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Introducing Mervin Scott

Mervin Scott truly falls into the gifted minority of innovative talents walking the Earth's surfaces with an inborn, yet exquisitely polished, ability to write and perform a unique and commercially indiscriminate style of music.

Born in the musical hub-land of Brixton (South London) in 1969 (the year of the moon landing!) when Jimi Hendrix was very much still alive, Scott stood out from his siblings, peers and, well, everyone. At school, his fellow classmates would boast of their popular love for all things reggae and hip hop while Scott's excitement was placed in future legendary artistic greats like The Beatles. An apprenticeship with his dental technician father during his late teens was short-lived as Scott joined more than fifteen other apprentices who fell victim to his father's lack of patience.

Just like Lord Killing Ling, the frontman (and Scott's alter-ego) of the virtual band *Charlie Comes First*, a fascination with motorcycles influenced a decision to uptake a job as a motorcycle messenger. "A motorcycle messenger?" his parents would have yelled, but this turned out to be unsuspectingly instrumental in unlocking an almost bulging bubble of artistic potential. Having little time to pen compositions with a demanding and arguably frenetic delivery schedule, Scott's lonesome journeys during his day job left him to entertain himself with his own thoughts. The freedom that despatch riding afforded him gave ground to an ability to compose songs mentally. In 2006, Scott's magnificent brainchild, *Charlie Comes First*, took life.

The inimitability of the *Charlie Comes First* collective is a mirror to Scott, reflecting a one-of-a-kind persona – a noticeably pervasive quality throughout his works. It becomes apparent whilst listening to Scott's painstakingly crafted musical masterpieces that his songs represent everything that 'normality' is not; an embrace and magnification of new ideas and approach rather than the mundanely recycled "tried and tested." *Charlie Comes First* is the product of one man's emotional and cerebral journey through a maze-ridden life, drawing on milestone events that paved the way for a modern-day prodigy to bring his ideas to fruition.

A significant by-product of this voyage has been the synergy of Scott and Misha Nikolic, whose dexterity in musical production gave an added breath of life to Scott's compositions in which listeners are invited to immerse themselves. Scott puts it neatly:

"The finite musicianship of Misha Nikolic gave flesh to the lyrics, drums and guitar riffs swimming in my head." He then adds, "...the Punk Clown characters that make up the virtual band, *Charlie Comes First*, is taken from the influences of punk rock visually dressed up as clowns."

Charlie Comes First is a composition of five dissimilar personas with similarity in artistic vision, each with their own unconventional traits, engaging intensely in the creative process that serves to stockpile music designed for unadulterated mass enjoyment.



Lord Killing Ling

The frontman and consummate pack leader, Lord Killing Ling, accepts entire responsibility for the catalogue of compositions that have, until now, evaded the radar of the music industry.

Tearing through London's streets as a motorcycle messenger for many years has, over time, produced a songwriting dexter with a penchant for poetical self-banter, effortlessly tapping into his mental vault to deliver a torrent of deep and meaningful accounts of his life that was, is, and which he envisions it ought to be.

The perceptibly lifeless facial expression he presents to the outside world is a constant reminder of the vulnerability of man to succumb to the harsh experiences that alter our perceptions. There is little doubt, however, that Killing Ling succeeds in his desire to use his work as a conduit to narrate his story with the support of the other Charlie Comes First members.





Kill Switch

The no-nonsense, elegant temptress exudes an almost out-of-this-world presence which becomes apparent during her mesmerising drum playing. It was Lord Killing Ling who dubbed this femme fatale with the name 'Kill Switch' after witnessing her coldly cutting off one desperate hopeful who failed to impress with chat-up lines! Lord Killing Ling turned his attention back to repairing his motorcycle's engine cut-off switch, colloquially termed 'kill switch', and the rest is self-explanatory.



Sporty

This ace of bass feel-good guitarist laces Charlie Comes First with a rather energetic vibe to offer an appropriate balance to the mix. The electricity Sporty generates helps to keep the collective immersed in the spotlight.



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Baby Man

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An adult trapped in the body of a baby - complete with infantile mannerisms? Strange!

Vertically challenged he may be, but there is no shortfall as far as his keyboard playing skills go. Here you have a computer genius with a liking for Marvel and DC comics and anything to do with Star Wars.

Perhaps one day he will have the manly fortitude to reveal his silent crush on Kill Switch. On second thoughts, let's not encourage him to step into the lioness's den!





- 1. To Have You I Have To Leave You
- 2. Pray For Me In Jesus' Name 3. Didn't Mean To Break The Window
- 4. Unknown Is Her Name
- 5. Hurting
- 6. Story Seller
- 7. Patient Patient Love
- 8. Summer's Come To An End
- 9. Maria Let Me In
- 10. I'm A Loner

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MERVIN SCOTT MISHA NIKOLIC

Recorded At Monster Trax Studio, London

1. TO HAVE YOU I HAVE

You like to play witchcraft Cause I am a priest Port like to judge But you stole wy heart like a thief If I was a ship You're wy barrier reef Baby to have you I have to leave you

>>> Chorus X 4 Baby to have you Do I have to leave you?

It may not feel right So don't lose belief Nothing to confess We don't live in deceit If to get to heaven We have to go through hell And if Saint Peter doesn't Lot von ii² Let you in?

Chorus

Chorus

Crucify me with the two thieves If you want Jesus Why are you being a witch? I don't want to be cruel To be kind I can't turn your urine Into wine



2. PRAY FOR ME IN JESUS' NAME

l love you Pon't be confused I'll show you the proof Yes we need to choose

I don't know where to go What to do' So confused Yes I should No I shouldn't Confused by all this indecision You're supposed to be a friend of mine Confusing kiss crossed the line You're ny friend not my missus Confused by all this indecision

>>> Chorus >>> Chorus I love you Don't be confused I'll show you the proof Yes we need to choose Well I worship &od with a bit of satan So pray for me in Jesus' name

l wouldn't tell a lie to you I wouldn't tell a lie to you But you make me feel so confused Could our friendship turn to hate? For a promisel might break Pass each other not a word A might of passion over heard Pon't you say this sounds deceiving You're my woman's friend And we were kissing? I wouldn't tell a lie to you But you make me feel so confused Chorus

Are you a wap to a pot of gold? To a future that's unfold? Pont'you throw away the key Kon away to be with me If you think it too unkind Why do you appear in my mind? Is it witching? Is it selence? When I say I want you I don't want silence Are you a map to a pot of gold? To a future that's unfold?

Chorus

l love you Pon't be confused I'll show you the proof Yes we need to choose I love you Pon't be confused I'll show you the proof Yes we need to choose Well worship God with a bit of satan So pray for me in Jesus name

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Additional Vocals: Tracks 1, 2, 5, 9 ME'SHA BRYAN Tracks 7, 8 MARIA PIETE-SPIFF

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8. DIDN'T MEAN TO BREAK THE WINDOW

l don't know Where to go In your heart It feels so cold It feels so cold Not eloquent But in my defence I don't know What to say Nowhere to hide I'll soil my pride If you don't ery Cause I can't see you now

>>> Chorus Pidn't mean to break the window X3 Pidn't mean to break the window Pidn't mean to break the window

That you were standing behind I will wait For a sign In your time For your peace of mind I won't dare

To be kind



Chorus





4. UNKNOWN IS HER NAME

There she goes again Awaiting the 8.58 Monday to Friday on Platform 1 She looks so fine Pleasing to the eye But to this day unknown is her name 13

>>> Chorus I want to say hello but I feel so I want to know your name but I am so I want to know if you feel the same But I'm so shy

Oh there she goes On time for the 8.58 And Wednesday's babe looks so fine in white Leatch her stare But i'm filled with fear The fear of looking like a reject

Chorus

Oh there you are Looking like a star I wonder what you do on Friday nights Where do you go after work? Are you with someone else? I'll spend my weekend on Platform 1

Chorus

5. HURTING

>>> Chorus It's horting, it's hurting Mummy and Daddy aren't speaking Will not be there every might It's hurting, it's hurting Can I kiss them goodnight dear? Port'make a sound on the way out It's hurting, it's hurting On hirthdays II be there On Christmas I'll send them a card

l guess you've found out There's no shadows to doubt I have let you down

Look, look what you've done Was it for fun? Lust on the run? How long's it been going on? You've made a fool of everyone

Chorus

You'll have the kids and the house And if they can't do without Yes they can bave the dog Your dad he was right Your mum's polite

She's hiding her knife Yes I've turned my back And I deserve what is to come Chorus

We are like distant towns And when the children have grown And when they understand And if you're with someone You say you love Cause we didn't mend Teil them that I care And I'll be there Pad or just friend

Chorus

It's hurting. It's hurting Mummy and Paddy areat speaking Iwill not be there every night It's hurting, it's hurting Can kiss them goodnjaht dear? I wor't make a sound on the way out It's hurting, it's hurting on hirthdays II be there On Christmas I'll send them a card



6. STORY SELLER

l want to know where he buys his clothes l want to know everything he knows l want to know if he's straight or gay l want to know if he's doing coke

»» Chorus X3 Baby you don't have to sell your story X2 I'm going to take care of you and the child

l want to know what kind of girls he likes I want to know where he's going tonight I want to know where he likes to eat I want to know what car he likes to drive

Chorus

You know what I heard he rides a bike Find out what he used to do for work You know what I heard he went insane Was it the church that taught him how to sing?

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Chorus

7. PATIENT PATIENT LOVE

lf l seem so distant and deranged lf l say the words l don't mean to say lf l seem possessive in any way

lt's because l'm scared Truly, truly scared

>>> Chorus My fear of losing you suffocates the truth By not believing you hurts you deeply too I recognise the fear it's not to be ignored The only cure I know is patient, patient love

l can hear the whispers in my ear Saying lies I do not want to hear Now I question is your love sincere?

lt's because l'm scared Truly, truly scared Chorus

onorus Babe don't leave me. Hear what I have to say I recognise the fear so I'm halfway there I know it's hard but please don't leave me here

lt's because I'm scared Truly, truly scared Chorus

8. SUMMER'S COME TO AN END

The leaves that were green are now dead The autumn brown leaves toss and turn in the wind The dreams we shared have turned around We've exhausted all talk about

>>> Chorus Well I still love you but it's not the same We have changed Grown our separate ways Summer's come to an end

The naked trees are exposed in the wind They look so dead yet still they live There's still a chance to work it out But the love we shared is still in doubt

Chorus

The sky that was blue is now grey A lonely bird sits perched on a limb The summer's song it sang has left it's mouth The nest it built has fallen to the ground

Chorus



10. I'M A LONER

l'd like to know you Though I already do I beseech you To think it through Though the road is winding I'll be there for you

Po you care if I live or die? Cause loneliness is a friend of mine I didn't write this song to make you ery Am I your shame? Pon't I make you proud?

>>> Chorus X6 I'm a loner Gause no one else

Bridge

Cause no one else will do Still in love with you l'd like to love you Though you have many fools l'd like to catch you Though you're hot and cold Do you want me to die for you? Well I already did

Bridge Chorus

l'd like to find you A place to hide I don't want to fight you Ir's only pride I can't afford to Lose my mind Bridae

Chorus

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