

THE SWAN

Regular Sunday night gigs at the Swan have finished due to conflicts with bands. When "Body" played the Swan Cellar, they wanted more money than they were getting, claiming to have been "promised" more. They then decided to have a sit-in and, after much hassle, they finally left in the early hours of the morning. Anyway, Prince John has had enough and there will now be rock discos on Sundays with dancing allowed (I thought it was forbidden by bylaws). There will still be odd gigs dotted about on various nights though (see gig guide). There's also a new manager at the Swan who says that Cellar discos will definitely continue for another 12 months and probably at least three years.

STONEHENGE FESTIVAL

AND WERE ASKED TO PLAY THE GAITY ARE LOOKING FOR MORE BANDS TO PLAY THERE AGAIN AND ON SUNDAY BUT TWO OF THEM HAD GONE HOME + THE OTHER TWO WERE OUT OF THEIR MINDS

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WIFFER have gone into the merchandise business with badges, posters and shirts for sale:-

- Badges (2 types).....30p.
- Posters.....30p.
- Transfers (for shirts).....50p.
- T-Shirts (with transfer).....£2.50.
- Sweat-shirts (+ transfer).....£5.50.

They're available from Dave Northing (bass) or Steve Morrissey (guitar) if you can find them. The group have just gone into some recording studios to record a demo with their new drummer, Sy Rushton. Featured will be "Dreadlock Tower", "Dream to life", "Hide Out" and possibly "Rum Pudding". They're also playing a benefit gig for John Scanlon at the Swan on the 26th July in which every penny will be going to a headstone, and the group stress that EVERY PENNY is what they mean with no money being taken out for the van, playing or anything.

MEDUSA'S VOCALIST, PETE NICK HAS LEFT THE GROUP BECAUSE HE DOESN'T LIKE THEIR MUSIC. HE IS FORMING HIS OWN GROUP.

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QUÉ BONO

NEWS

AFTER HAVING A SESSION TAPE PLAYED ON JOHN PEEL'S SHOW, QUÉ BONO HAVE JUST RELEASED THEIR FIRST SINGLE. IT'S A DOUBLE 'A' SIDE FEATURING "MAKIN' NOISE / EMELIA" AND IT'S ON NAKED RECORDS. IT'S AVAILABLE FROM THEIR GIGS AND PROBABLY AT JAMM STUDIOS. THEY'RE EXTENSIVELY TOURING (SEE GIG GUIDE) DURING JULY AND AUGUST WHEN THEY RETURN AT THE END OF JUNE FROM GIGGING ROUND THE GERMAN NIGHT-CLUBS....WELL, THAT'S HOW THE BEATLES STARTED OUT! AN OMEN?

YOU MAY HAVE READ RECENTLY IN THE B.EN. LETTERS PAGE THAT A CERTAIN "SONJA D. ZUTOSKY" HAS CHALLENGED OUR SPYKE FOR THE TITLE OF "BARD OF BOLTON". RIVINGTON SPYKE HAS ACCEPTED THE CHALLENGE AND THERE WILL BE A SHOWDOWN IN LATE AUGUST DURING THE BOLTON FESTIVAL. SPYKE WILL ALSO BE BRINGING OUT A BOOK OF HIS POEMS IN AUTUMN, ENTITLED "CUNNING STUNTS AND OTHER BEDTIME STORIES" (?)

PERUVIAN DRUMSTIX HAVE A NEW BASSIST - "GEORGE" OF CANARY PATROL SINCE DAVE MURPHY IS GOING OFF TO THE STATES.

FASHIONS OF FATE ARE STILL LOOKING FOR A NEW GUITARIST. RING PAUL ON 52389

SQUASHED HEDGEHOG ARE STILL LOOKING FOR A NEW BASSIST. RING MARC ON 66851

THE OFFBEATS ARE LOOKING FOR GIGS. RING PAUL ON 493896

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