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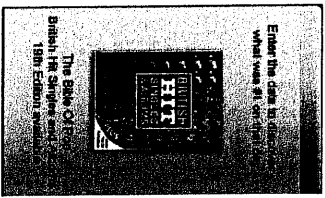


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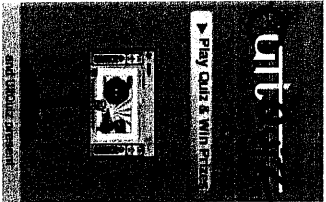
TOP 100 ALBUMS CHART :: CHART WEEK ENDING DATE 29/12/07

ALBUM CHART HISTORY	Position	Last week	Artist	Title
STATUS & FACTS	1	1	LEONA LEWIS	SPIRIT
TRIVA	2	2	WESTLIFE	BACK HOME
COMPANY INFO	3	3	MICHAEL BUBLE	CALL ME IRRESPONSIBLE - SPECIAL EDITION
GENERAL INFO	4	8	ANDREA BOCELLI	VIVERE - THE BEST OF
CHART RULES	5	5	EAGLES	LONG ROAD OUT OF EDEN
FADS	6	4	LED ZEPPELIN	MOTHERSHIP
INFO PACK	7	7	SHAYNE WARD	BREATHLESS
CONTACT	8	8	TAKE THAT	BEAUTIFUL WORLD
LINKS	9	25	AMY WINEHOUSE	BACK TO BLACK - THE DELUXE EDITION
	10	9	AMY WINEHOUSE	BACK TO BLACK
	11	10	WHITNEY HOUSTON	THE ULTIMATE COLLECTION
	12	18	CASCADA	PERFECT DAY
	13	11	MKA	LIFE IN CARTOON MOTION
	14	12	KATHERINE JENKINS	REJOICE
	15	14	HOOSIERS	THE TRICK TO LIFE
	16	15	BEAUTIFUL SOUTH / HOUSEMARTINS	SOUP - CREAM OF ALL THE LOST SOULS
	17	17	JAMES BLUNT	X
	18	19	KYLIE MINOGUE	ONE CHANGE - CHRISTMAS EDITION
	19	20	PAUL POTTIS	TAKING CHANCES
	20	27	CELINE DION	CHANGE
	21	23	SUGABABES	SPIRIT OF THE GLEN GUARDS
	22	13	ROYAL SCOTS DRAGOON	TANGLED UP
	23	24	GIRLS ALoud	PICTURES
	24	30	KATIE MELUA	THIS IS THE LIFE
	25	39	AMY MACDONALD	COMPLETE
	26	29	ERIC CLAPTON	GREATEST HITS
	27	22	SPICE GIRLS	ECHOES SILENCE - PATIENCE & GRACE
	28	21	FOO FIGHTERS	SHOCK VALUE
	29	28	TIMBALAND	GOOD GIRL GONE BAD
	30	34	RIHANNA	HAND BUILT BY ROBOTS
	31	31	NEWTON FALUKNER	



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32	BOYZ II MEN	MOTOWN HITSVILLE USA
33	VAN MORRISON	STILL ON TOP - THE GREATEST HITS
34	FRON MALE VOICE CHOIR	VOICES OF THE VALLEY - ENCORE
35	DAVID GRAY	GREATEST HITS
36	RUSSELL WATSON	OUTSIDE IN
37	PHIL COLLINS	HITS
38	ALICIA KEYS	AS I AM
39	ROBERT PLANT & ALISON KRAUSS	RAISING SAND
40	KILLERS	SANDUST
41	CLIFF RICHARD	LOVE - THE ALBUM
42	MCFLY	GREATEST HITS
43	MARK RONSON	VERSION
44	KATE MASH	MADE OF BRICKS
45	SCOUTING FOR GIRLS	SCOUTING FOR GIRLS
46	AMY WINEHOUSE	FRANK
47	KT TUNSTALL	DRASTIC FANTASTIC
48	ROLLING STONES	ROLLED GOLD - THE VERY BEST OF
49	CONNIE TALBOT	OVER THE RAINBOW
50	LEE MEAD	LEE MEAD
51	TEATRO	TEATRO
52	SIMON & GARFUNKEL	THE COLLECTION
53	STYLISTICS	VERY BEST OF
54	BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN	MAGIC
55	WESTLIFE	UNBREAKABLE - THE GREATEST HITS - VOL. 1
56	JOHN BARROWMAN	ANOTHER SIDE
57	TAKE THAT	NEVER FORGET - THE ULTIMATE COLLECTION
58	JOSH GROBAN	NOEL
59	OASIS	STOP THE CLOCKS
60	KAISER CHIEFS	YOURS TRULY ANGRY MOB
61	ENEMY	WE'LL LIVE AND DIE IN THESE TOWNS
62	PIGEON DETECTIVES	WAIT FOR ME
63	ENRIQUE IGLESIAS	INSCOMM
64	FOSTER & ALLEN	SONGS OF LOVE AND LAUGHTER
65	DANIEL O'DONNELL & MARY DUFF	TOGETHER AGAIN
66	TRAVELING WILBURYS	COLLECTION
67	ARCTIC MONKEYS	FAVOURITE WORST NIGHTMARE
68	GENESIS	LIVE OVER EUROPE 2007
69	EDITORS	AN END HAS A START
70	BLAKE	BLAKE
71	CRANG DAVID	TRUST ME



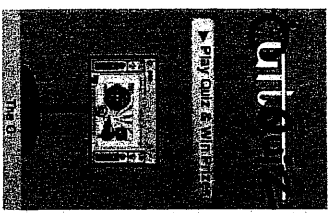
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HOME	ALBUM CHART HISTORY	STARTS & FACTS	TRIVIA	COMPANY INFO	GENERAL INFO	CHART RULES	FAQS	INFO PACK	CONTACT	LINKS
1	LEON JACOBSON	WHEN YOU BELIEVE	...	EVA CASASIDY & KYTIE MELUA	WHAT A WONDERFUL WORLD	BLEEDING LOVE	POGUES FT KIRSTY MACCOLL	FAIRYTALE OF NEWYORK	SOULJA BOY TELLEM	MARIAH CAREY
2	EVA CASASIDY & KYTIE MELUA	WHAT A WONDERFUL WORLD	...	LEON JACOBS	WHEN YOU BELIEVE	BLEEDING LOVE	POGUES FT KIRSTY MACCOLL	FAIRYTALE OF NEWYORK	SOULJA BOY TELLEM	MARIAH CAREY
3	LEON JACOBS	WHEN YOU BELIEVE	...	MARK RONSON FT AMY WINEHOUSE	GIRLS ALoud	APOLGIZE	HEARTBROKEN	WHAT HURTS THE MOST	CHANGE	NO ONE
4	MARK RONSON FT AMY WINEHOUSE	GIRLS ALoud	...	TIMBALAND FT'S ONEREPUBLIC	12 FT. JOE NYSHA	HEARTBROKEN	WHAT HURTS THE MOST	CHANGE	NO ONE	BREATHELESS
5	TIMBALAND FT'S ONEREPUBLIC	12 FT. JOE NYSHA	...	CASCADA	WHAT HURTS THE MOST	CHANGE	NO ONE	BREATHELESS	LAST CHRISTMAS	HOME
6	CASCADA	WHAT HURTS THE MOST	...	SUGARBABES	CHANGE	NO ONE	BREATHELESS	LAST CHRISTMAS	HOME	I WISH IT COULD BE CHRISTMAS EVERYDAY ABOUT YOU NOW
7	SUGARBABES	CHANGE	...	ALICIA KEYS	NO ONE	BREATHELESS	LAST CHRISTMAS	HOME	I WISH IT COULD BE CHRISTMAS EVERYDAY ABOUT YOU NOW	MERRY XMAS EVERYBODY
8	ALICIA KEYS	NO ONE	...	SHAYNE WARD	BREATHELESS	LAST CHRISTMAS	HOME	I WISH IT COULD BE CHRISTMAS EVERYDAY ABOUT YOU NOW	MERRY XMAS EVERYBODY	ITS THE MOST WONDERFUL TIME OF THE YEAR
9	SHAYNE WARD	BREATHELESS	...	WHAAM	LAST CHRISTMAS	HOME	I WISH IT COULD BE CHRISTMAS EVERYDAY ABOUT YOU NOW	MERRY XMAS EVERYBODY	ITS THE MOST WONDERFUL TIME OF THE YEAR	MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE
10	WHAAM	LAST CHRISTMAS	...	WESTUSE	HOME	I WISH IT COULD BE CHRISTMAS EVERYDAY ABOUT YOU NOW	MERRY XMAS EVERYBODY	ITS THE MOST WONDERFUL TIME OF THE YEAR	MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE	LOST
11	WESTUSE	HOME	...	WAZZARD	I WISH IT COULD BE CHRISTMAS EVERYDAY ABOUT YOU NOW	MERRY XMAS EVERYBODY	ITS THE MOST WONDERFUL TIME OF THE YEAR	MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE	LOST	DO THEY KNOW ITS CHRISTMAS
12	WAZZARD	I WISH IT COULD BE CHRISTMAS EVERYDAY ABOUT YOU NOW	...	SUGARBABES	MERRY XMAS EVERYBODY	ITS THE MOST WONDERFUL TIME OF THE YEAR	MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE	LOST	DO THEY KNOW ITS CHRISTMAS	ROCKSTAR
13	SUGARBABES	MERRY XMAS EVERYBODY	...	SLADE	ITS THE MOST WONDERFUL TIME OF THE YEAR	MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE	LOST	DO THEY KNOW ITS CHRISTMAS	ROCKSTAR	2 HEARTS
14	SLADE	ITS THE MOST WONDERFUL TIME OF THE YEAR	...	ANDY MILDMANS	MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE	LOST	DO THEY KNOW ITS CHRISTMAS	ROCKSTAR	2 HEARTS	LIFE'S A TREAT
15	ANDY MILDMANS	MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE	...	SHAKING STEVENS	LOST	DO THEY KNOW ITS CHRISTMAS	ROCKSTAR	2 HEARTS	LIFE'S A TREAT	ELVIS AMT DEAD
16	SHAKING STEVENS	LOST	...	MICHAEL BUBLE	DO THEY KNOW ITS CHRISTMAS	ROCKSTAR	2 HEARTS	LIFE'S A TREAT	ELVIS AMT DEAD	GOODBYE MR A
17	MICHAEL BUBLE	DO THEY KNOW ITS CHRISTMAS	...	BAND AID	ROCKSTAR	2 HEARTS	LIFE'S A TREAT	ELVIS AMT DEAD	GOODBYE MR A	DONT STOP THE MUSIC
18	BAND AID	ROCKSTAR	...	NICKELBACK	2 HEARTS	LIFE'S A TREAT	ELVIS AMT DEAD	GOODBYE MR A	DONT STOP THE MUSIC	WERE ALL GOING TO DIE
19	NICKELBACK	2 HEARTS	...	KYLE MINOGUE	LIFE'S A TREAT	ELVIS AMT DEAD	GOODBYE MR A	DONT STOP THE MUSIC	WERE ALL GOING TO DIE	
20	KYLE MINOGUE	LIFE'S A TREAT	...	SHAW THE SHEEP	ELVIS AMT DEAD	GOODBYE MR A	DONT STOP THE MUSIC	WERE ALL GOING TO DIE		
21	SHAW THE SHEEP	ELVIS AMT DEAD	...	SCOUTING FOR GIRLS	GOODBYE MR A	DONT STOP THE MUSIC	WERE ALL GOING TO DIE			
22	SCOUTING FOR GIRLS	GOODBYE MR A	...	HOOSERS	DONT STOP THE MUSIC	WERE ALL GOING TO DIE				
23	HOOSERS	DONT STOP THE MUSIC	...	RIHANNA	WERE ALL GOING TO DIE					
24	RIHANNA	WERE ALL GOING TO DIE	...	MALCOLM MIDDLETON						
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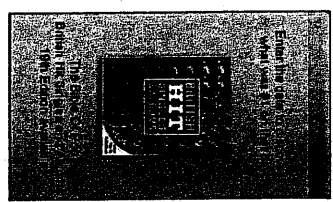
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72	88	POGUES	THE VERY BEST OF INTO PARADISE
73	82	ALL ANGELS	GRADUATION
74	72	KAYNE WEST	PULL THE PIN
75	73	STEREOPHONICS	EYES OPEN
76	84	SNOW PATROL	FUTURESEX/LOVESOUNDS
77	77	JUSTIN TIMBERLAKE	BLACKOUT
78	83	BRITNEY SPEARS	THE BEST DAMN THING
79	74	AVRIL LAVIGNE	A WEEKEND IN THE CITY
80	78	BLOD PARY	IT WON'T BE SOON BEFORE LONG
81	79	MARCOON 5	MATINEE
82	88	JACK PERRANTE	EVERY SECOND COUNTS
83	87	PLAIN WHITE'S	THESE STREETS
84	80	PAOLO NUTINI	SAM'S TOWN
85	104	KILLERS	THE ULTIMATE HITS
86	93	GARTH BROOKS	BEST OF FRIENDS
87	82	JOOLS HOLLAND	OVERLOADED - THE SINGLES COLLECTION
88	80	SUGARBABES	A GUIDE TO LOVE LOSS & DESPERATION
89	95	WOMBATS	BECAUSE OF THE TIMES
90	92	KINGS OF LEON	GOLD - GREATEST HITS
91	89	ABBA	THE STATE OF THINGS
92	85	REVEREND & THE MAKERS	SHAYNE WARD
93	102	SHAYNE WARD	LOOSE
94	110	NELLY FURTADO	LEGACY - THE GREATEST HITS COLLECTION
95	91	BOYZ II MEN	THIS IS MUSIC - THE SINGLES 82-98
96	81	VERVE	THE CAROLS ALBUM
97	108	BOB MARLEY & THE WAILERS	THE JOSHUA TREE - THE DELUXE EDITION
98	75	CHOIRBOYS	THE ULTIMATE COLLECTION
99	70	U2	LUCIANO PAVAROTTI
100	107	LUCIANO PAVAROTTI	

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32	...	KYLE MINOGUE	WOW
33	35	CHRIS REA	DRIVING HOME FOR CHRISTMAS
34	43	KILLERS	DON'T SHOOT ME SANTA
35	28	AMY MACDONALD	THIS IS THE LIFE
36	30	BLOC PARTY	FLUX
37	24	RIHANNA FT ME.YO	HATE THAT I LOVE YOU
38	38	RIHANNA FT AY-Z	UMBRELLA
39	82	FILO & PERI FT ERIC LUMIERE	ANTHEM
40	58	KATE NASH	PUMPKIN SOUP
41	40	JOHN & YOKO / PLASTIC ONO BAND	HAPPY XMAS (WAR IS OVER)
42	48	BING CROSBY	WHITE CHRISTMAS
43	44	ERINIE K DOE	HERE COME THE GIRLS
44	70	PAUL MCCARTNEY	WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS TIME
45	31	FREEMASONS FT BAILEY	UNINVITED
46	34	CRAIG DAVID	HOT STUFF (LET'S DANCE)
47	61	BONEY M	MARY'S BOY CHILD/OH MY LORD
48	72	JONA LEWIE	STOP THE CAVALRY
49	84	PERRY COMO	IT'S BEGINNING TO LOOK A LOT LIKE A LOT LIKE
50	38	50 CENT /TIMBERLAKE /TIMBALAND	AVO TECHNOLOGY
51	78	NAT KING COLE	THE CHRISTMAS SONG
52	78	FEIST	1234
53	85	ELTON JOHN	STEP INTO CHRISTMAS
54	88	BOOTY LUV	SOME KINDA RUSH
55	49	TIMBALAND FT KERI HILSON	THE WAY I ARE
56	74	HOOSIERS	WORRIED ABOUT RAY
57	41	MIKA	HAPPY ENDING
58	45	MICHAEL BUBLE	HOME/SONG FOR YOU
59	86	KANYE WEST	STRONGER
60	83	BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN	SANTA CLAUS IS COMIN' TO TOWN
61	48	AMY WINEHOUSE	LOVE IS A LOSING GAME
62	80	AMY WINEHOUSE	BACK TO BLACK
63	53	BRITNEY SPEARS	GIAMME MORE
64	42	ARCTIC MONKEYS	TEDDY PICKER
65	...	MARIAH CAREY & WHITNEY HOUSTON	WHEN YOU BELIEVE
66	52	SCOUTING FOR GIRLS	SHE'S SO LOVELY
67	55	PLAIN WHITE T'S	HEY THERE DELLAH
68	82	CLIFF RICHARD	MISTLETOE AND WINE
69	189	BRITNEY SPEARS	PIECE OF ME
70	57	NEWTON FALKNER	TEARDROP
71	59	FOO FIGHTERS	LONG ROAD TO RUIN

72	86	ALED JONES	WALKING IN THE AIR
73	97	BING CROSBY & DAVID BOWIE	PEACE ON EARTH LITTLE DRUMMER BOY
74	71	FOO FIGHTERS	THE PRETENDER
75	111	MIKA	RELAX TAKE IT EASY
76	93	KYLE MINOGUE	SANTA BABY
77	96	AMY WINEHOUSE	VALERIE
78	77	SHAYNE WARD	NO U HANG UP /IF THAT'S OK WITH YOU
79	83	PENIDULUM	GRANITE
80	47	LED ZEPPELIN	STAIRWAY TO HEAVEN
81	94	SPACE PIRATES	SPACE PIRATES THEME
82	90	IDA CORR VS FEDDE LE GRAND	LET ME THINK ABOUT IT
83	50	DAVID GIUETTA FT COZI	BABY WHEN THE LIGHT
84	99	NEWTON FALKNER	DREAM CATCH ME
85	107	AMY WINEHOUSE	REHAB
86	95	EARTHA KITT	SANTA BABY
87	92	DEAN MARTIN	LET IT SNOW LET IT SNOW LET IT SNOW
88	54	J HOLIDAY	IN THE AIR TONIGHT
89	97	PHIL COLLINS	EVERYTHING
90	91	MICHAEL BUBLE	SHINE
91	102	TAKE THAT	BALLOONS
92	39	FOALS	PLEASE COME HOME FOR CHRISTMAS
93	118	EAGLES	ROCKIN' AROUND THE CHRISTMAS TREE
94	109	BRENDA LEE	SHUT UP AND DRIVE
95	97	RIHANNA	GOOD LIFE
96	94	KANYE WEST FT T-PAIN	WELL LIVE AND DIE IN THESE TOWNS
97	75	ENEMY	CHASING CARS
98	96	SNOWPATROL	TEARS DRY ON THEIR OWN
99	121	AMY WINEHOUSE	SAME MISTAKE
100	90	JAMES BLUNT	

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So we had a surprise then. Not so much in the sense of which song was going to be Christmas Number One but in terms of who ended up singing it. Ruining weeks of carefully crafted jokes, last weekends X Factor final saw dark horse **Leon Jackson** pull off a shock result, defeating Rhydian Roberts for the title of series champion and the right to release 'When You Believe' as his debut single - a single which duly shifted over a quarter of a million copies last week to land at the top of the charts by some comfortable margin.

The shock nature of the result, given that Rhydian was far and away the best singer in the contest and more or less annointed in the press as the de facto winner from the start, prompted a rash of silly season stories in the press about a potential fix, even Rhydian himself being goaded into a case of sour grapes. Tales of a potential fix were fuelled with the usual press reports of people complaining they were unable to vote for their favourite, confusing telecom network congestion with outright conspiracy, as has happened in tense TV votes since time immemorial.

In a sense though it was actually the right result. Although derided for his nervous inability to hold a tune at times, in terms of the coronation song, Leon Jackson's rendition was far and away the best and the in the cold light of day the one that would have stood the best chance of becoming a hit under any "normal" circumstances. For that reason alone he made a worthy winner. So it is that the X Factor is responsible for the third Christmas Number One hit in a row, following a pattern set by Shayne Ward in 2005 and Leona Lewis in 2006, both of whom of course have current hits of their own in the Top 20.

Unusually for a talent show coronation song, 'When You Believe' has been a hit once before. The song was originally written for the 1998 animated film 'The Prince Of Egypt' and indeed picked up the Oscar for "Best Original Song" at the 1999 academy awards. On its first release it was recorded by the superstar pairing of **Whitney Houston** and **Mariah Carey** although it caused a shock at the time by peaking short of the Top 10 on the Billboard chart. In this country it was moderately more successful and indeed was Number 4 exactly nine years ago this week, and indeed makes its first chart appearance since, picking up enough downloads to register a place at Number 65. Leon Jackson's new version is a slight rewrite, the song having been tweaked so it works as a solo rather than a duet and with a new verse inserted to put it in slightly better context as a song for a talent show winner.

With all but one bookmaker ignoring the X Factor single for betting purposes, the real attention was on which single would occupy the Number 2 slot for Christmas. Needless to say it is the single that Leon Jackson has deposed from the top, 'What A Wonderful World' by **Eva Cassidy** and **Katie Melua** which for a second week has overcome what theoretically was the handicap of only being available in Tesco stores to notch up another enormous sale. It will be very interesting to see what the knock-on effect of this turns out to be. As I mentioned last week, CD singles

were removed from supermarket shelves a few years ago when demand for them was judged to have fallen too far to justify the floor space they took up. With the Melua/Cassidy single having shown that there is still an eager market for such impulse buys it would be foolish in the extreme to assume that the big chains will not spend January trying to work out a way to capitalise upon this.

The one other shock contained in the singles chart this week is the fact that Mariah Carey does not have the biggest selling Christmas single of the moment, 'All I Want For Christmas Is You' falling back two places to Number 6. Instead its place is taken by the one single that managed to be relegated to Number 10 by the X Factor voting grumbles to the second biggest music story of the week.

'Fairytale Of New York' is the single in question, much comment having been made during the last seven days of the decision by Radio One to mute out the words "faggot" and "slut" from the 20 year old single from **The Pogues**, despite the lyrics of the song never having been an issue at any time in the past. After widespread publicity, sorry, derision the censorship was reversed but not after just about half the net had weighed in with an opinion on the lyrical justification for such political incorrectness. The cynic in me is prepared to dismiss the whole thing as a publicity stunt, but for the fact that it is actually far too easy to believe that the music department at Radio one were po-faced enough to imagine that offence would be caused by the famous record.

Back when it was first released the language of the track barely raised an eyebrow, Mike Smith on the Radio One breakfast show at the time gleefully introducing it as "the scumbag song" whenever he played it. When the group performed the track on Top Of The Pops however it was the word "arse" which was deemed unacceptable, **Kirsty MacColl** being forced to re-record it as the apparently more prime time friendly "ass" despite this completely knackered up the meter of the verse. To compound matters when originally broadcast, the audio was hamfistedly dipped, thus if anything drawing even more attention to the profanity. 20 years later it appears we're even less grown up about rude words in a song than back in the 1980s.

Already a Top 10 hit, the fuss has almost certainly done 'Fairytale Of New York' no harm at all and it duly rockets 8-4 this week, its highest chart placing since it made Number 3 upon re-release two years ago. 2007 marks the third Christmas in a row that the single has been a Top 10 hit, although it has yet to scale the Number 2 peak that it climbed upon first release in 1987.

Aside from the Pogues and Mariah, no other seasonal favourites have invaded the Top 10 with the third biggest, 'Last Christmas' from Wham, even falling back two places to Number 16. This hasn't however stopped plenty of others from invading the lower reaches, most notably **Bruce Springsteen**'s live rendition of 'Santa Claus Is Coming To Town' which appears at Number 60, 22 years after it first made Number 9. With the new year chart being compiled of sales from December 23 and 24 (and

even Christmas Day itself with declarations from online stores) the seasonal songs will be hanging around for one more week at least before vanishing almost overnight until next December.

All of this leaves some of the last minute Christmas releases rather floundering for attention. At one stage tipped by some (including me) as a potential Christmas Top 3 prospect, the **Sugababes'** new single 'Change' ultimately disappoints, rising merely to Number 13 following its physical release. For some reason Christmas is rarely kind to the superstar trio. Although 'Ugly' was an easy Top 10 in Christmas 2005, their last attempt to release a last minute seasonal hit also underwhelmed, 'Too Lost In You' making a mere Number 10 in Christmas week 2003.

Also in contention, as far as the bookmakers were concerned, at one stage was the last minute release that now enters at a rather underwhelming Number 32. **Malcolm Middleton** began his career as one half of indie-folk favourites **Arab Strap** (biggest hit 'Here We Go' which peaked at Number 48 in April 1998). His debut as a solo star comes after Radio One DJ Colin Murray began championing his track 'We're All Going To Die' as a healthy antidote to the commercial slush that dominates matters at Christmas. Now it is of course by no means unknown for a one off release by an ageing star to make an impact at Christmas, **Gordon Haskell** of course making Number 2 in 2001 with 'How Wonderful You Are', but ultimately the rather niche appeal and limited availability of the Middleton single put paid to its prospects of being the unexpected smash hit that its supporters had hoped for.

Also underwhelming is the performance of **Kate Nash's** 'Pumpkin Soup' which can only creep to Number 40. Despite the long lasting success of 'Mouthwash' in the summer it rather seems she has unwitting become an albums artist, this now her second single in a row to miss the Top 20. On a lighter note there are now two future hits joining the current releases in the Christmas chart. Alongside **Rihanna's** 'Don't Stop The Music' which rises to Number 30, the single chart also welcomes **Kylie Minogue** whose new single 'WOW' arrives on downloads at Number 32, way ahead of its scheduled February 25th release. The sudden surge in interest for the song almost certainly comes as a result of her performance of the track on the X Factor finale, an appearance which included a duet with ultimate winner Leon Jackson. Even if he hadn't won and had Christmas Number One, he would at least have been able to look back and say he performed with Kylie the day she left her skirt in the dressing room.

Happy Christmas everyone, enjoy your holiday.