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# NEWSLETTER NO 33 - JUNE 1985

Hello and welcome to the new look FOBJH. We had a meeting in early May and decided the time was ripe to update our image so below are details of the changes and how they will affect you.

# NEW CLUB LOGO

You will see our new club logo above. This will be used on all FOBJH stuff from now on - it was specially designed for us by Nigel Warren and we hope you like it as much as we do.

## NEW MEMBERS

New members who join us after receipt of this newsletter will now receive the new FOBJH PACK comprising glossy A4 folder {to keep all your FOBJH goodies nicely together}, signed photo, membership card, club badge, sticker, 4-page biography, discography, introductory letter plus, of course, the current issue of the newsletter, all beautifully packaged.

#### EXISTING MEMBERS

You will receive the new FOBJH package as detailed above when you renew for a further year.

#### NEW FEES

During our meeting we had a long hard look at the fees and found that they were not really covering our costs. BARCLAY JAMES HARVEST have given us some money but unfortunately we also have to increase the fees. Remember, our fees have not gone up for 2 years! The new fees are listed below and take immediate effect:

# UK - £5.00 EUROPE - £6.50 ELSEWHERE - £8.00

# INTERNAL RE-ORGANISATION

We have just transferred our membership to a new computer and I would be obliged if you could have a quick look at the printed label on the envelope you received containing this newsletter and let me know if there are any mistakes. I would appreciate it if all of you could make the effort to do this.

## Members Abroad Take Note

Unless you send us sterling cheques we cannot accept your payment. Acceptable methods of payment are as follows:

1) International Money Order (From your Post Office)

2} Sterling Cheque (ie Eurocheques)

- 3) Your own currency if you must! But bear in mind you need to add the equivalent of £l sterling for bank administration.
- 4) Sterling currency, again if you must. Add bank administration equivalent (as {3} above).

# Membership No

I say this until I am blue in the face, but some of you just don't take heed. It is very difficult to identify people without their membership number and by omitting it you are just causing needless delays. PLEASE take the time to include your number on everything you send to me.

Also ensure your full name and address is on everything. Members abroad should especially note that it is insufficient to put your name and address on the back on your envelope to me - these are usually filed in the waste bin! Please make sure your name, address and membership number appear somewhere on your letter too.

# Stand up the person who said I'm a nag!!!

#### NEW MERCHANDISE

To co-incide with our new image we've introduced some new merchandise and hope we shall be able to continue to expand our range. Full details are on the Club Merchandise Price List enclosed but here's a quick run down:

<u>CLUB T-SHIRT</u> - A white t-shirt with the new club motif emblazoned across the chest in blue (Just so we can see you at concerts!!)

BROOCHES - Oblong metal brooch with FOBJH Motif in blue.

STICKERS - Packs of 5 white circular stickers with FOBJH motif in blue.

POSTERS - Black and white Poster size A3

Of course, all the new merchandise, and what is left of the old, is only available to members.

#### 1984 TOUR MERCHANDISE - VOC LOGO

Cool Million (who are responsible for BJH's tour merchandise) have allowed me to purchase the surplus tour stock at ridiculously low prices and so I am able to pass the savings on to you. Details are on the enclosed price list and I just know you will all want to snap up such bargains!

## FAREWELL OLD STOCK

I still have some old stock lying around collecting dust so this time we really are going to finish it. As a special once only offer {and I mean once only - this stock will never again be offered} we are having a **CLOSING PACKAGE**. To keep it simple, each package will contain exactly the same items {ie I am not prepared to split them}: 3 x solo posters {very large}; 3 x solo photo's {10x8 black and white}; XII badge; Octoberon badge. You must precisely follow the ordering instructions below. Each **closing package** will cost £1.00 and you can order as many as you wish but each separate one must have the relevant enclosures.

UK - Send £1.00 and very large stamped self-addressed envelope
{lst class 38p - 2nd class 28p}.

**Europe** - Send £1.00 and very large  $\underline{\text{self-addressed envelope}}$  plus 4 international reply coupons.

Elsewhere - EITHER - Send £1.00 and very large self-addressed envelope plus 15 reply coupons OR send £4.19 (sterling) and very large self-addressed envelope.

That little lot done with we can now proceed with the newsletter proper.

# QUESTION TIME WITH LES

- 1. HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT ABOUT RELEASING A SOLO ALBUM? I've thought many times of releasing a solo album, but we've always been too busy with BJH recording or touring.
- 2. HAVE YOU WORKED WITH ANY OTHER ARTISTS {IE SESSION WORK} SINCE YOU'VE BEEN WITH BJH? I've done a couple of session things but nothing exciting and noone who anyone would know.
- 3. WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT THE BJH VIDEO? IS THERE TOO MUCH VIDEO AND NOT ENOUGH CONCERT?
  I cannot look constructively at videos or films as I have my own ideas how things should go, and if someone else is put in charge of direction then it's their baby as far as I'm concerned.
- 4. ARE THERE ANY STORIES BEHIND THE WORLD GOES ON, WAITING ON THE BORDER LINE, I'VE GOT A FEELING, WAITING FOR THE RIGHT TIME, ECHOES & SHADOWS?
  There are no stories which I would like to comment on regarding these titles, they are just songs that come to me.
- 5. WILL BJH ALWAYS PRODUCE ALBUMS EVEN IF THE BAND DECIDE TO STOP TOURING?
  To produce albums without touring is a bit silly, as far as I'm concerned, one goes with the other.
- 6. WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE BJH ALBUM AND SONG? I don't have favourites as such, although I tend to like the latest product.

- 7. ARE THERE ANY PARTICULAR BASS PLAYERS WHO HAVE INFLUENCED YOU?
- I don't really think of myself as just a bass player. Therefore I listen to all musicians and this means I'm not influenced by any one person or instrument.
- 8. WOULD THE BAND LIKE TO USE A STRING SECTION IN CONCERT AGAIN AS YOU USED TO?
- It would be nice to use extra musicians again, although the size of venues we play now, it would multiply problems considerably.
- 9. SOME OF YOUR OLDER ALBUMS, ALONG WITH THOSE OF OTHER ARTISTS, ARE NOW BEING MADE INTO BUDGET/MID PRICE COLLECTIONS. DO YOU APPROVE OF THIS?
- I don't really mind budget albums etc., because any way you can be heard by people is good, and people don't have so much money these days. Also, the young kids don't really know our kind of music so it's a good way to get to them.
- 10. DO YOU CONSIDER THE WEMBLEY CONCERT TO BE THE BAND'S FINEST MOMENT IN BRITAIN AND IF NOT, WHAT WAS? I think Wembley was the highlight of England in the past few years, but I'm hoping to do better.
- 11. THE USE OF FEMALE BACKING SINGERS WAS ONE OF THE MOST INTERESTING INNOVATIONS OF THE LAST TOUR. DOES THE BAND PLAN TO USE THEM IN THE FUTURE? We haven't decided on the format for the next tour regarding backing singers or musicians. This will come together after recording the next album.
- 12. DO YOU HAVE ANY INTERESTING ANECDOTES ABOUT INCIDENTS WHILST TOURING OR DURING A RECORDING SESSION?
  I can't really print the interesting anecdotes, also these memories are hard to think of unless you're in conversation with the rest of the band, reminiscing about past tours etc.
- 13. WHO PERFORMED THE VOCALS ON BALL AND CHAIN FROM THE ONCE AGAIN ALBUM?
  Woolly did the vocal on that song, although there were so many effects on it, you couldn't really tell.
- 14. FOR HOW LONG HAVE YOU HAD A BEARD?
  I've had a beard for about fifteen years now.
- 15. ONCE YOU SAID YOUR FAVOURITE COUNTRY IS GERMANY. WHY? Germany is still my favourite country because I have a lot of friends there, and the country has always been good for BJH in the past. It's also the only country that is compatible with England as far as culture is concerned.
- 16. HOW MANY RECORDS ARE THERE IN YOUR OWN COLLECTION?
  I've never counted my record or tape collection, but there must be hundreds I suppose.
- 17. ARE YOU RELIGIOUS?
  I'm not really religious.

- 18. WHO DECIDES WHAT THE BAND WILL WEAR ON STAGE?
  The individuals in the band mostly decide what to wear on stage.
- 19. DO YOU LIKE WATCHING TV AND WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE PROGRAMME?
- I like watching documentaries and comedy programmes on TV. I <a href="https://hate.ncb.nlm.ncb
- 20. NORMALLY WHAT TIME DO YOU GET TO BED AND GET UP? I go to bed mostly very late, around 3 or 4 and get up around 11 or 12, if the phone lets me!
- 21. WHAT DO YOU DO WHEN YOU ARE NOT RECORDING OR TOURING? I keep horses in the country, but none of us really have a lot of spare time, because you can't help thinking ahead to touring or recording.
- 22. WHAT DO YOU THINK OF FGTH AND WHAM!? When I think of bands like FGTH and Wham! etc., I don't actually take them seriously as musicians because they aren't, but this business is about entertainment, and people must like them otherwise they wouldn't be where they are. Not my taste in music I'm afraid.

I'd like to thank the FOBJH's who took the trouble to submit the questions. They made me think! Thanks for supporting BJH and keep up the good work! Les.

Next time, MEL, so send in your questions please by August 10th.

# VIDEO RAFFLE

BJH have donated a VHS copy of the new video for me to raffle. What a super prize! To enter the raffle please complete the Raffle Registration Form enclosed. Each attempt costs £1.00 and if you want more than one go, you should send a separate, similar form for each attempt. The closing date is 10th August 1985.

## LAST ISSUE'S COVER

I omitted to give credit to member Peter de Wolf for our last issue cover. Sorry.

# BJH THE FUTURE

The boys will be holidaying soon {hopefully wont we all}. Then they'll resume writing etc., for the new album {hopefully for release in Spring 1986}. There will not be any tours at all in 1985 but hopefully {I'm saying that a lot lately} 1986 will see us back on the road.

Speaking of 1986, it's a very special year for BJH and I think you'll have some great happenings to look forward to {further than that my lips are definitely sealed}.

#### THE REJOINERS

Listed below are the members whose membership comes up for renewal in the relevant months. REMEMBER when you renew you will receive the super new package.

JUNE 1985 These members should renew before the end of June

44-80 515 1495-1561 1753-1776 2127-2187 2523-2562

# JULY 1985

87-95 530-544 1562-1585 1777-1801 2188-2225 2563-2608

# AUGUST 1985

99-104 555-566 1355 1586-1612 1802-1835 2226 2609-2677

Fees: UK - £5.00 Europe - £6.50 Elsewhere - £8.00.

## THE AD'S

With immediate effect it now costs .50p to advertise here. Please submit your advertisement worded as you would wish it to appear.

Members Abroad Please Note. If you, or anybody you know, is looking for au pair work in England and/or a reasonably priced language learning holiday with a good English family, please contact me enclosing international reply coupons. I would also like to hear from you with details of suitable advertising mediums for this scheme in your own country and/or any ideas you may have on the subject. Lynda Chaffe, 16 Abbotts Close, Macclesfield, Cheshire, England.

Mike Fowkes, 13 Fordington Avenue, Winchester, Hants, SO22 5AN wants WAITING FOR THE RIGHT TIME/BLOW ME DOWN {7" or 12"} I'VE GOT A FEELING/REBEL WOMAN JUST A DAY AWAY {Picture disc} VOC {picture disc} A MAJOR FANCY.

Stefan Bierbrauer, Seilerstr 15, 7970 Leutkirch, Germany is offering huge BJH posters {84cm x 58cm} for £2 each {if possible would like money in German marks}

Martin Ellis, 25 Toronto Terace, Brighton, East Sussex has <u>all</u> FOBJH newsletters & will photocopy them for you. Send sae or reply album {has BOMBADIL}. Sae's or reply coupons essential

Volker Knief, Wichernstr 21, 7600 Offenburg, Germany is auctioning the following: A MAJOR FANCY {vgc}:Signed 84 tour poster. Send postcard with details of offers {in Deutschmarks if possible}. Will only reply to successful applicants.

Elisiario Bragadest, Zote 6, 2640 Mafra, Portugal wants penfriends.

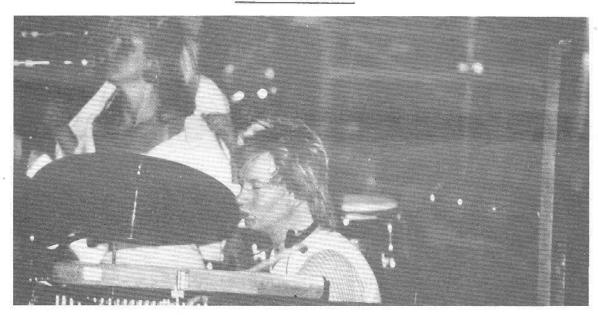
William Austin, 3 Rothes Park, West Ferry, Dundee, DD5 1QR suggests everyone writes to EMI to urge them to re-release A MAJOR FANCY on their Fame label. Also tell them JOHN's name is LEES and not REES!!!

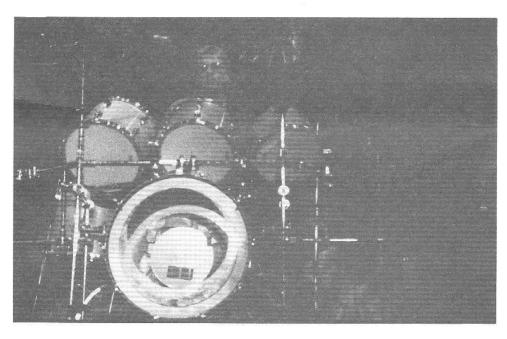
Dagmar Muller, PO Box 121, D-7234 Aichhalden, Germany will translate newsletters into German.

Melanie Lewis, 29 Oarside Drive, Wallasey, Merseyside L45 5HZ wants Merseyside penfriends.

FOR SALE - OFFERS BJH Interview album. Promo album only {Polydor} Cat No BOBl P 1984. Contains interview with BJH and was issued only to radio stations in 1984 to promote 1984 tour. Also included covering letter from Polydor, interview transcript and 7-page BJH dossier and picture sleeve. All in mint condition and very rare limited issue. Offers to Dave Carlin, 32 Birchitt Road, Broadway, Sheffield S17 4QA

MEL IN ACTION!





## BJH THE INSIDE INFO

HOBBIES

RELIGIOUS BELIEFS

JOHN: Amateur Radio JOHN: None in particular

LES: Horse riding, skiing LES: Not Really MEL: Videos, Books, Music MEL: Undecided

CARS

JOHN: Volvo Estate, Datsun Patrol

LES: Mercedes 280SL {gold}, Morgan Plus 8 {green}

Range Rover {red}, Land Rover {Blue},

Mercedes 608D Horse Box.

MEL: 2 Renault 5 (gold and green), Land Rover (green)

BROTHERS'/SISTERS' NAMES

JOHN: Edna

LES: Chris, Ian, Douglas, Carol

MEL: None

More inside info next time.

Well, for the immediate future I've got my work cut out with internal re-organisations and all the extra mail this newsletter will encourage.

I'd like you to spare a few minutes and give some thought to what club merchandise you would particularly like to see us feature in the future. Be practical about it {ie bear in mind expense and the fact that it has to carry the FOBJH logo}

I shall be on holiday from 17-31 August so if you could avoid writing in during that period it would ease things a fan club secretary's lot is not an easy one {all say "aaaaah"}.

I'll leave you now but please bear in mind the points I've asked you to remember.

Have a lovely summer and I'll see you in September.

Regards CHRISSIE

# MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

RETURN TO:

## FOBJH, PO BOX 9 STOCKPORT CHESHIRE SK2 6RG ENGLAND

I would like to renew my membership to FOBJH for a further year.

FULL NAME:

MEM. NO:

FULL ADDRESS: {Include country if abroad}

FEES: UK - £5.00 EUROPE - £6.50 ELSEWHERE - £8.00

## RAFFLE REGISTRATION FORM

{£1.00 each attempt. If more than one attempt required, submit similar form for each attempt}

Return to

FOBJH PO BOX 9 STOCKPORT CHESHIRE

SK2 6RG ENGLAND

CLOSING DATE

10TH AUGUST 1985

FULL NAME:

MEM NO:

FULL ADDRESS: {Include country if abroad}

# BJH 1984 TOUR MERCHANDISE - VOC LOGO

	Price U.K.	Price Europe	Price Elsewhere
Navy blue t-shirt VOC motif (s.m.1.x1)	2.85	3.30	5.00
VOC motif (s.m.l.xl)	2.85	3.30	5.00
Grey jersey with VOC motif (s.m.)	3.95	4.70	7.60
(small only)		6.35	9.80
Embroidered sweatshirt (grey with VOC motif on left breast) (m.xl) Enamel badge	6.50 1.25 1.80	7.35 1.35 2.15	10.80 1.45 3.30
Tour Programme	1.40	2.00	4.60

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# ORDER FORM - VOC MERCHANDISE ONLY

FULL NAME:

MEM. NO:

FULL ADDRESS: {Include country if abroad}

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enamel badge				
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Tour Programme				

# GRAND TOTAL

Return to FOBJH PO Box 9 Stockport Cheshire SK2 6RG Cheques etc payable to FOBJH

# Friends of BARCLAY JAMES HARVEST Price List - Club Merchandise (June 1985)

	Price U.K.	Price Europe	Price Elsewhere
White club t-shirts/blue FOBJH motif (s.m.l.)	4.50	5.00	6.50
Black t-shirt/BJH logo & 1982 tour dates(small only)		4.00	5.50
Scarf navy/white BJH logo  Poster black/white A3 size	1.00	2.75 1.25	3.80 1.50
Lyrics poster (few only) Brooch with blue FOBJH motif		.85 2.00	1.20 2.75
Picture Badge FOBJH Stickers (in 5's)		.60 .75	.80 .90
Black/white stickers (in 5's) EOU Patches	.55 .55	.65 .65	.75 .75
Black/white patches		.55 1.50	.75 2.50

# \*\* Prices include postage & packing Allow 28 days delivery\*\*

# ORDER FORM - CLUB MERCHANDISE ONLY

FULL NAME:

MEM. NO:

FULL ADDRESS: {Include country if abroad}

Description	Quantity	Size	Price Each	TOTAL
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Lyrics poster				
Brooch				
Picture Badge				
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