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This little venue went to the Left Bank, this little venue got 'class', this little venue's a tunnel, this little venue got the arse. And this little venue went wee, wee, wee all the way back to dj land. The Harbourside, The Orient, The Lone Star, The Seaview and The Loft namely. Luckily, there are only 303 listed bands now competing for the remaining 4 venues (don't quote us, but you get the idea...). It's a bit like the 'bubble vibe' that so often occurs. You think something's there but it only takes one prick to make it all dissappear. Anyway, I'm sure the ancient laws of supply and demand will mean that other places will open as needed, although it is a great pity that such 'stalwart' venues such as those named above have dissappeared. While this means that the remaining venues such as The Swannie, MX, Newport, Paddington, Chelsea, White Sands, etc get increased attendances, a lot of bands will be left out in the cold as far as work goes. Maybe there's some other options to consider such as outdoor shows, booking halls, approaching non-traditional original venues for a one-off show etc. Whatever happens, we all need to put our thinking caps on to expand the avenues for live music.

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DANNED NEWS

F.U.L.L.: COFFEE BREAK

Work on F.U.L.L.'s debut Cd, Coffee has been completed ahead of budget and schedule despite a certain digital tape machine turning a couple of songs into something more resembling swiss cheese than coffee. Heading for an April release / launch F.U.L.L. can be caught at a plethora of gigs over the next four to six weeks. Apparently the CD was named Coffee because apart from global thermonuclear war it's the only thing that could have kept LFMK awake long enough to record the bloody thing. The CD will cost about \$12. So stick that in your guitar case.

THE EXTERNALS: ALBUM SOON?

The Externals latest recording project is in the wings with an album due sometime around May. This will be a follow up to their highly successful *Anastasia's Hand* EP which was released late last year. Catch The Externals with Storytime and Bitumen Butterfly on Saturday March 9 at the White Sands.

OCHRE: SOLD OUT!!!

In a move that totally surprised hardly anyone, Ochre have sold out of the first pressing of their CD 'Will'. With their recent Cruel Sea supports and South-West jaunts the boys seem to be heading for big things quickly. If you've been left out in the cold as far as getting a copy of 'Will', don't whinge to us 'cause we don't give a shit, we've already got ours!!! But they are available again now, so just stroll on down to the usual outlets. The boys have a few country tours planned over the next few months before heading east to big ol' Sydney around July, perhaps with another bunch of recordings in their grubby litle hands.

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STONEFACE: DOING THE RED LIGHT SHUFFLE

Those loveable boys from STONEFACE have been at it again down in the depths of Revolver Sound Studios, making the finishing touches to there second CD release which will be out in the next coupla months. The Italian boys have also scored four weeks at The Beachcomber starting March 7 and will be playing with the likes of AURORA, F.U.L.L., MOTHER STAR and others. Management people from PEARL JAM'S company recently spoke to the boys. They said "stop sending us your bloody CD, we don't care how good it is".

AURORA: OLYMPUS MONS

AURORA have finally scraped up enough cash to get their first CD pressed, the title of which will be *Olympus Mons*. After sitting around with a finished product for the last six months it's going to be good to have something that people can finally listen to (and buy!!!) Artwork is underway and if all goes well which is highly unlikely we'll have some sort of finished product by April. Rumours are that the band may be negotiating a six-figure contract with a major label. Talk about Chinese bloody whispers.....

NATALIE RIPEPI: MONKEYING AROUND

After a successful residency at the Brass Monkey on Sundays for the past 3 months Natalie Ripepi has now picked up work at The Court Hotel, Subiaco Hotel and The West End Hotel, as well as a performance at The Somerville Auditorium. She will soon be releasing a cassingle featuring the popular track Sister Soul which has been played on RTRfm, 100fm and Triple M

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Nebula

Sadness vs Madness

. Since forming from the embers of WEEPING CYCLOPS and reaching the current line-up in 1993, NEBULA have been impressing punters and critics alike with aggressive and exciting performances and their own brand of crossover metal. On the week of their debut album release, we got the lowdown from singer / guitarist Simon Staltari.......

OUCH!!! Sadness vs Madness is your first CD release. Where did you record the album and

why?

Simon We recorded at Rebel Studios who have since changed their name to Killing Time

Studios. They're out in Spearwood. They were recommended to us by a friend and

were well within our budget.

OUCH!!! What do you consider to be some of the highlights on the disc?

Simon Everyone has different favourites which is good. Personally my favourites are the

title track and everyone likes Sprog.

OUCH!!! NEBULA have thankfully not fallen into one particular style over the years. Rather

you've taken the 'death sound' and added a definite groove underneath. Does that

come from a wide range of influences and is it something you set out to do?

Simon It just started happening. It's what we most enjoy doing, and the groove is a cool

part of the music.

OUCH!!! It's also what sets you apart from what other bands of this nature are trying to do.

Simon Yeal OUCH!!! Cool

Cool. NEBULA are always exciting to watch live due to appearance and stage

presentation. Do you guys set out to have a particular image or does it just happen?

Simon Good question. It's a bit of both. We all like obscure, old guitars, that makes us

look a bit different.

OUCH!!! It puts a different slant on everything image-wise?

Simon Yes

OUCH!!! OK, you're launching the CD on Saturday March 9 at the Swannie. What happens

now?

We're still looking for recording / distribution deals. We don't really want anything

too small, so if nothing happens, we'll hit the studio again later on this year. We've

got new songs already, and we'll probably release an EP.

OUCH!!!

OK, good luck with the album and thanks for your time.

Simon

Simon

Thanks



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BOTTICELLI'S ANGEL: A BULLET FOR YOUR THOUGHTS

BOTTICELLI'S ANGEL have been around for a couple of years now and in that time have established a healthy profile for themselves. This CD, their second, is the follow up to 1994, SMAD COW DISEASE. The artwork, song titles and lyrics read like a B-grade schlock horror soundtrack. Come to think of it, that seems to be exactly what they're after.

The production quality isn't B-grade by any standards however, although the first track, complete with ultra distorted vocal meanderings and offensive feedback sounds like it would have been any engineer's nightmare, and probably led to the death of numerous mikes. Apart from this, the music shows signs of Zeppelin and Alice In Chains in the dual vocal work, apparent on tracks such as (A Dream) Anyway and Gone This Time (Part 2 Of The Dream). Some of the rhythmical and chord changes are remeniscent of eighties pop / rock bands, often coming across as a little dated, however at other times they do things that are quite interesting and inventive. Their infamous live energy and exubrance has come across well on A BULLET FOR YOUR THOUGHTS, with an up-tempo, ballsy CD throughout. Tracks such as (A Dream) Anyway, with it's eastern sounding guitar work, as well as Make Me and Never Trust Your Own Mind with their funkier, groove based drive and interesting melody structures are all personal favourites.

If you've seen these guys live, or appreciate any of their previous work, you're sure to find this CD good value for money.

the CHRIS OF DEATH

NEBULA: SADNESS VS MADNESS

SADNESS VS MADNESS, the first full length album from semi industrial / death / groove / crossover / metal merchants NEBULA, opens with the title track and lord is it LOUD. Which is a good thing because the last thing these guys would want is to lose their live power and aggression. Yep, the goods are well and truly delivered on this disc with all vocals and instrumentation sharing some fine moments. Highlight songs are the punky Sprog, Someday Soon, Eyesore No More, Gut Full and Grief Stricken.

NEBULA's use of a three to four minute time frame per track is a definite advantage as each song gets the point across without becoming too lengthy. In fact, the whole 13 tracks clock in at just over 40 minutes making for a very enjoyable listen.

The only detracting thing on SADNESS VS MADNESS is that the mix, albeit powerful, sometimes loses a little definition causing some incohesion on more difficult arrangements.

Overall, this offering from NEBULA places them at the forefront of the WA metal scene in terms of style and originality. Grab this one ASAP and check NEBULA out at the CD launch on March 9 at the Swanbourne.

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Buzz "Mr Meanie" Twostroke

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