

TALES FROM THE WOODS

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Good morning Kats and Kittens, welcome to issue two of "Tales from the Woods". Hoping it will find you well and happy, with your tails all firm and fluffy.

That wonderful chap from deepest Surrey, Charles Dale, has come up with a splendid idea concerning the recent Lee Wilkinson 50th birthday bash at the Buzz Bar with **James Hunter and the Jokers** plus the **Houserockers**. As you may know, Lee incurred the complete cost of this event so if you wish to contribute towards a whip round for this quite costly event, contact Charles or myself and perhaps we could hand over all monies collected at some near future 'gang meet up'. Charles has already started the ball rolling by putting £10 in the kitty.

Folks, here is something I'm sure you have been waiting for since the first issue came totally unexpectedly through your letterbox. You may have heard a rumour that it would appear in issue two. Yes it has! Yeah, I bet at this very moment you're choking on your cornflakes with excitement and anticipation... it's the "Tales from the Woods" quiz!

Getting one or both questions correct will win you a unique prize. A free book from yours truly at the next gang meet up. So put your thinking caps on and get your answers to me as soon as you can.

Question one - what is grey and lights up at night?

Question two - what sort of music did Hengist and Horsa play?

Whilst on the subject of the next gang meet up it will be Friday 2nd February, **Princess Louise, Holborn**, from 18:45 hours onwards.

Depart for a meal at approx. 20:20. Be there and be cool. Remember you're only young twice.

What is coming up? **Stephen Riley and the Mamou Playboys** are at the **Borderline** on Wednesday 31st January.

At the **National film Theatre**, the **Ballad of Ramblin' Jack**, a documentary of Ramblin' Jack Elliott, Thursday 25th January at 6:10pm.

General notes:

Sorry I missed Martyn Harvey and daughter and Lee Wilkinson on the last meet up who had to leave before I arrived. Sorry about that folks. Got delayed at work.

Did you know our erstwhile film director friend Erroll Smith has moved? I received a Christmas card from him containing his new address and phone number, he's now residing on the wild and windy coastline of East Lincolnshire.

THE ISRAELI DOCTOR RAISES HIS GLASS AND SAYS, "HERE'S TO ISRAELI MEDICINE. IT'S SO ADVANCED WE CAN TAKE A KIDNEY OUT OF ONE PERSON, PUT IT IN ANOTHER AND HAVE HIM LOOKING FOR WORK IN SIX WEEKS."

THE GERMAN DOCTOR SPLUTTERS IN HIS BEER, "THAT'S NOTHING. IN GERMANY WE CAN TAKE A LUNG OUT OF ONE PERSON, PUT IT IN ANOTHER AND HAVE HIM LOOKING FOR WORK IN FOUR WEEKS."

THE RUSSIAN DOCTOR DOWNS HIS VODKA. "HA! WE RUSSIANS CAN TAKE HALF A HEART FROM ONE PERSON, PUT IT IN ANOTHER AND HAVE THEM BOTH LOOKING FOR WORK IN TWO WEEKS."

THE AMERICAN DOCTOR FINISHES HIS WHISKY, SLAMS HIS EMPTY GLASS ON THE TABLE AND HISSES, "GENTLEMEN, WE AMERICANS ARE GONNA TAKE AN ASSHOLE OUT OF TEXAS, PUT HIM IN THE WHITE HOUSE AND HALF THE GODDAM COUNTRY WILL BE LOOKING FOR WORK THE VERY NEXT DAY!"

Great Balls of Fire regional tour. No doubt many of you Kats and Kittens will be catching the show at Southend, others at the Fairfield Halls, Croydon. Me personally, I will be at Dartford, hope to see some of you there. If you're unsure of any of the dates, no doubt Tony Papard will provide you with info.

Love to Lynne and I am sure 2001 will be a really great year for you.

Thanks Calum for the Christmas card and postcard from the standing stones of "Callanish". Will drop you a line soon. In the meantime, pass on my regards to the nice 'tree' you have met, wish you both much peace and happiness. Hope to see you finally at one of my gigs when you are in London.

Whilst on the subject, Johnny 'S' from **Dance 4 You** magazine phoned yesterday evening, the 9th. He had contacted the Buzz Bar to find out more details concerning the likelihood of future presentations and was

spun a rather different story than I related in the last Newsletter. I will be calling in after work this evening (10th) to see what they have to say. Also, the Latchmere, just round the corner from the Buzz Bar may be a possibility.

Johnny 'S' who seems to have been busy on my behalf, has suggested I contact the Burnell Arms at East Ham. A Landlady by the name of Mandy appears to show interest for a Thursday night session. I will contact when time allows. So, if any of you folks who live or have lived in that part of town know the establishment let me know.

You can contact me at 25 Queen Anne Avenue, Bromley, Kent BR2 0SA or by phone or fax on 020 8460 6941.

How many Keith Woods' does it take to change a light bulb? None - I prefer it in the dark.

Keith Woods

