

SPOONS



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Hello out there! Welcome to your first club newsletter. We have for you some great Spoons stories and pictures from recent Spoons activities. Gord has written about the crazy antics involved in the recording of "Arias & Symphonies" called Fun In The Studio. Rob has reflected on the the atmosphere surrounding the recording of "Stick Figure Neighbourhood" and "Nova Heart/Symmetry" called Recording With The Spoons. Sandy has written a selection of poems and thoughts based on the themes of feelings in life. And Derrick has written a letter-like piece on his thoughts on being on tour and in particular on the latest Maritime swing. We hope that you will enjoy the selection of material and hope that those of you who have not yet received a personal answer from the band members in response to your letters will get to know them a little bit better by reading these articles that they have written themselves.

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Good news for those many fans who have written in asking what has happened to "Stick Figure Neighbourhood". This past fall when Ready Records changed distributors from Quality to A&M, as the product was changed over to the new system it was decided to drop the band's first LP to \$6.98 list price also to put the LP out on cassette as it had not been available on cassette before. This has taken a while to accomplish but the re-released Stick Figure is now available in the stores. LP (Ready Records MR612) and cassette (MR4612) So your local store may not as yet ordered cassette (MR4612) Just bring them the serial numbers and it should be only just a matter of time before they receive it through their retail system. Thanks for being so patient and asking about Stick Figure.

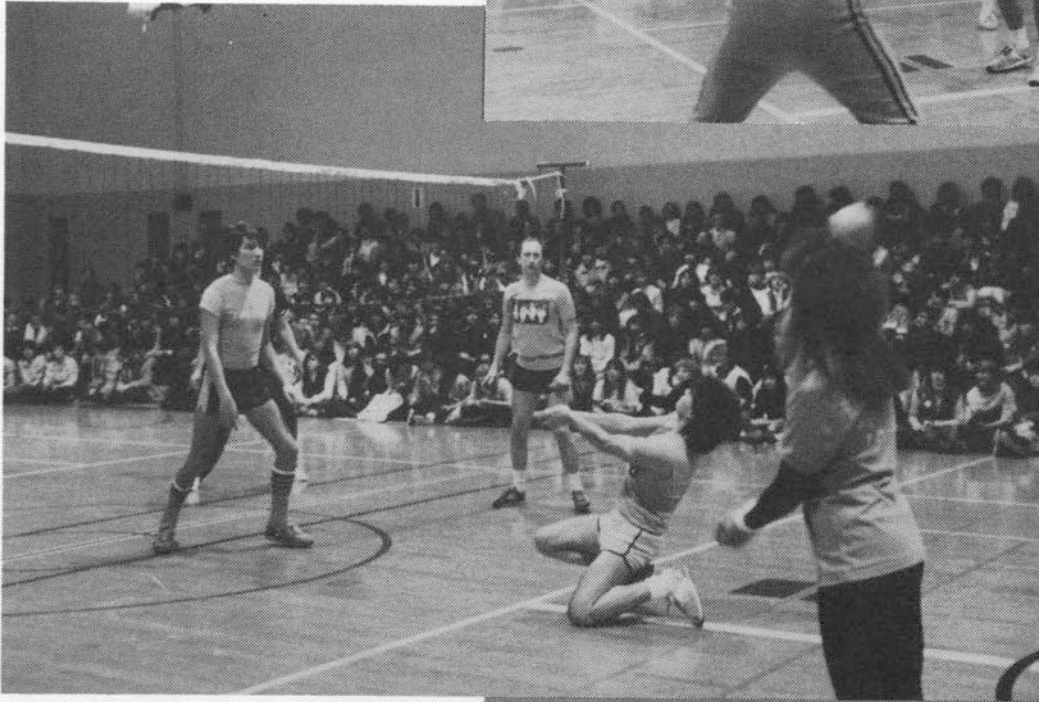
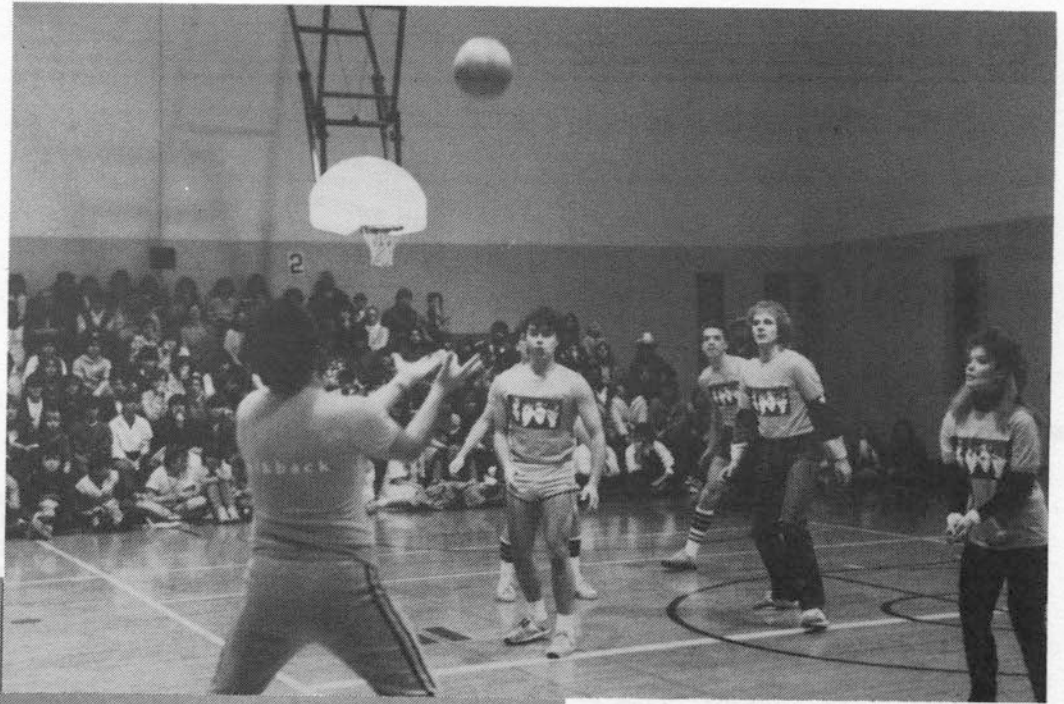
The band has been very busy since the release of their third album "Talkback". September 28th through to February 18th saw the band perform 55 dates to crowds of anywhere from 500 seat capacity halls to 1500 seat capacity venues. So if you multiply and add all those people up you can easily see that Spoons live performances reach quite a large part of their audience and I'll bet we can include all of you in there somewhere at the highschoools, colleges and universities, clubs, and premiere concert venues where the band has played. Before Christmas Spoons traveled across Canada hitting major venues from coast to coast and just recently they have returned from a sold out tour covering eastern Canada; Ontario, Quebec, and the Maritimes. In between major tours the band plays in and around Ontario to mostly school audiences at dates that are generally restricted to that particular school's student body. This gives those of you who are not old enough to see the band perform in liscensed venues the chance to experience Spoons live performance close to home. Mixed in with the touring Spoons keep very busy with interviews in all facets of the media. January 26th CTV's Live It Up featured a story on the band. While out in Halifax on the recent tour the band appeared on Switchback, February 5th on CBC. We have already received many letters from you who caught one or the other of these programs on television. It's great to know that you are watching for us.



Spoons are regularly popping up in articles in newspapers, fan magazines, music magazines, and publications of just about any type and description. Two articles that you may be interested in are in the Feb/Mar '84 issue of Teen Generation (for info write Quadrelle Publications Inc./621B Mt. Pleasant Rd./Toronto/M4S 2M5) and the March issue of Campus Digest (Campus Communications/487 King St. E./Toronto/M5A 1L9). It is almost easier for us to keep you up to date on these media events after the fact. Due to the nature of the business most appearances are either set up with very little lead time (within 48 hours or less of the actual interview time) or with months of lead time in the case of major publications and then the article sort of sits in limbo for a long time as it is slotted into the plan for a particular issue. Often information included in these articles can be a bit out of date due to the lag time. You can help us keep track of the publication of many of these articles by sending clippings in to us. You cover every corner of the country and often you have already seem the articles before we have had a chance to track down exactly when and in what certain interviews have ended up.

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"Quick...I don't know what it is,
but whatever it is - get it!"



"Gord, this is no time to _____".
Send in your fill in the blank
suggestions or write a new caption.
We leave it to you.

"I've got it...no, I've got it...
I've got it...(Rob) Don't look
at me."



TALKBACK EDITORIAL

In the remaining newsletters for your year's membership we would like to start a section of the newsletter where you can write in and ask questions directed to either the whole band or certain members of the band and have your letter and the response printed. Remember to ask interesting and unusual questions that would interest the other fan club members and to limit your questions to one or two so that we can give everyone a chance to get their's in. The success of this idea or any other for the newsletter, of course, depends on you. Our space is limited and we will have to be selective about how many letters that we can respond to in each letter. Please address your questions to TALKBACK EDITORIAL.

We have had a few responses to the suggestion box through TALKBACK CORRESPONDENCE. Please understand that many of your suggestions for unique types of Spoons merchandise are not economically feasible. It takes an enormous amount of effort and dollars to run and finance the SPOONSTUFF part of SPOONSCLUB and to add to the inventory is at present not possible. However, here are a few suggestions that we have received. Debbie Salisbury from Hamilton would like to see more photos of the band so we have included photos from the volleyball game as well as a new picture for the cover of the newsletter and Donna Wagar from Orangeville would like to be able to obtain sheet music for Spoons material and this is a project that Robyn Tavascia of Guelph would like to be able to obtain other SPOONSCLUB members as pen pals. We will keep you posted a list of names and addresses if you would send them in to TALKBACK PALS. We also would ask that you print clearly your addresses, complete with proper postal code, for alot of you have not written in clearly or have not included important things like postal codes. For those younger members of the club we would ask you to include a note from your parents consenting to allow you participate as a pen pal.



The SPOONSCLUB would like to offer to members only a chance to purchase Spoons sweatshirts at 10% off the regular list price of \$18.00 (\$16.20+\$1.13 tax = \$17.33 plus \$2.50 postage & handling) The sizes range from Small, Medium, Large, to Extra Large. The sweat material is turquoise blue with the Talkback Lp cover graphic faces and SPOONS on the chest and talkback across the shoulders in the back. Please fill out the enclosed form and send it in with a certified cheque or money order only to: SPOONSCLUB/PO Box 128/Thornhill/Ontario/L3T 3N1 This is 10% one time discount offer with this form only.

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