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by Stephanie Shepherd

his past year there has been a lot of talk about musical directions that present a more live feel, are melodically entertaining and are fronted by artists who have a vision of long term development. Since Lisa Stansfield set the tone for sleek, sophisticated rhythms, there has been a momentary void waiting to be filled by artists who can perform at this level. "When Love Lives" by Alison Limerick appeared at the perfect juncture, just as the public is becoming bored by the cloned derivative machine sounds and growling about the lack of musical standards.

Alison's path to prominence was not by the direct musical route, rather she had an illustrious career as a dancer before she recognized her desire to devote her full time energy to singing. She was born in London's East End and became introduced to the dance world at the tender age of 13. She attended the London School of Contemporary Dance and went on to dance with a small fringe company which folded after two years. Her next opportunity was an offer from a friend to sing a Ricki Lee Jones song and a Stevie Wonder tune for the London Contemporary Dance Theatre. Being on tour for a year and a half gave Alison some insight into the possibilities of shifting her focus to music. "My mother sang, my brother was always in bands, there was always music in the house", she reminisced. "Music was engrained into me so I never thought of it as a separate entity. From that point on I got more involved in commercial theatre, musicals, backing vocals and things".

Thus began a whirlwind of activity, touring with Tom Robinson, appearing in the Squeeze musical "Labeled With Love" and culminating in a three year stint with the Andrew Lloyd Webber musical "Starlight Express". Alison began linking up with friends who were looking for singers. A fellow dancer was the girlfriend of Peter Murphy who gave her a slot singing backgrounds. The 4AD label approached her to do a song on This Mortal Coil's album "Filigree and Shadow". She appears on their new LP as

well performing a cover of the Spirit tune "Nature's Way". A friend from Starlight Express asked her to do the vocals on the NRGetic Powerbase records, which launched her following in the American HiNRG community.

All the while, she was gleaning experience and honing her craft. Alison admires strong vocalists from Ella Fitzgerald and Billie Holiday to Whitney Houston and Patti Austin. Chaka Khan was very influential as a role model. "She inspires me to put the kind of passion she does into performing", she said fervently. These days she listens to everything from gospel to rap with favorites like the Dream Warriors, Will Downing and Luther Vandross.

Her current deal with Arista resulted from a fellow named Lati Kronlund seeing her perform Billie Holiday's "God Bless The Child" in a fashion show. He liked the sound of Alison's voice, wrote this track and Arista went for it. Sounds simple enough, right.

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However, neither Arista U.K. or U.S. has exercised the option for an album. Not that Alison isn't prepared for it. "I've been working on material for months. We're going to stretch me a bit more, put in a bit more feeling. There will be a couple of slow ones, as well as house and

She dreams of having a band, working with live musicians. While not a purist, Alison has definite opinions about the limits of sampling. "I don't believe in stealing other people's vocals. I don't like that blatant theft. We have the technology, you can create it yourself", she states adamantly. "After the thing with Blackbox, I'm very dubious as to vocalists using other people's vocals. I would hate for someone to steal my voice, recreate it and turn it into another song".

Some other interesting facts about Alison. Her parents split up when she was two. She likes science fiction, some of her favorite authors are William Gibson and Stephen King. She's been in a nine year relationship. Her favorite clothing shop is Hyper Hyper in Kensington. She enjoys cooking - her friends request a baked dish containing hazelnuts and grated cream coconut. She loves to travel, to knit and to write music on her computer.

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At the time of this interview, there was much deliberation as to what the second single might be. It was originally intended that "Tell Me What You Mean" was to be pressed, but Alison just finished a track with Arthur Baker called "Real Love" which sent the A&R people over the top. We'll just have to wait and see what follow-up comes our way, but there is no doubt it will be another brilliant stepping stone in the career of the talented Alison Limerick.

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### **A Few Words With The Dean Of HiNRG: Hazell Speaks!**

by Dean Ferguson





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The Dean of American HiNRG artists is, in fact, a very, very proper Brit. Of course, that's Hazell Dean, a woman with a speaking voice so seductive that it's almost as intoxicating as the singing voice she's used to propel classic songs like "Who's Leaving Who," "Love Pains," "Searching," and, most recently, "Better Off Without You" to the top of different charts worldwide. Rumor had it, though, that the lyric of her fifth #1 American HiNRG hit might be more than a bit prophetic: "Oh it would've happened sooner or later; it was only just a matter of time..." Was it true? Was she really severing ties with PWL and the Stock Aitken Waterman team for good? Hazell spoke to DMR this week from her home in London in order to bring you a special feature we'll call...

"Of course it's not true!" Hazell said, regarding the much rumored nasty parting of the ways between her and PWL. "Pete Waterman and I have been friends for years, always will be, but not it's time for me to grow and move on. Pete understands that and won't stand in my way." With more than a year's time passing between her current HiNRG smash and her last PWL release, Hazell told us that she simply felt that things weren't happening fast enough and that she simply felt that things weren't happening fast enough and that her career was going nowhere. Additionally, she told us, both "Love Pains" and "Better Off Without You" fell short of the top ten UK pop chart rankings that she'd been used to previously, adding fuel to the rumor of an impending unfriendly split.

"Time moves along, you know...it's quite sad, really, but sometimes you have to make changes in order to grow." We asked if that meant she thought that the PWL/SAW formula sound had gone stale and she replied, "Perhaps in my case, yes, but one can't really say that (in general). Kylie and Jason are all over the charts and..." she stressed "...they've still got a penchant for coming up with staggeringly good songs. If Pete comes up with a new one just for me, of course I'll record it." In the meantime, though, Hazell says that she's through with hand-me-down tunes. She fell in love with "If I Have To Stand Alone," a song that both Waterman and PWL-America's Robert John Jones wanted her to record. She was understandably disappointed when the song went to Lonnie Gordon instead. They tried to get the song for Hazell but by that time it belonged to Supreme Records, who decided to release it as Lonnie Gordon's third single. Even though that version was not a UK pop hit, Hazell feels that it's a dead issue, and recording it now would be a step backward.

So, what kind of song is Hazell Dean looking for next? "I have a powerful voice so I'm looking for powerful songs. I'd love to do some big ballads." A totally trendy turn-around, thankfully, is not in the works for this back-to-back winner of the first and second annual HiNRG Awards for "best live performer." "There are the odd rap and house things that I like but, for example, I hate 'Gypsy Woman'...she sings out of tune and to me that's a crime!" With a laugh she adds, "...it is the #1 song right now, though, so who am I to criticize. "Among the artists she's currently fond of are Mariah Carey, Oleta Adams and Kim Appleby, although more often than anything else these days she finds herself listening to classical music for inspira-

Hazzell's also getting back to songwriting again, having recently reteamed with her one-time collaborator Pete Ware. A major new personal keyboard purchase is in the works for this summer as part of Hazell's continuing renovation of her London home. "It's what I do when I have some time to myself." Another passion for the 32 year old recording star is "...Going on holiday with silly people!" Hazell obviously likes to laugh and have fun, and this year she intends to do plenty of both. How about producing, we asked, either for herself or other artists, since she's now decided to broaden her horizons? "I

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### JEAN, SCHERRIE & LYNDA of THE SUPREMIES





### By Dean Ferguson

If the Supremes' name conjures up for you images of Diana Ross, the Ed Sullivan Show, identically sequined gowns and the glory of Motown's mid-to-late sixties hey day, then you're not a contemporary HiNRG dance fan. If "Stoned Love" is simply another golden oldie to you, then you've never heard the wild, 1991 Chris Cox remixes featured recently on Hot Tracks. You are probably also unaware then that three of the legendary trio's most talented alumni have reunited and are back on the charts as Jean, Scherrie & Lynda of the Supremes.

Jean Terrell, Scherrie Payne and Lynda Laurence spoke to us recently from California, where they all currently reside. How did this reunion come to be? Scherrie explained it this way: "In 1986, a small California label called Superstar brought us back together to record. Since Motown technically owns the name 'Supremes,' we first tried recording again under the acronym F.L.O.S., for 'former ladies of the Supremes.' I liked it but too many people found it confusing." People were calling the trio "The Flo's" or worse ("like 'Floss,' as in dental") so when they signed with Ian Levine's Londonbased Motor City label two years later, they opted instead for their current wordy but infinitely less confusing moniker." At least the public now knows who we are" they all agreed with a chuckle.

Jean was Diana Ross' original replacement back in 1970, singing lead on such classic Supreme signature songs as "Up The Ladder To The Roof" and the original "Stoned Love." Scherrie led the trio in the mid-seventies on a series of club hits that included "I'm Gonna Let My Heart Do The Walking" and "You're My Driving Wheel" before the group disbanded in 1977. Scherrie went on to pursue a solo career, scoring twice on the HiNRG chart in the early eighties ("One Night Only" and "I'm Not In Love/Girl, You're In Love") while Jean took time out to start a family. Lynda, who has now replaced Cindy Birdsong twice in the group's history (Cindy was originally signed to be part of F.L.O.S., but later declined for personal reasons), spent her first post-Supreme break touring with Joe Cocker and playing the jazz circuit in Los Angeles. Having just returned from a successful world tour, all three agree that the magic is still there, particularly in Europe and the Far East. "I think we need to have a major hit here before we'll tour in the US" Lynda told us, though their recent success on the HiNRG chart has peaked interest again here at home. All three have high hopes for their new Motor City 12" release, "I Wanna Be Loved," a contemporary dance single that incorporates their legendary harmonizing over an arrangement that would make Whitney Houston or Paula Abdul proud. Describing their recording sessions with legendary HiNRG producer Levine and his American partner Rick Gianatos, Scherrie told us, "We laugh a lot. He's really a lot of fun to work with. So is Rick!" Lynda agreed, adding "sometimes we really have to work at being disciplined in the studio, but when we get down to it, it's wonderful." "The only bad part" Jean interjected with a laugh, "is trying to get him on the phone. I've been trying all week!" All three are looking forward to getting back in the studio here this summer with Rick to work on new tracks with the hope of having an album completed by fall, which is when the ladies' next overseas tour is scheduled to start. "First we head for Japan, then the Netherlands and all of Europe. That's our agenda for this year so far."

When they're not touring, all three seem to relish time with their families. What do Supremes do for fun? They listen to music passion-

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### HiNRG's Brightest New Stars

By Johnny "Lauderdale" Danza and Laurie Sauter

As always, a myriad of familiar and fresh faces grace the Dance Music Report HiNRG chart and this year's crop of newcomers is among the most promising ever. Internationally, HiNRG seems to be stronger than ever before, with an especially interesting stable of future stars being groomed with care by the Italian labels like Flea, Asia, Still Novo and Discomagic.

Trisha is one who instantly stands out. Her debut single, "Every Time You Want," was one of last year's finest Italian imports and the new one from this 21-year-old Milan native, "Silver Kisses" should help break her in a big way this summer. Donna Luna is another name to watch for in the coming months. It translates literally into "lady of the moon" and Donna, whose given name is Elena Beluzzi, says that she "Likes the nightlife best of all." at 24, she's already produced a regional hit ("I Will Never Try To Change You") but hopes to break beyond the borders of her native Varese, Italy with her new Flea 12", "Come On, Come On."

Linda Martin hopes to "Stay" in the music business for a long time and her record company, Ala Bianca, seems to think she's got what it takes. They've recently signed her to a long term contract and should have a follow-up to her marvelous first single, "Stay," coming in a few weeks time. She's 25, and she landed her deal with Ala Bianca after moving to Italy from the United States in 1985. British by birth, her parents are UK music industry veterans who've thoughtfully encouraged their daughter's budding career.

Ala Bianca, distributors of Flea and Asia product, have two handsome young men on their roster that they expect great things from this year. The first is nineteen year old Leondardo Storchi, better know to American HiNRG fans as Lenny. His beautiful first single, "Tell Me The Reason," established this classically-trained prodigy as an up and comer to watch for, even though his parents, both classical musicians themselves, would undoubtedly prefer he channel his musical

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energies in a more traditional way. Lenny's a rebel, though, and HiNRG is his first love. You're certain to be hearing a lot from him in the weeks ahead. His labelmate, Valentino, is another one of this industry's boys-to-watch-for in the coming months. His new single, "Tender Love," should be released

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by "Buc"

### The Art of **After Hours Programming**

hen first asked to write an article about after-hours, or "sleaze" music, I was puzzled. I wondered how to explain a feeling, or emotion, if you will, to someone who has never had the pleasure of experience a set of sleaze music. In addition to being a DJ, I work in a store where we have a sizable "sleaze" section and I'm stumped when asked to explain "what is sleaze?" I will play them a few of the songs but even still, most of the time they just don't get it. I'll try and do a better job for you.

To the best of my knowledge, the playing of sleaze sets started in the clubs of New York City many years ago. When The Saint came on the scene in the early eighties, their DJs had many hours of music to play and could utilize their talent for this type of music well into the late morning and even early afternoon hours. Some of these DJs could really work magic and take you somewhere beyond belief. Older pieces from the seventies, like "Stop" by Bop-A-Rela and the incredibly haunting "Anambra" by Ozo are still timeless when programmed at the right time.

Sleaze music does not have to be

downtempo. Famous cuts like the incredible "Love Parade" by Dream Academy, "Love Comes Easy" by Vera, "Road To Mandolay" by Harlow and "Love Is A Shield" by Camoflage are all in the upper 130 BPMs but still have that smooth, pretty sound to classify them as sleaze. Even the energetic "Darling Forever" by Basier qualifies as sleaze as much as the traditionally lower BPM'ed sleaze classics do. It's truly a feeling, an emotion that touches you through your heart and soul and makes you glide, as if on air, across a dance floor. You don't have to think about it; your feet just naturally move.

If programmed properly, sleaze can be played anywhere. I spin in both straight and gay clubs where Enigma, the new infamous "Age Of Reason" and the hottest sleaze pieces of the moment, like "This Is Your Life" by Banderas, are my biggest records in both.

It's really the beautiful, down-tempo music that all true sleaze fans crave most as they make the last three or four hours (of a sometimes fourteen hour "night") well worth waiting for. There are classics that are always a nice welcome to the ear -- "Some People"

(by Cliff Richard), "Let Me In" (Mike Francis), "Touch & Go" (Any Trouble), "You're My Heart, You're My Soul" (Modern Talking), "Soldier" (Thomas Anders), "Morning Music" (St. Tropez -a true classic!), "American Love" (Rose Laurens) and newer ones such as "Forever" Suzanne Meals, "Wings Of Desire" by Jennifer Rush, "Straight From Your Heart" by Bonnie Bianco, all of the Enigma-and-Enigma-sound-alike tracks as well as two brand new favorites, "Two Lonely Hearts" by Tears B4 Sadness and "Love Me, Please Love Me" by Avalanche, both of which belong in any serious sleaze fan's collection.

I hope that this has been helpful to those who weren't sure about this special sound. I you have a chance, try to find a club that plays sleaze sets and go and enjoy this special experience for yourselves. And, if you're already a sleaze fan, I'm sure that we'll cross paths at a party somewhere soon.

("Buc" is a popular HiNRG club disc jockey from Atlanta, Georgia, coordinator of the annual "Hotlanta" dance party and principle import buyer for the Let The Music Play retail outlet in Atlanta.)

### Top Twenty American After-hours/"Sleaze" **Tracks**

(Through June 15, 1991)

- "Love Me, Please Love Me" Avalanche (102 BPM)
- "Albioni"

Voice Of Afrika (97)

"Unchained Melody"

Techno-Color featuring Twiggy (102)

"This Is Your Life"

The Banderas (100)

"Hvmn"

Magna Charter (120)

"Beautiful"

Julie Spencer (93)

- "The Sweet Hello, The Sad Goodbye" Thomas Anders (103)
- "Say Hello, Wave Goodbye/"91 Remix" Soft Cell (104)
- "Orinoco Flow"

Melayne (118)

"Move Closer"

Zee (104)

"Baby, Baby"

Amy Grant (100)

"Picture This"

Technodiva (104)

"Footsteps Following Me"

Frances Nero (108)

"That's All Folks"

Jack Is Fallen (104)

- "Little Brother/Running Up That Hill" Blue Pearl (110)
- 16 "Take My Breathe Away" 2U (114)
- "Mea Cuipa" 17

Enigma (100)

"Woman in Love"

Sissy Taylor (94)

"Faith In You"

Kiss Like This (112)

"Cloud 8"

Frazier Chorus (108)



### **New Stars**

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this month and insiders say that it will break this successful (and very good-looking) fashion model/serious musician in a big way this year.



Jellybean chats with Robert Michael Brawn at the WMC

Over in the UK, ensemble-types acts are starting to have as much of an impact on HiNRG as they are on house, where producer-oriented groups (like Technotronic, Black Box, etc.) with interchangeable members are becoming the norm. No one is really certain who Obsession is, other than to say that it's the brainchild of producers Martyn Norris and the amazingly talented Rod Warren. With three high energy hits to the team's credit in just over a year's time, they're obviously onto a successful formula so who cares?

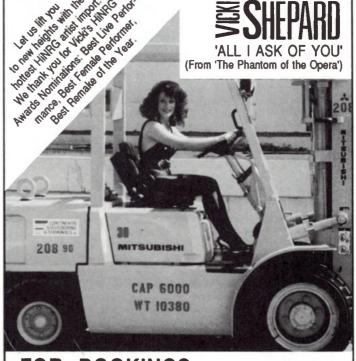
Ditto for Midnight Shift, actually a pseudonym for the efforts of UK HiNRG veteran Robin Wright. His remake of "California Dreaming" was one of the last season's biggest hits and he is also one-half of the recording duo of Wright and (Kim) Leeson, who scored an NRG hit of their own earlier this year. Wright is also an integral part of another popular new HiNRG act, Powerbass. Powerbass is a trio-in-transit, however, as their lead singer, Alison Limerick departs for a solo career. Still, it was as much Wright's magical touch as producer/ arranger that made Powerbass' recent top five smash, "Someday We'll Be Together" the success that it was.

Stateside, all eyes this year would seem to be on Megatone's stable of rising stars. Ellyn Harris stole most of the attention at this year's Winter Music Conference in Fort Lauderdale with her winning smile and fabulous live rendition of "I Specialize In Love" in the new artist showcase at the Marriot. Harris has toured with Dan Hartman and opened for Rodney Dangerfield and this year, thanks to the efforts of her producer, Ernest Kohl, seems poised for major dance industry attention with her fabulous remake of Sharon Browne's classic disco anthem.

Mark Albano is another US artist with a promising future ahead of him. This native New Yorker started in the business as a club DJ. His interest in recording was fostered after working with Man Parrish and Paul Zone on a remix project and he soon began recording on his own as one-half of the duo Knew Romeo, which scored a major regional radio and club hit with their remake of "Rock Me Gently." In the year that he's been on his own, the muscular singer/songwriter/producer has had two HiNRG hits, with a third on the way, on New York-based independent CJM Records. CJM is also the home of Stephen Keyes, the handsome young up-and-comer who hit briefly some seasons back with "Walk Away." Though music is his first love, Keyes hasn't given up his lucrative day job (he's a much-sought-after fashion illustrator). If his new single, "Cherry Pie," does anywhere near as well as key industry insiders are predicting, he may be forced to put down his pencils for good!



Ellyn Harris performing at the Winter Music Conference



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### HINRG At The Crossroads

ith this, DMR's second annual issue saluting contemporary HiNRG dance music, we as a community find ourselves faced with a future that is at once promising and confusing. Some stumbling blocks remain while others appear to have been finally vanquished once and for all. The various aspects and interests of the all sides of the HiNRG industry appear to be mobilizing and coordinating their respective efforts as never before. Perhaps most promising of all have been the high profile panel discussions at last year's New Music Seminar and the especially successful one at this past spring's Winter Music Conference in Fort Lauderdale. That panel brought together a well-balanced, diversified cross section of the new HiNRG community, more intent on problem-solving than any dance industry pow wow in recent memory.

Instead of the glad-handing, back-slapping tone of the HiNRG panel at last summer's New Music Summer, where panel participants seamed to be reciting "Why I Like HiNRG Music" essays with school boy

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precision, the Winter Music Conference's "HiNRG: Where Do We Go From Here?" panel quickly outlined the format's image and marketing problems and got down the business at hand: finding solutions.

With a well-balanced line-up of high profile artists, like Vicki Shepard and Ernest Kohl, and knowledgeable behind-the-scenes players from various aspects of the industry, moderator Dean Ferguson sought first to identify the stumbling blocks that contemporary HiNRG releases face and then the possible solutions. Major labels, it was noted, almost without exception, fear signing HiNRG singles because of the label "gay music" so frequently tagged onto records as

they approach the 130 BPM level. This promoted several panelists to call for a new moniker for energetic dance music, similar to the word "dance" replacing "disco" in the early eighties. Suggestions like "power pop" 'pop-NRG" were bandied about while others argued against the need for a new label, pointing to the ground broken in 1990 by radio stations like Miami's Power 96 and KISS 108 in Boston. In the latter market, records like "Stronger Than That" by Cliff Richard managed to be both HiNRG and Top 40 pop hits, with no semantic changes required, after proving themselves in "Hot Mix" or "Dance Party" weekend shows.

By Johnny "Lauderdale" Danza

"Hot Mix" radio shows were focused on as a way to expand this music's audience. Traditional HiNRG records like "One Day" by Janet, a major Miami pop hit, and Pat & Mick's "Use It Up & Wear It Out" were sighted as solid examples of records breaking out of on-the-air dance party situations and into mainstream Top 40 where they belong. "They become pop records" said veteran DJ and WMC co-chairman Bill Kelly from his panel post. He added that, instead of looking for a new name for HiNRG, the industry should be looking at what is happening across the country with regard to new club programming trend called "Disco Inferno" or "Trash Disco." Kids, aged 18 to 21, he told the audience are dancing to classic HiNRG disco music by artists like Sylvester and loving it. Panelist Ray Cooper, president of Oak Lawn Records in Dallas, confirmed that this was a big straight club trend in his area as well, though he disagreed with Kelly's dismissal of the gay stigma and the need for a new, energetic catch phrase for the format. Cooper insisted that too much damage had been done to HiNRG's credibility in a number of areas for it to overcome the many negatives currently attached to its formerly popular acronym tag. In addition to the gay stigma, which he and others felt limited HiNRG's mainstream potential, Cooper pointed out that the format's widely recognized late-eighties quality consistency problem contributed to the lack of support the format's received in recent years form mainstream retail outlets. They had become understandably disenchanted, Cooper said, with the increasingly lackluster efforts of one-time heavyweight European HiNRG producers who had tried coasting along on reputations that have long since become irreversibly sullied.

The quality of commercial HiNRG, it was agreed, has to remain high if it is to continue regaining ground lost in recent years. Even with quality levels at their current high standards, panelist Vicki Shepard noted that it was up to the record companies to recognize the music's potential and work it harder. The need for promotional support is paramount, she continued, adding that "...Good music is good music. Let's get rid of the labels." Doug Fraser, head of the sales department at Watts Music, a major NY import 12" distributor, agreed. He summed it up for most early on when he said,

"HiNRG fans want songs, real songs," noting that for all the hoopla about rap, house, industrial and all of dance music's other sub-divisions, his company's biggest selling import last year was, without a doubt, the #1 HiNRG hit, "Use It Up & Wear It Out."



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APHRODISIAC "Just Before The Dawn"/"Your Love" Nu Groove 12" 078

Aphrodisiac was responsible for last

year's "Song Of The Siren," a track that brought both sensuality and ambience to the house underground scene. With "Just Before The Dawn," Aphrodisiac takes a rather different approach. While the ambience and sensuality are still evident, a new dimension has been added: the dimension of jazz. As a result you get a track that both underground fanatics as well as jazz buffs can appreciate. Not to be missed. Side-two contains the more experimental and minimal "Your Love," making this another good reason to pick up a copy of Aphrodisiac's latest accomplishment.

Mason Miller

BOOTSAUCE "Everyone's A Winner" Next Plateau 12" NP50158 Produced by The Fudge Brothers & Corky Lang

With their video just recently added to Video Jukebox, Night Tracks

and The Record Guides Studio Scene, these fun loving Canadians are breaking out big with their cover (originally done by Bootsy Collins) of "Everyone's A Winner." Not missing much of the original funkiness, this single should crossover to alternative and urban format radio with more exposure. The grooves on this record (Mousse Radio Mix, LP Version and Chocolate Movement Mix) are reminiscent of an early Ministry ("Cold Life") mixed with a Tower Of Power brass feel that delivers extremely competent musicianship. All in all, this is great surprising material coming from Next Plateau, with their all rap roster now sporting a funk/alternative band worth waiting for.

Karen Harris

**CHOSEN FEW** This garage "Positivity" styled Fokus 12" FK-005 **Produced by** groove origi-Man With No Name nally apand Swami V. peared on Fabu-

lous records as an import, and is presented by Fokus domestically with a remix and additional track entitled, "Revolution Of The Heart.'

"Positivity" did, and is continuing to do extremely well on the UK charts, and when you hear the sultry vocals of Constance, I'm sure you'll understand why. Like I said before, this track is a laid back garage style groove, with a mellow appeal, whatever that means. To put it simply, it just GOOOOD music! The original mix appears, and so does a remix by Well Hung Parliament, which does the song justice, and takes a deeper underground approach.

On the B-Side, "Revolution Of The Heart" utilizes a sample which even if it were in English, I might have some time to figure out. This sample is layered over a deep house groove, which is just perfect to blend "In The Mix" if you know what I mean. The Chosen Few are here domestically courtesy of Fokus, so at least give them a US welcome, by checking out this happening groove.

Mo Arora

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"Deep **CLUB HOUSE** "Deep in My Heart" In My Heart" **Atlantic Promo** origi-**Production credits** nally out not given on im-

been pick up by Atlantic for domestic release. This Italian house release I just can't stop playing in my club. With a catchy

piano hook, a fierce beat and relatively simple lyrics this production is sure to be a hit among house music lovers. On my advance copy there are four cuts. The A-side including the club version and radio version. On the B-side there is a very hip instrumental dub with a touch of jazz added to the track. Also, there is a second 12" version which has no piano and reaches slightly into the underground sound. Watch out for the remixes coming later this month by David Moralis. This record will definitely end up on your turntable again and again. It's sure to be a smash in any club.

Todd Greenhouse

"Girl," DAIZE w a s "Don't Want to Lose Daize's Your Love" b/w first "Wings Of Love" single Upstairs 12" UR0101 and did Produced by quite Daize w e 1 1 about a

year ago. Now the saga continues, and Daize returns with a 12" that has got plenty to offer. "Don't Want To Lose Your Love" is a mid-tempo hip-hip style groove that is already attaining airplay on the West Coast, with more stations nationwide soon to follow. This song combines vocals with a Spanglish rap and even approaches the sound of freestyle here and there. This track should do well for radio and crossover jocks while "Wings Of Love" should slam in the clubs.

"Wings Of Love" is a freestyle track which utilizes Daize's vocals, as well as various samples in a blend that is far superior to much of the freestyle product floating around. Even if you're not into freestyle, you must check out the "g-bonehausmix" which was done by Richard "G" and Frederick Nassar, which gives the word HOUSE a new definition. I should also add that there is also a remix by Tolga Katas which is

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All in all, Daize has got a lot to offer, for both radio and club jocks, so be sure not to let this single pass you by, it's like getting two hits for the price of one! For more info contact Upstairs Records at 408.292.6606.

Mo Arora

This 12" DJ JAZZY JEFF & should THE FRESH PRINCE appeal "Summertime" to all Jive 12" 1442-1-JD music Produced by lovers, Hula & K. Fingers with a rap that

brings back all of our familiar summer memories in the rapand-sung-chorus (by LaVette) mode. With the familiar "Summer Madness" samples from Kool & The Gang, "Summertime" is a laid back Cali style fun song that's still got enough beats and scratches to dance to as well. With six mixes in total, all pretty nice, this should prove a great comeback hit for the duo, and is already generating good sales on the retail front.

Karen Harris

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you should start reading the credits on your records. He is the mastermind behind the dope keyboards of most all David Morales mixes. His remix o the new 808 State has the potential of turning your dance floor inside out. It is a completely different than the original LP mix which I didn't care for. Running at 118 BPM, "Oooops" was remixed with the DJ in mind keeping the sound interesting while giving the DI room to breath. Although the production is pretty Moralis like, with lots of fierce keyboards and very little vocals, the ingredients of are their for a slammin house track. There a five different mixes included on this 12" with an extra bonus track called. "Ski Family" which is on the industrial edge. Two mixes done by Eric Kupper and two mixes done by 808 State. On the flip side there's a hip hop progressive version which will please your progressive fans. Don't be the last jock in town to be playing this record. Pick it up ASAP. Todd Greenhouse

This is **GEMS FOR JEM** o n e We're On The Move' F U N Debut (UK) record! Produced by This Steve Mac and Darren single Pearce too, is written,

performed, mixed, and produced by the same team! I think that it's great, within our own genre, Dance, we have such incredible talent. These projects go from conception to completion by the same group, not just snippets from everyone in the country. In my opinion, these are real art-

I understand that this record is already getting a lot of air play in the hipper clubs in New York. This comes as no surprise to me, but I though I should let the rest of the country in on it. This is another one of these records that crosses all venues. A groovey house record that sounds like Tommy Musto meets Frankie Knuckles. Techno Soul? Adequate percussion, a techno synthesizer, big bottom, and that fab Hamond organ sound again. It's like 808 State meets Crystal Waters, I love it! A little sample heavy but at least it's fresh. I particularly like the beat dropping out, you hear the sound of a needle (stylus) scratching across the vinyl, and an overdub saying, "Sorry About That." It's great! Buy it! Now!!!!!!!!

Tim Richardson

**LONNIE GORDON** "Gonna Catch You" **Groove Groove** Melody (Italy) Produced by Seven Inch

This belting, velvet piped singer was first heard from a

few years back and instantly gained our attention and admiration by achieving the #1 NRG hit of the year "No Regrets!" Followed by the now familiar Off Shore group when placed in the lead for the single "All Work And No Play," a "No Regrets" sound alike with different lyrics. Her talent was quickly recognized in England and Ms. Gordon was signed to Supreme Records, Ltd. Now out of the feature vocalist role, and right into the main spotlight as a solo act upon her third single. "Happening All Over Again" rocketed up all of the NRG/Eurobeat charts to command the top slot once again! After a few poorly produced singles, this Euro Diva has shipped yet another charttopper across to this side of the pond entitled "Gonna Catch

And that she will, with just one listen! Thanks to the help of M. Limoni, V. Semplici, and D. Davoli, who have written, arranged, and mixed one hell of a record! Original, yet familiar enough for the mainstream American market to digest. The familiar phrase comes from the obvious Black Box nuances. This is understandable since part of the conception team is D. Davoli, alias DJ Lelewel. Now check the credits on your Black Box remix, because DJ Lelewel was the one who performed his razor talents on the remixed single of "I Don't Know Anybody Else."

Comparisons can be made, however, similarity and rip-off are two different things. This

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track lacks the dated-ness of Black Box and breathes into Italo House '91! The choice is yours with two mixes to choose from, the Pub Mix and the Philly Mix, and Ooooooooo that a cappella ...This is real talent, I only hope that you're Gonna Catch It!

Tim Richardson

**ICE-T** OG Original Gangster Sire/Warner Brothers LP 26492 Produced by Ice-T, D.J. Aladdin, Afrika Islam, DJ Sij and Bilal Bashir

Ice-T should be hailed as the existential rapper 1991 for this recessive

nation. This album comes back hard, and with 23 tunes (more for your money - count em, although some don't qualify as actual songs) it's no wonder it's an Ice-T year. With a slammin

troduced on this collection as T's new black thrash band) and fresh funny cynical and nasty tracks like "Midnight" and "Prepared To Die" confirming his place in history, the Ice man is in total full effect here. If you can ignore some of the weaker wacked jump-onthe sex-tip-bandwgon chit chat between the tracks there's a slamming segue on side one starting with "Mind Over Matter" and ending with "Straight Up Nigga." The b-side's core begins with "Midnight" (a slower paced, but just as slamming ditty) and continues through to "Prepared To Die." Because there's so much lyrically on this album that's runs the gamut from life in gangster town to political injustice and awareness, it's hard to believe anyone that actually sits down and listens to OG Original Gangster could not find anything to

Karen Harris



Phil Da Costa and Damian La Gassick **Executive Producer** 

movement, I really do! I have been an NRG reporter since the inclusion of the chart in DMR with Mr. Casey Jones, and have continued with the informative and enthusiastic Mr. Dean Ferguson. Although, I must admit, I disagree with their point of view. Everything must evolve. Nothing stands still. That doesn't mean to dismiss, or for-

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I open my review with this statement, because "Movin' On" is a perfect example for my point of view. In my opinion, this is what HiNRG music should be today! A sophisticated SAWish production with that constant '90s big euro bottom. An uplifting percussion track, and a pretty piano progression. Once again, no credit is given to this sweet singing songstress, who delivers a point to be well taken. Love won't change my mind, I'm movin' on! Let this piece fill your floor with a pretty, positive, regret-free message.

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Rodeo **RODEO JONES** Jones are "Get Wise" Jayn e A&M (UK) Tretton, Produced by Graham Rodeo Jones and Plato. **Nigel Lowis** and Bens o n

Copeland. Together this trio, with production assistance from Brit mate Niggle Lowis, have written, performed, and produced the fab single "Get Wise."

Now for those who need a familiar name to take notice of a single, lets add the remix creed to David Morales. Mr. Morales has been as busy across the pond as he has on this side! Keeping

Brit buyers as busy as States buyers, filling as many grooves as possible! Does DMR stand for the David Morales Repertoire? This is not a dis', just a joke, I love his work, it just seems to be a full-time job keeping up with

Once again David has worked his haunting musical journey on the B-side entitled "the def mix." The second band to follow contains an arousing a cappella named "the eclipse mix." "See the streets so full of life. Let the music get you high. Smile and dance away the tears" -- so sweetly sung by lead vocalist, Jayne Tretton. Lay this beautiful passage over a pretty keyboard riff, add that NRGetic tambourine loop, and a beefed up house bottom, and you'll "Get Wise!" Definite James Taylor Quartet, Alison Limerick nuances here!

The A-side contains the radio mix, so why mention it (wake up radio!). Also another club oriented offering entitled "the foundation mix," which is exactly that, straight forward and rather commercial sounding. The Morales mix contains much more emotion, and is sequenced to really enhance the story behind this lovely piece of music. Isn't that why we so readily buy his work? Once again, excellent!!!!! Tim Richardson\

**GEORGE KRANTZ FEATURING DOUG** 

"Din Daa Daa '91" Cardiac 12" 3-4016-0 Produced by Jurgen Korduletsch and George Krantz

Rememb e r when t h e original "Din Daa Daa" on Popular

Records

could be heard in every venue worldwide? Well, the classic vocals of George Krantz are back, combined with the sounds of the 90s, and a touch of Doug Lazy for good measure. I wouldn't call this single a remake of the classic, it's more like a re-mix.

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Pete Waterman

### by Dean Ferguson

### HINRG/EUROBEAT

hough our peak summer season officially starts this week, HiNRG's traditional high-time is already in full swing with plenty of hot new products coming in daily now. Most of the genre's superstars are ready with their seasonal best so, without further ado, let's find out what's

### **ITALIAN HINRG RELEASES**

Den Harrow's latest, "Ocean" (Discomagic/124), is an engaging pop/dance departure from his usual Asian-flavored fare. A well-placed Harrow rap and an infectious whistle hook highlight the venerable disco star's strongest new single in years. Another dance veteran, Gloria Gaynor is back with yet another update from her classic repertoire. This time out "I Am What I Am" gets refreshed by the Italo high-house team of Landro and Zagni with

infinitely better results than the recently resurrected "Reach Out." The initial response from NRG jocks across America has ben enthusiastic, landing Gaynor solidly back in the top fifty chart this week at #43. Their favorite new Italian 12", though, is "Get Up" by Fifty Hertz (Discomagic/ 127), a rollicking high-house crowd-pleaser that zips up twenty notches on the new chart. Another hot Italo 12" breaking out this week comes as something of a surprise, considering its break-neck tempo. It's "Feel My Love" by Miriam (Disco Energy/139), a rousing, fullthrottle HiNRG single that's certain to be a favorite this summer with traditional NRG fans who favor a solid vocal performance and soaring melody over the usual aerobic fare.

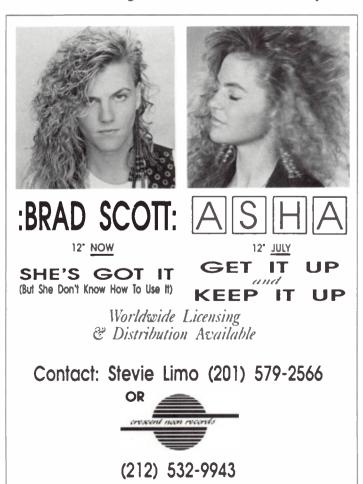
The latest from Coo Coo is an intriguing new 12" called "Loving You" (Flea/136) that sounds like a first rate Bad Boys Blue

single when pitched down to minus eight. The vocals aren't chirpy and the melody sounds so good that one can't help but wonder whether this, in fact, wasn't closer to the originally recorded tempo of "Loving You." It's marvelous! Ditto for "King Kong" by King Kong and D'Jungle Girls, another new Flea label release with optimum club potential pitched down to 130 BPM even though the Italo powers-that-be intended for it to clock in at a decidedly more aerobic clip. Also new on Flea is a terrific, pure HiNRG 12" from Donna Luna called "Come On, Come On" (138) that needs no slide bar adjustments at all. It's a brisk, bright summer winner that's got classic potential. Trust me, you'll love it!

There are some other nice new choices for the physically fit this week including "Tin Box" by Malcolm J. Hill (Flea/140), "Luv, Luv, Luv" by Barbara (Flea/133), "Love To Lover" by James Coller (A-Beat-C/142 -- well done falsetto vocals over a "Mighty Real" arrangement), "Tango, Tango" by Virginella (A-Beat-C/142, with a high impact cover shot to boot) and "Revolution" by the Italian Gang (Time/143, featuring solid, strong male vocals that can be sped up handily with no adverse affect at all). Italo high house fans may enjoy the retro-disco flavor of "Everybody Get Up" by Magic Marmalade (Italian Style/124) while sleaze fans should definitely check out the remake of Enya's "Orinoco Flow" by Melayne (Out/117), a vocally faithful cover enhanced here with a seductive, swing-shuffle beat.

### **GERMAN HINRG RELEASES**

"Illusion" by Lusia Fernandez and Peter Kent (Bellaphon/119) is a lovely, lilting summer single with some spectacular keyboard breaks dancing in and out of a





If you saw the PSB on their recent US tour, you know how good this one should be. especially if Neil Tennant's back-up singer, Sylvia Mason-James, is featured on the studio version as she was at Radio City Music Hall. Sylvia, a veteran performer who's toured as part of Voyage and the Frankie Goes To Hollywood ensembles, has an amazing vocal presence that must be heard to be believed!

dramatic, Asian-flavored arrangement. The vocals, too, are a delight, with alternating solo and harmony trade-offs that build beautifully. The latest from Culture Beat, "No Deeper Meaning" (Sony/121), has lots of familiar synth samples to highlight an NRGetic rap/high-house fusion certain to please fans of the group's repertoire. The gorgeous "Love Me, Please Love Me" by Avalanche (East West/ 102) could turn out to be this year's "Age Of Reason," with nearly unanimous top five reports coming in from after-hours programmers on both coasts and most stops in between. Don't miss

Gothic organ crescendos highlight "I Am Your Believer" (125). an Asian NRG stand-out on the new Bad Boys Blue album Game Of Love. This Coconut-label release also includes the trio's glorious comeback hit from last fall, "How I Need You," and their current chart-climber, "Jungle In My Heart." Additional noteworthy tracks include "Chains Of Love" (126, and not an Erasure cover), "Jenny, Come Home" (125), "I Need A Woman" (119), "I Don't Wanna Lose You" (at 122, my personal favorite) and a beautiful new after hours track, "I Don't Know Her Name" (100).

DJH is fooling no one with its "featuring Stephy" disclaimer on the label of their latest, "I Like It" (Wicked/121), unless, of course, Aretha Franklin has a nick name that none of us knew about. IT's the Lady Soul samples that make "I Like It" a winner and, accordingly, if I were you, I'd snap up a copy of this one quickly before the inevitable legal snafus start making them scarce.

Jinny's wonderful "Keep Warm" (Italian Style/126) is enjoying lots of cross country support these days. It blasts onto the HiNRG chart this week at #34 on the strength of more than a few enthusiastic top five reports coming in now from the West Coast and Florida almost three months after its initial release. "Keep Warm" is one of the oldest "overnight" hits we've seen yet!

### **BRITISH HINRG RELEASES**

We'd be nowhere without the input of DMR's invaluable panel of reporting DJs. This week, for example, they've brought to our attention the wonderful flip side of Jason Donovan's new 12". "R.S.V.P." in such numbers that we've now flipped the title order of this fast-climbing chart smash. It's called "When I Get You Alone" (125) and why it ended

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_1		PET SHOP BOYS—Where The Streets Have No Name (EMI)	130
_2		VICKI SHEPARD-All I Ask Of You Remix (Loading Bay)	129
_3		LA TOURPeople Are Still Having Sex (Smash/Polygram)	130
4	6	DESTINY LOVE-Call Me Tonight (Almighty-UK)	121
5	2	SECCHI featuring ORLANDO JOHNSON—I Say Yeahi (Epic)	120
6	9	LES BLUE BELLES—S.O.S. (Time-Italy)	130
_7	17	OBSESSION—If I Can't Have You (Almighty-UK)	122
-	11	BANANARAMA-Long Train Running (London-UK)	119
9	15	LONNIE GORDONGonna Catch You (GGM-Italy)	122
10	5	HAZELL DEAN-Better Off Without You (Liseon/PWL-UK)	123
11	13	KEEDY-Save Some Love (Arista)	121
12	8	QUANTIZEThere'll Always Be A Place b/w Stop (Passion-UK)	124/122
13	16	THE UPFRONT-Dim All The Lights (L.T.M.P.)	120
14	14	KIM APPLEBY-G.L.A.D. (Parlaphone-UK)	120
15	35	JASON DONOVAN-When I Get You Alone b/w R.S.V.P. (PWL-UK)124/122	
16	19	C&C MUSIC FACTORYLive Happy (Columbia LP cut)	125
17	21	BASSLINE featuring LIMAHL—Stop (Bellaphon-Germany)	126
18	20	NOMADDevotion (Capitol)	122
19	26	SWEET 'N' SOUR-Chinatown (VCN-UK)	134
20	7	KYLIE MINOGUE-What Do I Have To Do (PWL-UK)	124
21	24	EURYTHMICS-Love is A Stranger/2nd Remix (RCA-UK)	122
22	27	LIME-Babe, We're Gonna Love Tonight '91 (Almighty-UK)	130
23	41	KYLIE MINOGUE-Shocked/DNA-Harding & Curnow Remixes (PWL-UK)	122
24	12	BLACK BOX-Strike It Up (RCA)	119
25	10	THE ASSOCIATES—Just Can't Say Goodbye (Charlema)	126
26	23	PAT & MICK-Gimme Some (PWL-UK)	126
27	32	CLUBHOUSE-Deep in My Heart (Atlantic)	122
28	48	FIFTY HERTZ-Get Up (Discomagic-Italy)	127
29	22	MARIANNE-Passion (Discomagic-Italy)	135
30	47	GIPSY & QUEENEnergy (Time-Italy)	133
31	36	ELECTRONIC-Free Will b/w Get The Message (Warner Bros.)	126/106
32	_	ROZALLA-Faith in The Power Of Love (Pulse 8-UK)	125
33	38	DUSTY SPRINGFIELD—Born This Way Remix (Razormaid)	127
34	_	JINNY-Keep Warm (Italian Style-Italy)	126
35		SECCHI featuring ORLANDO JOHNSONKeep On Jammin' (ZYX-Germany)	122
36	33	ALISON LIMERICK—Where Love Lives (Arista-UK)	124
37	-	LISA JOHNSON-Love (Time-Italy)	136
38		AVALANCHE-Love Me, Please Love Me (East West-Germany)	102
30	_	BAD BOYS BLUE—Jungle in My Heart (Coconut-Germany)	121
40	_	BROTHERS IN RHYTHM—Such A Good Feeling (4th & B'way)	121
41	30	CRYSTAL WATERS—Gypey Women (Mercury)	120
42	_	TOUCH & GO-If I Were Venus (Megatone)	
43		GLORIA GAYNOR—I Am What I Am '91 (New Music-Italy)	140
4	25	F.R. DAVID—Words/91 Remix (Mint/Polygram-Germany)	122
45	34	CARTOUCHE—Feel The Groove (Scotti Bros)	122
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47		PJB/HANNAH & HER SISTERS-Bridge Over Troubled Water (CBS-Germany)	
48	10	CORA-I'm So Hurt (WEA-Germany)	116
	18	MAGNA CHARTER-Hymn (Electola-Germany)	120
49	44	CATHY DENNIS—Touch Me (All Night Long) (Polydor)	118
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### REMIX SERVICES

Since this is the Special HiNRG Issue, we'll appropriately begin this column with the review of an all HiNRG Remix Service titled "NRG For The '90s." This is a sub-service of Hot Tracks, (who, over the years, have always featured a healthy portion of NRG tracks on their releases), which concentrates specifically on NRG releases. Many of the cuts contained on the issues are included based on suggestions from club DJs, and often include import releases. New issues are released every six weeks on colored vinyl as an added treat. With the concept of Remix Services targeting specialty DJs (Urban, Street, Pop, Alterative, etc.) the formation of a Service aimed at the NRG market, one of the most specialized and erroneously maligned musical genres, seems only natural. I'll leave the editorializing on HiNRG in the capable hands

of Dean Ferguson though, so on with the magic!

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Cut number one is "G.L.A.D." (Kim Appleby) in a nice edit by Stephen Freeman, complete with break. Not a very energetic tune in my book, but still very popular. The second is "Just Can't Say Goodbye" (The Associates) in a digital mix with a helpful intro in a hi-house type sound. Kylie Minogue's "Shocked" is a much more suitable mix than the 12". This is one of her best efforts in quite a while. The last number is Sinitta's "Love, Love, Love," a pure NRG tune with pretty vocals in a well structured mix. Workable breaks and intros are a plus on all of these mixes are sometimes the import versions are hard to work. Contact 918.663.4567 for more informa-

### PRIME CUTS -**ISSUE 10**

Side-A kicks right in with 4Way! and their jam "With All My Love For You" complete with 32-32 intro, 32 break and a 32 outro. The mix gallops along smoothly but has fantastic drive. Simply outstanding! Nightcat continues with "#1 House Rule" clocking in at 122 BPM in a pop-house mix that moves flawlessly along and contains very tight edits and no unneeded samples. Culture Beat's "Tell Me That You Wait" grooves in at 98 BPM for an early or late night set, complete with 32 intro, break and outro. "Give It Up" from ZZ Top is next and although I find ZZ's vocals to be quite rough (bordering on irritating) the mix is sharp with clean editing and real punch. Definitely dance floor ready (but oh, those vocals!). The Bananarama mama's are next presenting "Preacherman" utilizing a more pop-oriented sound in the mix than that of Pop Mix's tough edged version. This version has some really tough repeat edits and sound effects and some campy vocal underlays that make this a fun mix after a somewhat slow start. Catch the stop edits after the break. Hot! Ok, wipe the sweat from your forehead and get back on the dance floor, because there's more! Twenty 4th Street to be more precise with "I Can't Stand It" destined for smash status presented here in a clean mix with a 32-32-32 break with "can't wait for love" overlays. This song is major! "This Time Make It Funky" (Tracie Spencer) is given the treatment it needed to make it suitable for club play. On the radio this song is just too lame, this mix however justifies the vinyl it's on. Well placed samples, edits and a tougher track are the keys here. Rounding out the issue is Lisa Lisa & Cult Jam's "I

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Wonder If I Take You Home (boyeeeeee)." For info phone 404.388.7500/FAX404.388.7463. This is without a doubt one of their strongest issues of late. Don't miss it!

### MEGA -- MIX / ISSUE 4

The ever talented Janet Jackson opens this issue with "State Of The World" a tune quickly garnering points for Remix Overkill Award consideration. Nevertheless, this mix has a cute intro with a cute "you ought to be thankful" tidbit and has some subtle samples placed here and there, and as has become typical of this service's mixes it jams out from the break to the end with the inclusion of a number of other J.J. songs, etc. From the break on would be hot in a mix show tape. "Feel The Groove" (Cartouche') has a restructured intro with samples and a house feel which is very impressive. Edits throughout are clean and the rap overlays are quite effective and well placed. One of their hottest remixes to date! Side-B starts with a well crafted Black Box medley

complete with sampling, scratching, sound effects, you name it they used it, included it, did it! Nice job! Digital Underground is the second cut on the side with "Same Song" utilizing some awkward Lisa Stansfield samples and gets cute after the break, but is just a little late. The Bingo Boys are up next "How To Dance" with the intro consisting of Sylvester's "Disco Heat" and a "let's see how you like this tune" and "we got a hot one for you" samples for stellar results, continuing into the vocal body of the song. Well edited mix covered by almost every Remix Service, nonetheless, they have all produced different and creative interpretations that I simply never tire of. Well done. Gerardo's "Rico Suave" is also included. A 122 BPM Latin Beat Mega-Mixx caps off the issue in a simply delightful medley of songs. Don't be mislead by the title as this is not a Freestyle medley (and don't turn up your nose at the thought of a Freestyle Medley or I'll slap you!). This is, however, a nicely structured mix of various songs

"Cuba," "Please Don't Go," "Conga," and a host of other Latin tunes -- can you name them all?). Also included are some samples and a capellas. The a capellas have the instruction from "How To Dance" replacing key words with expletive deletives as does the a capella of "Everybody Dance" edited to say "Everybody F--- now." Cute results. Probably their strongest of the four issues so far. The one problem is the sound quality. Although the pressings have cleaned up, the sound is still a little bit flat, with not enough bass. Nonetheless, the mixes are becoming more technical so with some work on the sound quality/production. this service could become a bigger player. Contact 800.899.MIXX for more information.

### HOT TRACKS/ SA 10 - 3

This edition begins with a superb rendition of the Pet Shop Boys and their latest smash "Where The Streets Have No Name" mixed by J. Mark Andrus. The mix was created using

the import version, adding percussion and drum lines along with some smart editing to produce energetic results. (This is ten times better than "Being Boring" and is even garnering radio action!). Next is Nomad's "I Wanna Give You Devotion" in a clear cut mix with the added feature of breaks, which the import lacked. Amy Grant is next with "Baby Baby" in a nice groove full of Soul II Soul samples (so much so I actually thought this was "Back To Life" when it began!). A nice concept. Sheila E.'s "Sex Cymbal" was edited and given additional production by Chris Cox. The song also has some new breaks and a few snappy edits form her previous songs. The song also has some new breaks and a few snappy edits from her previous songs. Certainly has more appeal in my book than the original 12". Side-C continues with "Good Beat" (Deee-Lite) with some new drum tracks running underneath giving int a flowing groove. "Mea

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### N THE RAP TIP

On The Move: Ascorching import of LL Cool I's "Momma Said Knock You Out" is making a little noise around the Big Apple. With the Rick James' "Give It To Me, Baby" music serving as the song's backdrop, it's a delight to hear. This special re-mix sort of reminds one of M.C. Hammer's "You Can't Touch This"... De La Soul's newest LP De La Soul Is Dead (Tommy Boy), produced by De La Soul and Prince Paul, is a deviation from their platinumplus debut LP and it sports a more mainstream sound. Fave songs include "Let, Let Me In," "A Roller Skating Jam Named 'Saturday,'" and the lead-off single "Ring Ring Ring (Ha Ha Hey)"... New joint by N.W.A. entitled Niggaz4Life (Priority) is hardcore to the max. Expect debates on this similar to those that surrounded their last controversial set Straight Outta Compton. This is definitely not for the timid and there are at least two particularly disturbing cuts, including "To Kill A Hooker" and "Findum, Fuckum, & Flee," nevertheless, this LP is better musically than their last platinum-selling endeavor and I must recommend this to the fans that enjoyed their last one. This will definitely sell well, especially

with the always sharp production skills of Dr. Dre and Yella ... . Son Of Bazerk's self-titled debut LP on Soul/MCA is well-worth the wait. Produced by Hank and Keith Shocklee, it pumps from beginning to end. Sampled-filled with heavy-metal touches bode well. The live musical instruments used on the tracks help to distinguish them from most of the others; however, it's the good material, outstanding performances, and well-produced songs that will blow them through the roof. Prime cuts include their first single, released earlier this year called "Change The Style," and "One Time For The Rebel." Don't miss this fabulous set . . . Elektra has dropped "Mr. Hood" by KMD, produced by KMD and Stimulated Dummies. We thought the tracks were interesting, particularly "Nitty Gritty" (with Brand Nubian), "Figure Of Speech," and the weird "My Hood Meets Onyx." Check it out ... "It's Hard Being The Kane" (Cold Chillin'/Reprise) by Big Daddy Kane is his newest single and he sounds similar to the Kane that came to prominence in the rap world with such jams as "Raw" and "Ain't No Half Steppin'." It could be a summer smash, especially if radio gives it a shot... The Tuff Crew are back

with a new 12" Single called "Immy Crack Corn" (Soo Deff/ Warlock). Taken from their third album Still Dangerous, "Jimmy" is a catchy up-beat number with an interesting chorus. Radio should investigate. The flip-side's "Robbin Hoods" has a more underground feel to it as well as some enticing horn parts. Both songs merit your attention and were produced by L.A. Kid. The outfit may finally get much deserved recognition.

Rap-A-Thon: Lady Dee is getting ready for another spectacular display at Rap-A-Thon '91, the convention's 3rd annual meeting. Scheduled for September 12 - 15, it's a cozy, informal, and highly spirited event that promotes networking and casual discussions. Usually held in Atlantic City, New Jersey, she had decided to bring to New York this year. Unfortunately, the sponsors are not responding as well as one might expect. If you are a sponsor or know of a sponsor, contact Lady Dee at 609.927.4627. We're all in the same gang.

Record Pool Spotlight: As the first in a series of spotlights on record pools, we start with Bill Rickett's Record Pool based in Saddle

Brook, New Jersey. "We began [operating] eight years ago...we have 50 members." Bill Rickett. Pool Director, says proudly. One of the things that distinguish them from other pools is that each DI rates each release they receive using a rating scale from one to five -- one being fair and five a potential hit. The DJs actually rate their opinion of the record, the crowd's response, and they often give their personal opinion. This serves as usable feedback for record labels and makes Rickett's Record Pool one of the most efficiently ran record pools around. Bill may be contacted at 201.478.5764.

Stuff: MC Lyte and Audio Two are preparing their next albums for the First Priority Music label which is distributed by Atlantic Records . . . Steady B has a new single out called "Pay Me" (Jive) ... Giant recently released "Pump It Up (Nice An' Hard)" by Icy

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Peace and Love!

### HAZELL DEAN

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think I'd be good at it, but it's really not something that interests me now," leading us nicely into the question of whom she might like to be involved with her next project, other than Stock Aitken Waterman. She wouldn't answer for the record but among the names being bandied about at this time are Nigel Wright, Youth and, a personal favorite of Hazell's, the Pet Shop Boys. "I'd love to work with them, but nothing's definite at this time."

With an infectious confidence in her voice, Hazell told us in closing that "...It's time to move on and move off. I've had lots of hits in the eighties and it's time to really get started on the nineties!" Watch out world, here comes the new Hazell Dean. The 1990s will indeed be her decade!

Be sure and catch Hazell on her current world club tour, which brings her here to the US in July and early August. "I love coming to the States," Hazell told me during our first meeting last fall in New York adding that the audiences at her club dates here are more exciting than anywhere else. For booking information, contact Pat Mayfield in New York at 212.580.0470.

### **SUPREMES**

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ately and Lynda and Scherrie's favorites include Luther Vandross and Oleta Adams. "I like Kool Moe Dee" says Jean with a laugh, explaining further that her teenage children have more of an influence on her taste in music than she'd realized! All three are dedicated, polished professionals who enjoy, more than anything else, please an audience. Although they currently have no booking agent here in the US, interested parties can contact Rick Gianatos at Motor City Records in Los Angeles. The number is 213.469.1733.



### H.O.U.S.E. WOR

emorial day weekend (Sunday, May 26th, to be exact) saw Tony Humphries making a "One Night Only" return to Club Zanzibar.

It was truly a special event with everyone (and I do mean everyone!) there to welcome Tony home, if only for one night. (The only thing missing was Stephanie Mills performing "Home.") Humphries treated us to some fierce music but he was never really able to get things movin' in a serious manner. Could this be due to the performances that went on way-too-long??? I think

While the intentions were good to showcase mostly new talent, the show got too tired too soon. And the majority of this new and as of yet unsigned talent did nothing to create excitement. By the eighth act, close to half of the clubgoers had exited the Zanzibar doors.

But the show did feature some special highlights: Ceybil's a capella intro to "Love So Special" -- any doubts about her real singing capabilities were quickly put to rest as she brought the house down with a vocal delivery that was nothing short of fierce! Also creating a ferocious stir was D'borah who more than ably performed "Keep On Pumpin' It Up" and her new single "Dream About You." D'borah creates a truly supreme stage presence. She is someone to watch out for!

Something else to watch out for is the deep, deep house groove of "Positivity" by the British-based outfit Chose Few (Fokus Records -- contact 212.472.7975). Originally released a while back (on Fabulous Records out of England), "Positivity" found its niche with DIs wanting to bring back real music to the dancefloors. Seductive soprano sax (played by Joe Doherty) and jazz-inflected George Benson-like guitar grooves (played by Les Davidson), mixed with a slammin' rhythm track, are the perfect ingredients for the strong vocal delivery by Constance, And we simply cannot ignore the synth fills which coat the song in a dream-like state. Just beauti-

Equally beautiful is the Robert Owens-like quality of "The Voyage" by Subculture featuring Marcus (Strobe Records -- con-416.461.0585 416.857.3169). Subculture is a concept stemming from the merger of two minds: producer Hayden Andre Brown and vocalist Marcus. Together, these two men combine classic smooth-ascan-be vocalizing with deep basslines and soft piano sprinkles to create a true underground sound. Subculture has created not only a sound but also a feeling that captivates the soul.

Those who played Kriss Coleman, Ron Wilson, Robert Owens, and The It in the past will not want to be without "The Voyage." Featured on the B-side is an all-too hypnotic Garage-styled synth-filled groove entitled "Come Back." Once again, we get treated to the sublime vocals of Marcus. You have been warned...

Nelson "Paradise" Roman, acting as executive producer and project coordinator, presents Big Beat Revolutions -- Volume One (Big Beat Records -- contact 212.691.8805). Featuring deep house grooves by a variety of producers and artists, this fab compilation perfectly recaptures the inner essence that was once the Garage. Standout cuts include the diva-induced and Bluejean produced "Forever And Always" by Calandra; Sonya Collins' ferocious "Came Into My Life;" the hypnotic Jamie Principle-like "I Don't Want To Go" by Men Without Cause; and, the only instrumental on the EP -- Rags' "Abstract."

peaking of the Garage, it was about 10 years ago that Larry Levan first treated us to a French import by George Kranz entitled

"Din Daa Daa." From its first time on Larry's turntables, "Din Daa Daa" became a classic that, whenever played, would cause the dance floor to vibrate! A vibration not only caused by the club's massive sound system, but also by the tribal-like actions displayed by the partyers. That was then...

This is now...Summer 1991 sees the return of this classic in the form of "Din Daa Daa '91" (Cardiac Records -- contact 212.977.8020) in completely restructured and remixed versions. The Anniversary Mix (named for the song's 10th Anniversary) combines soulful keyboard work (that utilizes an element or two from the Black Box sound) with slammin' bass and percussion. It is on the Din Daa Daa's Doin' It Mix, though, where things really heat up. On this mix, a cameo appearance is made by hip-house Doug Lazy, who ably turns the grooves inside out. And, on this

mix, no Black Box nuances are felt. Should be huge.

But for those desiring more Italo-house sounds (and I count myself as one), you must obtain a copy of Brothers In Rhythm's sample-induced "Such A Good Feeling" (4th & B'way Records -- contact 212.995.7800). First appearing as a British import, "Such A Good Feeling" has been scooped up for domestic mass consumption. And there is absolutely no reason why it should fail in generating club excitement.

hose of us from the "old school" will more than embrace the song's sampled catch-phrases from our fave classic "Always There." And, those of the "new school" will look at the vocals as new and totally fresh.

Both schools, though, will greet the ferocious rhythm track

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### HINRG/EUROBEAT

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up a "B" side selection is beyond

Written and produced by Stock Aitken Waterman, this is perhaps Jason's most exciting performance since "Too Many Broken Hearts" and it should put him back on top in no time at all!

A new remix by Band Of Gypsies adds some wonderful pizazz to Rozalla's new 12", "Faith In The Power Of Love" (Pulse 8/125). It's a first class, commercial high-house offering every bit as tasty as her popular debut, "Born To Love Ya," which is now available in the US via Hot-distributed Radikal Records. "Movin' On" by Ipso Facto (Debut/1212) is an interesting dance hybrid. Silky, Sonia-styled vocals float over a jazzy, lightly high-house production similar to "Cruising For Bruising." It's got a dreamy quality that should insure lots of ocean exposure in all of America's HiNRG hot spots this summer.

Subtle "Hold On To My Love" hooks add sparkle to the chorus on "Total Stranger" (122), just one of the many fab tracks on the new Dead Or Alive album, Fan The Flame. Although the latest collection from these prolific UK hit makers is only available right now on an import CD from Epic/ Japan, it's simply too good to wait for! "Gone 2 Long" (127) is the kind of alternative-slanted HiNRG we die for, as are the tracks "Unhappy Birthday" (128), "Your Sweetness Is My Weakness" (121), "What Have U Done" (120) and "Then I Met You" (124). DOA frontman Pete Burns has never sounded better and the vocal assist he gets from perennial NRG fave Tracey Ackerman on cuts like "Lucky Day" (124) is sublime. Don't miss this

### **AMERICAN HINRG RELEASES**

Hipshot is back this week with their eagerly awaited follow-up to last year's sensational "Meet Me In Heaven." It's called "New World" (Play/125) and, from the opening notes, you'll realize that this one's a killer. It's funky, infectious and bound to propel this Cleveland-based trio into the national spotlight in no time at all. Glorious Erasure/ New Order/Depeche-styled vocals weave gracefully in and out of one of the best pop/dance productions you'll hear this year. The group can count on their HiNRG and alternative support base to be on this one in a heartbeat! For further information, contact the label directly at 216.467.4271.

Claudja Barry is back with a new label (RCA) and a new sound (Euro-house) on her latest, "Love Is An Island" (122). Produced and mixed by Jurgen Korduletsch, Claudja's new 12" is already an NRGetic East Coast favorite and we can't imagine the rest of the country being too far behind. Check it out!

With their beautiful "Cloud 8" a favorite to win the "best after-hours single" honors at this vears HiNRG Awards, Frazier Chorus makes it two-for-two (hits, that is!) with an equally impressive follow-up called "Nothing" (Charisma/118). Remixed from the original import by Paul Oakenfold, "Nothing" is nothing short of spectacular! Get on this one quickly, boys, before pop radio finds out about it and steals the credit. Another noteworthy new single that deserves to break out of HiNRG clubs first is the CJM Records debut of handsome Stephen Keyes. Keyes had some success in 1987 with a HiNRG remake of Donna Summer's "Walk Away" but this new one, "Cherry Pie" (126), should take him all the way this time. Written by Sade, this track is subtly seductive high-house of the highest caliber, co-produced by Keyes and labelmates Mark Albano and Mark Styles. It's the singer's smooth, masculine vocal presence, though, that really makes this one work. Contact the label directly at 212.206.1549 for more informa-

Although it's set to be preceded this week by its import counterpart, Bananarama's first stateside studio collection in almost four years is due to hit the street here by month's end.

Called Pop Life, the album features both of the trio's current chart hits, "Long Train Running" and "Preacher Man," and enough fresh winners to continue their present hit streak well into 1992. Particularly impressive tracks include the Goodfellow & Kaneproduced "Is Your Love Strong Enough" (110), the dark, infectiously rhythmic Youth production "Megalomaniac" (118) and two new ones from the Stock Aitken Waterman team, "Heartless" (121) and "Ain't No Cure" (125). The latter SAW contribution to the album is an amazing composition that's right up there with the best PWL productions from the last five years. It's got "instant classic" written all over

At presstime we'd just gotten word of two new releases worthy of your immediate attention. The first is a new Pet Shop Boys 12" coming from Parlaphone-UK. It's "Losing My Mind" backed with "Jealousy" and, if you saw the PSB on their recent US tour, you know how good this one should be, especially if Neil Tennant's back-up singer, Sylvia Mason-James, is featured on the studio version as she was at Radio City Music Hall. Sylvia, a veteran performer who's toured as part of Voyage and the Frankie Goes To Hollywood ensembles, has an amazing vocal presence that must be heard to be believed! The other new release to watch for this week in the new Lime album and single, "Caroline," finally shipping from Unidisc in Canada after almost two years of delay.

That's all for this time out. Be sure and take a moment to fill out and send in your ballot for this year's Third Annual HiNRG Awards elsewhere in this special issue of DMR. It must be postmarked no later than June 27th. so do it today! Your opinion is the one that matters most of all. Here's wishing you a wonderful start to a HiNRG summer filled with fun, love and money (FLM)!

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Culpa" (Enigma) mixed and added production by Germany's Volker Lindner with editing by Chris Cox. The boys have taken an otherwise lackluster mix and added a multitude of lively little things for your listening pleasure including samples, sound effects and tidbits taken from other tunes with fantastic results. A lot of time and effort truly pays off! "Where Love Lives" is a straightforward mix with some nice breaks, edited by Durling and Latif of Poolwest. Kon Kan's "Better Days" is a pretty, laid back tune given some nice breaks, but I just can't get very excited about the tune or the mix. This issue is also available on CD containing three additional bonus cuts. Mantronix's "Step To Me (Do Me)" is the first followed by TKA with "Give Your Love To Me." This definitely should have been included on the vinyl version (a major, major dis is in order for the omission!). It starts with a

campy little intro and jams to the maximum with samples running tastefully rampant throughout ("Funk Boutique," "Respect," some Foreigner riffs, and many other tidbits, so listen carefully!). The last bonus is a cleaned up edit of Bananarama's "I Heard A Rumour" (a Hot-Flash Back). All in all a very worthwhile package in either form. It will, however, take me quite a while to forgive the exclusion of TKA on the vinyl release. How could you do this!?! Contact Hot Tracks at 918.663. 4567 or FAX 918.663.4569 to order.

### POP MIX -- BEST OF CD 4

This Berkeley, California based service releases CD Remixes which should definitely be of interest of DJs with CD players. The mixes are well structured and the edits are typically clean and contain some interesting tricks. This release contains 12 tunes: "ESP" (Deee-Lite), "I've Been Thinking About You" (London Beat), "How To Dance" (Bingo Boys), "Sadeness" (Enigma), "State Of The World"

(Miss Jackson, if you're nasty!), "People Are Still Having Sex" (La Tour), "Tell Me That You Wait" (Culture Beat), "I Can't Take The Power" (Offshore), "The Great Commandment" (Camoflage), "Being Boring" (The Pets), "Flashback Jack" (Adamski) and DJ Break Beat Part 1. Highlights of this CD will follow in the next issue, but for info contact James Lee at 415.463,8809.

### OTHER UPDATES

Art of Mix Heartland 2 and Precision 2 are now available, although I have not received them yet, you can call 415.942.5988 for the details. Clubtrax 18 is in the works and will be ready toward the end of July. For other info on this service contact Ty Coleman at 704.541.6499. Reviews of new material form Ultimix (919.271 .2781), Disco Mix Club (212.777. 6676), Mixx-It (415.367. 8126), Rhythm Stick (707.632. 5446), Metromix & EMix (now based in California (818.906.6635) and Discotech (202.797.2325) are imminent. 'Till next time, keep those dance floors jammin'!

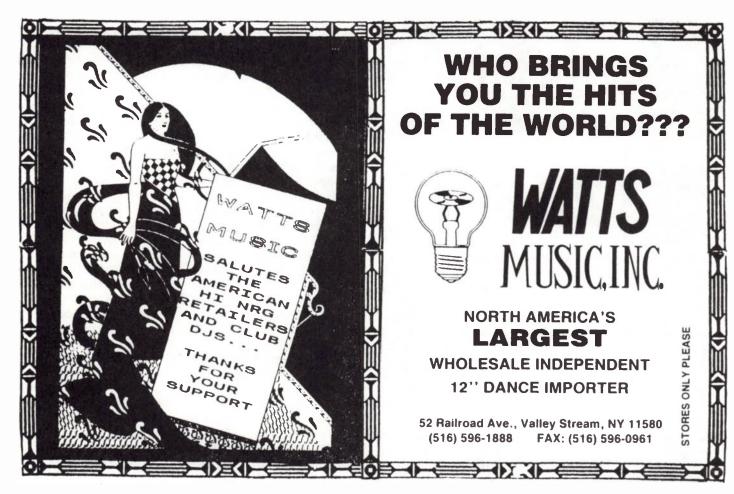
### REVIEWS

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This single is very housey, with the 808 congas being the driving force behind the track. The reminiscent chants of George Krantz can be heard throughout, with the masterful rhymes of Mr. Lazy kicking in just in time, making this track very mellow, yet substantial on a musical level. With a total of four mixes, you just can't go wrong. The Anniversary mix, is instrumental with a sparse use of some chants, while the remaining three mixes give a more powerful presentation, utilizing all that this single has to offer.

Who would ever think that George Krantz and Doug Lazy could be found on the same song, I would have never guessed it! Well, any way it's true and this single is HOT!

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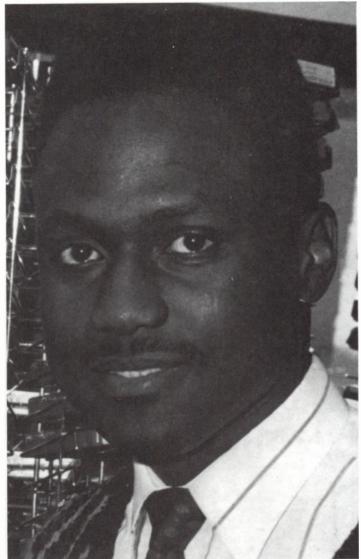


### RHYTHM RADIO

### THOMAS BACOTE

**WVEE 103.3** 

Atlanta, GA



Thomas Bacote has been at WVEE officially for three years after a one year internship following college, initially in the research department. His other college radio experience stems from Troy State University's WTSU, a National Public Radio affiliate, and WXLE and WIZB in Abbeville. As with many programmers, Thomas also began working in the industry as a club/ mobile jock in a mobile service since high school.

"I had a chance to work with qualitative and quantitative information, and with Arbitron and Birch ratings as a research assistant," he remembers. "After I got that position, I decided not to go to graduate school, and set my goals on becoming a part of the programming department. Ray Boyd, former program director, gave me a weekend slot, and from there things took off.

"We have been an urban since the mid seventies, when WVEE first came on the air," he continues. "Before us, the most predominant black station in the market was WAOK which is now

gospel in format. WALR is the other urban FM station in this area, and they're actually urban/ adult contemporary. WVEE is broader demographically. Another major difference for us generally is that WVEE is comity, but we try to stick to the singles as much as possible."

Club wise, Thomas feels the local scene could be stronger. "I would like to see the club scene expand a little bit wider here. We're pretty successful with our

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munity oriented. We're very visible, and focus on serving the community - people are happy with WVEE, and believe and depend on us."

Known as a alternative/college oriented town, WVEE's ratings success in Atlanta proves the tremendous popularity of dance music nationwide. WVEE has maintained a number one rating with both Arbitron and Birch for the last eight books. And, although they are urban in format, club and dance music plays a large part in its music programming.

"Urban has a particular sound, and it's typically categorized as being somewhat uptempo," he admits. "There are certain things we stay away from that are pop or lean toward CHR. In a lot of cases, there are songs that also cross over. We follow what's being released. Sometimes if all the hits are ballads, we play the ballads. Urban radio as a whole in the last couple of books has been ballad heavy. We could go in and start playing a lot of LP cuts, but from a ratings standpoint, audience familiarity and video promotion standpoint, it would hurt us, because we'd be playing a lot of cuts that don't receive any support or reinforcement outside of the radio station. We occasionally play album cuts from a hot album to satisfy that part of the audience curios-

mix show in exposing new street product," Thomas observes. "There are cuts like the new Lisa Lisa single, which do pretty well on that show, but are not necessarily in regular rotation. We look to the clubs for tips on new music for the mix show, as well as our regular playlist. We also tape a video show from a dance club."

In terms of what he would like to see more of in radio, Tom feels, "musically, I'd like to see adults accept the overall dance and rap scenes better. I think radio programmers in general would like to see that. I think certain types of dance/rap are creating a generation gap. Our focus is 18 to 34, with a lean towards the 25 to 34 age group.

"In terms of rap, if it's a hit, we're gonna play it. I hope the listening audience accepts rap more in the future as well. With CHR you only hear the Vanilla Ice's and M.C. Hammers'. We play a little bit more, like Chubb Rock and Yo-Yo. We have a Friday Fresh Party, where we expose more rap for two hours. During the week we play it after 5 o'clock - the usual day-part.

"We will continue to play the hits and be very research oriented," he concludes. "That's what has put us on top, and that's what will continue to keep us on top."

### TASTEMAKERS

LOU BENNETT

KQXL 106.5 BATON ROUGE, LA

The New Jack City LP is phenomenal - we still get a lot of requests for the Color Me Badd "I Wanna Sex You Up," and "Keith Sweat's "There You Go Again Telling Me No." Last week we started playing the Shirley Murdock "In Your Eyes," and it's a great record, similar to "As We Lay." Ray Parker Jr. has a new cut called "Get Some," and it's happening. Another record to look out for is Ready For The World's "Straight Down To Business." It's another hit for us. The big one is from DJ Jazzy Jeff & The Fresh Prince with "Summertime." What a great record.

**DANA HALL** 

WILD 1090 BOSTON, MA

Records that are blowing out of the water are the Crystal Waters "Gypsy Woman" as I'm sure it is across the country. We couldn't get it here fast enough. The new Lisa Lisa is great. For radio we had to cut down the remixes because they were too long. Anyone not playing the Sounds Of Blackness yet is crazy - they are my favorite group right now.

**DAVE WYNTER** 

KMJM 107.7 ST. LOUIS, MO

DJ Jazzy Jeff & Fresh Prince's "Summertime" seems to be setting the pace for what's gonna happen as far as summer is concerned. Gladys Knight's new one "Men" is prompting a lot of phone calls. Boys II Men have done a reprise of the tune from the Cooley High soundtrack called "Say Goodbye To Yesterday" and it's our most requested song. MC Breed's "Ain't No Future In Your Frontin" is doing well. "Judy" and the first single from Whodini's LP are doing well.

**RICK HAYES** 

KTFM 102.7 SAN ANTONIO, TX

We're having some good luck with the Stereo MC's record. "Love Desire" by Sandee is doing pretty good - we took the 12 inch version and cut it down to custom build it. The Yasmin "Do You Wanna Dance" works well for us, We have the Keith Sweat ballad

"There You Go Telling Me No" off the New Jack City soundtrack which is blowing out the phones. They're releasing another one called "Your Love." Another good one is from Hi-5 called "I Can't Wait Another Minute." Of course, the C&C Music Factory's "Things That Make You Go Hmmm" seems to be catching on very quickly. The strong ones still continue to be the Corina and the C&C Music Factory first single as well. The Betty Boo seems be making a move on the mix show. Yo-Yo is still very strong. We're starting to get a vibe on the D'zyre record.

KIM STEVENS

WUSL 99.9 PHILADELPHIA, PA

The new DJ Jazzy Jeff & Fresh Prince "Summertime" is kicking. Small Change is doing very well with "Why." The Sound Of Blackness' "Optimistic" is really taking off. The new Gladys Knight single, "Men" seems to be taking off also. DJ Quik's "Born And Raised In Compton" looks good on the rap show. The Crystal Waters continues to do well

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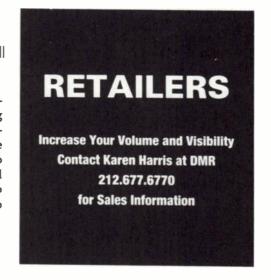
WNCI 97.9 COLUMBUS, OH

Luther Vandross, Black Box, Crystal Waters all are hot. Nomad "Devotion" and Lenny Kravitz' new one "It Ain't Over Til It's Over" are hot.

LEE CHESTNUT

WAPW 99.7 ATLANTA, GA

The hottest new dance record for us is Corina's "Temptation." It should follow in the footsteps of the Lisette Melendez. We just added the new Tara Kemp, "Piece Of My Heart." Titiyo's "My Body Says Yes, But My Mind Says No" we've been getting requests on constantly. The Rhythm Syndicate's "P.A.S.S.I.O.N." is a smash. It sounds like a really good old Prince record. Black Box's "Strike It Up" has turned out to be the biggest hit here for them. EMF's "Unbelievable" gets bigger and bigger every week. We're playing "Promise Of A New Day" as an LP cut on the new Paula Abdul LP. It sounds really good. We just got some remixes on the Jesus Jones "Right Here Right Now," and it's turned out to be a truly mass appeal hit. The David Stewart Candy Dolfer "Lily Was Here" is a cool midtempo afternoon track. Gerardo's "We Want The Funk" is following in the footsteps of "Rico Suave."





The biggest news in the independent music scene is the closing down of Rough Trade. Rumors circulated for months that the UK company would close and the American offices assured us they were financially separate and so would not be affected After months of speculation, Rough Trade UK, it seems, has been bought out by Pinnacle, another UK based independent distributor. What this means exactly for the label (as opposed to the distributor) is unclear to me. However, the big shock came when Rough Trade US filed for bankruptcy just last week. Reports that they had private investors lined up proved untrue when they backed out at the last minute. So what effect does this have on the indie scene? A major one, unfortunately. Labels like Ampehtamine Reptile and Twin/ Tone relied on the company to get their releases out to the stores and ultimately the consumers. Now, some indie labels are putting their new releases on hold until alternative means of distribution have been sorted out. What's happening is the remaining distributors are being bombarded by the labels and bands that went through Rough Trade in an attempt to keep things moving. But unfortunately Rough Trade in an attempt to keep things moving. But unfortunately Rough Trade closing down is not something that happended in a vacuum.

This is a direct result of the recession and so is impossible to ignore any longer. Rough Trade was not getting paid the money they were owed and so not able to pay those they owed money to. And so the vicious cycle goes until the company collapses. Other independent distributors were complaining about cash flow problems and, therefore, are limiting the releases they are willing or capable of picking up.

The common misperception is that the entertainment industry is somehow immune to a recession though we're seeing this isn't true. Concert ticket sales are down; it's getting harder for

"marginal" acts to tour. Major labels are saying that record sales are down by a significant percentage. So it's not only the independents that are being hit but they're being hit the hardest. If these labels generally sell a few thousand of each title, any cutback on sales can put them in the red. Plus, it's harder for them to collect. Plus, if sales are down many accounts may prefer to stock the quick sellers (i.e., Paula Abdul) and not something that may sit there for a couple of months

So what does all of this mean for the artist? Certainly the news isn't good. Swans just released a brand new album on Michael Gira's own label Young God distributed exclusively through Rough Trade. The album gets favorable reviews in the press, fans are anticipating the LP and the initial orders sell out. So now people are aware of the album's existence, wonderful poster displays are up at retail but the CDs and cassettes are locked up in the warehouse in San Francisco.

Not only do they not have access to their own records which they paid for, but it's unlikely they'll see any money for the ones that were sold.

The Butthole Surfers were Rough Trade's most successful band so with their history and recognition they should get a new deal with relative ease. But will they every be able to collect their royalties?

The Sleeping Pills have a buzz developing around them with their 12" cover of "Aquarius." Club DJs are playing it, people are starting to write about it. So where can anyone buy it? Rat At Rat R are in the same boat except they were able to get some of their records out of the warehouse and sell direct. But what happens to all these countless bands who relied on Rough Trade to get their records out there? Where's this all going? No one wanted to face it months ago when I first addressed this subject. I would say it's now hard to

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**NOUVEAU NATION** featuring C-**SCHMOOVE** "Ain't No Stopping Us Now" Arize 12" ARZ-401 Produced by **Edward Crosby** 

This is an idea whose time has come. Finally, we're treated hyped

hip house remake of the McFadden and Whitehead classic of the same title. If you buy one record this week, make sure it's this one.

"Ain't No Stopping Us Now" is done up with style and class in the Chicago hip house vein. Vocally and instrumentally this track excels. For best results check out the Radio Mix. However, for a more raw, stripped down

sound, any of the five remaining mixes should be perfect. Contact 312.784.4650.

Mason Miller

**THE RIOS SISTERS** "I Don't Want You Back\* Onna Roll 12" ONN-Produced by Frankie "Cutlass" Malave and K. Cunningham

For any die hard Freestvle aficionados The Rios sisters are true veterans to the mu-

sic scene. their previous hits were, "You,""Hold Me" and "Are You Looking For Love," which all had a substantial effect on the Freestyle dance scene. Well now they are back with a '90s sound and a new label, and they seem to be stronger than ever.

"I Don't Want You Back" is not one of those airy lovey dovey dance songs that make you want to gag, rather, it's a strong song with a hard edge which slams from beginning to end. There are four mixes in the somewhat traditional Freestyle vein, and two house interpretations. The house versions don't utilize the song as a whole, and take an altogether different approach. To give you a better example, when I first played the test press, I would have sworn that Todd Terry was responsible for the house version, that's how FIERCE these versions are!

This 12" is strong on an all around basis with much success closely at hand. I'm glad to see that Awidla and Mildred are back to entertain us with their trademark sound, and I'm sure you will be too!

Mo Arora

### **SUENO LATINO** featuring CAROLINA DAMAS

"La Puerta Del Sol" DFC (Italy) Produced by Persi, Collino, Moratto, and Sabadin Italian production t e a m burst into the US club scene last year with

This fab

their self entitled debut "Sueno Latino." This single gain huge success in the underground, and hipper NRG clubs. They followed up with yet another hit single "Luxuria," several months later. Now these gentlemen, and lady, are sure to please their avid auro savvy fans with this, their third hit single "La Puerta Del Sol."

Now that history lesson is over, let's move onto foreign language. To translate, Sueno Latino means "Latin Swing." La

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### West CASt Dance Tock Top 25

1 1	PET SHOP BOYS Where The Streets Have No Name (EMI)
2 2	ENIGMA Mea Culpa (Charisma)
3 4	JESUS JONES Right Here, Right Now (SBK)
4 3	EMF Unbelievable (EMI)
5 7	ELECTRONIC Get The Message (Sire)
6 5	XYMOX Phoenix Of My Heart (Wing)
7 8	HAPPY MONDAYS Bob's Yer Uncle (Elektra)
8 6	FRONT 242 Rhythm Of Time (Epic)
9	KLF 3 AM Eternal (Arista)
10 15	THE SISTERS OF MERCY Vision Thing (Elektra)
11 13	EON Spice (Vinyl Solution-UK)
12 16	CONSOLIDATED Brutal Equation (Nettwerk)
13 18	EMF I Believe (EMI)
14 10	THE FIXX How Much is Enough (Impact)
15 12	INSPIRAL CARPETS Caravan (Elektra)
16 11	KMFDM Split (Wax Trax!)
17 22	CABARET VOLTAIRE Body And Soul LP (Les Disques Du Crepuscule)
18 23	BIZARRE INC. Playing With Knives (Vinyl Solution-UK)
19	SWANS White Light FromInfinity-LP (Young God)
20	CHARLATANS UK Over Rising (Beggar's Banquet-RCA)
21	GANG OF FOUR Mall-LP (Fontana-Mercury)
22	I LOVE YOU I Love You-LP (Geffen)
23 21	GREATER THAN ONE InDex LP (Wax Trax!)

REVOLTING COCKS Beers, Steers and Queers (Wax Trax!)

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This chart was compiled from

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TC	LC		
1	4	YO-YO - Make Way For The Motherlode	East West LP 91605
2	12	DE LA SOUL - De La Soul is Dead	Tommy Boy LP 1029
3	5	DJ QUIK - Quik Is The Name	Profile LP 1402
4	7	NEW JACK CITY - Soundtrack	Warner Bros LP 24409
5	3	ED O.G & DA BULLDOGS - Life Of A Kid in The Ghetto	PWL LP 848-326
6	6	CHUBB ROCK - Treat 'Em Right	Select LP 9063
7	2	BRAND NUBIAN - One For All	Elektra LP 660946
8	1	GANG STARR - Step Into The Arena	Chryselis LP 21798
9	20	ICE-T - O.G. Original Gangster	Sire/WB LP 26402
10	13	MAIN SOURCE - Breaking Atoms	Wild Pitch LP WPL 2004
11	16	MC BREED & D.F.C MC Breed & D.F.C.	ichiben LP 4103
12	-	N.W.A NIGGAS4LIFE	Priority LP 57126
13	9	EPMD - Business As Usual	Def Jam LP 47067
14	8	L.L. COOL J - Mama Said Knock You Out	Def Jam LP C46888
15	10	CRAIG G - Now That's More Like it	Atlantic LP 82198
16	19	DJ MAGIC MIKE - Vicious Bass	Cheetah LP 9404
17	11	POISON CLAN - 2 Low Life Muthas	Luke LP E3001
18	15	GRANDADDY I, U Smooth Assasin	Cold Chillin' LP 28341
19	21	WHODINI - Bag-A-Trix	MCA LP 10201
20	18	DIGITAL UNDERGROUND - This is An EP Release	Tommy Boy EP 964
21	14	B.W.P No Face	Columbia LP 47068
22	17	THE GENIUS - Words From the Genius	Cold Chillin' LP 26475
23	22	KMC - Three Men With The Power Of Ten	Priority LP 57122
24	23	O.G. S.T.Y.L.E I Know How To Play 'Em	Rap-A-Lot LP 57151
25	24	MONIE LOVE - Down To Earth	Warner Dree   D 20250
26	30	TERMINATOR X - Terminator X And The Valley Of The	Seep Beats
27	27	ICE CUBE - KIN At WIN	Priority EP 7230
28	-	ANOTHER BAD CREATION - Cooling At The Playground	d Motown LP 8316
29	28	SALT 'N' PEPA - Black's Magic	
30	34	REDHEAD KINGPIN - The Album With No Name	Next Plateau LP PL1019
31	31	RODNEY O-JOE COOLEY - Get Ready To Roll	Virgin LP 91608
32	29	BOOGIE DOWN PRODUCTIONS - Live Hardcore Worldw	Nastymix LP 70300
33	36	SON OF BAZERK - Bazerk Bazerk	Jive LP 1425
34	-	GETO BOYS - Geto Boys	Soul/MCA LP 10028
35	-	DREAM WARRIORS - And Now The Legacy Begins	Def American LP 24306
36		RUN-D.M.C Back From Hell	4th & B'wey LP 444037
37	_	SHABBA RANKS - As Raw As Ever	Profile LP 1041
38	33	FATHER MC - Father's Day	Epic LP 47310
39		RAPPIN' IS FUNDAMENTAL - The Doo-Hop Legacy	MCA LP 10061
40		KING SUN - Righteous But Ruthless	A&M LP 5341
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Compiled by Ali Lexa from key West Coast DJs

- FARM Spartacus-LP (Sire-Reprise)

### H.O.U.S.E. WORK

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with the same amount of enthusiasm. Those wanting a retrostyled Italo-houser need check out the Hit Mix complete with fab keyboards, disco whistles and fierce breakdowns. Those desiring less Black Box influences and more "Luv Dancin'"-like qualities should investigate the Underground Mix. You will discover, however, that whichever mix you choose it is really the vocal samples that create the song's real strength. A must.

For more sample-induced tracks, you may want to check out the following: Royal Orchestra Ltd. (Fourth Floor Records -contact 212.472.7975) features bites from D'borah, The Bingoboys, Deee-Lite and others on "Itsa Nastee Rhythm..." This 15minute dancers' delight weaves breakdowns in and out of the

rhythm track making for some totally fierce transitions and mood swings. Flip the record over for the dreamy Mr. Fingers-like "How Do You Nastee?"...Strictly Rhythm (contact 212.246.0026), as usual, have a tasty offering entitled "I Need You So Bad Baby" by The Crucibles. Snippets form Fonda Rae's "Do You Want My Love?" are highlighted on this deep house track with piano sprinkles happenin' all over the place. A must.

Track aficionados will want to investigate the latest from Aphrodisiac (Nugroove Records -contact 212.398.1855). Like 1990's "Song Of The Siren," Ronald Burrell has written, produced and orchestrated another early-a.m. gem. Entitled "Just Before The Dawn," it features definite jazz overtones, ethereal synths, and vibes. Just perfect for that early morning snack...From House Jam Records (contact 312.271.5696) in Chicago we get Two Men On A Struggle, a four-song EP that is rooted in the underground scene. "Project 3" and "Project 4" deserve your immediate attention.

Also worthy of your close attention is the latest Movin' Records (contact 201.674.7573) release entitled "I Might Be Leavin' U."

Once signed to Jive Records, DJ Pierre has found a new home for his latest endeavor. A divafied track, "I Might Be Leavin' U" features the powerful vocal talents of LaVette, a diva on a serious mission.

A wonderful string-laden intro begins the NY Club Mix, followed by an "Everybody Everybody"-styled bassline. The Radio Mix begins ballad style (à la Donna Summer's "Last Dance") complete with keyboards, strings and Lavette's soulful lamenting and then the Black Box feel pumps it up. But the real deal is the almost-12minute Mad House Mix. All versions were mixed by Phuture (aka DJ Pierre).

Keep on pumpin' it up!!!

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Puerta Del Sol means "The Gate Of The Sun."

Now for the music lesson. Persi collino, Moratto, and Sabadin have written, produced, arranged, mixed, and programmed this totally synth piece of music. This NRGetic fushion of Ambient House should be mood setting and inspirational for any dance floor that appreciates the sound of the '90s. Calming overdubs of cooing birds in the wild subtly placed throughout, only enhance the ambient feel to this production. Let's add the elegant vocalization of Italo Diva Carolina Damas who performs this piece in her native tongue. The vinyl contains bands of a cappella, and arpeggio mixes, along with the Magia mix, my personal favorite since it has that added punch to it. However, the Island mix will suffice.

Tim Richardson



### TOP 80 CHECKLIST

	TC	LC		BPM
님	1	1	CRYSTAL WATERS Gypey Woman	Mercury 808-209 120
片	2	59	NOMAD Devotion	Capitol V15733 115
屵	3	9	SA-FIRE Taste The Bass	Memury 808-305 121
$\vdash$	4	12	GEORGE LAMOND - Love's Contagious	Sony/Columbia 44-73857 119
$\vdash$	5	16	CORINA - Temptation	Cutting 248 118
$\perp$	6	-	LISA LISA & CULT JAM - Let The Beat Hit 'Em	Columbia 44-73834 - 122
$\perp$	7	27	COLOR ME BADD I Wanna Sex You Up	Gient 40031 101
Ш	8	4	TRACIE SPENCER – This Time Make It Funky	Capitol 15704 114
Ш	9	11	OFFSHORE - I Can't Take Power	Epic 48-73751 123
Ш	10	14	D.J.H Oh Yeah	RCA 2816 120
	11	18	JELLYBEAN - Spillin' The Beans	Atlantic 86031 121
	12	25	BASS-O-MATIC Fascinating Rhythm	Virgin 91616 102 or 115
	13	19	ANGEL Your Love Just Ain't Right	Virgin 98363 125
	14	20	ELECTRONIC Get The Message	Warner Bros. 21832 106
	15	22	ALEXANDER O'NEAL - What is This Thing Cali	
	16	28	DJ HERBIE Atomic House	12° Promo (Comm LP Only) 120
	17	10	ALISON LIMERICK - Where Love Lives	Arista 2219 - 124
	18	3	BETTY BOO Hey DJ/I Can't Dance	Pitythm King/Sire 40025 121
	19	72	URBAN SOUL Airight	Chryselis V23712 - 120
	20	-	TITIYO - My Body Says Yes	
	21	17	TWENTY 4TH STREET - I Can't Stand It	Arista 2223 114
	22	15	INNOCENCE - Let's Push it	Arista 2198 123
	23	-	OLETA ADAMS Circle Of One	Chryselis 23597 107
	24	2	LA TOUR People Are Still Having Sex	Mercury 868-163 113
	25	-	DJ DICK - Weekend	Smesh 879-867 118
	26	5	ENIGMA - Mea Culpa Part 2	TSR 886
$\Box$	27	••	SLAM SLAM - Move	Cherieme 96352 - 97
$\overline{\Box}$	28	_	CLAUDJA BARRY – Love is An Island	MCA 54085 121
$\Box$	29	34	GERARDO We Want The Funk	RCA 2850
Ħ	30	_	BOMB THE BASS Love So True	interaccoe 96357 107
$\overline{\Box}$	31		SANDEE - Love Desire	Sire 40042 – 90
H	32	13		ver/Columbia 73763 102 or 124
H	33		KLF – 3 A.M. Eternal	Gient Promo Only 101
H	34	68	FRONT 242 Rhythm Of Time	Arista 2231 115 or 121
$\vdash$	35	8	PET SHOP BOYS Where The Streets Have No	Epic 49-73767 121
H	36	-	RHYTHM SYNDICATE - P.A.S.S.I.O.N.	EMI 58217
1	37	40	BANDERAS - This is Your Life	Impact 54083
H	-			London 889-373 100 or 108
H	38	7	DEEE-LITE - E.S.P.	Elektra 68550 120
H	39	41	HAPPY MONDAYS Bob's Yer Uncle	Elektra Promo 110
Ш	40	45	SOHO - Freaky	Atoo 96358

	LC		ВРМ
41	39	LISA BELLAMY Work It	Sire 40010 122
42	47	DAMIAN DAME - Exclusivity	Arista 4001 104
43	_	BOYZ 2 MEN - Motown Phility	Motown 2000
44	50	2 BROTHERS ON THE 4TH FLOOR I Can't Help	Myself
45	-	CORO Fallen Angel	Charisma 96336 125
46	63	INFORMATION SOCIETY - Now That I Have You	Тотту Воу 969
47	21	SAMANTHA FOX Hurt Me Hurt Me	Jive 1441 - 117
48	6	THOSE GUYS - Tonite	MCA 54089 119
49	_	JOMANDA Got A Love For You	Filig Beet 0031 120
50	29	SECCHI — I Say Yeah	Epic 49-73773 120
51	42	SWAY & DJ KING TECH - Follow 4 Now	Glant 40004 125 or 114
52	33	ANOTHER BAD CREATION - Playground	Motown 4765 110
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73		GARDNER COLE Whatever It Takes	Cardiac 4010
74	37	NIGHTCAT #1 House Rule	Warner Bros 21749 108
75	_	YO YO You Can't Play With My Yo-Yo	LMR 2817 - 122
76	48	MICA PARIS - Contribution	Easy/West 98385
	43	THE FIXX How Much Is Enough	Island 868-185 - 102
78	30	2 WITHOUT HATS - 3 On A Mic	Impact/MCA 54028 111
79	49	JESUS JONES Right Here Right Now	MicMac 553 - 123
80	44	BLACKBOX Strike It Up	SBK 19734 107
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