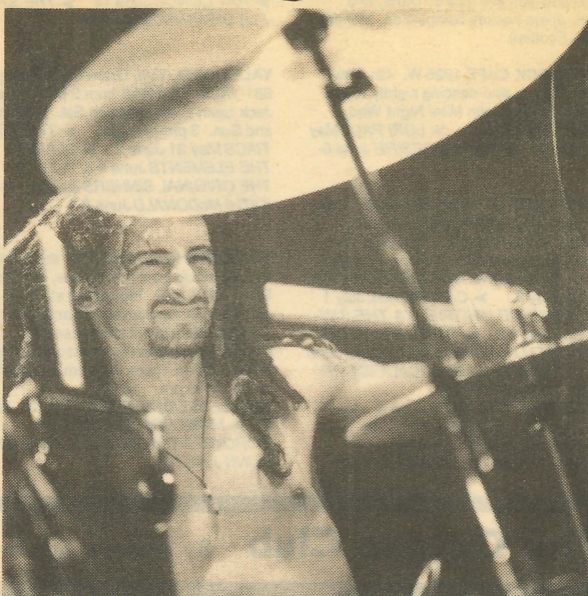


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STRAIGHT CHOICES



Faith No More's Mike Bordin will drum up a clatter at the Town Pump on Tuesday (June 5). Charles Campbell photo.

Let's say you wanted to take in the combined influences of 13 great Vancouver alternative bands as they thrash their way through all the evil music which they have ever admired. We're talking members or former members of John Doe, Slow, Rabid, and Go Four 3 covering the Clash, the Sex Pistols, and the Ramones. We're hypothesizing Stinging Hornets, Modernettes, and Scramblers stomping all over versions of the Damned, the New York Dolls, and Iggy and the Stooges. Let's have a daymare about Forgotten Rebels, the Picasso Set, Low Riders, and Evil Twang ripping off Black Flag, Dead Kennedys, the Saints, and the Dead Boys. Or how about...No, surely by now you must know what we are talking about. It is indeed the just-recently fabled supergroup **Spunk** which will staple itself to the chicken and take a scrape across memory lane this Tuesday (June 5). That's at the Town Pump, but if you are crosstown that night at the Commodore's all-ages **Faith No More** and **Circus of Power** show, have no fear. Just go from the end of the one to the beginning of the other, because the Faith No More stub and \$3 gets you started all over again with Spunk, plus maybe the debut of the Wongs. What a gimmick; maybe they can work the same deal for folks at the **Hank Williams, Jr.** concert at the Coliseum. If you just can't wait for decible-driven delights, this Friday and Saturday (June 1 and 2) see Boston's **Barrence Whitfield and the Savages** pumping R&B at the Pump. Those who do not mind waiting will hang on until Wednesday (June 6) for the Coliseum concert **Whitesnake** postponed from May 15, said postponement much teeing off those many people who also have tickets for the appearance of local '60s folk hero **Tom Northcott** at the Vancouver East Cultural Centre on the 6th. But if we could have a...I SAID, IF WE COULD HAVE A QUIET MOMENT (thanks) we'd like to point out some other mellower alternatives that also feel nice. A pair of benefits to upgrade the **Glass Slipper** venue have three bands each night on Friday and Saturday (June 1 and 2). Chief Feature, Jade, and the Taylor/Kane Explosion take the first shift, while Kate Hammett-Vaughan, Lunar Adventures, and Sirius Ensemble follow. The fifth anniversary of CITR's **The Edge on Folk** radio show is celebrated with a Nyetz/Celso Machado double bill at the WISE Club Saturday (June 2), and a benefit concert and dance for the West Coast Fishery that same night will have the Holly Arntzen Band, Chief Leonard George, and Des Kennedy appearing in **Wild Salmon/Clean Water** at the Maritime Labour Centre. It all makes for a complicated Saturday night if you're unsure whether to get cosmopolitan with Brazilian guitars at the WISE, get righteous at Wild Salmon, or just say gee-whiz and get hilarious at the Commodore with those unabashedly goofy Balkan madmen **3 Mustaphas 3**, in what could be the best show of the week. What this world needs is a really funny Brazilian environmental joke.

GROUND June 6-7 > **LINDA MAGNO/FREDDIE MORRIS & MOKU** June 8-9 **SCHOONER PUB** 3728 Clark Dr. at Kingsway, 876-1411. Neighbourhood pub with live music. Darts, crib night, dome hockey competition, Monday Night Football.

SOFT ROCK CAFE 1925 W. 4th, 736-8480. Dining and dancing nightly to live top-40 bands. Open Mike Night Wed, Cruisin' Night Thurs. > **LORI PAUL** May 31-June 3 > **FAITH & DESIRE** June 6-10

TOWN PUMP 66 Water, 683-6695. Casual, rustic atmosphere, nightclub and lounge. Open Mon-Sun. Top local and imported original acts. Full menu restaurant. > **SECOND NATURE/CRAZY FIN- GERS** May 31 > **CATERWAUL** July 1 > **BARRENCE WHITFIELD & THE SAV- AGES** June 1-2 > **NO RETREAT/THE NIGHTSTALKERS/NELLIE'S ROOM** June 3 > **RADICAL SABBATICAL/LIST OF MRS. ARSON/RATTLED ROOSTERS/THE WAKE** June 4 > **SPUNK/THE WONGS** June 5 > **F.Y.F./GLEE** June 6 > **VINYL JAG/R.M.I./VASTECTEMOIDS/EMILY**

STOP June 7 > **V. SPY V. SPY/THE POSIES** June 8 > **HOUSE OF LOVE** June 9 > **THE CORNDOGS** June 12 > **TEKNAKUTTER RAINCOATS** June 13 > **RAY CONDO** June 14 > **THE SHUF- FLE DEMONS** June 15-16

YALE HOTEL 1300 Granville (at Drake), 681-YALE. Live R&B from 9 pm-1:30 am. Jack Lavin's jam sessions Sat. 3-8 pm and Sun. 3 pm-midnight. > **THE PON- TIACS** May 31-June 2 > **OLIVER & THE ELEMENTS** June 4 & 11-13 > **THE ORIGINAL SINNERS** June 5 > **KATHI McDONALD** June 6-9

YUK YUK'S Newly-located in the former Comedy Club on the Expo site, 750 Pacific Blvd., 687-LAFF. Top-quality stand-up comics from Vancouver and across North America. New talent showcase Wed. New Comic Search open to amateurs; call to enter. Shows Thurs. at 9 pm and Fri-Sat. at 9 & 11:30 pm. > **JIM MacALEESE/BRENT BUTT** May 31-June 2 > **MARK BRESLIN/LARRY HOROWITZ/TIM CONLON/CAROLYN DUNN** June 7-9

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