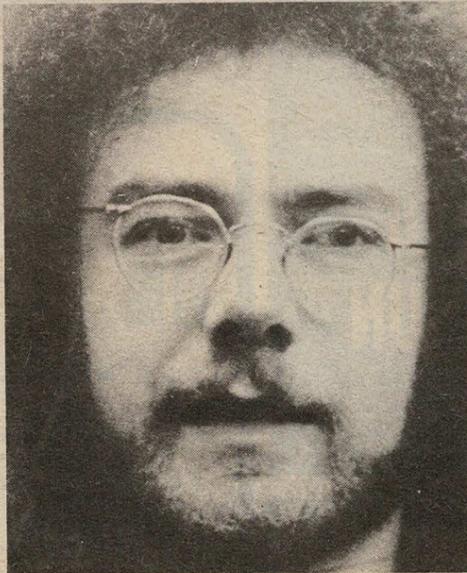


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# NEW MUSICAL EXPRESS



## CRIMSON

26 dates

THE NEW-LOOK King Crimson next month begin a 26-date tour of Britain — marking the debuts with the band of ex-Yes drummer Bill Bruford and ex-Family bassist John Wetton.

Full details are inside together with other news on Joe Cocker — “I’ve been victimised by Australia”, he told NME — and details of a new Groundhogs tour.

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# CASSIDY TOUR

DAVID CASSIDY HAS been signed for an “extensive” concert tour of Britain next spring by promoter Robert Paterson.

Details are on page 3.

This will be the first shows given in this country by Cassidy — now a phenomenal attraction for thousands of fans — and the roadshow will take in major provincial towns and cities in addition to at least one London appearance.

Cassidy’s “Cherish” album and his “How Can I Be Sure” single are both No. 1 in this week’s NME charts.

## SLADE SABOTAGE

SLADE’S NODDY HOLDER injured his left arm during a gig in Brussels last Sunday, when a brick was thrown at the band. He also slipped down steps when leaving the stage and injured his left leg. This happened after power-lines blew and equipment went dead during Slade’s act — allegedly caused by sabotage. They were forced to leave the stage until power was drawn from an outside source.

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# EXTENSIVE SPRING TOUR BY CASSIDY

DAVID CASSIDY was confirmed this week for a major tour of Britain in the spring. His concerts will be promoted by Robert Paterson, who told the NME on Tuesday: "David will be appearing at major venues throughout Britain — it will not be a fleeting visit, but an extensive one. I am also lining up dates for him in Europe, and possibly throughout the world."

Paterson has not yet finalised British venues for Cassidy, but hopes to be able to make an initial announcement within the next few weeks. He added: "This promises to be THE event of 1973, and I am delighted to have secured David for this tour. The only problem threatens to be one of security, but I am confident we shall be able to overcome that."

## LITTLE RICHARD RETURNING FOR NOVEMBER GIGS

LITTLE RICHARD is returning to Britain next month to play three London dates on the Sundown circuit. He appears in concert at Edmonton (November 17), Brixton (18) and Mile End (19). In view of the exclusivity of his Sundown booking, it is not expected that he will undertake any other gigs during his visit to this country, although it is likely that he will be appearing on television.

## Ike & Tina: Birmingham club dates

IKE AND TINA TURNER will now be playing two shows at Birmingham Barbarella's on Sunday, November 5, replacing original plans for them to appear at that city's Town Hall on that date. Co-promoter Michael Alfandary commented: "They expressed a special desire to play one club date while they were here, and Barbarella's seemed the obvious choice." There will now be two performances by the Turners when they play Manchester Hardrock on November 6 — at 6.30 and 9.15 p.m.

NME exclusive story two weeks ago

## NEW MOVIE WITH RINGO, EVERLYS, FURY & MOON

## Ringo & Essex recording; Winwood, Bruce in line-up

THE NEW MOVIE "That'll Be The Day" — initial details of which were exclusively revealed in the NME two weeks ago — began its seven-week shooting schedule on the Isle of Wight this week with scenes between David Essex and Ringo Starr. Essex, who has been given special leave from his starring role in "Godspell" to make the movie, is the star of the film in which he plays the anti-hero Jim MacLaine. Ringo plays Mike, his tough Liverpool-born friend who teaches him the ways of the world — a role that is described by the film company as "a strong dramatic part laced with humour." Also featured are Rosemary Leach, Deborah Watling and Kim Braden.

As previously reported, the film covers the period immediately before the emergence of the Beatles, and it features the music of the times. The Everly Brothers are seen in the picture, as are Viv Stanshall and Billy Fury who fronts a mythical band of the period.

It is this band, known as Stormy Tempest and the Typhoons, that is creating particular interest because of its star-studded line-up. The personnel is of a flexible nature and Keith

## Another London gig by Osmonds — ALREADY SOLD OUT

THE OSMONDS have been set for an additional London appearance at the Rainbow Theatre on Thursday, November 9 — but the extra concert is already sold out. A spokesman told the NME that they had filled the venue from applications left over from the group's first appearance at the Rainbow on November 4. All four Osmonds' dates are now completely sold out.

will be appearing on "Top Of The Pops" on November 2 and 9. They will be interviewed in Ed Stewart's "Junior Choice" on November 4, and Donny guests in Jimmy Young's Radio 1 show next Monday (30). They will also be filming several other TV shows, including their own special, for later transmission. The Osmonds make a personal appearance at London's Swan & Edgar store at 1 p.m. on November 2.

During their visit, the outfit

## NEWS IN BRIEF

### EXTRA TYA VENUE

TEN YEARS AFTER have added an extra date to their British concert tour which opens at Manchester Hardrock tonight (Thurs.) The new venue is also the final date of the tour. It is at Bristol Colston Hall on November 9, and the group return to America immediately afterwards.

### GOLD FOR ARGENT

ARGENT have been presented with a Gold Disc to commemorate one million world-wide sales of their single "Hold Your Head Up" which, besides being a British hit, also reached No. 4 in the U.S. charts. In addition to the main award, the four members of the band were also presented with individual Gold Discs.

### CRICKETS' FINALE

AN EXTRA date has been added to the Crickets' British tour, details of which have already been reported in the NME. It is the final date of their itinerary and is at Sheffield Bailey's on December 13.

### OSCAR FOR DIANA?

DIANA ROSS' first starring film "Lady Sings The Blues" opened in New York last week to the unanimous acclaim of the critics, and she is already being tipped as an Academy Award nominee. The movie is expected to have its European premiere in London before Christmas.

### BOWIE EXTENSION

DAVID BOWIE's current American tour is proving so successful that it has been extended by more than twice its original length. The initial plan was for Bowie to play seven selected dates, but already another 17 have been added, and these will keep him in America until early December.

### MAN: XMAS PARTY

MAN start a major German tour on November 20 — it runs until December 3 and includes 11 concerts. The outfit begin a Christmas tour of Wales on December 18, culminating in a special cheap Christmas Party concert, which will probably be staged in Swansea.

### BOB & EARL VISIT

BOB & EARL, of "Harlem Shuffle" fame, are returning to Britain at the end of this year for a one-night tour of clubs and ballrooms. They will be over here from December 1 to 17 and dates and venues are currently being lined up by Contempo International.

### TONY SCHEDULE

OSCAR TONEY Jr. pays a fleeting visit to Britain in December for dates at Manchester Village Disco (22), Whitechurch Civic Hall and Tunstall Golden Torch (23) and USAF Burtonwood (24), prior to travelling on to Germany.

### CAMEL SETBACK

FRAMPTON's Camel were forced to cancel the last three gigs on their debut U.S. tour when drummer Mike Kellie was taken ill with pleurisy. He returned home last Friday and is at present convalescing. He is almost certain to be fit enough for Camel to open their British tour with Humble Pie tomorrow (Friday).

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## ROOSTER SCRAP GIGS IN MANAGEMENT ROW

ATOMIC ROOSTER have pulled out of the string of gigs they were currently due to be playing around Britain. Spokesman for the group commented: "The dates were set up by Gaff Management, and we have now severed our association with this organisation. We gave a week's notice, and are surprised to find that we are still being billed at several venues. We are in the process of opening our own office and shall shortly be lining up our own gigs." Gaff Management confirmed the split, and their spokesman said: "We couldn't see eye to eye about the way their music should progress."

## COCKER: 'VICTIMISED BY AUSTRALIAN POLITICS'

JOE COCKER and members of the Chris Stainton Band were together in Los Angeles earlier this week, after leaving Australia last Saturday. Cocker — who is due back in London later this week — had played two concerts in Melbourne on Friday night to riotous receptions from 10,000-capacity crowds.

In all, only three concerts had to be missed in Australia following the drugs charges on which Cocker was convicted, and which — according to a spokesman — "became a political issue with the Australian elections close to hand."

Commented Cocker's press agent Max Clifford: "It became evident that Joe had become a political pawn with the Government, who were out to make an example of him, but the Opposition Party and magistrates were very much in sympathy with him."

And Cocker's manager Nigel Thomas added: "Unfortunately we got caught up in a game of

political chess, and the whole thing became blown up out of proportion. As far as the music is concerned, it was a great tour and the audiences were fantastic."

Cocker has now been invited to appeal against the Court's decision convicting him of drug offences, and to apply for re-entry into Australia on December 2 after that country's General Election.

## Dead, Steve Miller, Dr. John to Britain



DR. JOHN

GRATEFUL DEAD, Dr. John and the Steve Miller Band are being lined up for British visits in the New Year. Provided that negotiations are completed successfully, they will be coming over for March Artists and will be playing dates in this country as part of European tours. It is expected that each act will play several major venues in Britain probably including London Rainbow or Sundowns, Manchester Hardrock and Birmingham Alhambra Rock.

Also coming in the New Year for the same company are Joe Tex, Spirit and Ravi Shankar. This is part of March Artists' new expansion policy, following the appointment of Bob Britten to head the agency and its complementary publishing company April Music. March are currently handling the Soft Machine tour of Britain.



DAVID ESSEX

Moon, Pete Townshend, Ron Wood, Graham Bond and John Hawkins have already been featured in sound-track recordings. The NME learns this week that Stevie Winwood and Jack Bruce have now joined this array of musical talent.

Lou Reiser has been producing tracks, some of which will subsequently be released commercially — among them four by David Essex, including Buddy Holly's title track. A joint single by Essex and Ringo Starr is also understood to be a possibility.

## FREE GIGS EARLY '73

FREE, whose recent British tour was interrupted when Paul Kossoff was indisposed, are to play another string of major concert dates in this country early in the New Year. Venues are still being finalised, but a spokesman told the NME that they will include an appearance at Manchester Free Trade Hall.

## Dylan may join Kristofferson in new movie

BOB DYLAN may co-star with Kris Kristofferson in a new film version of "Billy The Kid" which goes into production next year. Kristofferson has already signed to play the title part, and Dylan is said to be considering a major co-starring role. Kristofferson, who starred in the recent movie "Cisco Pike", has also been signed for another movie in 1973 — it is the Sam Peckinpah productive "Blume".

## Reed extra

A FINAL DATE has been added to the current British tour by Lou Reed, when he appears at London Mile End Sundown next Wednesday (1) with Phillip Goodhand-Tait. After this concert, Reed sets out on a European tour, then returns home to America.

● The New York Dolls withdrew from concerts with Reed at Liverpool and Colchester last week. A spokesman for the group told the NME: "We understand that Reed refused to appear on the same bill with us. We don't know why."

## On tour ...

Fanny added to the Ike and Tina Turner concert bill at Wembley Empire Pool on Friday, November 3. ● Heads, Hands and Feet have been booked for London concerts at Edmonton Sundown (December 14) and Mile End Sundown (15). ● Leading German rock group Amon Duul II start a two-month British tour on November 17; full details are in the Upcoming section of this week's Nationwide Gig Guide. ● Tommy Roe and Johnny Tillotson are to tour Britain shortly.

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