

Reasons to be cheerful

TRACIE And The Soul Squad, the Questions, A Craze and the Main 1 Possee are all going out together on the Respond Records 'Love The Reason' tour which starts later this month.

The Questions have just released a new single called 'Tear Soup' while A Craze, who wrote Tracie's current hit 'Give It Some Emotion', will be releasing their new single called 'Wearing Your Jumper' in mid-October.

The tour, which also features DJ Vaughn Toulouse, starts at Southend Queens Hotel September 28 and then moves to Leeds Polytechnic 29, Southampton Top Rank 30, Brighton Coasters October 2, Birmingham Polytechnic 4, Liverpool Polytechnic 5, Shirling University 6, Edinburgh University 7, Durham University 8, Chesterfield Shoulder Of Mutton 9, Manchester Gravit Club 10, Middlesbrough Madisons 11, Manchester Hacienda 12, Warwick University 13, Birmingham Aston University 14, London Phoenix Theatre 15, Dunstable Queensway Hall 16, Folkestone Leas Cliff Hall 17, Bradford University 19, Hull University 20.



Breathing easy

MELANIE (above), who has returned to the scene with her 'Every Breath Of The Way' single on Neighborhood Records, comes over to Britain for a concert at London's Royal Albert Hall on October 30. Tickets are priced at £7.50, £6.50, £5.50 and £2.50. A new album is expected to be released to coincide with her visit.

THE COMSAT ANGELS begin a British tour next month to coincide with the

Polytechnic October 5, Coventry Polytechnic 6, Kingston Polytechnic 7

Squad recruitment



TWENTY-TWO year old Lia (pictured above) is the new singer in Vice Squad, replacing the ubiquitous Ms Bondage. Like the rest of the group she is from Bristol and was one of forty singers auditioned for the job. Like guitarist Sooty, who has branched out from solely managing the group, Lia's contribution will be a new and vital ingredient to the revamped Vice Squad. "We can't forget our punk heritage," she said, "especially considering the fans we have from that period. But now we're a rock band with a punk feel. "I'll be singing some of the old songs, like 'Resurrection', 'Last Rockers' and 'Young Blood', but most of the songs like 'New Blood', 'The Pledge' and 'High Spirits' will be new. We've been writing songs that are geared to some sort of commercial success and we want to appeal to as wide an audience as possible." — DAVE MASSEY