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Niall Quinn & The Pennywhores

Our trip around the Limerick this issue takes us to the online home of our city's answer to Diana Ross and The Supremes. Yes kids, it's Niall Quinn and the Pennywhores. Ok, so maybe they don't wear sequin dresses and to the best of my knowledge, Mr Quinn doesn't have any affiliation with Michael Jackson, but you know what I mean (you do, don't you?)

Anyway, as most of you will probably know, Niall Quinn is the former drummer with one of Limerick's greatest musical phenomenon's, The Hitchers. When The Hitchers called it a day in early 2001, Niall set about this new musical project and to date, the Pennywhores have been busy playing venues around Limerick such as Dolan's and Costelloe's.

The website is pretty green looking. Not green as in new and fresh, but green as in the color green. I've always thought green is an overlooked color, so fair play! The 4-3-3 logo in the background is (from what I can gather) the independent record label that the band are signed to.

The greatest thing about this homepage has got to be the abundance of information provided. If you've got an hour to spare, instead of going to bored.com, read Niall's pretty cool stories about the music scene in Limerick 'way back when'. He clears up the whole controversy surrounding his involvement with a little band called 'The Cranberries' in their early days. It's all very good reading. In addition to that, there's a history of the Pennywhores so far, and one of those survey yokes kindly filled out by Niall on the 'news' section of the

website. With all this info entering your brain, it's very possible to get attached to this bunch and get the urge to see them live which is what they want you to do. Don't be fooled kids.

The Pennywhores join other Limerick bands such as Roper and Tooth by offering you some mp3's to listen to, but alas they're only sound samples and not full tracks. You've got a couple to choose from though including '1990', 'Head' and the oddly titled 'Roadieing For Wolfsbane'. The accompanying lyrics to these tunes can also be found elsewhere on the site.

It's also got the usual features of a band site such as some cool pictures of rockstars, links to related sites like theamc.net (plug, plug), and a guestbook, hold on, make that a dreambook?!?!?!? Don't ask, just sign it. Niall also adds a cool touch by reviewing his own gigs. Hmmmm. And another great feature is that you're able to buy the Hitchers' classic 'Liver EP' online here aswell. They can be contacted by email at thepennywhores@eircom.net.

So get those modems dialing up people (or come into Websters and I'll sort you out) and check out this pretty impressive website. Email me with any thoughts you have on this column as usual at red_bull_junkie@hotmail.com

Thanks,

Shayne

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