



# PIRATES UPDATE

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## THE BORDERLINE HEAVES!



Mick gets ready to unleash the Henry Cooper joke once more on an unsuspecting audience at a packed Borderline. Pic John Galpin

As many of you know, The Borderline gig in June was a great success. Even Borderline regulars couldn't remember when the stairs were thronged with people! We were however extremely sorry that we could not accommodate everyone who came and at least 50 people were unable to get in despite the fact that the venue let a good number in above their official capacity. So thrilled were The Borderline management at the success of the evening, that we have agreed to do it again. (See below.) *Hassle The Borderline and we may do the Saturday! (14th)*

## FORTHCOMING GIGS...

Friday 13 October - The Borderline  
Manette St. off Charing Cross Rd., London, W1. 020 7287 1441. Tickets £10 (S.T.B.F) available from:- Stargreen 0207 734 8932 Ticketmaster 0207 344 4444/(4040 24 hour answering) TicketWeb www.ticketweb.co.uk or 020 7771 2000 (S.T.B.F). Alternatively, £10 in person from the venue 1.00-7.30pm, or £12 on the night. Doors 8.30pm. *Advance booking essential!*

Friday 10 November - Worcester Park  
Malden Road, Worcester Park, opp. B.R. Station  
Box Office 017784 460094 or 0208 568 0612. Tickets £10. There are no booking agents or credit card sales on this one, just ring to confirm and your ticket(s) will be reserved for collection on the night after 7.00pm. Doors 8.00p. *Selling well!*

Fri 17 - Fri 24 November - Japanese Tour  
Tokyo Fri 17 *Guilty* & Mon 20 *On Air East*; Osaka Tue 21 *Club Quattro*; Kyoto Wed 22 *Taku Taku*; 23 Nagoya Thu 23 *Bottom Line*.

Thursday 30 November - Dingwalls  
Camden Town, London, NW1. 0207 267 1577. Tickets £10 (S.T.B.F) available from:- Stargreen 0207 734 8932 Ticketmaster 0207 344 4444/(4040 24 hour answering service) TicketWeb www.ticketweb.co.uk or 020 7771 2000. Alternatively, in person from Rhythm Records, Camden High Street, or £10 in advance from venue bars/booking office or £12 on the night. Doors 8.30pm.

Friday 08 December - Stamford Arts Centre  
27 St. Mary's St., Stamford, PE9 2DL. Tickets £10 Booking Office 01780 763203 Credit cards. *Advance booking recommended!*



Blimey, I hope we won't still be doing this in 40 years time! Interesting archive shot showing Mick and John (Frank wisely kept out of shot) in their teens skiffing away as 'The Wayfaring Strangers' at a below stairs Xmas gig for the staff at Buckingham Palace. Yeah, that one!

## AMAZING FACTS

Did you know that....John tried to flatten Jerry Lee Lewis on account of the Killer's unsubtle attempt to chat up his then missus....Mick was offered a small fortune by Ronnie Wood for the famous Telecaster a while back...Frank broke his arm slipping on ice after a gig in Doncaster rather than deck a bottle of Southern Comfort....Mick didn't return a call from Paul McCartney's office for a year because he thought it must be a wind up...

## TOUR OF JAPAN CONFIRMED

Unsurprising perhaps given the number of Japanese regularly attending gigs and burgeoning record sales, but the lads are to head a Smash Promotions arranged 'British Pub Rock' mini tour to Japan with Wilko Johnson and a local support act in November.



*Big in Japan, Yusuke Chiba (vocals) & Futoshi Abe (guitar) of Thee Michelle Gun Elephant.*

The Pirates generally and Mick specifically, are revered as major influences on the Japanese R&R scene and there is particular interest from local band, the spectacularly named *Thee Michelle Gun Elephant*, to try and fit in a joint recording session.

## PIRATES ON CD

These titles are in catalogue.  
*Out Of Their Skulls Plus*  
Zircon Zirc 1003  
*Skull Wars Plus*  
Zircon Zirc 1006  
*Happy Birthday Rock & Roll Plus*  
Zircon Zirc 1010  
*Out Of Their Skulls (Double)*  
West Side WESD 201  
Try your record shop, or you could freephone Magpie mail order on 08700 711611, or e-mail:-magpie@dial.pipex.com

## MISSING PERSONS

Does anyone know the whereabouts of aesthete, punkette Pirates fanatic Chris Denver last heard of in Loughton and also John 'Headbanger' Fell formerly from the Upminster area?

## FOR BAND INFO

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Hopefully, for up to date cyber info go to:-  
www.the-pirates.freeserve.co.uk  
For live band images try  
www.johngalpin.co.uk

## STOP PRESS

*Frank has just undergone a major abdominal operation and will be out of action for several weeks. Thankfully, the op. was a success but we have had to postpone the Worcester Park Club gig until Friday 10 Nov. If you have reserved tickets, they will be transferrable to the new date. Call the venue only if you are not able to make the new date. Sorry for any inconvenience.*