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Dwarves FEFU dvd review

The Dwarves FEFU The DVD (Greedy Media,MVD Visual) 108 mins-5.1 Surround sound thedwarves.com & MusicVideoDistributors.com

I'll admit that I was never a fan of the Dwarves until lately, and that's mostly because of how lame the punk/hardcore scene has become. Musically the Dwarves are hit and miss with me still but I have somehow begun to like some of their music, if not just for the cover art (yes, I'm that shallow).

With the amount of shock related shows on tv nowadays, the public has become very jaded when it comes to bands playing with a naked guitarist with a wrestling mask on,attacking the people who paid good money to see them. It wasn't always that way my friend! Back in the early/mid 80's, bands like Jesus Lizard, GG Allin, Butthole Surfers and the Dwarves had even hardcore and punk fans nervous with their live shows which included shitting on stage and tossing it into the crowd, micing up ones privates and then diving,with said privates a dangling' into an unsuspecting crowd, plus the always fun, attacking the crowd with guitars, bottles, steel toed boots. That was back in the days when shows were very unpredictable and you were really taking your life into your own hands. That was why shows back then were so great! Not so much because of the raw talent of the band (though it helped), but because of the sheer insanity of the band. It's alot more exciting when you have no idea what's in store for you. Plus bands with nutbars in them attracted a similar brand of fan, making for a rather funny and dangerous combo.

The dvd is made around the Dwarves video "Fuck,Eat and Fuck you Up" which features the Suicide Girls nude, covered in blood, or bubbles or whatever, grinding on each other or band members or both. A winning combo no matter how you slice it. I remember when the "Blood,Guts and Pussy" cover caused alot of stir with the naked girls covered in blood with full frontal nudity. Mainstream society reacted as expected, while the average hardcore punk guy (and girl) couldn't get enough.

On the dvd you get the clean and dirty versions of the video (why would you want to see the clean one anyway?) the making of the vid, plus various eras of the band live. There's also some interview footage to round things off.

Again, while not being a huge fan, I can definitely appreciate the Dwarves just because they continue to do what they've always done for years in a climate where bands are too concerned with NOT causing problems instead of being a real hardcore or punk band. I'm sure the shock value of the band is lost on the current generation that has grown up with Jackass and Dudesons, but they will certainly get theirs should they venture to a Dwarves show (evil laugh).

The Dwarves are a dying breed of band indeed. GG is gone, David Yow, while still around isn't touring around like in the 80s assaulting people with his dangling cock like he used to.

As for the Buttholes, well, lets not go there.

Hail to the Dwarves and and what they represent! Grab this puppy up and lets hope they can push the limit some more next timearound!