

Friends of
BARCLAY JAMES HARVEST

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June 1980

Dear Friend:

As some of you will already know, in May Mel was involved in a car accident near his home. He was returning home after watching a football match between Oldham and West Ham. No-one yet knows the precise reasons for the accident but it does appear that Mel's car skidded at a sharp corner on the wet roads.

Happily, Mel was wearing a seat belt and, as a result, the injuries were not serious. In fact, he broke his wrist and fractured his cheek-bone and, apart from concussion and a few cuts and bruises, that was the extent of his injuries.

He spent a few days in hospital and is now recovering well and will be back in action in the middle of June. Mel would like to thank all of you who have sent him get well cards and good wishes.

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THE UK & EUROPEAN TOUR 1980

It was a record breaking tour in every sense. The Barclays played to approximately one quarter of a million fans! This is a staggering statistic and the biggest concert was in Frankfurt on 3 February when Barclay James Harvest played to over 14,000 fans. The Zurich concert on 16 March was packed to capacity with 12,000 fans. The tour encompassed 53 concerts in the following countries : Britain, Germany, Denmark, Spain, Portugal, France, Switzerland, Austria and Belgium. All 24 German concerts were sold out before the tour commenced and, in fact, the band broke German attendance records previously held by Pink Floyd in 1977 and Supertramp in 1979.

Unfortunately the anticipated American/Canadian tour never materialised.

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THREE GOLD ALBUMS IN SWITZERLAND PLATINUM IN GERMANY !!!

After their concert in Zurich on 16 March Barclay James Harvest received gold records from Polydor Switzerland for "Gone To Earth", "XII" and "Eyes of the Universe"



On 13 February the Barclays broke another record. They were presented with the first platinum disc ever to be presented in Germany! Normally they give double gold albums. The platinum was for sales exceeding 500,000 for "Gone To Earth" and, at the same time, they were presented with a gold album for sales of 300,000 plus, for "Eyes of the Universe", and this in the first three months of its release.

So far, sales of Barclay James Harvest albums have amounted to more than T W O million units in Germany and, of these, one million have been sold in the past twelve months!

I think we are all agreed that the Barclays have proved themselves over and over again in Germany and are now one of the very top (if not the top) British bands over there.

The photo at the top of this page shows the boys receiving their gold albums in Switzerland and, if you turn over, the picture on page 3 shows them receiving their platinum album in Germany





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BARCLAY JAMES HARVEST - THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE

The future plans for the band are, at this stage, rather sketchy but we do know for certain that later this year they will be back in the recording studios again.

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LYRIC POSTERS/SONG LYRICS

At the moment I am collecting together the lyrics to ONCE AGAIN which I am told is the next in the sequence of lyric posters. For new members, it is our aim to produce lyric posters for the albums which were issued without lyrics. Once Again may be ready for September but we'll make no definite promises as you never know what is round the corner.

SONG LYRIC NO: 9 - DELPH TOWN MORN

Sitting here, me and Chris's son,
We've got a story just slightly done
About a girl with the light in her eyes,
Black on the night, drive on the day,
Let the wheels run dry.

Sitting here waiting for the sun,
Little darling, for you to come
By the light of the moon flashing by,
Black on the night, drive on the day,
Let the wheels run dry.

Fly on by silver bird in the sky
Fly on day, black on night, roll on by,
Bring on the sunshine shine in her eyes,
Fly on by silver bird.

Sitting here in the early grey
Of a Delph town morning, we sit and pray
For a sight of the light in her eyes,
Black on the night, drive on the day,
Let the wheels run dry.

Fly on by silver bird in the sky etc.

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APRIL PRIZE DRAW RESULTS:

As some of you pointed out to me, the closing date for the prize draw was a right
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included. The winner? Jon Miles, member no 75 of Letchworth Herts. He will be
receiving John's stage jacket and the runner up? Andrew Brown, member no 622
of Blackburn Lancashire who will be receiving promotional material relating to
John's solo work. Congratulations to both of you and thanks to everyone who
entered, we had a very good response indeed.

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EUROCHEQUES - NO!

Members abroad please note, we do not accept Eurocheques. The reason for this is that they are so difficult to negotiate that when you send one for, say, £3.75, by the time it has cleared etc it is worth in the region of 75p so it is just impractical.

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DESIGNS

Please can we have some more designs for newsletter covers and for t-shirts. For the cover the design must be of a similar size to this newsletter (smaller but definitely no larger will be acceptable) and it must be done in black ink or black felt tip - it will not reproduce satisfactorily otherwise.

Any kind of design is acceptable for t-shirts and other merchandise.

A small prize is awarded for anyone who has a design accepted.

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TRANSLATORS

Full details of the official FOBJH translators will, in future, appear in alternate newsletters. The next list will therefore be in September.

COMPETITION

I am hoping to have our competition in the September newsletter but am a bit stuck for ideas at present. So I'm calling on you lot again (I do make you work hard don't I?). If you have a good idea for a competition let me know. However if we do decide to use it, you will, obviously, be ineligible for entry but will receive a prize in any event. Closing date for this is Saturday August 23rd 1980.

Well, that about wraps up another FOBJH newsletter - my third to date - thank you again for your co-operation in the little bothersome matters of sae's, membership numbers etc but it really does help. Have a lovely summer and do send me some postcards to brighten my wall.

See you in September,

Until then

Regards

CHRISSIE

COLIN BROWNE and KEVIN MCALEA

The only information I have about Colin and Kevin is that printed in the tour programme. However for those of you who didn't manage to get hold of a copy I'll print the available information here.

COLIN BROWNE (keyboards, guitar, bass guitar, backing vocals)

Has played in a number of bands including Doctors of Madness. In addition, he has done cabaret and session work in his home town of London.

KEVIN MCALEA (sax, keyboards, backing vocals)

Played with various groups in his native Ireland. He joined a band called Bees Make Honey when he came to live in London and toured with Kate Bush last year. Kevin McAlea was featured on keyboards on a couple of tracks on the Eyes of the Universe album.

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FOBJH'S ADVERTISEMENTS :

If you want to place an ad in the newsletter you should write it out clearly, include your name, address and membership number and enclose 25p to cover the cost of printing.

Karin Lau, Siedlungsstr 3, 7850 Loerrach, West Germany (mem no 831) wants songs from Mary Hopkins on record or cassette. Reasonable price and packing paid.

Andrew Buffon, 127 Hanover Road, Rowley Regis, Sandwell, W. Midlands B65 9EJ (Mem no 624) would like to hear from anybody who would like to write to him about the band and the following rock groups - Wishbone Ash, Trapeze, Argent, John Lennon, Vanilla Fudge.

James Goodman, 9 Delph Road, Long Sutton, Spalding, Lincs (Mem No: 768) Would like to correspond with and possibly meet other FOBJH'S and would mention that he would prefer young ladies (!!) living anywhere except Mars but especially Lincolnshire or Stoke on Trent areas. Also wants A Major Fancy in good nick. Best price paid.

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Ronald L Adam, 11 Beech Avenue, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire (Mem No: ?? naughty)
is selling pre recorded cassette of Early Morning Onwards £6 ono.

Jim McAllister, 61 Main Street, The Village, Cumbernauld, Glasgow (Mem No: 14)
Has uncovered a full set of BJH albums (excl Live albums) and is looking for offers.

David Hay, 167 Bideford Grove, Linslade, Beds (Mem no 1177) wants Early Morning
Onwards.

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CAPRICORN is now on sale at your record shops



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WOOLLY.

I've had lots of letters about Woolly's progress so I rang Jill and Woolly for a progress report and this is it ... Woolly spent the first three months of this year recording the nine tracks for his first solo album, at Strawberry (North) Recording Studios. A recording contract is impending and the album, called "Maestoso" should be released in the Autumn. Also there is a new contact address for Jill and Woolly so if you want further information (please enclose sae or reply coupons) please write to them care of KennedyStreet Enterprises, 2 Swinbourne Grove, Withington, Manchester M20 9PP

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NEW ITEMS FOR SALE

Concert Publishing, who handled the tour merchandise, have agreed to let me purchase the remaining stock they hold so I am able to offer it for sale to you. Unfortunately there were no programmes or sweat shirts or posters left. However I list below what we do have.

EOU T-shirts. Sorry but only have small ones

Prices: UK £3.10 ... Europe £3.60 ... Elsewhere £4.65 (50 only)

EOU PATCHES

Prices: UK 55p ... Europe 60p ... Elsewhere 65p

EOU BADGES

Prices: UK 75p ... Europe 80p ... Elsewhere 85p

As usual, prices including postage & packing (air mail to outside UK & Europe)

Details on order form at the end of this newsletter

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RENEWALS

Since reminder cards are sent out to you when your membership is one month away from expiring, do you think it would be possible for you to renew on time in future? I.E. during the month in which your renewal falls due? I'm not just being petty in asking this but you see we use a computer service and it costs us money - your money -. Each time a member has to be deleted due to the fact that he/she has not renewed, we have to pay. Then if he/she subsequently renews later, we have to pay again to re-instate him on the list. So all told that means we are paying 3 times for the same member - once to initially include them, once to delete them and once to re-instate them. Please bear this in mind.

PRICE LIST (June 1980) This replaces all previous price lists

T-SHIRTS (Sizes: Small (S): Medium (M), Large (L))

1. CLUB T SHIRT. Circular BJH/Butterfly motif in 2 tone blue on white shirt
Prices: UK - £3.00 ... Europe £3.50 ... Elsewhere: £4.25

2. XII. Silver printing on both sides of black shirt.
Prices: UK - £3.25 ... Europe £3.75 ... Elsewhere: £4.50

3. WINGED WOMAN. 3 colour BJH label logo on white shirt
Prices: UK - £3.30 ... Europe - £3.80 ... Elsewhere - £4.60

30. "UNIVERSE". As sold on 1980 Tour. Size: SMALL ONLY.
Prices: UK - £3.10 ... Europe - £3.60 ... Elsewhere - £4.65

BADGES

4. XII. Prices: UK - 0.40p ... Europe - £0.55p ... Elsewhere - £0.70p

6. OCTOBERON. Prices: UK - £0.25p ... Europe - £0.40p ... Elsewhere - £0.55p

21. METAL BJH BROOCH. Prices: UK - £1.10p ... Europe - £1.15p ...
Elsewhere - £1.20p

31. "UNIVERSE". As sold on 1980 tour. Prices: UK - £0.75p ... Europe - £0.80p ... Elsewhere - £0.85p

PROGRAMMES

8. XII. Prices: UK - £0.75p ... Europe - £1.15p ... Elsewhere - £1.90p
N.B. Very few left.

9. TIME HONOURED GHOSTS. Prices: UK - £0.40p ... Europe - £0.80p
Elsewhere - £1.55

PHOTOGRAPHS

11. PHOTOPACK 2. 3 b & w 10 x 8 photo's. Prices: UK - £0.60p ...
Europe - £0.75p ... Elsewhere - £1.00

27. PHOTOPACK 3. Prices: UK - £0.60p ... Europe - £0.75 ... Elsewhere - £1.00

28. PHOTOS. 3 solo. Prices: Either: UK - £0.20p ... Europe - £0.30p
Elsewhere - £0.40p each OR UK - £0.50p ... Europe - £0.80p ... Elsewhere - £1.10p pack of 3.

POSTERS

12. CLUB POSTER - A specially printed black and white poster of the band
available only to FOBH's. Prices: UK - £0.75p ... Europe - £0.90p ... Elsewhere
£1.30p

14. XII POSTER/LYRIC SHEET Send 15p or 2 International Reply coupons (for
postage only)

23. BJH LYRICS POSTER. Prices: UK - £0.60p ... Europe - £0.75p
Elsewhere: £1.10p

29. SOLO POSTERS. Prices: EITHER: UK £0.60p ... Europe - £0.70p ...
Elsewhere - £0.80p OR UK £1.50p ... Europe - £1.80p ... Elsewhere £2.10p - set
of 3.

MISCELLANEOUS MERCHANDISE.

17. FOBJH pens. Prices: UK £0.40p ... Europe - £0.55p ... Elsewhere - £0.70p

24. REFILLS FOR ABOVE. Prices: (for 2) UK £0.15p ... Europe - £0.20p ...
Elsewhere - £0.25p

18. BJH SURFACE STICKERS (Pack of 5). Prices: UK - £0.45p ... Europe -
£0.60p ... Elsewhere - £0.75p.

19. BJH NOTEPADS. Prices: UK - £0.45p ... Europe - £0.60p ... Elsewhere -
£1.10p

22. BJH NECKLACE. Prices: UK - £1.30p ... Europe - £1.40p ... Elsewhere -
£1.50p

25. MUSIC FROM TWO HIT ALBUMS - GONE TO EARTH & Xii (incl. words)
Prices: UK £3.25p ... Europe - £3.95 ... Elsewhere - £5.60p

32. PATCHES - as sold on 1980 Tour.
Prices: UK - £0.55p ... Europe - £0.60p ... Elsewhere - £0.65p

BACK COPIES OF NEWSLETTERS

The following are available: no's 1-13 (except no 3)

Prices: Each UK - £0.40p ... Europe - £0.55p ... Elsewhere - £0.60p

POST & PACKING IS INCLUDED IN ALL PRICES. GOODS TO COUNTRIES
OUTSIDE UK WILL BE SENT BY AIR MAIL. PLEASE ALLOW 28 DAYS FOR
DELIVERY.

PLEASE MAKE CHEQUES, POSTAL ORDERS, MONEY ORDERS, PAYABLE TO
F.O.B.J.H.

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PLEASE DO NOT ENCLOSE ANY CORRESPONDENCE/RENEWAL MONEY OR
INSTRUCTIONS WITH YOUR ORDERS. THANK YOU.

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