

THE BUZZ

Limerick's Nite Li
 Edited by
 Fergal Deegan

HITZ'N'BITZ

BY SHANE FOLEY

All in readiness for the Lark!

THE open spaces of the Peoples Park lay in wait for the annual invasion of thousands of Limerick music fans for this Sunday's 2FM Lark In The Park.



Lark headliners — An Emotional Fish.

Young and slightly ageing rock fans; refugees of the 'flower-power' era; those partial to any kind of 'live' music and a bit of honest to goodness crack, and, indeed, entire families will converge on the Park for the 2 p.m. kick-off to what, on paper at any rate, looks like being an extremely excellent day's entertainment.

The line-up features seven bands in all — of which four are local — and the eagerly awaited headliners are the very energetic 'n' excellent An Emotional Fish who are, I believe, flying in from Switzerland to fulfill this engagement.

Lark organiser, Bob O'Connell, told me that he's "very happy with the entire line-up and all that's really left to hope for now is that the weather will be good so people can really enjoy the day."

It is, of course, a special Lark this year as it's part of the very successful Treaty 300 Wild Geese Festival which, as you know, gave the people of Limerick so many good and absolutely 'free' gigs to enjoy.

Bob O'Connell, who was very much involved with all the Festival's gigs and might be better known to a lot of you as the guy behind the Savoy's Termight Club or as a perpetual 'man in black' with the

ever-present accompanying baseball cap, had a few things to say (which isn't at all unusual) when I spoke with him recently: "The reaction to McArthur's Musical Park has been great and all the gigs have been very well supported."

He continued: "I'm very confident that this really healthy atmosphere will carry right through to the Lark and that everyone in attendance can enjoy some good clean fun as well as some fine rock 'n' roll."

"The whole musical side of this festival has been one step in a very positive direction for the city . . . the second step, though, should not be forgotten," he concluded.

The line-up

The gig gets goin' at 2 p.m. and will finish at approximately 7 p.m. People should really strive to get there as early as possible, to offer much needed support for the earlier performers. There is, without a doubt, a vast difference in experience and know-how be-

tween the youngest performers, Colours, and the headliners, An Emotional Fish, but it goes without saying that each and every band will give it their all in an effort to do themselves proud and entertain you, so — be there, be early and be appreciative!

Colours, a young local guitar-based four-piece get things going and they're followed by another of the local participants, the very promising Those Stilted Boys.

The Mirrors — from Limerick — who seem to have dropped their 'They Do It With' bit gave an excellent performance at one of the lunch-time gigs during the week and will, I'm sure, do likewise on Sunday. The first of the outsiders, The Blue Angels, who've gigged in the

city before, should prove to be an exciting prospect.

The performance of The Cranberries could quite possibly prove to be one of if not the highlight of the event as they should be very sharp having just returned from what was, by all accounts, a very successful tour of England.

The headliners, An Emotional Fish, are next up and, as you all know, these guys can really turn it on in a 'live' situation. You don't need to say a lot about them but I guarantee you that Gerry 'Fish' Whelan, the band's totally animated frontman, will have the crowd right where he wants them! Proceedings are brought to a close by Wexford's favourite sons Cry Before Dawn.

As you can see, this is a really strong line-up and, at this late stage, there's only two things missing — a fine day and an eager 'n' appreciative crowd.

The final words I leave to Bob O'Connell — 'thank you' time! "Thanks to all at Treaty 300 for the chance to put on these gigs and also to the very hard-working crew who've done a really great job."



The Cranberries, Limerick destined for



The Blue

GLENTWOP
LIMERICK — T

● WEEKLY

Every Thursday Music in

Every Friday

Every Saturday T

This Saturday (July 13)—Danci

TOMMY D

Sunday Lunchtime in the Lounge

Sunday Evening

Sunday Night Old-Time

Wednesday Old-Time D.

● Free Car Parking

Stardiscs COSTELLO **Singles Chart**

Stardiscs positions English positions

1 (2) BRYAN ADAMS