



"...we re not a fuckin' 60's revival wand.... " Paul Weller shouted this o out the other nig t from the stage at the Red COW, in answer to all the critics who put things in bags ...

a hell pf a lot at the moment..travelling all over the country and even to Paris .. returning the naext day to play in town ...if your after a 60's revivalist out fit watch new faces not the JAN ... 19 (MA ha)

TM. . . when you are writing , what sort of i ideas PAUL .. well it may sound kind of silly but its sort of urban politics. the titles of some of the songs are self explanatory may be every day happenings... so they dress up..so they described by the solution of the British element in your mentioned to solution of the solution of th great numbers?...such as "IN THE CITY" and over the such as well its just that we are prosent that the moment. be anti establishment at the moment. The how do the london audiences react They are working to ... ITS a mixture really very diverses to you how do you react to them?

"TO ME NEW WAVE MEANS ACCESABILITY THE IDLE CHIT CHAT MOVED TO THE

TM..how did the Jam first form? paul...well i've been playing the guitar for about 3 years..playin' with mates.. dinner time sessions at school. TM..you have always been the JAM?

PAUL...yes...isuppose its ameaningless name...but then again its just a name!!! TM..in the early days wereyou into the WHO ... and that sort of thing? PAUL...not really ,we've done the whole bit really..we've done Mersey beat ... we' ve never done really heavy stuff..its always been fairly melodic...its only been in the last six months or so that the band has started to take of more. with regular work . . and the recording deal.

NEW WAVE SCENE IN THE LAST THREE MONTHS....

RICK....the whole scene seemed to last about three months...it had a high. and now there doesnt seem to be as many bans comeing forward to take the place of the first wave....

PAUL..YOU, SEE A LOT OF THESE BANDS are now trying to make them selves exclusive. THE WHOLE SCENE IS ABOUT BEING ACCESIBLE TO THE PEOPLE WHO COME AND SEE YOU...GETTING AWAY ROM ALL THAT 15000 audience crap.

TM...whats happening then is it e bands wanting to be exclusive?



OF WAS ABOUT

PAUL...MAY be not the bands.. but some managers....

RICK...all trying to get up the la dder a bit quicker...if you are exclusive and you play rare gigs your regarded as a rare commodity. hich id stupid really.

TM. . how did the recording deal comp

PAUL...we were just playing.. yo know..like in a Billy Fury film....

ADRIAN ... OBVIOUSLY the most important thing about the band is the Who..mod image...little guitar parts that you play are a bit like "MY GENERATION" PAUL..yeagh...and so is 1977by the Clash like "All Day and All of the Night", you know ...

ADRIAN yeagh but the Who influence goes further with you than the Kinks, with the Clash.. FAUL...i don't think so...if we all dressed in rags no body would think any thing different. TM .. do you see the stage act gradually changing?

PAUL...the audience will tell u us when they want a change... when we can sense that we will

change.

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TM..how did you feel when you first came to london and started to get a following?

PAUL..its only really happened i in the last few months really .. RICK..we wer'nt really giging Senough in London to get a follo?-

TM. . are you aiming at a particul ar audience?

PAUL...ayoung audience!!!!

TM. . you are the write in theband, are you always under pressure to write new numbers?

PAUL..well we have just done an LP... i'm not trying to be flash, but its trying to find the time to write and rehearse..its the same with any band really...i'm not a prolific writer any way. . imust write a song a month. I was talking to Joe from the Clash and he said the same. as long as the song is a good one...you could write ten songs and they would all be bad, when i do write i write quickly. Ithought of a quote the other day ... its alright to knock the past you know the sixties. but why not take some of t the good points and build on them.. there were some great points in the sixties that we are naever going to reach in the seventies fuckin' mid seventies already.

TM do you try and write about your enviroment...

PAUL..i'm not sure what my enviroment i is..if i was just a kid who worked in a factory..and that was just life..... TM..you were working recently .. PAUL..i always knaew that i'd ma ke it...ialways looked around in the clas s room..i new i was going to do something ..i mean some cunt teacher called me thick and that, he's still going to be around in ten years..i'm going to be doing something else





ONCE MORE. THE JAM ARE: PAUL WELLER. . . GULTAR/VOCAL RICK BUTLER. . . DRUMS BRUCE FOXTON . . BASS/VOCALS

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Stranglers odds and sodds ...

3 over enthusiastic pogoers dissappeared through the stage at recent Saranglers Croydon gig.. Trouble for the Stranglers in Europe when the band turned up for a gig in Belgium only to find that the hall had been burned down the previous day and no one had bothered to tell them...UA promotion campaign for new Stranglers album Rattus to run under title 'Bring Back Hanging Stranglers surprised to find that posters (the ones with the Strangled girl)at Canterbury gig had been molested. The Strangled girl had been removed only to be replaced by slogans such as'chauvinist' etc. Canterbury militant womens libers responsible.....Vibrators John Ellis received shock at recent Bordeaux show when he jumped off the drum riser only to dissappear through thin wooden stage. Only his head was left sticking out ...

T. MOONE P. JAC ARE ON THE AIR AGAIN

DROP USALINE-PICS etc FOR NEXT ISSUE-BECOME A

Jean Jaques landlord Wilko Johnson, yes he of Dr Feelgood fame, reckons that Winston Churchill was the original p unk.....Johnny Thunders under misconception backstage that Paice , Ashton and Lord were back Sabbath ... Hugh recently holidaying in Cornwall .. honest ... Brian James apparently doesn't beleive that Jean Jaques Burnel is French! .. whatever happend to the Sex Pistols....Stranglers manager Dai Davies getting almost as much amblicity as the group....Stranglers planning to kidnap Music Week journalist(remember it it was they that 'accidentally'missed Grip out of the charts.....

PEASANT IN THE BIG SHITTY

COR-THE PAGE THAT I CAN MAKE TO LOOK LIKE 219ZAG!! WHAT AN ISSUE-REALLY THE COLOUR SUPR .. OF THAT .. GREATORGAN SIDEBURNS. ITIS NOT SOME CRAP RECORD CO HYPE ... THATS WHY WE ARE DOING IT WE ARE ALSO POIN IT COS-OF THE GREAT STRANTERS-THE BIRTH OF M77. PSYCHADELIA!! O.K. ITS BETTER THAN ALOT OF THE NIMICISTIC CRAPGOING AROUND TOWN RIGHT NOW ... ITS BETTER THAN ANARCHYSUITS FORSACE IN THE CRAPPY KINGSRD. WHEN WILL YOU SUS THAT YOUR BEING GD ALONG? IMEAN ITS 1977 APRIL NOT THREE MONTHS AGO ... KEEP IDEAS FRESH AND ORIGINAL- DO WHAT YOU FEEL MORE-NOT WHAT SOME MOGUL DECIPES .. THE SCENE HAS CHANGED A COT) ALOT FOR THE BAD SOME GOOD ... CETS CHANGE THAT BY BEING A BIT MORE HONESTHER? -... OK? " WEARVE BEEN STRANGCED ARE AT. 40 WOODYATES road,

IEE LONDON S, E.12

ENGLAND:

THANKS TO THE STRANGLERS FOR THE IDEAS ... WALLY FOR PICS... GREAT ... ALAN EDWARDS and ALBION .. NEXT SINGLE "GO BUDDY GO PEACHES + FREE SINGLE WITH CP IS "CHOSY SUZY and all who elped

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RATTUS CP!'CP!!'
NORVEGICUS

Goodbye Toulouse-winning Keyboards to open and the whole band burst in with Bugh on vocals.

A million dreams F've had"

A million L/ES I've told

The pace is real fast sort of elastic sound to the minar-again Jett stands

!!! Whats it about?.. Jett-Nostrodamus.

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Mue for a songa

get together again

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The whole LF is amazing-I just leave the auto change on period. The sound is like it is live-yet they've put in some other little bits that jump out at you. . weird voices, riffs, drums cymbals eerie hovering sounds on the keyboards. So now a blow by blow account "of the LF that is today 1977 SIPE ONE

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Are These Men A
Threat To Our Security?

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"You'll never

Surprisingly, it's not illegal, immoral or fattening.

Name...

No....



wellelle! Princess Of The Streets "One from the early days. Blimey I've never heard this before!! Very slow bass to open with Dave on keyboards playing in a Move60's type vein-Grip-show opener -ya must hugh's guitar more to the front with have heard it by now . Driving a great solobacked with the bass all guitar with a weird woodwind the way. its the vocals that make it sound coming from Daves Keyboards, by Hugh-deep/wounded..introducing backed up with the legendary (sing Lola Frohlich alone in a bar along) "ook..cooh..cooh..cooh"! in Berlin-"blue Jeans and vocal line..smashing-"Stranger leather.. "she'll stab you in the from enother planet welcome to our back ... guitar solo ends it home-just strap in a guitar and ve'll play some rock and roll""oooh..oooh repeating at the end and then the sound shoots away into the corner 000h . 000h of my room!.. Cum!! Big 'yes' vote for hanging Hangin Around-very quiet to open Dave builds it up and the whole tempo moves around.. "He!s alright in the city because he's high above the Hugh sings with some great backing vocals-crashing chordsand the whole peice moves into a guitar/keyboard solo Enstrumental-crashing vocals and Hugh sings out again "He's just Hangin Around". SIDE Z * Peaches-what a jigger-it's got me going up and down--"strolling along minding my own business" ncredible-you can feel the fucking Uglies must face heat-crazy voices coming out of everywhere-it's science fictionall the maters gone-lets walk along the plain truth the hot san lap me up "Stop go fiff all the timerelentless Dave puts (ome keys over it. Vocal guitar AFTER months of investigation a top psychosolo by Hugh, click those fingers/ AFTER months of investigation a top psychologist has discovered—surprise, surprise—that one more time-gone. Seeing a man fry would cut the crime rate' men like pretty women. Not only that, women . . Walt for it prefer hand prefer for it actually says Dr. Gien Wilson. It isn't inc. theory of Dr. Wilson Wilson Her.

shout this guy has!11!!HE shouts

againsta really great driving rivvum! The tempo changes.alot coupled with some eerie "Adams family" sounds whis

"I GUESS I SHOULDN'T HAVE STRANGIED
HER TO DEATH BUT I WAS TATE FOR "CRK
AND SHE HAD LACED MY COFFEE "ITH ACID"
Hugh answers back with snap comments a s
Jean shouts about UGIIES....blimey
i reckon that Jean was an actor.
beforehe was ever a Strangler.'cos
he changes his voice ...sounding
more like a Peter Laurie butler circa
...Hollywood 1034!!"CW...at the end of t
this one the whole riff changes...into
a twisting riff as Jean becomes the
strangler he is and screws the neck!!
"MUSCIE POWER...MUSCIE POWER MUSCIE FOWE

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INFORMATION



DOWN IN THE SEWER.

1.falling.

2.down in the sewer 3.trying to get out again.

4.rats rally..a fantastic three part piece that has Hugh and Jean..strutting around..on their hind legs1!!!staring out..sort of Carousel sound going round and round...the animals on this ride are all rats.."..down in the sewer picking up the empty coke cola cans..2..on this one there are voices going round in the back..ground..elastic guitar.. echoes...SHARP TEETH!!!A main riff returns and withdraws all the time to introduce a new theme...it all builds up to a

and withdraws all the time to introduce a new theme...it all builds up to a great crecendo at the and...Jean ,flies. Hugh...has taken his coat off(TRUCK CFF), Dave is on his knees..Jets been standing up smashing his kit into the floor since the whole thing started...THE RATS MOVE IM...HUGH PANICO AND FIRES SOME POWERCHORD

AT THEM...THE RATS MAKE IT....DARK.

TURN IT OVER AND START AGAIN FOR GODS SAKE I CAN'T STAND RATS..aaaaaahhhhhh.

The Pepper Fog tear smoke generator (left) can sp of a minute. In Aliquippa, Pennsylvania (above), t

Paul . MUNI OK LIVESOK CC MOKE, SIT DOTH AND WONDER HOW SHAVE. AND WASH...YOU SEE THESE AREN'T MORTAL. THEY HAVENT GOT

Jett-Gets a GRIP-

SO LAST JAN I GETS THE PLUCK
UP TO APPROACH THE STRANGLERS...
I HAD A WORD WITH ACE KID NAPPER
BLACK...THIS IS A BIT OF UCR HISTORIC
CHAT!!!!

TM ... at one o f your early gigs, i read that the whole audience walked out! JETT...oh that was amazing...yea...well it was in Purley..some sort of CONservative club ..over eight-teens night ,or something, when we saw the public walking in dressed in evening dress etc...we thought"..they are not going to like us! 2.. we decided that we w we'rnt going to compromise our act ... we were just going to play what we usually played after all we had been booked by someone who had plenty of time to see wha our act was about ... it was n't really of offensive..it was that we could see that these people were into less interesting music than we were trying to create...to those sort of people we would only gain respectabilit when we appeared on the tele...so at the begining of the act i went up to the mike and said ... " .. well your not going to like us, so you may as well fuck off now!!!" So after a few numbers a couple of Application (!) people started to leave and then a few more, and towards the end of the evening they were running to the door. they didn'T wanT to be the last ones to the door to get out!!!!!...all four hundred people walked out, and it was tremendous, because it proved to us that we were about, what we thought we wete about!!!!!!..... That here was an audience that we could see did N't have the perception and the interest in music to even want to listen to us...it is often very easy to asses what an audience reaction will be to us purley by the way they look!...so that was really good!!! TM..so you were pleased that you wer'nt appealing to that sort of audience? Jett Well it would have been nice if the had liked is..but you see there is a large s section of the populatin who are only interes ted in songs that they know...and you can see thm at all kinds of venue ... people go alow

expecting to hear a sound...certain songs, to a certain extent it is the same for us... the fans come along to hear our songs.. even though they have heard them before. Obviously if you hear a sound vou are going to want to hear it again if you like it, You can play to an audience that only wantd to hear what they know...there are other audiences who want to hear something new. You cant peay original material to an audience that only wants to hear chart material..or stuff that they have heard on the radio/TV.
TM..they want to play safe then?

JETT..yeagh... i think that people are vary scared of the unknown..even when it comes to the music...alot of people are

scared to sit and listen to music they don'T understand.... i don't know!!! they have a musical complex in a way!!!!!

" WE DON'T KNOW OF ANY OTHER BANDS THAT GO AROUND IN AN ICE CREAM VAN!!!!"



Jett!



APRIL 24M DAMNED!!!

Roundhouse on April 24. And the support groups will be Motorhead and Adverts, both also Stiff bands.

"I don't mean "PIN UPD! urributed to and fostered the h century B.C.? death "The criminal is a creative artist; the policeman is a critic" nan plots Don't buy a **Hearing Aid** 6050 ANOTHER CULT FIGURE >

where you are, and where you ve been.

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I MEAN IN this MAN A CULT OR NOT-???

THE KILBURNS WERE GREAT-BUT THINGS

NEVER CAME TO GETHER-SO WATCH OUT FOR

IANS SONGS-AND VERY IMPORTANT ->

NAIL THIS TO YOUR WALL!

E. SQUEEZE SQUEE

SQUEEZE...AND NOW A LOCAL BAND local as far as i'm concerned anyway i've only seen them a couple of times and each time they have been different ...they play really tight original material that really sticks with you... the dementoids in the band are...wait for it....

"JOOL" HOLLAND..KEYBOARDS/VOCALS/GIGAR GILSON LAVIS....DRUMS.

LEAD GULTAR GRAHAM TILLBROOK .

GUITAR AND LEAPS IN THE AIR. CHRIS DIFFORD

BASS....HARRY KAKCULLI.

Live.they really win you..chris difford is the mover..he sort of hops around in a fit..behind the drums..into the bass all that and he's got a great Lou Reed voice..the famous "JOOL" on ivories really makes the whole sound uniqe. great front man.Graham on other guitar is the main voice very American feel. They write original material that reminds me of Zappa in a way..highlights of their set icludes."DEEP CUTS""MONKEY" "GET SMART"SEE THEM.

AFTER THAT LOT A LITTLE BIT OF TALK..
The how long has the band been together?
CHRIS. as the band is now, about a year..
we've since been to holland. london gigd
and at the moment we are organizing our
own little skirmis h.

TM..were you a very different band a y year ago?

CHRIS...not really..i would say that in the last year only about four songs have been dropped..so we've kept to the same sort of thing.

TM..dp you think that the NEW WAVE movement has affected the way that the band operates?

CHRIS..well i mean, the ordinary person o on the street will change with whatevers going on...its a bit boring to stay the same its more fun to change..

TM...who writes in the band?

CHRIS..graham writes the music ,i write the lyrics.

TM..what are the themes that you write on-?CHRIS....i don't know!! Anything that comes into your head..like one of the songs that we do "DEEP CUTS" comes from watching..DAN AUGUST one night...

GRAHAM....this man was phoning the wom an from across the street..he was watching her and terrorising her ..and in the end he gets categht and is put away for a few years.... (american voice..on the phone) she says..oh Dan you are going to come back soon....

TM..what about the recording? CHRIS..it's all on tape its just a matter of releasing it.

TM..as far as i'm concerned you can be spoken of as new wave....

CHRIS...yeagh, i, like that..

TM..you have retained you r
own identity though.

GRAHAM..a lot of the bands haven't got an identity..they are just latching onto an idea....lets write a song about hate....

THATS SQUEEZE. . SEETHEM . . SEETHEM . .



SEE YOU WHEN !!

ALL THE WAY FROM
NOO YOOORK!! IN TOWNI dON'T KNOW A BOUT Y-RATED THOUGH!