

The Lancaster Band

BAND STORY

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I enjoyed a long and largely productive association as bassist for the Lancaster Band, one that started in 1974 and ended in 2006. During that time it ascended pinnacles of relative stardom in South Africa, was moderately successful and certainly well known within the ska genre, attributable to collective decision-making by independent thinkers.

Towards the end of my time with the band aggregated leadership gradually waned in favour of direction by Robin Lancaster, so I left, to pursue other musical collaborations and to concentrate on building up my recording studio.

Nonetheless there were some great times and epic moments during the course of my long involvement. The band developed in the spawning period of the creative 70' s and so

directly associated with Lancaster Band went on to great things. Robin Auld, Heather Mac, Brian Davidson, Simon Walker, Lloyd Martin and Kevin Shirley are a few worth mentioning.

Over the years there were a number of recordings made of its various incarnations; Richard Black recorded the Cambel and Carge sessions with Robin Auld and Brian Davidson, Keith Twine the sessions with Simon Cotton, Tulley and Mike Mc Cullough produced the Comic Strip Heroes vinyl album at Spaced Out Sounds and more latterly I recorded the Eden Sessions EP



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recorded the Eden Sessions EP. Snippets of most of these can be found on this site but a comprehensive history on www.lancasterband.co.za makes fascinating reading.

If you like Madness, XTC, The Clash and Elbow you will find elements of these in Lancaster Band. After a quiet period the band seems to be raising its profile again with more regular gigs. Dylan Hichens (Garth's son) has replaced Terry Corbett on bass.

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