

Welcome to the first edition of News from Bradley's Corner, the official Allister Bradley newsletter. This newsletter will be produced on a monthly basis, to share the latest events and ideas from inside Allister's world.

Ramblings...

Where to begin? Better not to bite off more than I can chew... You've seen my brief bio on the website, so in the newsletters I'll stick to current events. The CD Release Party was a huge success - I had a truly awesome time, and I had the chance to share the album with over 120 of you, accompanied by some great local talent. See the website for a write up and some more pictures.

Now we're into January, enjoying an inconsistent Canadian winter. Last week it poured with rain and the temperature in Kitchener reached 14°C. Today, with the blowing snow and wind chill, it feels more like -25°C. At least when the sun shines it always raises the spirits. I don't mind the cold, but when the wind's blowing, it just takes the fun right out of it...



Photograph: Martin Eisenloeffel

What's Up...

- ▶▶ This past weekend, Atlantic Ave. played a house party for our new friends Wendy & Paul. Look for photos in an upcoming issue.
- ▶▶ I'm heading into the big smoke for a 2-day class with songwriting professor extraordinaire Pat Pattison from Berklee College of Music in Boston (www.patpattison.com). His classes are always energizing and full of great ideas and tools for songwriters.
- ▶▶ February will see Atlantic Ave. playing again at Lulu's for Valentine's weekend. We'll be there Friday, Feb. 11 and Saturday, Feb. 12 from 7:30 onward. Expect lots of songs about *LOVE*...



Photograph: Heather Ellerby

AB Fan of the Month...

This month's recognition goes to Lucas Ellerby of Kitchener. Lucas has been a fan since he was in the womb, which in fact wasn't all that long ago. Born December 28th, 2004, Lucas and parents Heather and Kevin rarely missed an Atlantic Ave. show, through morning sickness and reduced mobility. According to Heather, Lucas would rest between sets and dance like a maniac while we played (or was he kicking and screaming?).

Indie Artist of the Month...

If you've never had a chance to see Ember Swift play a live show, I'd highly recommend it. She describes her music as "a combination of many styles, from jazz to funk to folk to punk". Bottom line - her live show is a flurry of energy and primo performing. She's touring now with stops in Toronto and Guelph in early February, before heading down under for the Australian leg of the tour. Say "hi" to local drummer Adam Bowman. For more info, visit www.emberswift.com.

AB Spin of the Month...

So, what am I listening to at the moment? After re-organizing my CD collection (with over 600 CD's, either you keep them organized or you can never find the one you want), I re-discovered my large set of Saga CD's, so I've been playing them to death in the car (where I do most of my critical listening). I think my all-time favourite Saga tune is "Scratching The Surface", from the *Heads Or Tales* release of 1983. I saw the band playing live in 2003 in Mount Forest, at the first gig for new drummer Christian Simpson. Bassist Jim Chrichton told me after the show that Christian "was so nervous, he was ready to hurl the whole show".



Support Allister Bradley...

Here's your chance to help keep the ball rolling. Launching a CD and getting it out to the world is a daunting task for one person. You can help by calling or emailing any of the following radio stations and requesting songs from the album:

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| In Kitchener-Waterloo-Cambridge: | KOOL FM (www.koolfm.com) | CHYM FM (www.chymfm.com) | DAVE FM (www.davefm.com) |
| | CKMS FM (watserv1.uwaterloo.ca/~ckmsinfo/index.html) | | |
| In Toronto: | CHFI FM (www.chfi.com) | | |
| In Guelph: | MAGIC FM (www.magic106.com) | | |
| In Stratford: | MIX FM (www.1077mixfm.com) | | |
| In Tillsonburg: | CKOT FM Easy 101 (www.easy101.fm) | | |
| Anywhere in Canada: | CBC-Radio (www.cbc.ca) | | |

If a DJ tells you they don't have the disc, suggest they ask their music director for a copy...