

SHOWADDY WADDY

SPRING '78



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We wonder why?

"I wonder why" Showaddywaddy's fantastic new single smashed its way to the top of the charts in just about every local paper and pop press in the land. But why oh why wasn't it named Number One in the good old BEES chart?

Of course the song has already earned the Group a silver disc for U.K. sales to add to the long list of gold and silver discs, and it won't be long before silver turns to gold!

You probably read in the national newspapers that Al James has been involved in a car crash.

His brand new jet black Cadillac—identical to the late, great Elvis Presley's—was completely written off.

Luckily Al escaped unhurt and was allowed home from Hospital after treatment.

THE DO'S & DONT'S OF THE FAN CLUB

- Newsletters are published in April, August and December. Don't forget to send your SAE well in advance if you want to receive one.
- Send a separate SAE for Concert venue lists.
- Always indicate clearly on the top left of your envelope what you are writing for, e.g. Venue List, Newsletter, Souvenir Order Form.
- Please note it is not always possible to individually answer each letter sent to the fan club. Some of the most popular

questions will be answered in the How, What, Why column.

- Membership is for life. There's no need to re-new each year.
- Don't include correspondence with orders for souvenirs—if you want a quick reply.

- Personal letters to the Group should be sent to the fan club. I will give them personally to the Boys.
- Please don't send autograph books to me—as I'm worried they may get lost in the post or mislaid.

On May 1st, Showaddywaddy, jet out to Denmark for a 3 gig tour of major cities. At the same time they will be presented with gold albums for the

"The Greatest Hits" album, at a special press reception. Did you know that albums in Denmark cost twice as much as in the U.K.!

The Groups latest—and some say greatest—album is well on the way to winning them a gold disc in the U.K. I'll let you know next newsletter when it happens!

The Group spent a week at a secret recording session recently, putting down some new tracks for the next L.P. Everyone is extremely excited about the session and I'm told that one of the tracks will be the next single and it's an absolute knock-out! But they're not giving too much away—including the title!

It's hoped that the Group will find time to record for three big T.V. shows in June: A Swapshop T.V. Special—in an open-air venue in London, Little and Large Spectacular, and MUSIKLADEN—Germany's leading Pop Music Show which is broadcast to twelve countries in Europe—and is in fact one of the most important T.V. Pop Shows in the world.

Buddy's bought a new home—a big old farm-house with acres of land—and miles of fences to mend—which he's doing himself!

Showaddywaddy are taking a break from the hectic world of Pop in August. For the whole month the Group are on holiday (if you consider playing squash, football, swimming, riding and writing songs a holiday!)

Sheila.

LOOK OUT FOR THESE SHOWADDYWADDY GIGS

MAY

Sun 7th The Odeon, Birmingham
Mon 8th The Odeon, Birmingham
Sat 13th California Ballroom, Dunstable
Sun 14th New Theatre, Oxford
Mon 15th Davenport Theatre, Stockport
Sat 20th Capital Theatre, Aberdeen
Sun 21st Usher Hall, Edinburgh
Tues 23rd Empire Theatre, Sunderland

Thurs 25th Apollo, Glasgow
Fri 26th City Hall, Newcastle

JUNE

Sat 3rd Opera House, Blackpool
Sun 4th Grand Theatre, Leeds
Thurs 8th Congress Theatre, Eastbourne
Sat 17th Gables Farm, Old Airfield,
near Stroud on A38, just off M6.

**DRAW A
PORTRAIT
OF YOUR
SHOWADDYWADDY
FAVOURITE**

T-SHIRT COMPETITION

What a fantastic response to the last competition! I've been absolutely inundated with drawings and ideas for T-Shirts—literally thousands of them. So I'm sorry but the Group haven't had time yet to look at them all, but don't worry, I'll announce the winners in the next newsletter.

**HOW,
WHEN,
WHAT,
WHY?**

I've had lots of requests for who sings what, so I have asked Russ for answers to some of your most popular enquiries.
"Maybe, Maybe, Maybe" - Buddy • "68 Teenage Queen" - Buddy • "Feelin" - Al
"Sweet Georgia" - Dave • ("You've got) personality" - Dave, Russ, Trev, Rod • "One of these days" - Dave

Q. Does Malcolm enter any competitions on his bike? A. Yes, Malcolm has just bought a new Kawasaki Competition Scrambling Bike.

I didn't know so many of you were such good artists. Why not try your hand at a drawing or painting of the Group or an individual member?

If it's suitable, I'll use your picture for a special Fan Club Christmas Card this year.

The Competition is open to all Fan Club members, and age will be taken into account when Judging.

Entries should reach me no later than July 31st.

**WIN TWO TICKETS TO
SEE SHOWADDYWADDY
IN CONCERT.**

Ten prizewinners will each receive two tickets to a forthcoming concert nearest to your home. I'm afraid I won't be able to send your drawings back to you unless you send an S.A.E. for the return mail.