

So here we are. You probably wondered why I didn't write or call or even visit on weekends – not even a lousy postcard! Well, we're back from the jungle, with a whole lot of stories to tell you. As you might already know, there are now two new Spoons to reckon with; Steve Kendrie on drums and Scott Macdonald on keyboards. We've been performing together since February and if you're curious, you'll be able to see their faces in the new video (more about that later), or you can catch them live sometime soon.

And now for the answer to the question you've all been asking. Yes, we are finally recording the new album – honest! We are now signed with Anthem/Capital Records, under management of Ray Danniels and SRO (the guys who manage "Gowan" and "Rush".) We'll be in the studio until late July, do the first video that month, release it and the first single in mid August, and follow about two weeks later with the album – by then, I'll need a vacation.

I know it's been a million years since the last record, so I know you're saying to yourselves "This better be a darn tootin' good one." Believe me, it will be. It'll be real tootin'.

We're not quite 100% sure about the title of the new album, but there are a bunch of songs I'm almost certain will be on it. There's "Clever", "Radio Heaven", and a soggy ballad called "Be Alone Tonight" (Kleenex material.) There's a brand new one I think will be called "Life Is A Rodeo" (I'm still working on it) and a song you probably heard us play over the last year or so entitled "Like A Memory." The list goes on – about 3/4 of a mile – so I won't give anymore away.

So keep your ears glued to the radio in mid August for our new single (probably one of the above.) We won't be touring until September, but we will take time out from recording to do "Ontario Place" (June 9, 10, 11) and the Winnipeg Fairgrounds (June 21st). If you can make it you'll hear lots of your favourite tunes, plus lots of the new ones. If not, watch the video and buy the album. It'll pay for the vacation I'll need when all this is done (just kidding.)

Be seeing you.