

BLEEDING HEARTS

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BLEEDING HEARTS NEWSLETTER

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Dear Friend,

You are receiving this newsletter because at some time you have added your details to our mailing list. If you would like to update your details, please see our website. If you wish to leave us (sob) please see the bottom of this email for contact details.

Otherwise....welcome to the new format Bleeding Hearts Newsletter. We hope you enjoy it and find some useful stuff in here. The first thing to note is that our website has undergone something of a refresh to reflect our new set-up with the departure of Nick on fiddle. As much of a shock as this was, with our gig plans for 2009 now being in a bit of a dilemma, we have to and will move on. Nevertheless, we wish him well after 10 years on board with the Bleeders as he played a big part in the bands' development and our lives. You will find that the main news is contained in our "Foxie's Bleeding Band News" box - see below, taken from our new look website. We are working on new gigs at the moment and the gig list is below the news box. We hope to see you at a gig soon or somewhere equally exciting. We love you all and hope that we can count on your continued support as we sail through these new and probably (but hopefully not) tricky waters.

Enjoy the mailout!

Foxie

FOXIE'S BLEEDING BAND NEWS

Line-up changes

Well, there has been a lot of shit going down at Bleeders Towers the last few weeks but here we are still doing our thang. We are busy rehearsing, auditioning, shaking down and changing our tunes to accommodate our proposed new line-up. Essentially, we are now a 3 piece without a permanent fiddle player, only a fiddler guesting but we are looking to import a permanent Wiz on Keys to take our sound onwards and upwards. So, yes, that means sometimes there will actually be 5 of us on stage. Ouch, no space but a lot of sweaty fun is gonna' be had. Yes, we are looking forward and are excited about what lays ahead but we are bricking it just a bit too.

Live Album

The story goes on, and oh dear, we think there is no chance that we will actually release this on CD now as too much stress and water has gone under the bridge. We will still be seeking to put it up as a download, not free alas, but by pay per track on our sister site "Zeitgeist". Purchase details will be posted on our "DOSHSWAP" page (shop) when it's finally ready once our buddy Russ returns from Australia where he is on tour with The Kooks as their sound engineer.

Gigs

We are busy working on gigs and tours for 2009 but after years of doing one type of thing, our new line up gives us the chance to get fresh and experiment again as we head off in a new direction and seek out new venues, hopefully! Visit our "HEARTS ATTACK" page for upcoming gigs.

New Website

Ah Ha, we hope you've noticed if you've been here before that we have this new site. Yes, it's all change in every sense of the word but we remain a "flash free" site, mostly! Although we have been playing with these fangled web building packages in a vain attempt to keep up with all those other beggars with fancy dan websites. There have been some issues with some browsers but we are working on tweaks that, in time, will fix stuff.

Venues

We are always on the lookout for new places to play, so if you know of any, especially if they can ply us with beer, chips and some dosh, let us know!

Mailouts

You may have noticed that we have only been doing email newsletters for a while. Not everyone lives in cyberworld, so we are probably going to take a look at doing a once a year paper proper postman job mailout so that we can stay in touch with our other friends too. Heaven knows the Royal Mail need the business as this increasingly "feckless with our money Govt" wash what coffers we have down the drain on bailing out their banker mates. That's as proper workers jobs go down the tubes at Woolies etc. No Mr B we do not forgive you and your cronies for Iraq and Rover and Peugeot etc etc. Time for some actual socialism and not this champagne privatised version of Labour. Oh, we feel another song coming.....



IN (Gel's) SHORTS

(This is Gel's own column)

(I only wear 'em - shorts - at gigs you know!)

Site Feedback

Please let Foxie know if you are having problems loading or viewing our new site. He's had a bit of a mare putting the new site together (shame) as he's only got a dinky monitor and he's been on a bit of a learning curve with the site as this is his first website design and build - ever! He says that he's tried to embed the fonts (??) but your browser may not like them or he may be telling porkies. If you want to download the fonts we use, take a peep at the bottom of the Home page on the website.

Free Joke Service

Some of you lovely folks are on my "text a joke service" which is my version of the 118-118 service, only it is free and without the racism crap they are famed for. If you want to sign up, see me at a gig! If you are on my list, please send me new jokes that you come across as I am only too happy to share joyousness around the world. It is my mission.

That and playing bass in the Bleeders. And trains, especially the steam variety. Foxie has told me that I am actually quite knowledgeable about trains so if you fancy a chat about loco's, you know where I am! He gets bored with it quite easily, so if he glazes over next time you chat to him, do not take it personal like, he is just like that and is always thinking about the next step. 'Tho I do know that secretly he has been on several steam train rides, has a 70's Capri and loves Life On Mars, ha ha.

Tatt's

Those of you who have seen us before will know that I display nice little pictures of bass clefs and train stuff all over my legs. I am trying to save up enough dosh so that I can have them permanently drawn on as I've lost my marker pen.....so if anyone finds it in the meantime, please return it to me at our contact address.

Peace, luv & trains; Gel (-; xx

GIGS 2009

Thursday 29 January - Tardebigge, Bromsgrove, UK
(www.myspace.com/biggevenue)

Friday 30 January - Sawyers, Kettering, UK
(www.myspace.com/sawyersvenuecouk)

27 February - Live Club, Darmstadt, Germany
(www.muirdin.de)

28 February - Padeborn Festival, Germany
(www.muirdin.de)

Saturday 7 March - Wheatsheaf, Leighton Buzzard uk
(www.thewheatie.co.uk)

19, 20, 21 March - Germany tbc

2, 3, 4 April - Germany tbc

10 May - Festival, Halifax, UK tbc

24/25 May Festival UK tbc

20 June - Mulheim Festival, Germany

1 August - Festival, Germany tbc

8 August - Festival, Germany tbc

15 August - Festival, UK

8, 9, 10 October - Germany tbc

29, 30, 31 October - Germany tbc

7 November - Wheatsheaf, Leighton Buzzard, UK

All the best from Foxie, Gel, Gaz:

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