

# Queen Disappoint At Slane

It was the day the music almost drowned; the day when Queen proved they're just big stars and not legends with a performance that left a lot to be desired. It was the day that Slane failed for the first time.

The weather that turned sour, had a lot to do with the general lack of atmosphere at Slane '86 but Queen did little to help people forget about the weather until the last half-hour of their two-hour set. But for the frantic final 30 minutes, when they played their best material from "Bohemian Rhapsody" through "Radio Ga Ga", "Hammer To Fall", "We Are The Champions" and "We Will Rock You", Queen were far too self-indulgent for their own good.

**FLOPPED**  
The great stagelike flopped in the brightness of day time and Mercury's endless running, jumping and prancing around failed to ignite a dampened crowd.

True, everyone clapped in time to "Radio Ga Ga," and sang along with the opening "One Vision", but far too often the band went through the motions and waited for something to happen. Blessedly, one of the finest sound systems yet seen at Slane, Queen should have let rip from the word go. That they didn't was largely due to a belief in the gigantic rather than the majestic.

Guitarist Brian May knows how to riff better than most, but he could have spared us the 12-minute guitar solo, which included a soppy version of "Danny Boy" that was too patronising at its best, as was the doo-wop version of "Hello Mary Lou" and "Tutti Frutti".  
The good points of the show all came in the last 30 minutes when Mercury sat at his piano and played the opening chords of "Bohemian Rhapsody". The crowd greeted the song like a long lost friend, sang the chorus and even allowed the band the misdemeanour of using backing tapes for the operatic mid-section as they left the stage to change their clothes.

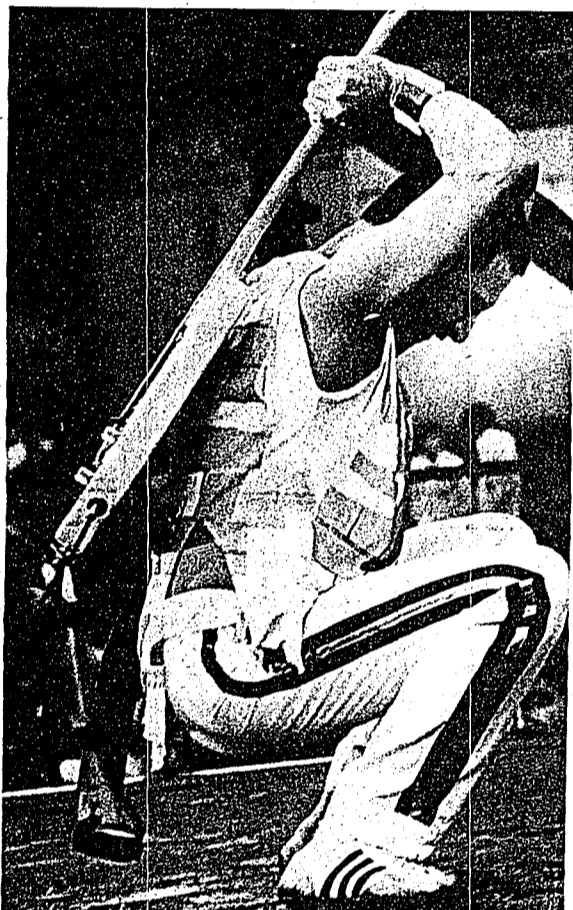
From then on in, Mercury had the crowd eating out of his rich hands, with songs like "Crazy Little Things Called Love" and the best number of the evening, "Hammer To Fall."

The encores were short and sweet with "Radio Ga Ga" and "We Are The Champions" paving the way for a brilliant "We Will Rock You," when Roger Taylor produced an amazing drum sound.

All in all, Queen were a 90-minute disappointment and 30 minutes of "some kinda magic."  
**LAID-BACK**  
Chris Rea failed to get the crowd going with his laid-back brand of adult rock through some of the hits like "I Can Hear Your Heartbeat," "Ace Of Hearts" and "Shamrock Diaries" were greeted with warm applause.

The Bangles won many new friends with their short set which, unfortunately for them, was interrupted by a terrible downpour. Highlights were the songs the crowd knew in the guise of "Manic Monday," "If He Knew What She Wants" and "Going Down To Liverpool."

The Fountainhead kept the early arrivals happy with a brisk set that included their best numbers "Feel It Now," "The Burning Touch" and "Rhythm Method."  
All in all, a day to remember for too many of the wrong reasons. Give me Simple Minds anytime!  
- CATHAL DERVAN.



Back scratching on the Boyne... Queen's Freddie Mercury does his stuff during the band's performance at Slane on Saturday.

# Tones On A Winner

Bellewstown races on a Tuesday evening may seem an unusual venue to launch a new album. But it proved ideal for The Wolfe Tones last week, when they celebrated their new deal with K Tel records by playing tracks from their "Greatest Hits" album between races.

The "Tones were onto a winner from the start of their open-air set and were obviously enjoying the benefits of their new worldwide deal with K-Tel, which commences with the release of a "greatest hits" compilation this week. The album features 16 of the band's biggest hits since they formed in 1963, and spans all of their 23 years on the road. All the big-selling hits are included like "My Heart Is

In Ireland," which was written for Irish emigrants in Britain by singer Brian Warfield. The subject of emigration is also the theme for the band's new single, "Dreams Of Home," and the 1981 number one, "Streets Of New York."

The band's republican stand is well covered with songs like the old Irish ballad "Only Our Rivers Run Free," "Padraic Pearse,"

"On The One Road," and their stage favourite, "A Nation Once Again," which closes the album.

Throw in "Irish Eyes," "Spancil Hill," "Some Say The Devil Is Dead" and "Let The People Sing," and you have a fitting tribute to one of Ireland's most successful and lasting acts.

The Wolfe Tones appear at Cork's Siamas Cois Laoi later this month.



The Wolfe Tones who launched their new "Greatest Hits" album at Bellewstown Races last week.

# Meath Chronicle Entertainment Guide

**OASIS Night Club**  
042-61185 - Kingscourt/Carrick Rd. - 042-61399/62399

**Ireland's Booming Night Club**

This Fri., 11th July: **NEW YORK CONNECTION**

Saturday & Sunday Nights: **D \* I \* S \* C \* O**

Coming Fri., 18th July: **SUSAN McCANN**

Coming Fri., 25th July: **COLM HUGHES SUPERSTARS**

Sunday Night: **TALENT SHOW (Semi-Finals)**

Contestants: ROSIN TOAL \* BETTY O'CONNOR \* OLIVE MEEHAN \* SIMON McENTEE

**Junior Disco**  
Thursday, 10th July: **STOCKTON'S WING & DISCO**

Friday: Big Double with **STOCKTON'S WING & DISCO**

Saturday **DISCO**  
MEATH'S MOST POPULAR WEEK-END VENUE!

Where The Nice People Disco!  
Over 20's Neat Dress

**BEECHMOUNT HOTEL**  
Adm., £2.00 Mineral Bar 9 p.m. - 12.30 a.m.

Sunday: **BULMER'S NIGHT IN THE DISCO WITH JIMMY THE MEGAMIX!**

LOUNGE: Thurs., JUST FRIENDS \* Fri., GOLD \* Sat., QUATRO \* Sun., BLUE BEATS.

DINERS!!! VAT Prices Slashed for July on WINE AND FOOD!

MEATH/WESTMEATH'S NEW FUN PLACE

**ROMADO'S CLUB, CLONMELLON**

Saturday: **DISCO PARTY**  
JOIN D.J. KEN MURRAY  
(LADIES' FREE BEFORE 12.30 a.m.)

Sunday: FREE BALLAD SESSION IN LOUNGE WITH NICKY FERGUSON  
HAPPY HOUR - PINTS AND SHORTS £1.00

**THE TRENDY NITESPOT**  
GREVILLE ARMS MULLINGAR

This Thursday: **GRAND FINAL OF MISS WESTMEATH, 1986**  
(From Westmeath's most beautiful girls, we pick one girl to go forward to the final of Miss Ireland, 1986)

Saturday: **STRINGFELLOWS DISCO DANCING PARTY**  
Sunday Night Out: **SONNY KNOWLES & PAUD GRIFFIN**  
Next Thursday: **JUNIOR CHAMBER 21 CLUB**

**Keogan's Lounge NOBBER**

Thurs., 10th: Summer Entertainment night with **CLERAOE**

Fri., 11th: **POOL AND DARTS**

Sat., 12th: **JIMMY CARRY**

Sun., 13th: **HENNESSY MEN**

**BRIDGE LOUNGE ENFIELD**

Fri., 11th: No Cover Charge **SINGALONG NIGHT**

Sat., 12th: **THE HARPER VALLEY BOYS**

Sun., 13th: **COUNTRY SOUND**

**Headfort Arms Hotel, Kells**

**F★L★I★X Nite Club**  
Every Friday & Sunday Night

\* SUPPER  
\* BAR EXTENSION  
\* NEAT DRESS  
\* OVER 18'S ONLY  
\* RIGHT OF ADMISSION STRICTLY RESERVED

Why not come along this week and see our **NEW, EXCITING LIGHTING DIRECT FROM THE SPANISH NITE CLUB RESORTS?**

**CORTOWN (Kells) SPORTS & FIELD DAY**  
SUNDAY, 13th JULY, 1986  
Commencing 2 o'clock

Athletics for all Ages \* Terrier Racing \* Archery \* Rifle Range \* Pitch & Putt \* Name the Teddy Bear \* Greasy Pole \* Battery Lift \* Ladies' Tug O' War \* Fancy Dress

Plus all the usual competitions and stideshows including Aunt Sally.

NO HAWKERS ALLOWED!  
Admission £1.00 - Children FREE

**SPORTS NIGHT DANCE**  
in the **KIRWAN HOTEL, ATHBOY**  
Music by **NORTHERN LIGHTS**  
Buffet Supper Admission £5.00

**The KIRWAN HOTEL**

**STING NITE CLUB**  
EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT  
Over 21s \* Neat Dress \* Bar Extension

BUS SERVICE leaves THE SQUARE, TRIM, at 10.30 p.m. & SQUARE, KELLS at 11.30 p.m.

This Saturday: **3rd HEAT OF "MARY FROM DUNGLOE", 1986**  
£1,000 in Prizes - 1 weeks Holiday

Thurs, 10th July: **SUSAN McCANN**

Thursday, 24th July: **STOCKTON'S WING (TICKETS NOW ON SALE)**

**THIS SUNDAY & EVERY SUNDAY DISCO & DANCE IN MEATH'S NO. 1 NITE SPOT!**

**Naper Arms Hotel, Oldcastle**

Saturday: **VIDEO DISCO**  
WITH D.J.

**WARREN TRENT**  
See the Best Videos on the Big Screen.

**KIRWAN HOTEL ATHBOY**

**Susan McCann**

Thursday, 10th July  
BAR EXTENSION SUPPERS - OVER 21

**SLANE HOUSE**

Saturday, 12th: **SWEET RAIN**  
**KARL PHILIPS CRAZY NIGHT (£1,000 Talent Contest - Entries must be in before 9.30 p.m.)**  
Sunday: **DARBY O'GILL**

Put a Sparkle in your Night with

**DIAMONDS niteclub**

DANCING FRI - SAT - SUN

**REBECCA'S Silver Tankard**  
The In-Place to Dance Out of Town!

**SUPER DISCO**  
Every Saturday Night \* Top D.J., Vince Cooney Neat Dress.

**IRISH NATIONAL FORESTERS BREWS HILL, NAVAN**

Saturday, 12th July:  
**2nd Semi-Final of TALENT COMPETITION**  
David Eager \* Suspicious People \* Bridget Cox \* Garry Fay \* Kathleen Hamill \* Mary Duff \* Ronan McGuinness \* Paul Powderly

Music by **SCROOGE - Final next Friday, 18th.**

Sun., 13th July: **JUST FRIENDS**

Saturday, 12th July, 1986

**Palace, Navan**  
He's smart, nice Why is he targeted?

**D.A.F.**  
He can't be kept a secret

Fri., 11th July: one week

Late shows: Fri & Sat. at 11 p.m. **THE RETURN**

**GIBBSTOWN MONSTER SPORTS**  
SUNDAY, 13th JULY at 2 p.m.

JUVENILE FOOTBALL MATCH, 2 p.m. (Wolfe Tones v St. Michael's, Carlanstown)

LADIES' FOOTBALL MATCH, 4.30 p.m. (Wolfe Tones v Moynalty)

Bonny Baby; Childrens Races; Fancy Dress; Dancing Competition; Disco Competition; Races; Novelty Events / Side Shows

**& FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY**

**FIREHOSE INN, Trillick**

Fri., 11th: **JOHNNY LOGAN**

Saturday, 12th: **MUSIC**

Sunday, 13th: **TEDDY PALMER**

Tuesday, 15th: **JOE McENTAGGART**

**CASTLETOWN G.F.C. COMMUNITY CENTRE**

**SUPER CAR RAFFA**  
on **FRIDAY, 11th JULY**  
10.30 p.m. to 2.00 a.m.

Dancing to **DREAM MACHINE**

Bar Extension - - - Admission £3 (incl. Draw will take place during dance at approx 11.30 p.m.)

**Television FRIDAY**

**R.T.E. 1**

4.40 - Bosco.  
5.10 - Newsline.  
5.30 - Sons And Daughters.  
6.01 - Angelus.  
6.25 - Newsline.  
6.35 - The Sullivan.  
7.05 - My Brother Jonathan.  
8.05 - George Washington.  
9.20 - George Washington (concluded).  
11.05 - Guinness Jazz Festival.  
11.45 - Late News.

**B.B.C. 1**

3.30 - International.  
5.25 - News Sunday.  
5.30 - Reunion.  
6.00 - Film: "The Great Escape".  
8.00 - The Great Escape.  
8.30 - Gardeners' Question Time.  
9.00 - My Music.  
9.30 - The Heartbeat.  
10.20 - Frank A. Clark.  
10.45 - Newsnight.  
11.30 - The Lord of the Rings.  
12.15 - Whistle & Shave.

**R.T.E. 2**

7.00 - A Country Practice.  
7.30 - Gardeners' World.  
8.10 - Nuacht.  
8.15 - Mists Of Science.  
9.05 - The Comedians.  
9.35 - Aristocrats.  
10.30 - Wide Alliance.  
11.25 - Late News Summary.

**U.T.**

4.00 - Child Rainbows.  
4.15 - The Muppet Show.  
4.25 - Scooby Doo.  
4.45 - From The Hip.  
5.15 - Now You See It.  
5.45 - News.  
6.00 - Summer.  
6.15 - Sportsweek.  
6.30 - Password.  
7.00 - Albion N.  
7.30 - International Athletics.  
9.00 - The Practice.  
10.00 - News At Ten.  
10.27 - Ulster Weather.  
10.30 - Witness.  
10.35 - Hotel.  
11.30 - Richard.  
11.55 - Barney M.  
12.20 - News At Ten.

**B.B.C. 1**

4.15 - The Amazing Adventures of Morpho.  
4.20 - Dogtanian And The Three Musketeers.  
4.40 - Record Breakers.  
5.10 - Gentle Ben.  
5.35 - Toy's Sport.  
5.40 - Inside Ulster.  
6.00 - News.  
6.35 - The Flintstones.  
7.00 - Wogan.  
7.40 - No Place Like Home.  
8.00 - News.  
8.30 - Big Deal.  
9.00 - News.  
9.30 - Eureka Stockade.  
10.20 - Film: "Highway To Hell".  
11.25 - Northern Ireland News Headlines And Weather.

**CHANNEL 4**

2.15 - Their House.  
2.30 - Racing.  
4.30 - Dancin' D.  
5.00 - Car 54.  
5.07 - You? You?  
5.30 - The Char.  
6.00 - Solid Soul.  
6.30 - 1986 Tour.  
7.00 - News.  
7.50 - Book Ch.  
8.00 - What The...  
8.15 - Looks Fa.  
9.00 - Internatio.  
9.00 - Athletics.  
10.00 - Cheers!  
10.30 - Budgie.  
11.30 - Film: "H