafes across the region to support his debut album release Farthhound The August tour will follow a highlybeneficial promotional trip to Hong Kong and Singapore in mid May which came on the back of a Telstar Asia Pacific regional conference and has helped to move him towards heavy rotation on local Channel [V]. My Father's Son is also getting around half-e-dozen plays a day on MTV which is currently editing a recording of Reeves' Singapore showcase for broadcast shortly. And back at Channel [V], he is due to be featured later

this month on the station's By Demand programme. Teistar's UK and international licensing manager Meg Garven says the singer's music is perfectly suited for the region. They love ballads, and tracks like Earthbound are just right so the has been given a lot of coverage and a lot of girolay." she says.

His summer return will come on the back of My Father's Son this week hitting the Channel (Y) Asia Top 20 and number seven on Singapore's Power 98 chart. He has also reached number one on Indonesia's Kisi FM countdown with Earthbound, while the same track is this week top 40 on Japan's J-Wave and Kiss FM charts.

For Wildstar, the joint venture between For Wildstar, the joint venture between Telstar and the Capital Radio group, Reeves global progress marks its first taste of international success with a UK act. It is through Telstar's various licensees that he has been signed in Asia, while Universal is handling him in America, Australia and all of Europe outside the UK.

Though unable yet to get such a foothoid there as the nais South East Asia, mealand Europa does now appear to be solwly opening up for the singer with My Father's So in in the Top 20 on Span's Music Control simply when the South Asia Control simply when the South Asia Control simply when the South Asia Control the South

TRACKWATCH MY FATHER'S SON

15 on Channel [V]'s Asian Chart
 Seven on Singapore's Power 98
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UK WORLD HITS

The MM guide to the top British performers in key markets (chart gosition in brackets)

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5 (27)	STOP	
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CLASSICAL REPORT

Former defence lawyer Andrea Bocelli

scored an immediate hit in the UK pop scored an immediate hit in the UK pop charts last year with Time To Say Goodbye. The Italian tenor, blind since the age of 12, proves his classical credentials with a perproves his classical credentials with a per-suasive album of opera arias on the Philips label. Boceiii's disc should appeal to his pop fans and classical purists in equal measure, its rise supported by a marketing campaign notably free from hype.

Another Bocelli disc, made in the

company of Cecilia Bartoli, stands at the foot of the classical Top 20. James Horner's Titanic OST has held the top classical Titanic OST has held the top classical rorsover spot for almost six months, with only the forthcoming Three Tenors album, due on August 10, likely to offer serious competition before the end of the year. Meanwhile, Channel 4's spring bank holiday weekend screening of Brassed Off gave a fresh impetus to sales of the film's OST on BMC/Conifer's RCA Victor tabel.

by ANDREW STUART

mong classical crossover newconters, Decca's The Greatest Classical Stars on Earth has generated deemst UK sales by following a version of Virgin and EMI classics' Best ... Ever! compilation formula Last week the Decca two-disc set sold almost 4,900 units, a good return on back estalogue recordings from artists such as Domingo, Pavarotti, Kennedy, Te Kanawa, Syri and Lesley Garrett. The latter's A Sograno Inspired has occupied the classical top 10 since last November, placing her among the most popular of all classical artists in the UK market.

Matters spiritual continue to run through

both classical and classical cross charts, led by Edward Higginbottom and the Choir of New College, Oxford. Their second compilation of sacred choral works on Erato, Agnus Dei II, has not quite matched the success of Agnus Del I.

although the disc is on course to reach long term UK sales figures of over 20,000. King's College Choir continues to fly the standard for Cambridge, its EMI Classics disc of works by John Rutter joined in the Top 10 by a newly-recorded compilation, not inlike in concept and presentation to New College's Agnus Del hits. New music with recognisable melodies, austere harmoni

and a strong trace of spirituality continues to do well, especially when written by Karl Sony Classical's Imagined Oceans

described by the Welsh composer as "a musical interpretation of 13 of the moon's features", was Classic FM's Record of the Week for May 25-31. The work received its world premiere at the Royal Festival Hall on May 29 and has since settled at No.5 in the specialist chart. Navos entered its second decade in

robust health, celebrating with the acquisition of distributors Select and the lease of a string of first-class recordings

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Critical acclaim has included regular selections for Editor's Choice in Gramophone, an important recommendation for the classical market. The label's Holst disc, featuring several obscure works, proves that specialist repertory can still compete with high-profile compilations Likewise, Walton's music for Olivier's Henry

V, a Naxos newcomer, enters the classical chart at a respectable No.15. The arrival of Ronald Corp's American Light Music Classics at No.14, the fourth release in an occasional Hyperion series, confirms that the public appetite for strong performances of light classics remains healthy.

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MID-PRICE/LOW-PRICE CONTINUED FROM P13

prepared to do that," he says, "We've done with RMG Camden because it's one of the few companies that has backed up its range with advertising and promotion. Warner brands its mid-price product with an exclamation mark, but without some kind of promotional back-up, that means little to net customers!"

Royter's concerns are shared by WH Smith, where customers are appa growing immune to a succession of apparently indistinguishable low-price

*From the consumer's point of view they often see the same product and promotion with different mechanics, and multi purchase campaigns are becoming less

effective in driving volume," says Smith's promotions manager Catherine Hickson. Yet multi-purchase campaigns have become an essential ingredient in selling both budget- and mid-price product at the

HMV. Tower and Virgin/Our Price chains. Virgin/Our Price recently completed a marketing experiment in which a

'As for as we're concerned, mid and low price are still growing markets' - Paul Milner.

two different wave - "3 For £12" at Our Price stores; *Buy 2 (at £5.99 each) Cot 1 Front of Virgin/Our Price Virgin. They were both equally

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successful," campaign product manager Paul Milner says. "We chose a dual roach because price is more important at Our Price, but we wanted to make the came offer without ramming it down people's throats at Virgin. As far as we're concerned mid and low price are still growing markets, though I would like to see es issue more low-price product by recognised artists. While success at low price and

particularly super budget is now largely dependent on impulse purchasers at non traditional outlets, the mid-price sector has ecome exclusively promotion-driven, often fuelled by prominent TV campaigns. Here they have found willing partners among the majors. In conjunction with

Warner Music, for example, Woolworths is offering one or the other of Simply Red's first two albums, Picture Book and Men Or Women, at £4.99 to anyone buying the band's new full-price album Blue. The success of Woolworths' marketing strategies is further reflected by the entinuing success of its own price product brand, Crimson.

At the same time, niche labels like Ace and Nascente continue to establish their own corners with commendable credibility The success of specialist boxed sets such as recent releases by The Move and Procol Harum (Westside), The Kinks (Castle) and The Zombies (Ace) - proves that low and mid price both have a credible role for collectors and completists. It's one reason that, outside of special promotions, many es still favour racking releases by genre and the A-Z shelves rather than price point 'We don't even look at the price initially

we look at repertoire," HMV product manager David Pryde says. *Our store is about a balanced selection of stock and there's a lot of good material in different nres at low and mid price.

Pryde cites MCI's Nascente world music range and the Naxos classical catalogue as particularly good performers. He further s the efforts of majors such as FMI and BMG in strengthening product offers with highly attractive mid-price reissues. These, he believes, are the way to secure sales from customers who are now more value conscious than over

party zone

t lower price points, compilations of party music are often sure-fire hits. Few labels appreciate this more than Woolworth's own Crimson Imprint, which plans its annual release schedule with the Christmas period very much in mind. The potency of this policy was confirmed by the label's Jive Bunny collection, which sold 30,000 in just over a month at the end of 1997 with two other releases The White Christmas Album and Non Stop Singalong Christmas Party following

According to Crimson director Richard success in this sector is about providing "added value for money", there's no doubt that topical, brightly packaged collections. stuffed able titles are ideally suited to the transient nature of customers at supermarkets and other non-traditional

outlete collections Dartu anopportunity for the super-budget market to escape the common perception of appealing predominantly to an older audience. Last year, Summit introduced the idea of "karaoke" collections of modern hits, with spectacular results.

Sing-Along-A-Spice has been the label's best-seller of the past year, approaching 15,000 units sold, and the karaoke idea is a fast-growing element of the super-budget price point, being both to produce and having chean viguritaria strong potential in the gift market.

Michael Neidus Introduced the karaoke m during his time with Sound & Media nd, in his new role as head of MCI's e2 budget deluxe" label, anticipates strong demand for Sing Out Sisters, which covers most of the Spice Girls hits and is tagged Ultimate Girl Anthem Karaoke The

*Every budget label has its pan pipe: line dancing and Celtic collections, so we are trying to come up with different ways of presenting music," Neidus savs. However, line dancing remains

budget's golden goose. Every budget label now boasts at least one line dancing title in catalogue. Cariton Home Er tainment leads the field with its Best Of New Country Line Dance, which is on the verge of reaching silver status and is now being chased into the best-sellers by the Best Of New Country Line

Dance 2 The biggest party of the year, however, themselves for a dramatic dip in sales figures through June as a result, the the best of it with imaginatively conceived collections loosely based on the World Cup theme. Perhaps the most inventive of these is Nascente's Football Fever doub CD, packaged to include a 16-page World Cup guide and 32 world music tracks representing every country in the tournament. "We're very proud of it," says MCI deputy managing director Danny Keene. "Our Nascente range has done very well introducing world music to a wider market and the World Cup is a good opportunity to market it further."

sixties non

s long as fascination with the Sixtles holds steady, so ever more and themed compilations, boxed sets and packages will continue to thrive at low and

Among Castle's best sellers last year were Sixties retrospectives, particularly its reissue of the Kinks' Pve catalogue - a carefully planned campaign conceived with the blessing and t of Ray Davies. To date the reissues have sold more than

75,000 units with the help of various marketing devices such as free sampler discs and gatefold packaging. This month, Castle initiates phase two of the campaign by

reissuing the next five Kinks albums, all boasting bonus tracks and other added-value attractions. "We planned the series to provide something extra rather than merely re-release the original ums," Castle's head of mid price, Mick Carpenter says. "By the time we'd finished, the first album was double the original playing time. It's a matter of taking time and care to get it right and make sure its appeal is as broad as it can possibly be. We wanted something that would be collectable and exciting for the fan club, while also appealing to the browser." Now Carpenter is hoping for a similar reaction to Castle's forthcoming Status Quo product, The ngles Collection 1966-73.



Meanwhile, EMI will continue to dig into probably the finest Sixtles archive of them all with a whole range of Music For Pleasure Best Ofs including Adam Faith, Bobby Vee, The Shadows, Gerry & The Pacemakers, Herman's Hermits, Manfred Mann and Freddie & the - all of which should benefit from eye-catching Swinging

Sixties packaging. At the same time, EMI Gold's innovative Totally series hopes to make best-sellers of its Hits Of The Sixties collections, which features artists as diverse as Frank Ifield, the Temperance Seven, the Beach Boys and The Animals.

FMI has also embarked on a programme of digipacks for its Sixties catalogue. "It came out of a brainstorming session," EMI-Gold MD Paul Holland says. "We were seeking long-term ways to market the catalogue. Packaging and price are important but the digipack makes it feel a little bit more like the original vinyl ms. It's giving the consumer a reason to buy." The company is extending the idea to re-release Cliff Richard's first five albums

"Sixties catalogue still performs very well, although it doesn't dominate budget the way it used to do," Holland says. "We are finding that late Seventies and even Eighties music is catching it up." CI

irish/celtic

ever a genre were tailormade for runaway success at low price, it's Irish music. It encompasses a broad range of tastes, cultures and age groups, which stretch from the unashamedly nostalgic unds of MOR and country to often highly ollectible compilations of top class traditional artists via innumerable mood collections in the Clannad and Altan

The enduring success of Riverdance and Lord Of The Dance has established Celtic music to the point where simply including the word Celtic in the title seems to be enough to guarantee both shelf space and

"Irish music has probably brought us the most consistent sales," says Castle's head of budget, Lee Simmonds. "There is a lot of product out there so you have to work a bit harder to come up with new presentation ideas as well as finding interesting repertoire to keep the genre fresh. But if you come up with good product, package it well and get it on the shelves, then it sells."

On Castle's release schedule this nmer is The Golden Voice Of Ireland, a mpilation of long-forgotten Irish tenor



inspire a rediscovery of O'Duffy along the lines Josef Locke cult. It has also found a market for

the maligned show and music of Ireland, with its Puls print issue of The Best Of Dickie Rock & The Miami Showband, a compilation of material recorded before the band fell victim to a terrorist attack in the late

Irish music has become a significant ow-price genre for Delta Music. Its own dedicated Laserlight Celtic label issues exclusively Celtic repertoire. "The Celtic



aging director Neil Kellas. "It is perfectly suited to the lower price point. Among releases scheduled by the label this month are albums by Josef Locke (Danny Boy), Ann Breen (Best Of), The Fureys & Davey Arthur (Alcoholidays) and a collection of Irish Jokes (Irish Laughter).

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by Karen Faux S waren Faux pillers' distinctive red carrier bags printed with 'probably the oldest record shop in the world' have become a

familiar sight in Cardiff since 1994 when the familiar signs in colonic since 1994 when the store's centenary prompted an investigation store's centenary prompted an investigation into the matter. "Neither the Guiness Book of no the manual Billboard could find an older ne." says senior sales assistant Liam "It has become a nice selling point Newman, it has become a nice seiling point and the facade of the store reflects its and the record writing on a dark green

background." Over the years Spillers has been pragmatic in adapting to shifts in taste and while the nest year has seen a dramatic decline in its 12-inch dance business there have been plenty of other product areas to pick up the clark Country is a burgeoning area and it is also currently focusing on Welsh acts with a special window display devoted to them. One of our best-selling Welsh bands at the moment is the Stereophonics." Newman. "They're playing the Cardiff Castle next week and with our window display linked in we should reap the benefits."



New releases are mixed in with the A-Z racks and Spillers relies on window displays and record company PoS to highlight them. On the albums front Smashing Pumpkins Adore has been this week's fastest mover while its best-selling single is Ultrasound's Stay Young, which has performed particularly well in its limited seven-inch format. Newman also reports continued healthy sales for Gomez's Bring It On, Catatonia's

International Velvet and The Mavericks'

With such a wide made of stock Chillers

spreads its buying effort across a staff of six. "I do a lot of the rock and pop and ountry buying and we have resident expe who deal with rock and indie, blues and jazz and dance," says Newman. "Our big base of regular customers really call the shots when it comes to the product direction we move in

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Spillers recently embarked on playback evenings for Embrace and the Dust Junkys and is in the process of developing its memorabilia wall displays featuring old posters and gold and silver discs. always good to have new ideas and be working on new things," says Newman. "We may be the oldest store in the world but it certainly doesn't feel like it."

IN-STORE THIS WEEK

Andys Records Radio single - Peter Cox; Windows Alloys Records Leann Rimes, two CDs for £22; Instore and press ads - Summer Serenades, Nigel Kennedy. Rutter Requiem, Roberto Alagna, Midget, Ether, Gran Turismo, Des'ree, Dr John, Classics From The Terraces, Faure, Iulian Lennon, Weekender, Mariah Carey, Moloko, Bob Dylan, 60s Hits, Oscar Peterson, This Is Jazz promotion with CDs at £7.99 each or two for £15 with free sampler,

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Windows - Embrace, dance promotion; In-store - Slaver, Paul Oakenfold. N-Tyce, Skinner & Baddiel, The Kinks, MiniDisc, two Warners CDs for £20; Press ads - Essential French Collection, Delgados, DJ Pogo, Fatboy Slim, Embrace

WHSMITH single - Desiree: Album - Embrace: Windows - Gloria Estefan, Brian May

WOOLWORTHS singles - Five, Skinner & Baddiel, Embrace; Album - N-Tyce, Box Hits 2, Rod Stewart, Gloria Estefan, Simply Red, Shed Seven; In-store - promotions for Gloria Estefan, Rod Stewart, Shed Seven and Simply Red offering discounted back catalogue with purchase of current albums. Top 100 Artists promotion offering buy three and ave £5, Virgin Best...Ever albums at £10.99 each or two for £20, selected Crimson CDs at £5.99 or three for £15.



BEHIND THE COUNTER

LEE HAYES, manager, HMV, Chester

same to this superstore from Liverpool five months ago and with its staff of 19 it represents quite a big responsibility. There's a great atmosphere and a good mix of customers which makes life interesting. Sales are across-the-board and we do just as well with classical as we do with 12-inch. Chester attracts a lot of tourists in the

summer and this business is just starting to pick up. The World Cup's music connection is also driving additional traffic. On balance I don't think its effect will be detrimental. Most of the games will be shown in the evening and we're already getting good payback from football singles and videos

it's good to see some new hot prospects coming through at this time of year. Adam freeland's Coastal Breaks 2, on React, has been solling like a bomb this week and the Embrace album is going to be huge when it comes out next week. We expect to do particularly well with the double-vinyl pack.

This week's biggest albums have incl Smashing Pumpkins' Adore and Shed Seven's Let it Ride and Rod Stewart's back catalogue has been in demand. Our single of the week is England United while Alexia. Gomez and Nell Finn are all doing well. The at should continue on a roll next week with Fatboy Slim's The Rockafella Skank and Ian Brown's Can't See Me.

Spiceworld sold very well in the limited edition tins last week and looks set to sustain high volumes. All in all, video business is in good shape and we're seeing healthy returns on a wide cross-section of product including Frank Sinatra's My Way,

Radiohead and Grosse Point Blank.
I went to see The Seahorses at the Tivoti in Buckley last week and they played material from their forthcoming album. Judging by the sales of their last album Do It To Yourself and recent single You Can Talk To Me, the new album should be a winner for the autumn."



ON THE ROAD

DAN PRICE, Fullforce sales rep for the North West

working the North West but I currently cover the area by myself. I usually hit road pretty early in the morning and stop off first to pick up stock at the nearest security depot. A day's work usually includes between 12 and 15 calls and there is no time to get bored

I'm always extremely careful to have enough product with me and because I know most of the stores so well I can accurately gauge what I'm going to be asked for. A lot of etores will wait for me rather than order product separately as they know I am

This week Kevin Aviance's single Din Daa Daa, on Avex, has lived up to its initial performance on import and there is particularly strong demand for the 12-inch. Lutricia McNeal's Stranded is still a great success up here and Karl Douglas's Bus Stop has been going strong for the past three weeks. Other singles sustaining momentum include R*Witched's C'est La Vie and Brandy & Monica's The Boy Is Mine.

Box Hits 2 kicked off with big sales on which probably has a lot to do with the fact that it features the Fat Les track Fantazia British Anthems Summertime is holding up extremely well

after four weeks and is being TV advertised. a priority is to have plenty of stock of the Fat Les single as everyone has been asking for it. It may not be the official World Cup song but it has caught people's imagination. On a reggae tip we've got Studio 2's Travelling Man single coming out on June 15 and reaction has been very positive to it

Although I've always been into rock and play in a Kiss tribute hand I like the fact that this job gives me the chance to listen to lots of different types of music. Everything has to be given a chance and most of it proves to be strong selling."

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COLLINS ANSWERS THE LONDON CALL

he has a multi-million pound A&R budget She has a multi-million pound have con-at her disposal and can name Nirvana and Payement among the acts she has signed to US-based publishing deals. No wonder then that the appointment of Susan Collins as head of the new London office of Famous Music Publishing - regarded as America's seventh major publisher - is expected to result in formidable competition for the UK's established players. And as far as British idiosyncrasies go, the former Virgin Records America executive should have no problem coming to terms with those since Collins is British born and bred and has worked the A&R circuit on both sides of the Atlantic.

Since Famous announced its return to the UK in April - it originally opened a London office in March, 1994 but closed it 18 months later following the acquisition of parent company Paramount by Viacom -Collins has immersed herself in the role of establishing the New Kings Road offices, which will not primarily as a base out of which to A&R domestic talent.

We have a very aggressive acquisition policy and a healthy budget - in excess of seven figures - to spend on new artists, writers and producers," says Collins, "I'd like to build up a roster in the UK that is as successful as our America set-up, if not more so." Famous has a catalogue of 150,000 copyrights and a roster which includes platinum-plus artists Boyz II Men

Collins cut her A&R teeth in the early Eighties after landing a job as a secretary

CV: SHEAN COLLINS

1982 - joins Chappell Intersong as a secretary, based in Los Angeles. Promotion to talent scout/song plugger leads to her first signing, Ratt.

1985 - Joins Chrysalis Records in Los

Angeles as junior A&R manager 1988 - moves to London to work in A&R at Polydor. A year later sees Nirvana play at Pyramid Club in New York. Signs The Almighty and The Little Angels 1990 - moves back to US to work for Virgin Music Publishing, Signs Nirvana, Pavement and Steve Earle. 1994 - Joins Virgin Records America as VP

of A&R. Goes on to sign Sneaker Pimps and work with acts such as Blur.

April 1998 - Joins Famous Music Publishing as UK managing director.

with Chappell Intersong (now Warner Chappell) in Los Angeles. "I got promoted to junior talent scout because I was always in the clubs," she says,

A familiarity with British acts, including Culture Club who were signed to Virgin Music for publishing and administered in the US by Chappell, also helped. "Coming from England I know all these artists. I was the precocious secretary telling them this was a music publishing catalogue to value," says Collins, who would be proved right when Culture Club chalked up six Top 10



Susan Collins: back in the UK publishing swim

hits in the American singles chart between 1093 and 1084 Her first signing for Chappell was the metal band Ratt, who

went on to sell 2m units in the US. The Chappell executive who gave Collins her first break in A&R was Ira Jaffe, who would continue to be impressed by her strike rate. Now president of Famous Music, Jaffe was instrumental in bringing Collins back to London to head up the company's UK office, "For my money Susan's ears are among the best in the business," says

Maria Forte, head of publishing at V2 Music Publishing, is equally generous in her praise. "Susan has signed some top acts. She's definitely going to add an injection of competition into the industry. Stupid deals are being done by the majors right now for whom market share is all important. I won't participate in that." And neither will Collins. "Success in publishing is based on income generated," she says,

Collins left Chappell in 1985 for an A&R post at Chrysalis Records where she spent three "frustrating" years working out of a satellite office in Los Angeles. "I lost Guns N' Roses because I couldn't get my boss out in time," recalls Collins, who subsequently returned to London to work in A&R at Polydon

It was while at Polydor that Collins first spotted Nirvana playing at a showcase in New York in 1989. But it wasn't until she headed back to the US for Virgin Music Publishing a year later that she was able to sign them as at the time Polydor wanted to oncentrate on UK-signed talent, says

During her four years at Virgin Music where she became VP of A&R, she also signed Pavement, Crystal Method and Steve Earle. "It was an incredibly fertile time, says Collins, who later became VP of A&R at Virgin Records America, going on to sign Sneaker Pimps whom she discovered at demo stade

Collins, who says acts like Sneaker Pimps were making her feel homesick, believes Famous has the same creative spirit and flexibility as Virgin Music. With her A&R credentials and the company's financial commitment the combination could prove equally fertile.

Tracey Snell



cely a month to go. No, not until the end of the Only a month to be IFPI Platinum Europe Awards in World Cup. It is the Corrs and Aqua, the battling nidfielders set to be to the world's biggest stages. And for edge-of-the-seat attacking of two names, the IFPI has opted for experience dynamism, and good old fashioned get-stuck-inyouth, peauty and good or common get-stuck-inthere-pai in its inches and in the number of communications Shirt from HUGHES, Sony Music Entertainment Europe CATRIN ROCALIFE Communications committee chairman AROSTRUP and executive producer LISA MARIELLA PROSINCE and executive produce. lacques Santer, who is due to present a couple of Jacques santer, the local to proceed a couple of to climb the steps to victory), could also be the to clime the supersub needed to enliven the last 20 minutes.

Remember where you heard it: Radio One's lurch to the alternative has been one of the biggest thorns in the side of XFM, so wouldn't it be fitting if Richard Park started poaching from the Beeb to revamp his new acquisition?...Was this hehind Radio One's request to Epic to make a special edit of Three Lions '98. conveniently removing Capital's Innathan Pearce and replacing it with good ol' Five Live boys? It had nothing to do with Pearce's Capital connections, claims a spokesman with a straight face. "We felt Jonathan Pearce wasn't a big enough name." Ouch... Expect imminent confirmation of Miles Leonard's elevation to A&R director at Parlophone...The builders have moved in at Putney and judging from Richard Griffiths' ambitious refurbishment plans for BMG Towers, they could be there for





some time. He has already set the builders to work on sprucing up the offices and is now awaiting planning permission to build an atrium linking the buildings...With all that drilling going on maybe it's just as well that travel features heavily in his schedule. For the record. Griffiths has clocked up 61 airborne trips since taking the BMG job in February...Stephen Mulholland, soon to leave the BBC for Mark Goodier's Wise Buddah, is looking forward to his new role with a certain amount of trepidation, "I've known Mark for years but the strange thing is I used to be one of his listeners. To now find myself his MD is a bit spooky"...Former Mute man Andy Ferguson was ready for a summer of watching the World Cup and doing his garden. That was until Julian Palmer offered him a job at his new Disco Volante operation.

"It's really annoying," moaned our Andy... Talking of the World Cup, which record company executive was last week pondering what to do with 200 match tickets which had landed on his desk?...Football-style chanting was breaking out at London's Planet Hollywood last Monday. The cause of it all was the, er, magical B*Witched; Epic big

cheese R*b Stringer and seemingly the entire record company was out celebrating C'est La Vie topping the hit narade. By some bizarre coincidence the video of said song ended up on the restaurant's video screens as a group of kids formed a queue for autographs. Then in stepped Burger king Paul for the presentation of a big cake possessing the legend "No 1" ... The latest triumph in the battle of the labels? Island Records UK football team heat Universal's at a tournament in Amsterdam last week... Which London venue almost caused upset for a major international act by refusing to give out 20 international press passes? When a label executive questioned why the tickets were not being given out, the man in the hox office said: "Well, I would give them out, but they don't speak f***ing English, do they. So they can wait!"...Spice Girls PR Alan Edwards is the proud owner of a new mobile phone - well, not exactly. During a break from the 11-hour meeting in which Geri's split from the group was finalised, Edwards went to spend a penny but ended up spending £350. You see. Edwards accidentally dropped his mobile down the toilet and had to leg it to a phone shop to get a replacement which he could use with his old number...Fx-Arista head of press Louise Greidinger has gone independent and can be contacted on 0171 727 4217.....



What's a few months? Maybe would think not nuch in the grand cale of things But SHANIA TWAIN is one lady w grabs those 12 weeks and throttles the life out of them. Come On Over has sold

copies in the UK alone since its release and Shanla took a me out to catch up with her friends at POLYGRAM INTERNATIONAL and MERCURY to take possession of a gold disc celebrating the fact. From left, DAVID MUNNS, senior vp marketing PolyGram International; RICHARD BECK, senior account manager and UK and European publicist of LD Publicity; SHANIA; HOWARD BERMAN, MD of Mercury; LOUISE HART, Mercury senior product manager; and Mercury marketing director JONATHAN GREEN.

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We'd like to thank everybody who was involved with MTV's Five Night Stand. The five day gig-fest was a first for MTV and we're incredibly proud of its success. There was a real buzz surrounding the shows and we were able to put together an event that covered lots of different genres of music.

Our very special thanks and a lot of respect to the artists who took part: our headliners - The Smashing Pumpkins, Five, Damage, Placebo, Ash - and all the other artists who agreed to take part. You all gave first-rate performances which made for five superb concerts and some great material for TV - cheers.

Thanks also to all the people behind the scenes: the crew, the record companies, our friends at HMV, Capital Radio, The Evening Standard and Riverman and everyone who attended the Shepherds Bush Empire.

We've had some great feedback on the event and plans are already in place for a re-run next year. For those of you unable to attend the concerts, we're repeating the series of Five Night Stand shows on MTV in the UK and Ireland in August.

Thanks again to all involved. Watch out for next year.

All at MTV in the UK and Ireland



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