

THIS WEEK'S CHARTS

ANALYSED BY ALAN JONES

Double defeat for **Jason Donovan** this week, as his single 'Sealed With A Kiss' and album 'Ten Good Reasons' are both replaced at the top of their respective charts.

Jason's conquerors in the 45 stakes are **Soul II Soul** whose 'Back To Life (However Do You Want Me)' triumphs by a small but highly significant margin to bring them their first ever number one hit. **Jazzie B** and company are also doing well in America, where their recent UK smash 'Keep On Movin' is their first hit, debuting at number 82 on the Hot 100 this week.

While **Paul McCartney**, who seemed to have blown it last week, when 'Flowers In The Dirt' debuted at number three, surges to number one this week, largely as a result of extra sales generated by the BBC-TV documentary focusing on the album, that was broadcast on Saturday 10 June. It was, therefore, too late to affect the debut position of 'Flowers In The Dirt', but clearly motivated people to buy the album once the shops re-opened last Monday.

McCartney is one of seven artists to have most (four) number one albums in the Eighties. The others: **Abba**, **the Police**, **Genesis**, **Simple Minds**, **Queen** and **U2**.

In the whole of his career — solo, with **the Beatles** and with **Wings** — McCartney has had 19 number one albums — more than any other artist. Runner-up, with 15 number ones, is a man with whom McCartney shared 12 of his own successes, former Beatles buddy **John Lennon**.

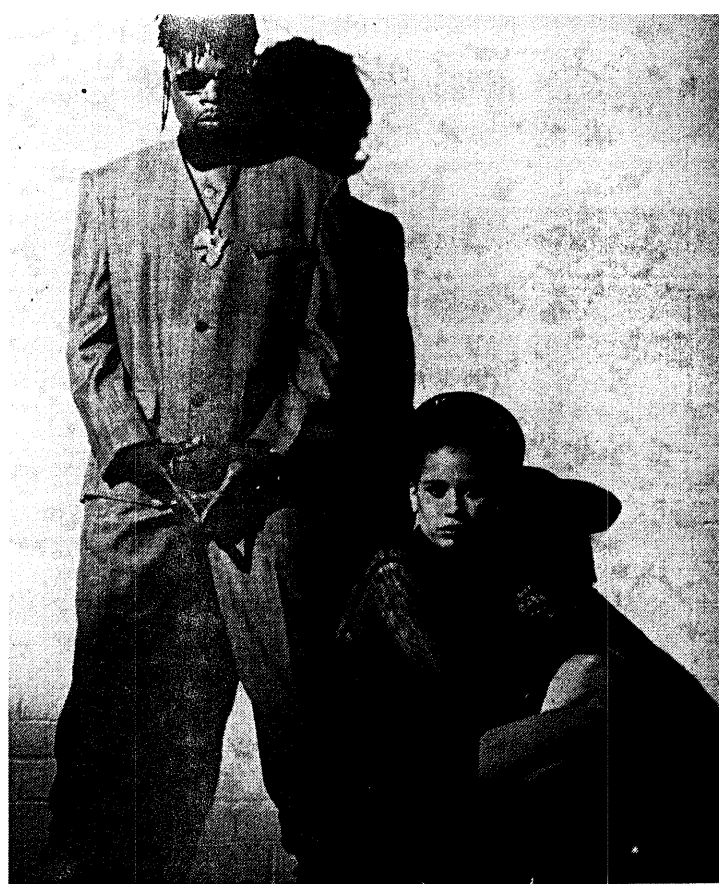
Though McCartney's number one posting this week avenges the fact that an album by a newcomer — **Neneh**

Cherry's 'Raw Like Sushi' — made a higher debut than 'Flowers In The Dirt' last week, Neneh repeats her triumph in a similar manner in America this week, where 'Raw Like Sushi' is the week's hottest debutant at number 58. 'Flowers In The Dirt' trails at number 66.

● **Cliff Richard** tumbles to sixth place with 'The Best Of Me', having debuted at number two a fortnight ago. **Richard Marx**, who wrote the song with **Steven Lubbock** and **David Foster**, will be disappointed that 'The Best Of Me' failed to reach number one, but the blow must be softened considerably by the news that his own single, 'Satisfied', is America's new number one. Richard previously topped the US listings last July with 'Hold On To The Nights'. That single wasn't even released here, but 'Satisfied' is, though it seems very unlikely to come near to rivalling its US success here — it debuted promisingly last week at number 56, but slips back a notch to number 57 this week.

● Superheroes are all the rage this week. **Karyn White's** 'Superwoman' climbs nine places to number 25, whilst — BIFF! BASH! POW! — 'Batdance', **Prince's** first single off the 'Batman' film soundtrack, surges into the chart at number three.

It maintains Prince's record of having at least one top 10 hit every year since 1984, and is far and away his highest debuting single ever, easily eclipsing his previous best, the number 13 debut of '1999/Little Red Corvette' in 1985. 'Batdance' is also shaping up to be a major hit in America, where it advances from last week's debut position of number 53 to number 41. There, Prince's highest ever



● **SOUL II SOUL** appear to be boasting a little

debut came from 'Purple Rain', which entered at number 28 in 1984.

● Whilst Prince is new to the art of debuting in the top 10 in Britain, U2 are old hands. Their latest single 'All I Want Is You' is the seventh single by the group to turn the trick, entering the countdown at number five this week. The others: 'Pride (In The Name Of Love)', which debuted at number eight on 15 September 1984, 'The Unforgettable Fire' (number eight, 4 May 1985), 'With Or Without You' (number four, 28 March 1987), 'Where The Streets Have No Name' (number four, 12 September 1987), 'Desire' (number three, 1 October 1988) and 'Angel Of Harlem' (number 10, 17 December 1988).

Meanwhile, 'In A Lifetime', the single which paired U2 lead singer Bono with compatriots **Clannad**, climbs nine places to number 21 on its second chart outing

— just one place lower than the peak scaled when first released in January

● Finally, a belated word of congratulations to **New Kids On Block**, whose single 'I'll Be Loving (Forever)' was number one in America last week.

Comprising 15-year-old lead vocalist **Joe McIntyre** plus **Danny Wood** (17), **Jon Knight** (17), **Jordan Knight** (19) and **Donny Wahlberg** (19), they are the first group made exclusively of under-twenties to have an American number one hit since **the Jackson Five** took the charts by storm with three consecutive number one hits in 1970. **The Osmonds**, who topped the charts with 'One Bad Apple' in 1971, had a slightly lower average age than New Kids On The Block, but weren't all teenagers in their line-up including 21-year-old **Alexander Osmond**.

TWELVE INCH

TW LW

1	1	BACK TO LIFE Soul II Soul/Caron Wheeler	10 Records
2	—	BATDANCE (FROM "BATMAN") Prince	Warner Brothers
3	—	ALL I WANT IS YOU U2	Island
4	4	JUST KEEP ROCKIN' Double Trouble & The Rebel MC	Desire
5	3	IT IS TIME TO GET FUNKY D Mob featuring LRS	London
6	7	JOY AND PAIN Donna Allen	BCM
7	—	FIGHT THE POWER Public Enemy	Motown
8	2	EXPRESS YOURSELF Madonna	Sire
9	—	VOODOO RAY (EP) A Guy Called Gerald	Rharm!
10	5	SWEET CHILD O' MINE Guns N' Roses	Geffen
11	—	GRANDPA'S PARTY Monie Love	Cooltempo
12	10	RIGHT BACK WHERE WE STARTED FROM Sinitta	Fanfare
13	17	SUPERWOMAN Karyn White	Warner Brothers
14	15	TEARS Frankie Knuckles/Satoshi Tomiie/Robert Owens	London
15	14	SONG FOR WHOEVER Beautiful South	Go!
16	18	IDROVE ALL NIGHT Cyndi Lauper	Epic
17	8	MANCHILD Neneh Cherry	Circa
18	6	SEALED WITH A KISS Jason Donovan	PWL
19	9	FUNKY COLD MEDINA Tone Loc	Delicious/Fourth & Broadway
20	—	WALTZ DARLING Malcolm McLaren/Bootzilla Orchestra	Epic

COMPACT DISC

TW LW

1	1	FLOWERS IN THE DIRT Paul McCartney	Parlophone
2	3	THE MIRACLE Queen	Parlophone
3	7	PAST PRESENT Clannad	RCA
4	4	RAW LIKE SUSHI Neneh Cherry	Ci
5	2	THE OTHER SIDE OF THE MIRROR Stevie Nicks	E
6	—	RAINBOW WARRIORS Various	RCA PD74
7	6	WATERMARK Enya	W
8	13	NITE FLUTE 2 Various	C
9	8	CLUB CLASSICS VOLUME ONE Soul II Soul	10 Reco
10	15	PRECIOUS METAL Various	Sty
11	5	THE HITS ALBUM 10 Various	CBS/WEA/BI
12	10	STREET FIGHTING YEARS Simple Minds	Vir
13	12	APPETITE FOR DESTRUCTION Guns N' Roses	Geff
14	14	DON'T BE CRUEL Bobby Brown	Mi
15	9	WHEN THE WORLD KNOWS YOUR NAME Deacon Blue	C
16	17	THE RAW AND THE COOKED Fine Young Cannibals	Lon
17	19	AYALON SUNSET Van Morrison	Polyc
18	—	EVERYTHING The Bangles	CBS 46297
19	16	A NEW FLAME Simply Red	Elek
20	11	TIN MACHINE Tin Machine	EMI U

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