

STUDENT FARE

with Dagwood

Frank's Fish & Chips
86 Main St.
472-7331

Frank's is on the north side of Fredericton, just west of the Nashwaak Cinemas on Main St. They're open 11 am to 10 pm Monday through Wednesday, until 11 pm Thursday and Saturday and until midnight Friday. Sunday hours are noon to midnight.

Frank's is a brightly lit cafeteria style restaurant. The decor is very plain and gives a clean appearance. The hardwood tables, chairs and benches are the focal point of the decorations. The walls are decorated with a few plants. One side of the cafeteria is a greenhouse style glass wall.

From the name you know that Frank's serves seafood. In addition they serve hamburgs and hotdogs and beginning next month a salad bar will be offered.

Three of us went for supper. I ordered a medium seafood with scallops while the other two ordered the medium seafood. The seafood consisted of two small pieces of

deep-fried fish, a helping of deep-fried clams and a portion of french fries. My order included scallops as well. The meal was tasty, but a bit greasier than I would have preferred, and the french fries were slightly undercooked. For dessert I had peanut butter cookies made by a local cottage industry, Paul's Cookie Co. Very good cookies Paul! I was disappointed with being served the meal from cardboard containers and without a glass of any sort for the traditional glass of milk with my meal. For such 'upbeat' surroundings it was too bad.

The service for the meal was friendly and prompt. No-one pestered me to order, and when the food came up it all came up at once. And no-one issued that highly impersonal service industry line, "Have a good day."

The meal came to \$7.64 with the cookies, which were an after-thought. For a score I'll give Frank's 2 of 3 for service, 1 of 3 for ambience and 3 of 4 for the food. If you're over to the Nashwaak Cinemas and are hungry after, by-pass McDonalds and give Frank's a try.

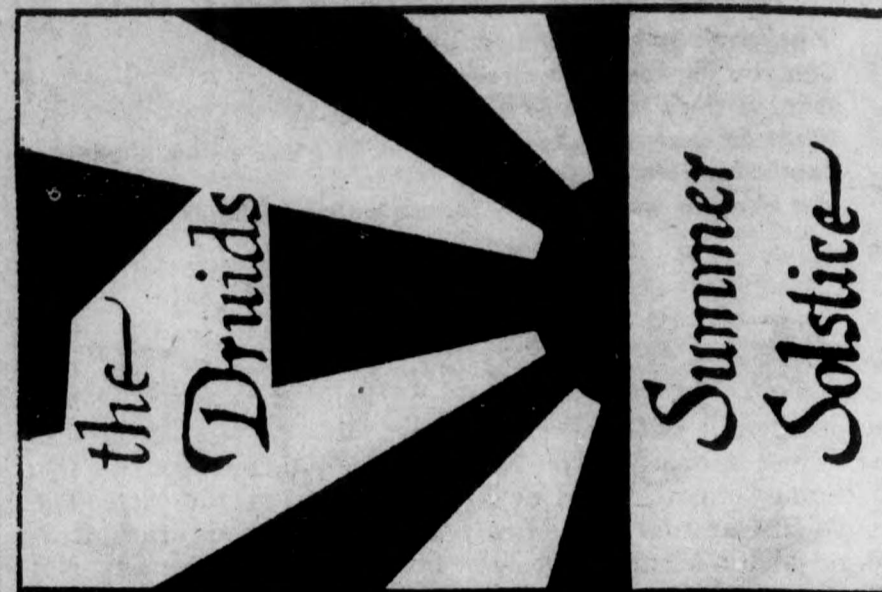
The Druids: Summer Solstice

In a town that often seems to be a black hole for musical talent, any new local release is worthy of note. "Summer Solstice", the debut tape from Fredericton's own the Druids is no exception. The Druids are essentially a vocalist (Martin Warren) and a trio of musicians: Andrew Thorne on guitar, Pete Jarvie on bass and Peter Dunham on drums.

Their music is probably best described as hyperactive rock, crisply performed by competent musicians. Unlike many of today's bands, they don't resort to use of pretentious or gratuitous synthesizers to "pretty up" their sound. The whole effect is one of raw unbridled energy, not at all displeasing to listen to. Unfortunately, one of the best examples of their musical ability is not to be found on the tape - their remake of CCR's "Bad Moon Rising", currently receiving airplay on CHSR.

Lyrically, the band is intriguing, ranging from an attack on capital punishment in "Morning Horns" to totally abstract, as in "Desert Psycho". The lyrics of about half of the songs are among the most abstract I've ever heard, mostly thanks to the imagination of

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Martin Warren. For people that are into lyrics, these are the songs you want to listen to - it seems no matter how many times you listen, there's always something new to find.

The biggest drawback, I found, was vocally. Martin Warren has improved vocally since his days in Scream Theatre, but in general his singing has gotten worse. More to the point, his yelling has gotten worse, for he never really sings. With the quality of the music and lyrics, I can't help but feel this band could have been better served with a real singer. I think Mr. Warren would have done much better by speaking the lyrics, as he did quite effectively in

"Ice Cream Face".

Finally, I thought that the production, although adequate, obscured the vocals far too much. When it came to the singing, I didn't really mind; but I did miss a few of the lyrics (I still don't understand "Desert Psycho").

All in all, a good band and not too bad a tape. With better vocal work, this band could go somewhere.

Also, copies of "Summer Solstice" are available exclusively at the Megaspot in the SUB, or through the band by contacting Andrew Thorne (889 Grandame St. Fredericton, B3B 3Z7).

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