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EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW WITH MR MATHESON!

What school did you teach at before you came to Madras?

Well I was headteacher at the last school and it was called Milnes high school in a little town called Fochabers which is where they make Baxter's soups, and those tiny little portions of honey or marmalade or strawberry jam that you get on aeroplanes are also made in Fochabers - so you've learned something useful today!



What were your first impressions of Madras?

Big. The sheer size of the school I think was my first impression because of the two sites. The second impression would be the sheer majestic nature of the old building at South Street. It's a stunning building. We're lucky to have it. The more personal impressions were that people here seem to be very pleasant. Not just pupils but staff too. You go to some places and people are very tight, very formal, and very proper but madras isn't like that.

Do you have any changes for the school planned?

I suppose I could say that I couldn't promise any changes because any changes that take place would have to be discussed with staff, pupils, the school board, parents, counsellors, officers in Glenrothes and so on. The days of a headteacher coming and just making changes without consulting anyone are gone. There are, however, changes that are bound to happen, probably sooner rather than later. One is a technological change, society is becoming much more technological. The way we work I think is something that probably will change as well, perhaps more technological, less paper based. Lastly how we make decisions. You are probably as intelligent as I am, you might be more intelligent than me! You've got less experience, but you've got energy, fitness and you've got time ahead of you so I need to, as a headteacher, take account of what you feel, what your view of things is.

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for...*

**Sport
Music
STUFF
Buzzles
And
Much
More...**





An interview with Mr Matheson Continued...

Do you have any hobbies?

Yes. I cycle. I try and keep fit, and I'm not succeeding but I try to stave off old age as much as I can. I enjoy many games and sports - card games, especially bridge, board games, computer games, table tennis, tennis, golf and fishing. I've had to give up football and rugby because my joints won't cope any longer. I also enjoy collecting mushrooms. I have a friend who's a biologist who can identify them so I don't poison myself. There's always a health warning with mushrooms, so don't follow my example unless you have a biologist friend.

What did you want to be when you were a child?

I wanted to be a sailor. I emigrated to New Zealand when I was five years old and got a love for the sea immediately. The reason was that we sailed from Britain to New Zealand. You saw places, you saw the world, you saw excitement, and you saw danger. I saw someone fished out dead from the water who had fallen overboard. So its extremely exciting - terrifying almost. The second thing I wanted to be was an engineer, so in fact a marine engineer was what I probably should have turned out to be, but around about the age of fifteen I got interested in school for the first time and got into languages and history more than science and engineering. I was still toying with the idea of going to sea until I was about twenty two, but eventually I went to university and followed a course in history here in St.Andrews, so that kind of set me set me on a certain path. Up to that time it was a more practical career that I had always fancied.

What's your favourite band?

Well I like a lot of different bands. I still can't see past the Beatles. Although they are long since gone the Beatles

music has an undying quality which is just superb. I like one or two of the modern folk bands. I particularly like Wolfstone who I've heard live a few times. I like Capercaillie as well and I like Enya. So I actually like the ethnic music. I like the sound of the fiddle and pipes. I'm not heavily into singing but I do like singing accompaniment, so that's particularly why I like Capercaillie.

Who is your favourite Teletubby?

Laalaa - the one that's always got that inane smile

What's your favourite film?

My favourite film is "Monsieur Hilos' Holiday" which starred and was directed by Jacque Tati, a French mime and impressionist. It's by far the funniest film that's ever been made, and it all centres around this idiotic Frenchman's holiday in an old fashioned hotel in France. However many times I see it I still laugh and laugh. It ends up with a farcical firework display where everything sort of blows up. It's a really funny film. It's black and white, it's ancient. I've liked it for 30 years.

What is your favourite football team?

Hearts - and it's not just because they're top of the league. They're usually bottom of the league. In fact myself and other people who support Hearts are totally baffled and don't actually quite know how to handle the fact that Hearts are really doing quite well at the moment. We're used to making excuses about why they're bottom.

Mr Matheson, Thank you very much.



Volte Subito

WELCOME...

...to Volte Subito, the brand new school newspaper. In case you are wondering what on earth "Volte Subito" actually means it's a Latin term used in music to mean "Turn over the page quickly" and coming across it in a dictionary we thought it was a pretty good name for a paper.

We're not the first school newspaper at Madras and I'm sure some of you remember the "Currier" but we don't like to talk about them!

As this is the first issue we haven't quite got the hang of things but we're pretty pleased with what we've got, and we hope you like it too.

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The "adverts" are mostly fake (hey try guessing which are and which aren't) but just in case you can't tell then the real adverts are labelled "real advert" - cunning indeed!

If any of you would like to contribute an article to the paper or have an advert or something which you would like to tell everyone then simply place it inside the bright yellow box with "Volte Subito" written on it (in awful writing) outside the guidance base. We will then print it. We will accept almost anything - pictures, stories on trips/holidays, poetry, cartoons etc. and also any problems that our resident agony Uncle, Paul will be glad to help you with.

We will also be doing a classifieds page so if anyone has anything for sale then we will be glad to advertise it (its FREE!! For the time being)

Finally we would like to point out that no wasps or bats were harmed in the production of the paper and any similarity to persons, living or dead or actual events is purely coincidental - now read on...





PUZZLES

BATTLE OF THE BANDS

14 bands are hidden in this grid. See if you can find them all!

B	O	Y	Z	O	N	E	V	F	S	A
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BANDS TO FIND

BLUR
SUPERGRASS
OASIS
SPICE GIRLS
VERVE
SASH
NO DOUBT

PULP
BOYZONE
ALL SAINTS
SUEDE
LOUISE
CHUMBAWAMBA
GALA

TRUE OR FALSE?

The following statements are either true or false but which is which? Answers on page 6.

- 1) Liam and Noels eyebrows are actually cunning eyebrow wigs, manufactured from the eyebrows of a giraffe.
- 2) Neil Armstrong got his lines wrong when he landed on the moon - he was supposed to say "one giant leap for *a* man" not just "man".
- 3) If you play Tubthumping by Chubawamba



backwards it sounds worse than it does forwards.

Left: Neil Armstrong, but did he fluff his lines or not?

- 4) There was originally a sixth member of the Spice Girls but she left before they became famous.
- 5) Mice can grow legs, tails and ears back if they are chopped off.
- 6) Mosquitoes find the smell of cheesy feet irresistible.





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REWIND

By Peter Brittain and Andrew McAllister

Welcome to rewind. Every issue we will be reviewing the best new albums and singles by our favourite bands and if we can be bothered some of the bands that we think you might like. We'll kick off this feature with a review of the new(ish) album releases by Bentley Rhythm Ace and Portishead and the new singles by the Spice Girls and Faithless. Singles are marked out of 5, albums out of 10.

ALBUMS

**Bentley Rhythm Ace-
Bentley Rhythm Ace**

Welcome to the world of big beats, amusing acronyms and above all, annoying alliteration. This is a fantastic debut album from Richard "Pop Will Eat Itself" March, along with his zany partner, Michael Barrie (not to be confused with Michael Barrimore). Full of weird noises psycho samples and bits from what are probably 60's T.V shows, this album shows just what they are capable of. Top tracks include

the strangely titled ragtopskodacarchase and the chart topping (well number 17) Bentleys Gonna sort You Out.



Above: The chaps themselves. Hmm-nice swimming caps.

The only downsides are that too many of the tracks have been released as singles (four I think) but its not all that likely that anyone will have any of them as they are almost all ultra-hard to get hold of (believe me I know) All in all an impressive effort and thoroughly deserving of an:



Portishead - Portishead

Another self titled album this issue is the new album from Portishead. Following the success of their incredible debut album "Dummy" in 1995 they disappeared for a while but now they're back with more of the same. The familiar scratchiness, fake vinyl hiss and melancholy

vocals make this stand out from everything else. A few tracks grab your attention in particular, like the first release from this album - "Cowboys" and the majestic "Humming". It may have taken them a while but it was certainly worth the wait:



SINGLES

The Spice Girls - Spice up your life



Above: The Spice Girls - Euurrghhhh!!

To cater for everyone's taste, we occasionally have to review singles and that we wouldn't necessarily go out and buy ourselves. So this issue we are going to do just that. Out last week was the latest single "Spice up your Life" by the talent lacking, corporate invention "The Spice Girls". Although not the most irritating release by the group, it doesn't rank much better than





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the rest. The one and only thing this song has going for it is the well made video but even that can't save what is a thoroughly awful song:



Faithless – Don't Leave

This is the second release of this song from the mega-selling Faithless. Originally released before the Insomnia single propelled them to stardom it only managed to reach the top 30, but now it is back in a slightly remixed form due to it's inclusion in the soundtrack to "A Life Less Ordinary". The original song was better but this version is still pretty good and definitely improves on their rather poor last single. It's not actually out until next week or so, but when it does hit the shelves go out and get yourself a copy especially if it has the original mix on it, as this is a top tune indeed:



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Answers to True or False

1) False (But they are alarmingly bushy...)
2) True, believe it or not he did get his lines wrong.
3) Probably true but we're not willing to try it to find out.
4) True.
5) No, of course they can't. It's False
6) True! Apparently they adore the smell of feet and will bite them first if they can get at them.

COMPETITION TIME

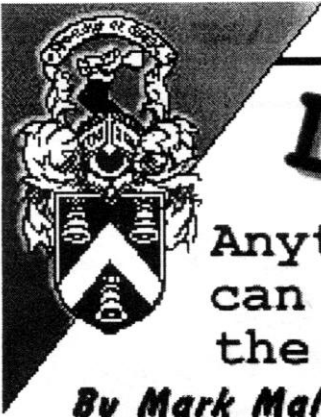
In order to win large amounts of chocolate this week we would like you to tell us the name of The Spice Girls' first single, was it: a) Don't Wannabe

- b) Want to be
- c) Wannabe
- d) Wannawasp

Entries should be placed in the yellow box at the guidance base and remember to have your name and class clearly marked. The closing date is Wednesday the 5th of November.

The editors decision is final (cool I always wanted to say that!) and any multiple entries or entries arriving after the date will be rapidly recycled.





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Welcome to...

DISILLUSIONED

Anything
can happen in
the next two pages...

By Mark Malaczynski and Alistair Kenny

HIDDEN CAMERA

In this section we will bring you the latest pics from our hidden camera somewhere in the school building. Where does it go?...nobody knows.

This edition features a nasty wasp attack in P10.



HORRORSCOPES

Aquarius (Jan21-Feb19):

DOOM! DEATH!

DESTRUCTION! Do NOT

leave your house! Do not

move! Do not even breathe! Trust NO-ONE!

Lucky Lottery Number: You don't have one

Pisces (Feb 20-Mar20): Something fishy is afoot. Beware of men wearing raincoats. We don't know why, but just to be on the safe side leave £10,000 in a brown envelope in the bin by the door.

Lucky Lottery Number: 10,000

Aries (Mar21-April20): Do not pick a fight with a music stand today as it could lead to sudden death. Doom and destruction available at extra cost. Please leave £10,001 in a brown envelope in the bin by the door if you wish to take up this offer! (Written quotations available on request).

Lucky Lottery Number: $X = \frac{(5y+2X-24)}{(9q-23X)+2}$ Solve for X when $y = 12X+5$ & $q = \frac{Y}{X}$

Taurus (April21-May20): People will be very critical of your work today and won't believe anything you say whatsoever. Try telling them that these horrorscopes are rubbish and you'll see.

Lucky Lottery Number: 23



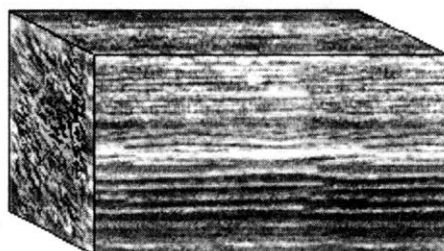


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The Horror continues...

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**DEAD OR ALIVE
PREFERABLY ALIVE**

This wooden block (measuring approx 2cm x 2cm x 3cm) has escaped from Madras High Security Jail Block Q4. Members of the public are warned not to approach this block as it is highly dangerous and may be carrying (despite a distinct lack of visible arms) a life threatening species of woodworm. Any persons who may have information on the whereabouts of this notorious criminal should not approach the police. Instead leave any information and £10,000 cash in a brown envelope in the bin by the door. A modest reward will be paid to all persons who provide us with useful information.

"Quote-Unquote"

Here is the first of a series of selections of incredibly stupid mistakes that have been made by more mistake-ridden publications than this one (hard to believe I know, but true) all of which are quite frankly hilarious.

"PASSENGERS HIT BY CANCELLED TRAINS." - *Manchester evening news*

"Today's hint tells you how to keep your hair in first-class order. Cut it out and paste it on to a piece of cardboard and hang it in your bathroom." - *Essex Paper*

"When the baby is done drinking it must be unscrewed and laid in a cool place under a tap. If the baby does not thrive on fresh milk it should be boiled." - *Womens magazine*





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In Off The Post

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BRITISH SUPER CUP 1 COCA-COLA CUP 0

Finally the British Super Cup should be played because not only does it match most of the Coca-Cola Cup's advantages it also builds on them.

Welcome to the sports section. This issue Darren Bishop and Donald Gellatly write about the lengthy discussions about the future of the league cup in both Scotland and England in the past few seasons.

The Coca-Cola Cup is now deemed as a pointless competition amongst many people in the Scottish game. But it can be said there is still plenty to fight for in the league cup as it stands at the moment. It gives smaller clubs the chance to draw an Old Firm team and rake in a large amount of money from gate returns. It also allows a team to grab a piece of silverware before the vital Christmas stage in the season, which would inject the team with confidence and give them a vital push to challenge for the league, or promotion.

However, We feel that like many things in today's game it is time for reform. Now it should be time for a British Super Cup involving Premier and First division clubs from both sides of the border. A British Cup Could Be spaced out evenly over the season and it would have many more advantages. For example after watching "The Battle Of Britain" matches between Celtic and Liverpool we could look forward to many exciting matches. It would give Scottish clubs the opportunity to play against tougher opposition. In addition since the British cup would be much tougher than the current League Cup We think that it could guarantee the winner of it a place in the first round of the UEFA cup. Also more money could be at stakes for the clubs involved because all the T.V co-operations will be fighting to get the rights for the games, especially with an estimated 10 million people watching the Celtic versus Liverpool game.

SPORTS QUIZ

- 1) What is Jacques Villneuves' least favourite colour?
- 2) Queen of the South are the third team to reach the final of the challenge cup in as many years. Which two teams preceded them in 1995 and 1996?
- 3) Who beat Chris Eubank in his come back fight earlier this month?
- 4) South Africa won this years Alfred Dunhill Cup. Who won last year?
- 5) The following grounds belong to which English football clubs?
 - a) "Pride Park"
 - b) "The stadium of light"
 - c) "Riverside"
 - d) "The Reebok Stadium"
 - e) "The Valley"
- 6) Who won the 1997 world matchplay at Wentworth?
- 7) Who are the current rugby league "Superleague" champions?





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- 8) Ken Docherty is world champion at which sport?
- 9) The "Monarchs", "The Admirals", and the "Galaxy" play which sport?
- 10) Which two 16 year olds' played in the 1997 Wimbledon women's semi-final this year?
- 11) The following are the nicknames of Scottish football teams. Which teams?
 - a) "The gable endies"
 - b) "The bully Wee"
 - c) "The wasps"
 - d) "The Spiders"
 - e) "The Red Lichties"

Answers are in the next issue.

CHANNEL 5 BEATS THE BEEB

Following on from it's success over the BBC earlier on in this month (getting the Scotland game,- just in case you're a tad thick) , Channel 5 have humiliated the BBC even further by getting the rights to both legs to the Republic of Ireland's World Cup Playoffs against Belgium.

The BBC reply giving the excuse that the match "would only" get 4 million viewers and that it would interfere with the rest of its sports coverage. Meaning that the only live football being shown on the BBC this year is

Liverpool's UEFA cup matches and European finals. However the new kids on the box, Channel 5 have shown plenty: England's

game against Poland; The Umbro Cup Final; Scotland's game against Latvia; Newcastle Uniteds Qualifying (second leg) game in the Champions League; arsenal's and Aston villa's UEFA Cup games and Chelsea's Cup Winners Cup campaign.

RESULTS

Football

U-18 league

Madras College vs. View Forth 3-1

scorers for Madras - Gary Clark, Graham Eaddie, Mark Locorran.

U-18 Scottish Cup 1st round

Madras vs. Auchmuty 8-2

Scorers for Madras - Stewart Gilmour (4), Oran Wishart (2), Gary Clarke (2).

U-15

Bell Baxter Vs. Madras 1-0

BYE!!

That's it for this issue, see you again in a few weeks time, we would like to hear what you thought of it so please put a comment in one of the yellow boxes, and we will be sure to read it.

