

Something for the Weekend



BY JIM GELLATLY



GOGOBOT

WHO: Marko Kelly (lead vocals/keyboards/guitar), Rosie McClune (bass/keyboards/vocals), Gordon McNeil (drums/vocals/production). **WHERE:** Glasgow.

FOR FANS OF: Scissor Sisters, Electric 6, Nine Inch Nails.

JIM SAYS: Specialising in epic industrial pop with a nod towards legendary 70s mavericks Sparks, I've been keeping an eye on this Glasgow trio for a while now. Foo Fighters' Dave Grohl was also an early champion. Early live gigs saw them on the road with their mates Glasvegas, but they've moved on significantly and 2011 looks like the year GoGoBot will break big style. Now backed by the team behind Wet Wet Wet, they've signed with Measured Records. GoGoBot play King Tut's on January 7. Single Is This Love? is out January 24. See gogobot.co.uk

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The Naked truth

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KIWI quintet The Naked And Famous are planning to conquer the world.

The indie outfit have already topped the singles and album charts in New Zealand... and they want to repeat their success globally.

And they're off to a blistering start after being named in the recent BBC Sound of 2011 poll, which has previously picked out big names like Adele, 50 Cent, Mika and Ellie Goulding.

Singer Alisa Xayalith said: "We're still getting used to news filtering through, being on the BBC list was pretty crazy."

"Our single Young Blood has its own little legs and started walking around, it went viral."

"People latched on to it on the other side of the world. It's been old-fashioned word of mouth but via the internet."

"We didn't have any push or a record label, it did its thing and we just watched it happen, it was crazy. The best thing is that people are genuinely discovering new music."

"We look after New Zealand and Australia ourselves."

"We've always been like that, we paid for the album on our own and produced it."

"We did bring out a couple of EPs in 2008 on an indie label but we learnt the ropes and saw it's not hard to manage yourself."

"So we got to the point where we outgrew that label and took it into our own hands."

They recorded Young Blood in

a tiny wee studio tucked under a run-down Bollywood cinema in Auckland.

But it didn't turn the band into celebrities and that's something they're planning **NOT** to change – despite being massively hyped up.

Alisa, 24, said: "There isn't much home-grown stuff here."

"When we went to No1 everyone was in uproar as we're an alternative band. It's usually Rihanna or Katy Perry dominating but everyone was saying how amazing it was to see a band that people believed in up there."

"It doesn't change what we do – it was just a nice surprise."

Another thing that's stunned the band was that they've already got a Scots fan base.

Favourite

Some hardy punters travelled down to see them at a recent one-off gig in Manchester.

And shows here next year are a definite, after album *Passive Me, Aggressive You* is released in the UK.

The band are relocating to London next year and Alisa said: "I'm itching to see the touring plans for 2011. Our manager is Scottish so there's no way you guys will not be seeing us."

"One of our favourite bands is from Scotland actually, Frightened Rabbit. We've been listening to them for the last few years."

"Hopefully we can make our mark like they've done."

● See thenakedandfamous.com

SNAKES & SANDERS

A DUTCH DJ is set to have live **SNAKE CHARMERS** on stage during his set.

Sander van Doorn, headlining Colours WinterParty 2010 at Glasgow's Arches on Boxing Day, is planning to bring two snakes into the venue as part of his Dusk Till Dawn concept show.

A Colours spokeswoman said: "This is the first time that any DJ has incorporated live animals as part of a DJ set at the venue. We expect it's one of the strangest requests Health and Safety have had in a while."

● Tickets are £25. Visit colours.co.uk.

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