

Peter Law and the Pacific Showband are back again. After a

The Pacific Showband is made of eight musicians — (guitar, sax,

drums, bass, organ doubling on trombone, trumpets, and

vocalists). Since 1963 when it was formed in Ireland, the group has

Any kind of music is their bag — from ballads to hard rock. The

two vocalists for the group are described as "the most consistent

MASHMAKHAN

Mashmakhan — "a group with old roots and for a gig in the US. This, however, proved to

JESSE WINCHESTER

Introducing Jesse Winchester. Multi-talented, versatile, and

Though not that well-known in the Maritimes, Jesse Winchester

has done well elsewhere. The Montreal Star's Juan Rodriguez

selected his album "Jesse Winchester" as number five in 1970. Two

of his singles, "Yankee Lady" and "Snow", have also been cited as

He plays the guitar and the piano as well as singing. Most of his

material is original, reflecting his own personal feelings. Jesse

Winchester is a top performer, professional in every way — that's

BRUCE MURDOCH

Revolutions per Minute'.

Bruce has appeared in more than 120

college and university concerts in Canada and

the US, and played in coffee houses from

Montreal to San Francisco. He's done three

CBC shows, and one each for CTV, NBC, and

NET. For the last five years, he had been a

be a valuable learning experience.

Centre in Ottawa.

While Ray and Jerry were exploring new

sounds and styles at home, Pierre was adding

the organ and the flute to his musical skills. In

1969, this trio played the inaugural pop

concert at the opening of the National Arts

Soon Brian was back in the fold, bringing a

new lead voice, a booming bass, and years of

experience. Their new sound and their new

band — Mashmakhan — suddenly blossomed.

professional sound — that's Mashmakhan!

A distinctly Canadian group with a unique

most successful engagement here at Dal in the fall, the band has

been touring the country with equal success.

stars in Irish show business today.'

a musical history that goes back through

psychedelic rock into a black soul bag and the

very beginnings of the rock and roll ex-

In the early sixties the guys played the

competitive dance hall circuit in Montreal,

playing on a borrowed guitar and singing

songs like "Kansas City" and "100 Pounds of

The guys then included Pierre Senecal,

Brian Edwards, and Ray Blake. Finding

themselves minus a drummer one night, they

called on Jerry Mercer to fill in. Before long,

Brian left to form two other bands and Pierre

sensuous. Tonight at Dal.

top songs in the past year.

At the age of 16, Bruce Murdoch found

himself in New York with 37¢ in his pocket. He

threw 3¢ into the Washington Square Foun-

tain. Now he knows that it's not worth 2¢. He's

learned many other things too, having worked

with peace demonstrations, civil rights

movements, and the McCarthy campaign.

why he's here tonight.

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been near the top of the charts in Ireland and England.

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"I have no trade of any kind except this. It was all or nothing. I've been trying to get into this business since I was 14. There have been many hungry days, many disappointments."

Stompin' Tom is one of a kind. He's a country singer from PEI (the fishing village of Tignish — "rhymes with rotten potatoes and stinkin' fish"). He's roamed the length and breadth of the continent, hitch-hiking and living out of a suitcase.

He got his first break in 1964 at the Maple Leaf Hotel in Timmins. The hotel manager spotted his guitar and asked if he could play and sing.

"I sang and he liked it and I was taken on to sing and it worked out real good. I got \$35 a

week and room and board and the place was packed for 14 months. Then a radio station got a hold o' me for to sing songs about the North

Nine albums, fifteen singles and six years later he was riding atop a truck piled high with potatoes at the head of an 80-car motorcade in Charlottetown — a deserved tribute to the man who has been making the Island famous on the country-western hit parade with "Bud the Spud"

Tom Connors is 33 years old, good-looking, modest and unmarried. His songs are sometimes humourous, sometimes sen- . timental, sometimes tragic, but they are always good. Come have a stomp.

CARNIVAL **SCHEDULE**

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 3

- 7:00 p.m. free Torchlight parade
- 11:00 p.m. free to concert ticketholders. Welcome back party for Peter Law in McInnis Room, Bar.

THURSDAY, FEB. 4

- University Island.
- 9:00 p.m. \$1.75 Barn Dance, Peter Law and a Fiddlin' band, McInnes Room and cafeteria.
- 1:00 p.m. \$1.50 Lumberjack's Brawl, Stompin' Tom Connors, McInnes Room and cafeteria.
- 10:00 p.m. \$1.00 Black 'n Blue 'n Gold, Rebecca Cohn Auditorium. SATURDAY, FEB. 6
- 3:00 5:00 p.m. Country Frolics Mount Saint Vincent (Mashmakhan concert ticketholders free admission to Country Frolics, otherwise ticket costs \$1.00. Transportation supplied)
- and Don Warner, McInnes Room and cafeteria.
- 3:00 p.m. free Ernesto Bitetti, Classical
- 8:00 \$2.00 Canadian Folk Rock Festival, Jesse Auditorium.

- 9:00 p.m. free Peter Law concert, Rebecca Cohn
- 1:00 p.m. free Ice-sculpturing display, SUB
- 1:00 p.m. free Snow Sculpturing competition,
- 1:00 p.m. free National Film Board films, SUB. FRIDAY, FEB. 5
- 8:00 p.m. Forum price Basketball game, Dal vs. Saint Mary's, Halifax Forum.

- 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. \$2.00 Mount'n Do, Mashmakhan, Mount Saint Vincent.

- 10:00 p.m. \$5.00 Fisherman's Ball, Peter Law SUNDAY, FEB. 7
- guitarist, Rebecca Cohn Auditorium.
- 4:00 p.m. free DGDS melodrama, "She was only a Fisherman's daughter", Rebecca Cohn Auditorium.
- Winchester, Bruce Murdoch, Bill Garrett and Sharon Ryan, Chris Rawlings, Rebecca Cohn



BILL GARRETT and SHARON RYAN

"I have taken upon myself to write a bio concerning the various exploits of Bill Garrett and Sharon Ryan. Why I decided to tease my have found myself trying to play it ever since. ego like this is completely beyond me, but it Rock and roll and folk groups took up my time had to be done quickly so our good friends could print it for you, so that you should know what it is we do.

Both os us were born in the 'fantastic forties', and from this point on started to grow up (more or less).

Sharon got involved with music while at college. She started singing in small coffee houses around Montreal, and joined a group called "the Bordermen" which became "Rings 'n' Things". While with "R 'n' T", she toured extensively through eastern Canada and the US, and cut a single on the Trax label. In late 1969 she quit the group and for some inexplicable reason started singing with me. As for myself, I was born with a strange

- Bill Garrett. One of their greatest stints was at Expo '70 in Osaka, Japan, which lasted three months. And what do the critics say? The Montreal Gazette: "A group with their ability can only go all the way to the top."

growth protruding from my body that has a

strange resemblance to a Martin guitar, and

in school. Later in college in Ottawa, I started

to play Old Time Country music with Dennis

Brown. A couple of years later I could be seen

playing behind Sean Gagnier, Bruce Mur-

doch, and Rings 'n' Things in Montreal. In

late 1969 Sharon and I got together and

worked up a repertoire of Country-Folk-

Blues. Comtemporary and Traditional music,

usually accompanied by one or two sidemen.'

CHRIS RAWLINGS

"What is love? What is communication? Searching for these answers you turn inward and learn how to express your feelings in song, dance, poetry, a logic scientific discovery. You begin to love, laugh, and then without warning the questions begin again and the cycle renews, never once returning to the same level of consciousness.'

One of Chris' best pieces is "The Rhyme of the Ancient Mariner", a folk-opera done with Samuel Tayler Coleridge and Paul Lauzon.

Chris has had 15 years of musical training on guitar, recorder, piano, violin, double bass, harmonica, dulcimer, and presently the banjo. Five years were spent with two groups, Rings 'n' Things and the Bordermen, and two years working solo in London, Vancouver, New Orleans, and Montreal.

What other talent does Chris Rawlings have? He can sing for five hours straight!



