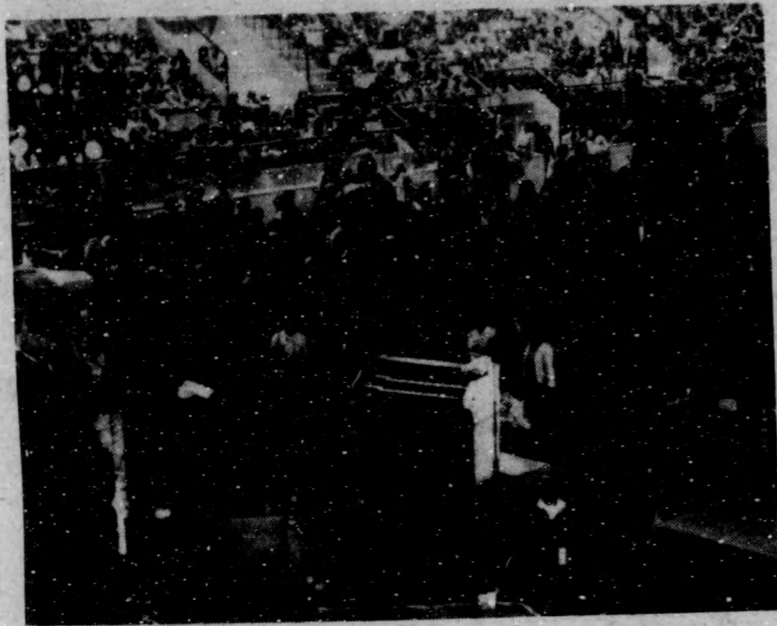


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3,000 attend concert

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Fans enjoy concert



Bobby Woods



Matt Minglewood



Long John Baldry

A crowd of some 3,000 attended the Long John Baldry and Minglewood concert at the Aitken Centre last Friday.

At first glance it appeared that the traditional roles had been reversed with Long John Baldry the seasoned veteran of 20 years, whose name has been associated with Mick Jagger, Elton John, and Rod Stewart, backing up the local Maritime band. This fact obviously set the tone of the concert, as Long John was obviously disgruntled, however his band held the show together. Rick Morrison was particularly impressive on sax and a special request came from the audience for base player Ronney Garant to do a solo, during which Baldry took to the shadows. Long John, who only sang vocals during the act did mention that he plays "a beautiful guitar" and would play for us on his next visit to Fredericton. Maybe next time he will perform to his potential.

After a lengthy intermission Minglewood made their appearance. From then on the band proceeded to dazzle the audience with their guitar and harmonica playing highlighted by Matt Minglewood's excursions into the audience. I particularly enjoyed watching Bobby Woods on drums, who seemed to be having a good time and Matt Minglewood on the piano. The grand finale was, yes Matt Minglewood again, high atop his speakers. In case you were wondering, he does that with a radio transmitter from his guitar whose radio signal is picked up by a receiver on stage.

The concert was not great and yet it could have been. I think you have to stick to the traditional formula in which the local act opens up for the larger more successful one who headlines the show.

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