



Welcome Melody Maniacs to your Sunday loaded with music mayhem dished out by yours truly. The gig scene looks a bit stagnant these days but we sure hope the trend changes very soon for I hear Empyre will make it big with a gig. We hope more gigs will take place in Kandy with the onset of many bands there and we hope that more follow suit.

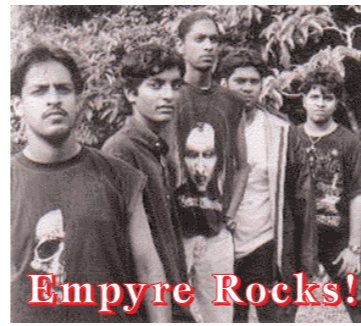
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METAL MELT-DOWN



We were wondering what happened to **Stigmata** and with their promise of metalling the town down every third Sunday of the month at Zetter. Suresh gives the words from the Stig camp "Stigmata have begun working on album number three so far and it's sounding INCREDIBLE! So no gigs for a while and we have been busy with the recording hence the silence".

More talk from those **Empyre** critters have related that Daniel Arlington will be in Sri Lanka on June 4. Plans have been made and Empyre will be sponsoring 90 percent of it all. Says Head Dude of Empyre Rogger Kenneth, "I have to personally thank all the bands that are interested in playing and we're hoping to make this gig as long as possible." He said that the profits generated will be distributed equally amongst the performing bands.

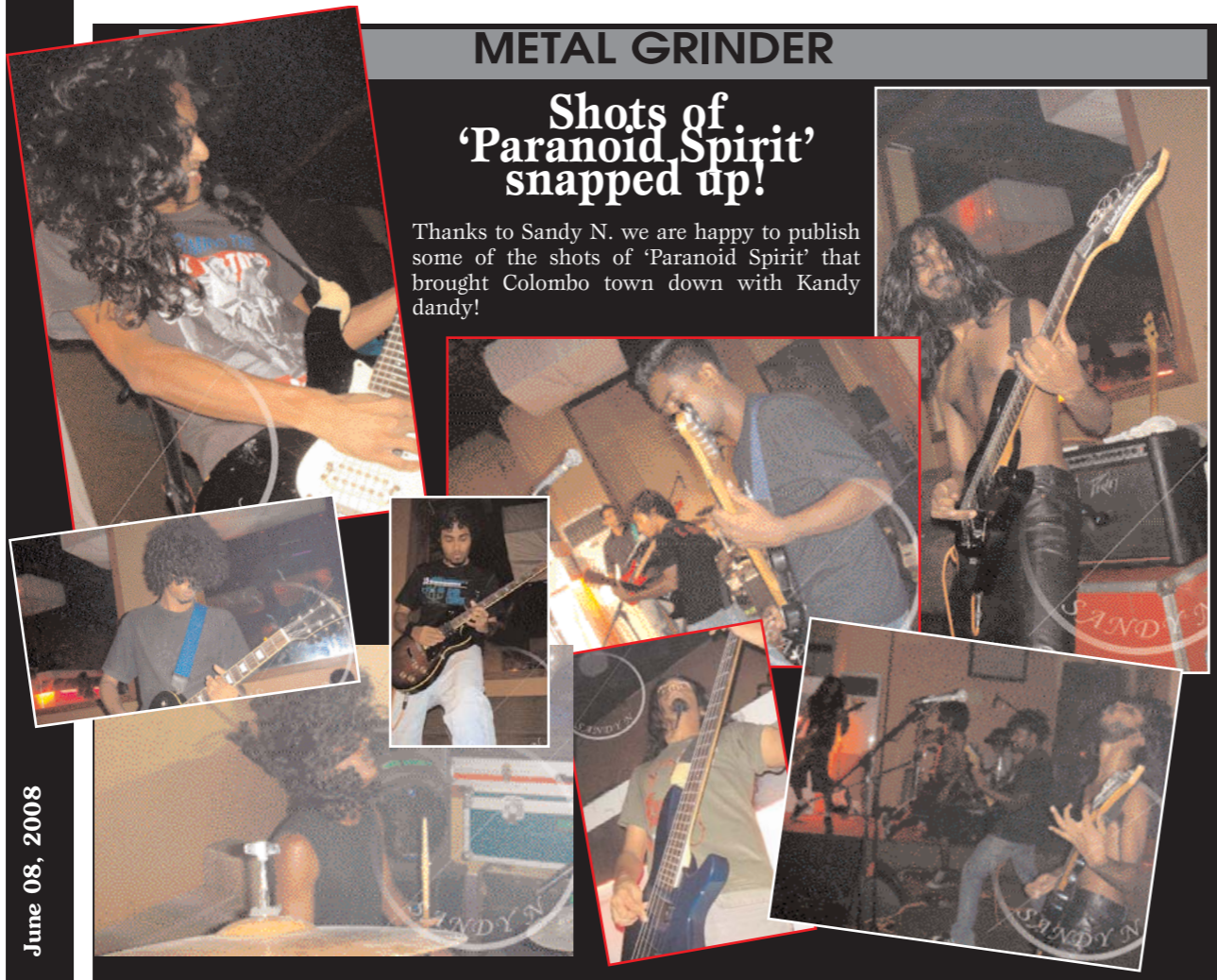


"Once again I really wanna take the time to mention that we are expecting quite a few bands to play, so there can't be a lot of time allotted to each band on stage." With regard to the clinic, he said that it will be held at the studio itself and shortly after the day of the gig and there are plans on a crash course in lead guitar, which will be finalised too. Rogger thanks everyone for their support and he hopes that it will be an annual event with new ideas each year!

METAL GRINDER

Shots of 'Paranoid Spirit' snapped up!

Thanks to Sandy N. we are happy to publish some of the shots of 'Paranoid Spirit' that brought Colombo town down with Kandy dandy!



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1. MARK NIGEL

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Name: _____

Address: _____

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Observer Local Band/Artist & Song: _____

Observer International Band & Song: _____

Observer International Top 10

SONG	BAND
1. RISE ABOVE THIS	SEETHER
2. PSYCHO	PUDDLE OF MUDD
3. FALLING DOWN	ATREYU
4. SALUTE UR SOLUTION	THE RANCONTEURS
5. IT'S NOT MY TIME	THREE DOORS DOWN
6. BELIEVE	THE BRAVERY
7. HANDLEBARS	FLOBOTS
8. GIVEN UP	LINKIN PARK
9. INSIDE THE FIRE	DISTURBED
10. PUSH YOUR HEAD	THE EDITORS

OBSERVER LOCAL TOP 10

SONG	BAND/ARTIST
1. IN BLACK & WHITE	PARANOID EARTHLING
2. EYE OF THE CROWN	DINELLI AND LOA
3. NO POTENTIAL	KARMIC SULPHUR
4. BLIND	RESTRICTED
5. MATRICIDE	OLD CASTLES MASSACRE
6. BROKEN CHAINS	SWORD OF THE SPIRIT
7. CHAMBER OF PAIN	MERLOCK
8. ALPHA MEETS OMEGA	STIGMATA
9. GET STONED	WAGON PARK
10. PRISON DIARY	NEMESIS

LYRICZONE

No Potential

by Karmic Sulphur
(UNEDITED VERSION)



I hate to break this to you, do you know why?
 You don't see no potential, well so do I
 I've been breaking my skin, all these years for a reason
 And when I'm down here bleeding, you disappear
 For a friend is betrayed he is betrayed
 Your sins I can't forgive
 You call that trust?
 I'm gonna shut you up
 I call that fake cause I'm gonna make you break
 I call that hate cause that's all you gave
 I call that fear cause I'm gonna shut your fears
 Hate to state this to you, I'm alive
 You never saw any potential, always make me deny
 I've been breaking my skin, all these years for a reason
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