

# The Dirt Online

Issue # 1

## In This Edition

Welcome to the first edition of **THE DIRT Online**. Due to popular demand **THE DIRT Online** has re-emerged like a phoenix. Read the story of this magazines resurrection

Bellhops announce **NEW CD** on the way. You can **name the new album** and get a **credit** on the liner notes and **win the CD**

Classic stories from the **DIRT ARCHIVES**. This issue features **AMP TALK** with **ELVIS RUSSELL**. Enjoy this timeless story once again

The shocking truth behind the Bellhops recent negotiations to secure the services of their original drummer, **STEVE LOVARINI**.

Dr Hackenabush reports on the increasing problems of **BLUES ADDITION** and the government and welfare groups total indifference to the plight of these individuals.

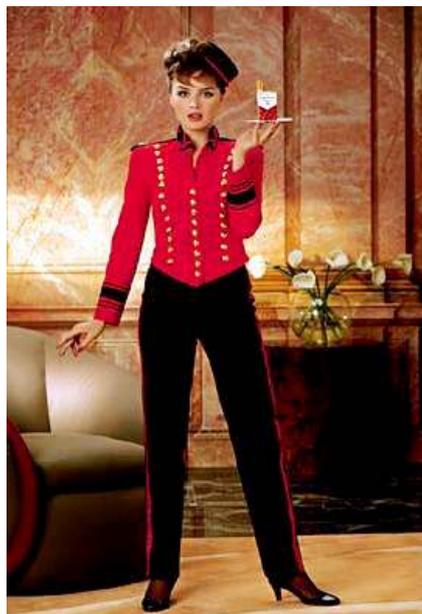
Our featured **BELLHOPS ENDORSED ARTIST**. The Bellhops endorsement is your guarantee of satisfaction. Each of our endorsed artists has had a thorough quality assurance test to meet our exacting standards.

## Dirt Dug Up

News of the Resurrection of The Dirt in a new online form has caused a stir in the online music community. From the time of the announcement Bellhops Inc has been inundated with enquiries from fans and wannabe journalists. Publishing houses from across the country have been quick to seize the day and negotiations are under way for a book and mini series based on the fictional lives of The Bellhops. As with the previously printed version of the Dirt, the highest quality journalistic standards will be enforced on all of the Bellhops vast staff of writers and researchers. The Bellhops are looking to avoid the scandals that engulfed the previously printed version of The Dirt which forced its closure.

## Steve Lovarini Returns to the Drummers Seat

The return of Steve 'wrongway' Lovarini has sent Bellhops fans into raptures. When asked about the process leading up to securing Steve, Bassist Mark Thunder Thumbs Roulston revealed the inner workings typical of today's modern corporatised blues bands. 'The whole process of negotiation with Steve took some time but it was more a matter of our people meeting his people meeting our people and so on until an amicable contract was reached' said Roulston. Asked about the departure of recent drummers from The Bellhops Roulston declined to comment only to mention reading about it in his memoirs and the recent return to warm weather and an associated chaffing condition.



Steve Lovarini at a recent Bellhops Photo Shoot

## GIG GUIDE

### NEWCASTLE REGION

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## Amp Talk with Elvis Russell (from The Dirt Vault)

People often say to me "Elvis, how do you get such an incredible (loud) sound", and I always say to them "Make your Amp respect you!". Here are a few tips to help you on the road to audio bliss (and tinnitus)

1. I suggest running a hot bath with 1 cupful of Radox and soaking your amp head for approximately 1 hour.
2. Allow to dry then place in the boot of a 1978 Torana and proceed to drive over as many speed humps as possible at approximately 80kms per hour
3. Replace all mounting screws with Gaffa Tape
4. Any strange noise that may occur as a result of the above can be cured simply by hitting the amplifier 3 times
5. Have an extremely thorough maintenance check done by a recognised Amp technician every 20 years

These simple rules will ensure that your amp respects you. Remember "Spare the rod, Spoil the amp". See you next time for Amp Talk

## Blues Addiction - a Growing Problem

Dear Doctor Hackenabush

I'm addicted to blues and desperate to kick the habit. I try desperately to tune into all the blues programs from all around Australian and the world on the internet but I don't have enough bandwidth to accommodate all this blues traffic, so I have taken to disappearing from home at all hours to visit internet cafes to listen to blues and driving to secret locations far away where the reception for my favourite blues radio program is just strong enough for me to hear the faint sounds of blues. Please help this is affecting my life

Signed  
Addicted

Dear Addicted

Some of my closest colleges have been infected with this addiction and many of them are sadly beyond hope. I have been working for some time on creating a lobby group to petition the parliament to launch a clinical trial of safe blues listening rooms where addicts can congregate under supervision rather than having to risk a possible overdose at some back alley blues festival. I hear your plea for help 'addicted' and urge all reading this to write to your local member pleading for some action on the proposed trial of safe blues listening rooms. This may help to rebuild families like 'addicted's

Signed  
Doctor Hackenabush



## Bellhops Announce New CD In Production

### Win a Copy and Get a Credit on the Album Liner Notes

The Bellhops have been hard at it, writing and rehearsing a bunch of new tunes for their next fabulous CD release, titled ?????. OK we haven't come up with a title yet, so instead of racking our brains to come up with one we are asking YOU, our loyal fans to NAME THE NEW ALBUM. We will of course be eternally grateful to the successful entrant and will show our appreciation by including your name on the liner notes of the NEW CD. We will also send you a signed copy of the new CD, with our DNA smeared on it to ensure its authenticity, ala Pro Hart. We have followed a theme for the previous 2 albums and would like to continue in this fashion. The theme is based around hotels...The Bellhops...get it? So we have had Room Service and No Reservations. We now need another title along the same line. Good Luck! You can email us with your response @ [mrroulston@optushome.com.au](mailto:mrroulston@optushome.com.au) or see us at a gig and tell us your suggestion or send a snail mail to us at  
 PO Box 553  
 Regents Park  
 NSW 2143  
 Don't forget to include a return address in case you are our winner

## Chrome Daddies Partner Bellhops in Meeting of the Like Minds

When rockabilly rockers from Queensland the Chrome Daddies last visited Sydney they chose the Bellhops to partner them on stage at the Empire Hotel for their only Sydney show to launch their latest CD release, Cowskull.

The Chrome Daddies are full of great rhythms and a great sense of humour and are a fantastic live band.

The Bellhops were very privileged to have the opportunity to appear at their launch which went off like a firecracker. Do yourself a favour and check them out @ [www.chromedaddies.com](http://www.chromedaddies.com)



The Chrome Daddies on stage at the Empire Hotel in Sydney