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Vipers Add Bite to DTA's Half Century Show

Local gig promoters DTA Promotions have recently celebrated their first anniversary of operating in Luton and are counting down to their 50th show in the town, which will feature Dunstable rockers and national media darlings, the Imperial Vipers, as the headline act.

DTA Promotions started out as a brainchild of Andy O'Hara and Dave Brady, who organised a successful charity event at the Student Union in January 2005 in aid of the Tsunami Disaster Fund. Afterwards they went their separate ways and organised gigs at rival venues in the town until a chance meeting with Tom Jackson resurrected the partnership and DTA Promotions was born.

Since then they've held regular gigs at the Student Union, The Cork and Bull and The Park, showcasing over 100 bands in that time, many of whom have become regular returnees at their shows – a mix of local up-and-coming bands alongside more established names. They've brought top bands to Luton from all over the world, while many have also played top UK festivals with Sonic Boom Six opening Reading this year, and eight acts that DTA have featured played at this year's Download Festival.

Last month DTA held their first birthday Indie bash at the Student Union with local favourites The Occasion, Pirate Radio, The Dregs, Presidents of Park Street and Sunset Waterloo performing. Their 50th gig, again at the Student Union, on 4 November, will be headlined by the Imperial Vipers who will welcome support from Phonic Rapture, The Ruby Shoes, Joanovarc and Sun of a Gun.

Some 24 hours before their Luton gig, the Imperial Vipers will be playing in front of over 10,000 people at the NEC in Birmingham, and their manager, Callum Rice, commented of their local show: "We're delighted to be back at the university for another DTA gig. The Vipers have been around playing locally before DTA started, but they've made a big impact in Luton and always put on some really tightly run shows and we're really impressed with how they support up-and-coming bands from Luton and Dunstable."

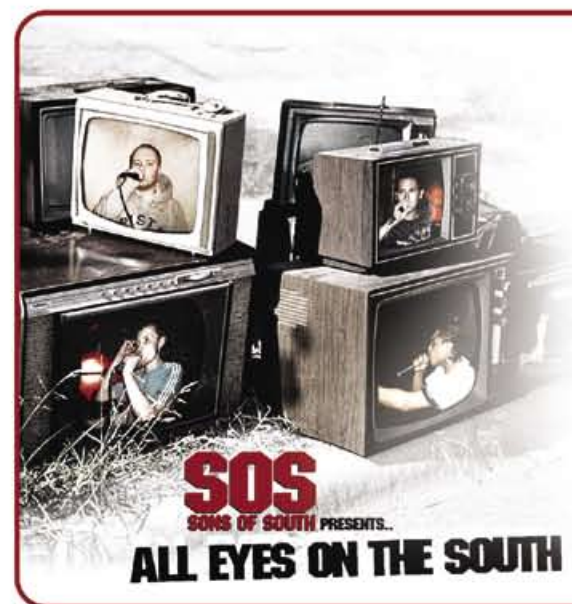
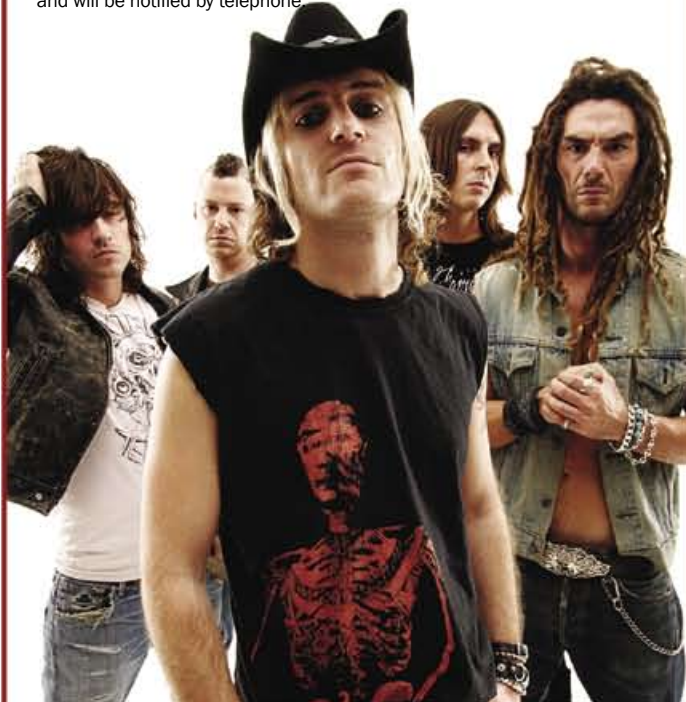
As DTA's Dave Brady reflects, the aim over their second year and beyond is to showcase 'bigger bands at bigger events with bigger venues'; part of which could be plans to hold a two-day extravaganza at the Student Union – watch this space.

WIN TICKETS FOR DTA's 50TH GIG

DTA Promotions' 50th Luton show is sure to be a sell-out with Dunstable's Imperial Vipers – lead singer Ash Simmons, Wevs and Corky on guitar, Bim on bass and drummer Lofty – headlining at the Student Union. We've got five pairs of tickets to give away, which can be won by answering this simple question:

Who is the lead singer of the Imperial Vipers?

Please send your answers to DTA Competition, JNB Publishing, The Treacle Factory, 2A Reginald Street, Luton, LU2 7QZ, or register online at www.luton-at-large.co.uk. The winners will be selected at random from correct entries and will be notified by telephone.



Urban collective Sons of South – who boast two Lutonians among the six-strong squad – have unleashed their first official release; mix tape 'All Eyes on the South'.

MC Prophecy and resident beatmaker MC Terrorist hail from Luton and have joined MCs Naturekid, Blaze, Verbal Remedy and DJ Jeckal as one of the new generation of rap crews mixing their varied underground musical backdrops, having honed their skills on the live circuit by supporting the likes of Tommy Evans and Luton's Phi-Life Cypher.

All Eyes on the South is 22 tracks deep and features original production and dubs of tracks across many sub-genres and styles, featuring collaborations from Jackflash, V.E.X., Joe Gutta, Hitchcock, L-Jay and DJoe.

"We had done some collaborations over the internet before, but in June 2004 we met for the first time and first started making tracks together," explained Terrorist. "We found after a few sessions together that we were all thinking on the same wavelength and everything else fell into place naturally. We first called ourselves a group when we started doing shows together and we needed a collective name to promote ourselves as. As we're from different parts of the southern half of the UK, Sons of South (SOS) was a name we decided on.

"Our aim is simple; to make good music that we enjoy making and hopefully other people enjoy listening to. Over the next couple of years we are hoping to release four more volumes of the All Eyes on the South mix tape series, with each member of the group being the focus of each release. The first mix tape is an introduction to SOS. We decided to go for a variety of styles so that there is at least something on there that should satisfy most hip hop fans and different people will favour different tracks. That said, the tracks that most people seem to like are Move Over, Pick Pocket Academy and Misery."

All Eyes on the South mixes traditional hip hop with some intriguing interpretations and some hard-hitting lyrics. It's available to buy through the collective's website, www.sonsofsouth.com

sound bites

The long-awaited EP from **PENNY RACERS LAST JOURNEY**, Beard-Free and Exciting, is released this month with a launch night on Sunday 22nd October at The Well with support from **DRIVE LIKE CASEY** and **BLUMUNKI**. EP tracks include songs I Can See The Colour In Your Eyes, Shots In The Dark, Horace Goes To Hell and Lump It. The EP will be sold at all future gigs and online at www.prlj.co.uk

BLUMUNKI have just finished recording their new album with Brian McCrossen at Red Cabin Recordings. It includes a collaboration with Chriss Randall from **DEAD GIRL ON PAVEMENT** and Dave Iles from **DRIVE LIKE CASEY** has produced the artwork.

THE SUSPECTS are in the studios at Latent Lemon Records, having penned some new ma-

terial, with the intension of laying down a four-track EP.

The band formerly known as **SHINE** have changed their name after five years and are now called the **TYKE TYLER BAND**.

EDGE CITY are looking for a new drummer. Contact 07782 126 003 or visit www.edgecity.co.uk for details.

20 DEAD CAMELS, a ska and reggae band based in North Hertfordshire, are looking for gigs in Luton and Dunstable. They can be booked through contacting info@20deadcamels.co.uk

FRUITION release their new single, Black Maria, on Monday 9 October. It will be released on CD, limited edition 7" vinyl and digital download

from iTunes. All formats will be backed up with live favourite All Over Again and the CD will feature a bonus track of Lay Down (For Now). Vocalist Pete Smith said: "We were all really working hard on this single to try to get across our live feel and I think we have really captured the essence of it. With this single you can really jump around to it and that's what we wanted." Visit www.fruitionhq.co.uk for details.

There is an acoustic version of the **IMPERIAL VIPERS'** song Jewels available on their myspace site, www.myspace.com/imperialvipers available as a free download. Said the band: "The track was recorded as one of the b-sides to the 'Jewels' single released earlier this year and is a piece of music the band are really proud of. So many people have been asking about it that we thought - why not give it away?"

GIG GUIDE OCTOBER 2006

Sunday 1st October

The Park (01582) 870130
Phonic Rapture

Monday 2nd October

the hat Factory (01582) 878100
Stranger Station

Saturday 7th October

George II (01582) 728916
Replicant
Chicago Rock Cafe (01582) 405144
Live appearance by Natalia
Student Union (01582) 489366
Dolls House, Novacaine, Noon Layer Drive, Five Mile Drive. Starts 7.30pm, tickets £3
The Wheatshaeaf, Dunstable (01582) 753245
Dragon. Entry £2

Sunday 8th October

The Wheatshaeaf, Dunstable (01582) 753245
Tim Torode. Entry £2

Saturday 14th October

George II (01582) 728916
Preacher
The Wheatshaeaf, Dunstable (01582) 753245
Wordsworth. Entry £2
The Well (01582) 487464
Pirate Radio

Saturday 21st October

George II (01582) 728916
The Von Trapps
Student Union (01582) 489366
Takota, Firstborn, Sion, Miscellanea, Yelb Srio, The Hipmunks. Starts 7pm, tickets £6
The Wheatshaeaf, Dunstable (01582) 753245
Moes Tavern. Entry £2

Sunday 22nd October

The Wheatshaeaf, Dunstable (01582) 753245
Clayton Stevens. Entry £2
The Well (01582) 487464
Penny Racers Last Journey with support from Drive Like Casey and Blumunki

Tuesday 24th October

the hat Factory (01582) 878100
Nercosadistic Goat Torture, Knievel Genius, Elements of Refusal

Thursday 26th October

the hat Factory (01582) 878100
The Blue Teeth

Friday 27th October

Student Union (01582) 489366
Deadline, Frog Stupid, Dummyrun, For Those Who Made Us. Starts 7pm, tickets £6 advance, £7 on door

Saturday 28th October

George II (01582) 728916
The Hoggz
Student Union (01582) 489366
Devil Sold His Soul, Secondsmile, Fell Silent, Elements of Refusal. Starts 7.30pm, tickets £5
White Swan Inn (01582) 667833
Akiva

Sunday 29th October

The Park (01582) 870130
The Mission

Email your gig dates to
john@jnbpublishing.co.uk

NINE RED PRESENTS...

COLOUR

Many Cultures - One Britain - Our Britain

*Its open mike in a nightclub just off the high street.
The doors have opened and the show is about to begin.*

Colour is an ensemble play about the lives of nine people living in multicultural Britain. Blending the hip hop sounds of DJ Silky G, the poetry of Nzinga Knight and the rare talents of African, Asian, Caribbean, Eastern European, Irish and Vietnamese performers, **Colour** paints a portrait of urban life as a person of colour in Britain.

Colour twists and twirls its way through the lives of nine slam performers on Open Mike Night. Displaying slam pieces that are powered by anger and frustration the engines that drive creativity, but rage is not the only emotion on display. No less powerful than the fiery poetry slams about race and gender, off stage/in the bar, the performers exchange stories of their own.

Thursday 12 October at 7.45pm
Admission £5 Box Office 01582 547474
Library Theatre, St George's Square, Luton LU1 2NG

For more information contact:
Nine Red Presents...
PO Box 2411, Luton LU3 3WP
Telephone 07913 894
Email ninered@hotmail.co.uk



Oct '06
@ the hat Factory....
 has **hip-hop theatre, hilarious comedy & the hottest music!!**
 So come on down and get your fill of Luton's best shows!

theatre Sat 14 Oct 8pm
Stone Seeds
 £8 full/ £6 concs/ £5 NUS & U18s
 Break-dancing, DJs, video, and beat-boxing from hip-hop collective Sin Cru
 "vibrant, irrepressible performance art of the highest quality" Londondance.com

comedy
 GSOH presents... **Alex Horne**
 Plus support from Matt Price
 "Hugely impressive" The Times

Thurs 12 Oct
Doors 8pm
 £6 full/ £5 concs

Perrier Best Newcomer 2003, Chortle award-winner, Edinburgh fringe and all round good guy Alex Horne headlines!

"Pure comedy gold" Metro

"Beautiful... touching and very very funny" The Jerusalem Post

A new blend of live music, singing and dazzlingly visual comic theatre from 5-star Edinburgh smashes New International Encounter...

Past Half Remembered Sat 21 Oct, 8pm
 Tickets from £5

music including... **BUSTIN' LOOSE** **JAZZ** **JAZZ JAM**

Jazz Weekender
 Focus on Jazz...
 Fri 6 Oct – Bustin' Loose club night 9pm
 Sat 7 Oct – Jazz Workshops – all day
 Sun 8 Oct – Jazz Jam 1pm – 4pm
 Sun 8 Oct – Sophie Garner LIVE! 8pm

Fresh November Preview!
Squeeze star Glenn Tilbrook at the hat Factory Thurs 2 Nov

Box Office: 01582 878100
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THEATRE HIGHLIGHTS
OCTOBER 2006

Master Juba
 Luton Library Theatre

Alban Arena
 Box Office 01727 844488
 alban-arena.co.uk

Hothouse Flowers In Concert
 Plus support
Friday 13 October, 7.30pm
 The Hothouse Flowers, and their passionate brand of Irish-rooted rollicking Rock 'n' Soul, shot to fame when their first album 'People' made it to number two in the UK charts, not forgetting their hit singles 'Don't Go', 'Your Love Goes On' and an outstanding cover of 'I Can See Clearly Now'.
 Tickets: £17.50 – all seated

Grumpy Old Women - Live
Wednesday 18 October, 8.00pm
 Starring Annette Badland, Rhona Cameron and Jenny Éclair, Grumpy Old Women returns after a sell-out show earlier this year, in a celebration of the pre and post menopausal female condition. No heckling, but 'tutting' allowed. Men, kids, clothes, catalogues, bruised fruit, you name it, they give it a good seeing to.
 Tickets £21.50

An evening with
Peter Grant In Concert
 Plus support
Saturday 21 October, 7.30pm
 Fantastic new crooner, 19-year-old Peter Grant, is one of the hottest tickets around with his current tour playing to sell-out audiences. Heralded as the new Michael Bubblé, Peter's rich, mature voice will delight.
 Tickets: £17.50 (Concessions £2.00 off)

Library Theatre
 Box Office: 01582 547474
 luton.gov.uk/librarytheatre

Master Juba
Thursday 5 October, 7.30pm; Friday 6 October at 1.30pm & 7.30pm and Saturday 7 October at 3pm & 7.30pm
 Based on the real-life story of William Henry Lane, a brilliant young black

dancer of freed slave heritage who was brought to London in 1848 by legendary showman PT Barnum to dance as "Master Juba" for Queen Victoria. Elevated to stardom by Charles Dickens, Juba throws down the gauntlet in a bid to become the "champion dancer of the world".
 £10, concs £8, students £6 (matinees £8, concs, £6, students £4)

Colour
Thursday 12 October, 7.45pm
 Presented by Nine Red, Colour is an ensemble play about the lives of nine people living in multi-cultural Britain. Blending the hip hop sounds of DJ Silky G and the poetry of Nzwing Knight, colour paints a portrait of urban life as a person of colour in Britain.
 Tickets £5 all seats

Beauty and the Beast
Thursday 26 October, 7pm; Friday 27 October, 3pm & 7pm and Saturday 28 October, 11am & 3pm
 One of the nation's best loved fairy tales, a poignant tale of love and emotion with a fantastic musical score – bought to life by a five-strong cast who present the tale with powerful acting, giant puppetry, slapstick humour and moving dialogue.
 £10, concs £8, students £6 (matinees £8, concs, £6, students £4)

Little Theatre
 (Dunstable) T: 01582 700995

In Two Minds
Thursday 5 October to Saturday 14 October, 7.45pm
 A mystery thriller which centres on couple David and Annie who have just moved into a rented Victorian House. There they encounter a sinister neighbour who pops in whenever she pleases, and the daily help Gina, to whom David seems to be attracted. The play centres on David and Annie's straining relationship.
 Tickets £9

SID OWEN
 as The Prince
POLLY PARSONS
 as Snow White
Snow White & THE SEVEN DWARFS
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Sparkling Christmas Pantomime on sale now!

The Alban Arena is delighted to announce that this year's amazing Christmas Pantomime running from Thursday 14 December 2006 to Sunday 7 January 2007 is Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs.

Sid Owen (Ricky from Eastenders) will be playing the handsome Prince, the delightful and talented Polly Parsons (CITY's Fun Song Factory) will play Snow White and the hilarious Tony Rudd will be returning by popular demand as Muddles.

Win Tickets to Snow White & The Seven Dwarfs at The Alban Arena in St Albans
 The Alban Arena is giving away four Family Tickets to see Snow White. If you and your family want to be in with a chance of winning, all you have to do is answer

this simple question:

What character did Sid Owen play in Eastenders?

- A) Dicky;
 B) Ricky;
 C) Micky.

If you think you know the answer, all you have to do is post your name, address, phone number and the answer to Alban Arena, Civic Centre, St Albans AL1 3LD.

Don't worry if you don't win, tickets are available from The Alban Arena Box Office on 01727 844 488. Hurry, tickets selling fast!

The competition closes Monday 4 December 2006. Winners will be chosen at random from the correct entries received before the date. Performances are subject to availability and at the discretion of the Management. The Family Voucher admits 4 persons. If you do not wish to be contacted by the venue for marketing purposes, please write 'No marketing' with your answer.

the hat Factory
 Box Office (01582) 878100
 luton.gov.uk/hatfactory

The Trouble with Asian Men
Friday 6 & Saturday 7 October, 8pm
 Macho men or metrosexual guys? Mum-my's boys tied to the apron strings, or husbands under the thumb? Whether they're City bankers with designer wives, secretive sons with double lives, or Bradford 'brothers' with village ties, Asian men have all got roots and we see what they really are in this revealing, thought-provoking and often hilarious show.
 £8 full/ £6 concs/ £5 NUS & under 18s

Stone Seeds
Saturday 14 October, 8pm
 Hip hop collective Sin Cru explores the force that drives us to create – a seed forcing its way through concrete and growing into a powerful expression of freedom. A powerful multimedia performance with breakdancing, live DJ, video projections, human beatboxing and spoken word.
 £8 full/ £6 concs/ £5 NUS & U18s

Past Half Remembered
Saturday 21 October, 8pm
 A madcap journey through the epic sweep of Russian history. The Reds and the Whites do battle, the Germans invade, tea is served from a samovar and there is a very big wedding. Actors change roles and get confused about

which side they are on and someone gets an umbrella shoved up their nose, in a great blend of live music, singing and comic visual theatre.
 For ages 16+ £8 full/ £6 concs/ £5 NUS & U18s

Firestorm
Saturday 28 October, 8pm
 In the days when men treated their wives like slaves, a group of determined young women lead by the charismatic messiah Naaba decided to revolt against their male-dominated society. This is the story of their rebellion, a feminine revolution that swept through their tribe like a raging Firestorm.
 For ages 16+ £8 full/ £6 concs/ £5 NUS & U18s

Totternhoe Players
 Box office (01582) 603287

Without a Hitch
Saturday 7 October, 7.30pm
 Set in the South of France during the extravagant 1960s, where Grace Kelly is happily married to her Prince, and cat burglars are the height of fashion. Doris and Archie are delighted to be spending their honeymoon in Monte Carlo at the exclusive Hotel l'Auteur, but murder and mystery awaits. During the evening the audience is encouraged to use their deductive skills to outwit the French Detective to determine 'who dunnit'.
 Tickets £8 (include supper, but BYOB)



Craft & Farmers' Market

Thursday 26th October 10 am – 2 pm
 Bedford Square Shopping Centre, Houghton Regis

For a wide range of home cooked food, meat, honey, cakes, preserves, chilli plants, cheeses, plants & flowers as well as crafts such as candles, jewellery, wood products and gift baskets.

For Children – **FREE** Halloween games & activities!
FREE storytelling in the Library, Bedford Square from 10.30 am



Enquiries: Sue King - 01582 474026
 E-mail: sue.king@southbeds.gov.uk

THE ALBAN ARENA

WHAT'S ON

Wednesday 4 October 8.00pm
Jane McDonald In Concert
 UK's greatest diva is joined by special guests the 'Sing Live UK' choir.
 Tickets: £22.50, £19.50 (Concessions £2.00 off)

Friday 6 October 7.30pm
Eric Bibb In Concert
 A sensation in the folk-blues scene in the US and abroad, don't miss this brilliant singer/guitarist.
 Tickets: £17.50

Friday 13 October 7.30pm
Hothouse Flowers In Concert
 Irish-rooted Rock 'n' Soul band in a brilliant live gig!
 Tickets: £17.50

Saturday 21 October 7.30pm
Peter Grant In Concert
 This fantastic new crooner is one of the hottest tickets around.
 Tickets: £17.50 (Concessions £2.00 off)

Thursday 26 October 8.00pm
Illegal Eagles In Concert
 With magical guitar harmonies and spot-on vocals, be wowed by this live 'Eagles' experience.
 Tickets: £16.00

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