

Volume 2: 8/27/08

Here it is another month and time to live up to our promise of sending out another Wailers News Letter. So Here we go on Volume 2 for August of 2008:

Update on New CD with The Ventures:

We had hoped to make a little quicker progress on the “Two Car Garage” CD that is in the making with The Ventures and The Wailers. But I guess we can quote the old saying that “*anything really good is worth the wait*” (Who ever wrote that was probably trying to buy some time also.) But the truth is that The Ventures are still tearing up Japan until the middle of September and many of the final details of this “venture” (no pun intended) can’t be wrapped up until they are back and we can get this cookie out! Kent and Don have to finish up a couple of vocals together and then there is the biz side of kicking off a new label that the CD will come out on. The label will be called “VW Records” (not about the car...but you know, Ventures/Wailers Records....pretty cool, huh.) So hopefully by next month’s news letter we’ll have a date to announce. Hang in there...it’s coming!

Update on th New Wailers CD “Rooster Rock”

It’s been a little difficult to find the time for the final mixing and mastering of our “roots rock” CD which will also be coming soon. Buck and Kent will be mixing this coming week on it and hope to finish it up soon. We’re thinking of making a video to go with the release of the CD (probably up on YouTube) featuring a break dancing rooster. That should be fun. As mentioned before, there are a lot of great classic rockers on this one with a few new originals. We’re anxious to get this cookie out also. Patience is the virtue that we all need to show for just a little while....This one too is coming!

Wailer Buck Ormsby & Ricky Lynn Johnson still running around the world with The Sonics:

Congratulations to the Northwest band The Sonics as they continue to tear up Europe these days after a 40 year gap since the days when they were discovered and recorded on the Wailers Etiquette label back in the early 60’s! Buck Ormsby who is now acting as there manager has been booking them and taking them all over Europe The band has just returned from another successful hop across “the pond” this time performing in Gotenburg, Sweden and Oslo, Norway where they played to sold out crowds of screaming and adoring fans. In September it’s off again, this time to Spain. Go Sonics....keep showing those Europeans what Northwest Rock is all about!

Downloads Now Available on Wailer's Web Site/MySpace:

The Wailers are joining the cyberspace age and now have the ability to offer downloads of some of their songs on their web site. At this time just go to www.thefabulouswailers.com and scroll down the home page where you should see the downloads. If you should order a download for 99cents you will be asked to sign into the download service called SnoCap...but not to worry they don't want any important info other than what is required for the download. We will be adding new songs as we go so keep checking in if you wish to see what's new.

Collectable Wailer & Sonic Original Etiquette Vinyl Album Covers Discovered:

While trying to find room in his storage bin for some things he no longer needed but like many of us couldn't bring himself to part with them...Buck Ormsby discovered some real treasures. By moving boxes of things to make room for more boxes Buck found some items that had been put to storage several decades ago...vinyl album covers from old Etiquette releases of the 60's! There in mint condition were a few copies of covers for "*The Fabulous Wailers at the Castle*", The Wailers "*Out of Our Tree*", The Sonics "*Here Are The Sonics*", "*Sonic Boom*", and a few other covers including some rare copies of Kent Morrill's solo album "*Hard To Rock Alone*". So we decided to get them all autographed by the artists, had them matted for framing and they will soon be available on ebay for any collectors of 60's Northwest memorabilia to bid on. Such signed and framed covers would look handsome in anyone's den or office. So keep an eye out on ebay and we will make it known on our web site when they are officially up on ebay for grabs.

Kent & Friends to Perform at Lakes High 40th Reunion:

Kent Morrill of the Wailers along with a couple of the Wailers, John Hanford on guitar and Neil Rush on Sax and former Wailer Alan Lynn on drums with added Hammond Organ by Pat Hughes of Seattle will be providing the memories of 60's classics at Lakes High School's 40th reunion on October 25th at the Tacoma Country Club in Lakewood, WA. So any of you out there that attended Lakes High and graduated in 1968...we will look forward to seeing you there! Wear your old school sweaters...if you can still get into them! (My letterman's sweater would only fit one of my grandsons!) But we can still kick out the music and sort of dance like we did in high school...or at least give it a try!

Another fun thing will happen the Friday night before at the Lakes High School Homecoming game where Kent will be singing "Louie Louie" with The Lakes High Marching Band at the half time. That should be different! Maybe we can get a recording of it and have that for a download for you Louie freaks! We'll see.

Up Coming Gigs at Roberts 99th Street Club:

Roberts 99th Street Club on 99th and Pacific Avenue in Tacoma is becoming one of the top spots to go for some fine Northwest music these days. Kent and friends will be performing there on Sept 6th from 9:00 on. No cover! Joining Kent will be John Hanford from the Wailers and other surprise guests. So join us for some good old rock n roll and dance the night away.

Coming to Roberts 99th Street Club in October:

October 3rd and 4th :*The Neil Rush Band* joined by Kent for more great Northwest sounds.

- October 10th and 11th: Kent will join *Kingsmen* Barry Curtis and Steve Peterson and others.
- October 17th and 18th Kent will have his own group made up of some Wailers and others performing more Northwest rock.

So mark your calendars and come on out for some great times and some great music.

Well, that's about it for this news letter. Keep checking into our site at www.thefabulouswailers.com for any and all updates. Keep on Dancing!