

INDEPENDENT LABELS

Magnum Force gets the Laser catalogue

MAGNUM FORCE Records is to represent the Laser Records catalogue. Formed in the late-70s by Alan Davison, the label was involved with hit acts like Dennis Brown, Me & You and Althea & Donna. The first release under the licence will be a compilation album of all the Laser hits.

News in Brief

ROD PEARCE, director of London's Fetish Records, is turning over management of the label to his second-in-command Steve Marshall (18) who was with Beggars Banquet before joining Fetish 18 months ago. He will also head the label's a&r department.

While retaining contact with Fetish, Rod Pearce is taking on the management of The Three Courgettes (Island), Clock DVA (Polydor) and Pery Haines, with his umbrella company, Dolphin Lovers.

A NEW independent label, Catweazle Records, releases its first single on August 20. It is 'Play It With Passion/Caught In A Landslide' (CR 001) by

Indie Albums



- 1 1 JUNKYARD Birthday Party 4AD CAD 207
- 2 3 THE CHANGELING Toyah Safari VOOR 9
- 3 6 THE LORDS OF THE NEW CHURCH Lords Of The New Church Illegal ILP 009
- 4 4 2 x 45 Cabaret Voltaire Rough Trade ROUGH 24
- 5 2 WE ARE... THE LEAGUE Anti-Nowhere League WXYZ LMNOP 1
- 6 5 THERMO-NUCLEAR SWEAT Defunkt Hannibal HNBL 1311
- 7 9 WARGASM Various Pax PAX 4
- 8 15 PUNK AND DISORDERLY Various Abstract AABT 100
- 9 10 IN THE FLAT FIELD Bauhaus 4 AD CAD 13
- 10 17 MOVEMENT New Order Factory FACT 50
- 11 7 CAUTION TO THE WIND Anti-Pastil Rondelet ABOUT 7
- 12 8 DEGENERATES Passage Cherry Red B RED 29
- 13 11 SPEAK AND SPELL Depeche Mode Mute STUMM 8
- 14 — GARLANDS Cocteau Twins 4AD CAD 211
- 15 13 FOURTH DRAWER DOWN Associates Situation 2 SITU 2
- 16 12 DR HECKLE AND MR JIVE Pig Bag Y Y17
- 17 19 GREATEST HIT Blue Orchids Rough Trade ROUGH 36
- 18 14 HEAR NOTHING SEE NOTHING SAY NOTHING Discharge Clay CLAYLP 3
- 19 16 RIOTOUS ASSEMBLY Various Riot City ASSEMBLY 1
- 20 — CLOSER Joy Division Factory FACT 25
- 21 25 TWO BAD DJ General Saint & Clint Eastwood Greensleeves GREL 24
- 22 — TENCH Shriekback Y Y21
- 23 18 SEVEN SONGS 23 Skidoo Fetish FM 2006
- 24 — CHANGE OF HEART Positive Noise Statik STATLP 8
- 25 21 BEST OF THE DAMNED Damned Big Beat DAM 1
- 26 26 HEX INDUCTION HOUR Fall Kamera KAM 1
- 27 28 EVACUATE Chelsea Step Forward STEPLP 7
- 28 20 UNKNOWN PLEASURES Joy Division Factory FACT 10
- 29 — A WAY OF LIFE Last Resort Skinhead Anthems TLR 001
- 30 24 SIGNING OFF UR40 Graduate GRADLP 2



Dumpy's: Nuts to Bolts

Liaison and is available from Catweazle Records, 97 Myrtle Side Close, Northwood, Middlesex. A four-track Liaison cassette is available from the same address price £1.25.

SEVERAL LOCAL radio stations have shown some disinclination to announce the new single by Dumpy's Rusty Nuts over the air. Rather than change their name completely, the band has decided to become Dumpy's Rusty Bolts and reprint the label of 'Just For Kicks', which has only been out for two weeks. It is available on Cool King Records, distribution by Pinnacle.

BACON EMPIRE Publishing and Empire Records have moved from Maida Vale to Camden Town. The new address is The Bacon Empire Publishing Ltd/Empire Records, 271 Royal College Street, Camden Town, London NW1 9LU. Telephone 01-482 0115.

AFTER SEVERAL delays in the re-mixing, the Pink Fairies LP, *Live At The Roundhouse 1975* (WIK 14) is finally released this week. The first 5,000 copies are pressed in pink vinyl and the inner sleeve features a potted history of the band. Distribution is by Pinnacle.

New Releases

DEP INTERNATIONAL is to release a new single by UB 40 on August 16. It is 'So Here I Am/Silent Witness' (live version) (DEP 5), distribution by Spartan... Albion Records has signed a one-off singles deal with Studio Two and releases their 'Devil And The Deep Blue Sea' (ION 1035) this week... Focus Records has a 12-inch single, 'Touching My Heart Again/In For The Kill' out on July 23. It will be available as a 7-inch on July 30 and is followed by an album, *Mixing With Wildlife* in the Autumn... No Future Records releases the third single by punk band Blitz on August 12. It is 'Warriors' (OI 16) and comes in a picture bag with store posters and stickers... Cherry Red has a single, 'Trails Of Colour Dissolve/My Face Is On Fire' out now

RB Singles Reviews

RECORD BUSINESS is shortly to reintroduce singles reviews. Labels wishing to submit product for consideration in this section should forward them directly to Alan Jones, 30 Ranelagh Mansions, New Kings Road, London SW6.

Disco



Bubbling Under

- 51 49 YOU BRING THE SUN OUT Janet Kay Arista
- 52 — LOVE PAINS Yvonne Elliman Moby Dick (import)
- 53 52 LOVE'S GOT A HOLD ON YOU Kelly Marie Calibre Plus!
- 54 — STILL HOT 4 U Bobby 'O' O (import)
- 55 57 LOVING AS ONE Trevor Walters Magnet
- 56 50 FANTASY Brandi Wells WMOT
- 57 61 YOU GOTTA GET IT Congress Tooti Frooti
- 58 70 LET'S STAY TOGETHER Roy Ayers Polydor
- 59 — CHANGE Barry White Unlimited Gold
- 60 — LOVE AND SQUEEZE ME Buzz RCA

Twelve Inchers

- 1 3 WALKING ON SUNSHINE Rockers Revenge London
- 2 5 STOOL PIGEON Kid Creole & The Coconuts Ze
- 3 1 FAME Irene Cara Polydor
- 4 11 PLANET ROCK Afrika Bambaataa & The Soul Sonic Force Tommy Boy (import)
- 5 9 SO FINE Howard Johnson A&M (import)
- 6 2 A NIGHT TO REMEMBER Shalamar Solar
- 7 13 RISIN' TO THE TOP (GIVE IT ALL YOU GOT) Keni Burke RCA
- 8 — TOO LATE Junior Mercury
- 9 14 LOVE ON A SUMMER NIGHT McCarys Capitol
- 10 — LOVE IS IN CONTROL (FINGER ON THE TRIGGER) Donna Summer Warner Bros
- 11 4 INSIDE OUT Odyssey RCA
- 12 7 LOVE HAS FOUND ITS WAY Dennis Brown A&M
- 13 6 I WAS TIRED OF BEING ALONE Patrice Rushen Elektra
- 14 10 SOONER OR LATER Larry Graham Elektra
- 15 8 KEEP ON D Train Epic
- 16 — TAKE YOUR TIME Roy Hamilton Excaliber
- 17 — IMAGINATION B.B. & Q. Band Capitol
- 18 12 MUSIC AND LIGHT Imagination R&B
- 19 — BIG FUN Kool & The Gang De-Lite
- 20 — DO YA WANNA FUNK? Sylvester & Patrick Cowley Megatone

Disco Albums

- 1 1 FAME Soundtrack RSO
- 2 2 TROPICAL GANGSTERS Kid Creole & The Coconuts Ze
- 3 3 98.7 KISS FM PRESENTS SHEP PATTINONE'S MASTERMIXES Various Epic
- 4 — DONNA SUMMER Donna Summer Warner Bros.
- 5 5 LOVE HAS FOUND ITS WAY Dennis Brown A&M
- 6 6 FRIENDS Shalamar Solar
- 7 11 THE POET Bobby Womack Motown
- 8 4 STRAIGHT FROM THE HEART Patrice Rushen Elektra
- 9 10 NIGHT BIRDS Shakatak Polydor
- 10 7 CHANGES Keni Burke RCA
- 11 — STEVIE WONDER'S ORIGINAL MUSIQUARIUM! Stevie Wonder Motown
- 12 12 WINDSONG Randy Crawford Warner Bros
- 13 15 D TRAIN D Train Epic
- 14 14 HAPPY TOGETHER Odyssey RCA
- 15 — ALL NIGHT LONG B.B. & Q. Band Capitol
- 16 13 THROWIN' DOWN Rick James Motown
- 17 — SOONER OR LATER Larry Graham Warner Bros
- 18 9 HAPPY HOUR Deodato Warner Bros
- 19 19 JI Junior Mercury
- 20 18 JEFFREY OSBORNE Jeffrey Osborne A&M

Import Albums

- 1 1 REDD HOT Sharon Redd Prelude
- 2 2 KEEPIN' LOVE NEW Howard Johnson A&M
- 3 — JUMP TO IT Aretha Franklin Arista
- 4 — XXI - I Mother F
- 5 6 LET ME TICKLE YOUR FANCY Jermaine Jackson Motown
- 6 4 ZAPP 2 Zapp Warner Bros
- 7 — ALL NIGHT LONG Starpoint Casablanca
- 8 9 WE GO A LONG WAY BACK Bloodstone T-Neck
- 9 — FIRST TAKE Valentine Bros Bridge
- 10 3 IN LOVE'S TIME Dave Valentin GRP/Arista
- 11 13 ON THE FLOOR Fatback Spring
- 12 7 CAMERON ALL THE WAY Rafael Cameron AFI
- 13 10 FACE TO FACE Gino Soccio Warner Bros
- 14 8 AS WE SPEAK David Sanborn Warner Bros.
- 15 15 WAVES Shock Fantasy
- 16 5 OUT OF THE SHADOWS Dave Grusin GRP/Arista
- 17 — UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF LOVE Kann Jones Handshake
- 18 — STAGES David Benoit AVI
- 19 — VICTORY Midnight Star Elektra
- 20 14 WAKA JUJU Manu Dibango Polydor

Progressive Disco

- 1 — DO YA WANNA FUNK Sylvester & Patrick Cowley Megatone 12"
- 2 6 I LIKE PLASTIC Marsha Raven Red Bus 12"
- 3 1 LOVE PAINS Yvonne Elliman Moby Dick 12"
- 4 10 RAIN (REMIX) Goombay Dance Band Epic 12"
- 5 — CAN'T TAKE MY EYES OFF YOU Boystown Gang ERC 12"
- 6 2 DON'T COME CRYING TO ME Linda Clifford Capitol 12"
- 7 — ASK ME Carol Jiani Matra 12"
- 8 5 GIRLS ARE BACK IN TOWN (REMIX) Risque Importe 12"
- 9 — (THE BEST PART OF) BREAKIN' UP! LOVE IS THE DRUG Rom Griffith Vanguard 12"
- 10 7 DISCHARGE Boystown Gang Moby Dick LP

Progressive disco chart from Record Shack, Central London

Rock Dancefloor

- 1 1 PLANET ROCK Afrika Bambaataa & The Soul Sonic Force Tommy Boy 12" (import)
- 2 3 PRIME CUTS E Canadian 12" (import)
- 3 8 TALK TALK Today EMI 12"
- 4 4 JOHN WAYNE IS BIG LEGGY Havsi Fantaysee Regard 12"
- 5 9 CRACKED MIRROR EP Mauve Canadian 12" (import)
- 7 — THE BIG BEAN Pig Bag Y 12"
- 8 2 I'M AFRAID OF ME Culture Club Virgin 12"
- 9 7 IMAGES OF HEAVEN Peter Godwin Polydor 12"
- 10 10 STARLIGHT/GIRLS ARE BACK IN TOWN Risque Importe 12" (import)

Dancefloor chart from Flashback Records, Swindon and Newport.

Reggae Twelves

- 1 1 BETCHA BY GOLLY WOW! Errol Dunkley Black Roots
- 2 — NIGHT NURSES Gregory Isaacs Island
- 3 2 FALLEN IN LOVE Debbie Gee TNT
- 4 — OUT OF HAND Yellowman Greensleeves
- 5 9 LET'S GET MARRIED Pat Kelly Lola
- 6 — I'LL NEVER FALL IN LOVE AGAIN Techniques Black Joy
- 7 — TEARS FALL FROM MY EYES Sandra Dee Ital
- 8 — HOLD ON TO WHAT YOU'VE GOT Dennis Brown Powerhouse
- 9 3 LOVE HAS FOUND ITS WAY Dennis Brown A&M
- 10 — SANDRA Lion Youth
- 10 5 OOH BOY Sandra Reid Sil' Georgie

Reggae 12-inch chart from Sunshine Records, North London

Disco Dealer

THE BIG NEWS of the week must be Decca's acquisition of the Rockers Revenge chart storer 'Walking On Sunshine', which will already have been rush-released domestically by the time you read this. The disc is now on the London label, and to ease any confusion in orders because of the quick changeover from import to the UK pressing, it is being given dual catalogue numbers. LONX 11 places it in the normal London numerical sequence (LON 11 on the 7-inch), but the 12-incher is also carrying the number of the Street Wise import which is already in the disco chart top 10 - SWRL 2203. Whichever number dealers care to make use of, therefore, they can get their supplies from Polygram now.

A new specialised disco chart joins the reggae 12-inch and Dancefloor (henceforth to be labelled 'rock dancefloor' for distinguishing purposes) top tens this week. The Progressive Disco top ten is compiled fortnightly by Record Shack in London's West End, based on sales within that outlet to the mainly gay progressive disco market which is now the staple of many of the leading clubs in the metropolis. Much of the material tends not to cross over in a big way to the nationwide charts, so the top ten does provide a valuable guide to a burgeoning sub-genre.

To accommodate the new top ten, the bubbling under section of the main chart has been reduced from 20 titles to 10 simply by removing from it records which have already had lengthy chart runs and have dropped below the 50 mark. Many 'oldies' have tended to stick at this level for some weeks after a high chart run, thus obscuring the route of new climbing 'bubblers'. The new system will therefore favour and pinpoint new material.

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