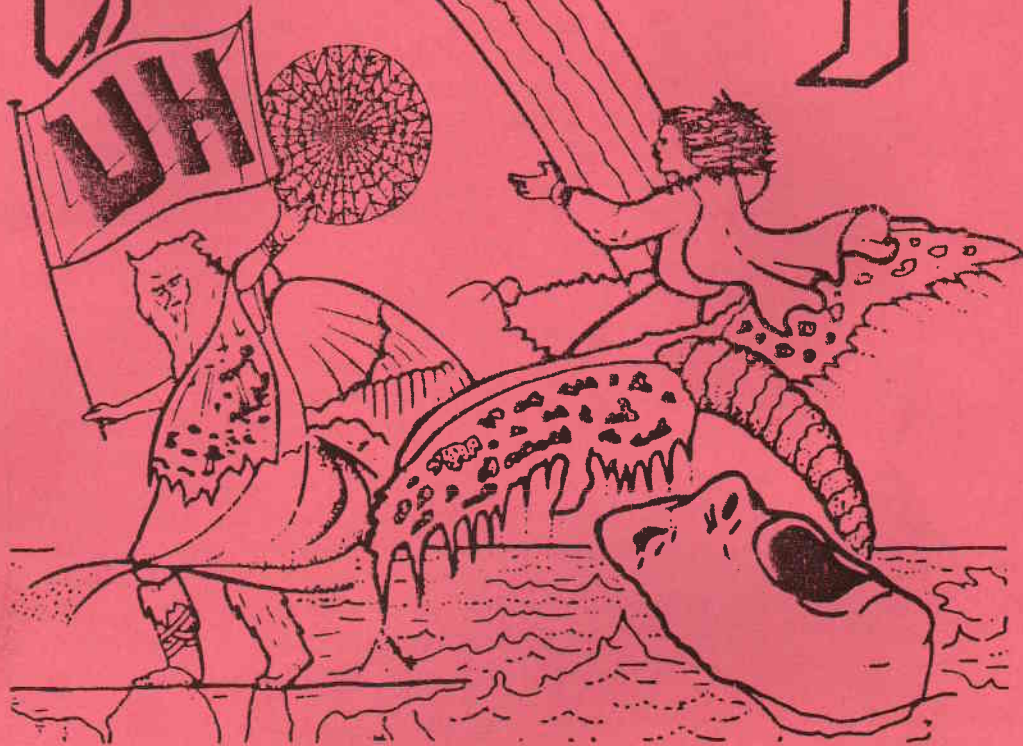


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URIAH HEEP'S OFFICIAL WORLD WIDE FAN CLUB - ADMINISTERED BY DAVID OWEN & ALAN HARTLEY

Hi again and welcome to issue 6.

The news you've all been waiting for about a new recording deal isn't quite with us yet. There is interest in the band from the record companies and they could probably sign a deal tomorrow but they want to wait for the right deal that suits everyone in the band. Realistically speaking it will probably be the middle of next year before a deal is finalized but this is allowing the band to go through a writing period in preparation for a future album. It goes without saying that we'll bring you details of any developments in future issues.

Heep played their last concert of the year at the Rocknight Festival on October 3rd, in Germany as reported in the last issue. Their set was cut short as The Stranglers, who were on the same bill, wanted to leave early to catch a plane. It turns out that they didn't bother to go for the flight so the shorter set was all for nothing. The band were pleased to see all the Society members who stayed to have a chat after the show.

The festival on September 12th in Ukraine was cancelled and this for the 3rd time. The event was to celebrate the 1st anniversary of the independence of Ukraine from the USSR. There have been a string of excuses from the death of a religious leader, a general strike and the latest is lack of government finance which has probably been the real reason all along.

The good news is that Heep will probably tour Germany starting on 9th February in Tuttlingen in the south of the country, running through to 20th March 1993. The details are not yet finalised but if the tour happens between these dates, it will start before the next issue of the magazine. So, for anybody who wants the dates when they are confirmed, please send us a stamped addressed envelope (UK members) or an international reply coupon available from any post office (overseas members). The tour will hopefully be another joint venture with Nazareth but this time Heep will be playing a new set which Mick tells us may even include one or two of the new songs so don't miss it !!!!

The following dates are also confirmed at the time of going to print:-

27th & 28th March, 1993, South Korea. (venue to be announced)
29th May 1993, Tent, Egellaan, Zandvoorde/Oostend, Belgium.
12th June, 1993, Glamrock Festival, Esbjerg, Denmark.

Once again there has been a flood of new compilation releases on the market. They are all from Germany and don't really cover any new ground but they are a must for the avid collector. There are 2 from Castle Communications (Germany), "The Best of Uriah Heep", (Castle Masters Collection) CHC 7034, CD only and "Lady in Black" (The Double Collection) CBC 8023, double CD only. The 3rd one is from Ariola as part of their "Masters of Rock" series, it's called "Easy Livin'" Ariola Express 291 004-200. This is also a CD only release. Castle have also re issued "Still Eavy Still Proud" and "Live in Moscow" (minus Gypsy as the CD bonus track) on their "Classics" label and we understand "they are also to re issue "Raging Silence". We also understand that the "Rarities" CD is to be released in Germany under the title of "Excavations From The Bronze Age" NEXC 184. Perhaps our German members could let us know if there is anything different about this release other than the first word of the title. For news of something really special in new releases, turn to the collectors section of this magazine. You will not be disappointed.

Over the last year Trevor has been involved with a local band in his home town of Hull called "The Hidden". They're hoping to go into the studio to record some demos soon with Trevor in charge of production. We wish them luck in finding a record deal.

John Lawton has recently been seen on German TV back with the Les Humphries Singers performing a new song called "Spirit of Freedom".

Thanks to Barbara Ullrich for this information. We do however understand that this is not a permanent career move for John. There will be an interview with him in the next issue.

Our thanks go out to the following people for their help and support, Lee, Bernie, Trev, Mick and Phil, Ken Hensley, John Sinclair, Tina Lewis, Steve Whitworth, Barbara Ullrich and Jurgen Cissarek.

From ourselves and the band we wish you all a MERRY XMAS and a HEEPY NEW YEAR

Enjoy the magazine,
Keep on rockin'
and we'll see you next issue.

Alan & David.

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