



Winehouse: No, no, no!

Amy Winehouse has been offered about \$2 million to pen a tell-all book about her farce of a marriage to enabler **Blake Fielder-Civil**. London police are also investigating her for allegedly getting into an altercation with two men at a bar and head-butting another before walking straight into a lamp post and partaking in recreational narcotics openly on the sidewalk. The hits just keep coming!

June 24 is the day Modfather **Paul Weller** will regale us with his next project, *22 Dreams*. Guests include ex-**Blur** multi-instrumentalist **Graham Coxon** and **Oasis'** **Noel Gallagher**.

The **Feelies** are scheduled to perform their first live gig in over 15 years at the River to River Festival in New York on July 4; **Sonic Youth**, **Ted Leo** and the **Pharmacists** and **Akron/Family** are among other noisemakers putting in appearances.

Liz Phair's 1993 *Exile in Guyville* album will be reissued June 24 via the formerly-relevant singer/songwriter's new deal with the ATO imprint. Previously-unreleased material and a bonus DVD, *Guyville Redux*, will accompany the set.

Dial L for loser!: **Pete Doherty** was sentenced to 14 weeks in the pokey for violating his probation, the dumbass. Any way they can extend the sentence to encompass all of eternity?

Jane's Addiction took home the Godlike Genius Award for

Extraordinary Services to Music at the NME Awards, and we'd like to know who came up with that brilliant idea so we can kick their ass into the middle of next week.

Two of **Patti Smith's** live renditions of *The Coral Sea*, on which she collaborated with **My Bloody Valentine's** **Kevin Shields**, will surface on a two-disc collection July 11. **My Bloody Valentine**, meanwhile, are set to headline **All Tomorrow's Parties** in New York in September; **Built to Spill**, **Thurston Moore**, **Tortoise**, **Mogwai**, the **Meat Puppets** and **Low** are also scheduled to perform.

Robyn Hitchcock has corralled much of his output with the **Egyptians** for another box set called *Luminous Groove*, which follows last year's five-disc lollapalooza *I Wanna Go Backwards*. **Yep Roc** does the honors July 22.



The squirrels strike back!

The **Fall's** venerable leader **Mark E. Smith** ignited the ire of a loony UK-based animal rights group by telling *Uncut* magazine that "squirrels mean nothing to me," adding that he offed a couple of the critters the previous weekend when he caught them eating his garden fence. The mental picture of Smith tending to a garden while being tormented by squirrels is funny enough in itself.

Exene Cervenka has signed a worldwide multi-record deal with **Bloodshot Records**; her debut for the venerable insurgent-country clearinghouse will come out sometime next year. She's also, of course, joining her **X** bandmates on their current reunion tour in celebration of their 31st anniversary. It stops at the **Variety Playhouse** May 29.

Wire have christened their next album *Object 47*, in honor of their 47th project. A release date has yet to be announced.

A DVD revisiting **The Smiths'** 1986 opus *The Queen is Dead* is headed to a small screen near you June 10. Titled *The Queen*



Is Dead: A Classic Under Review, the disc will include interviews with

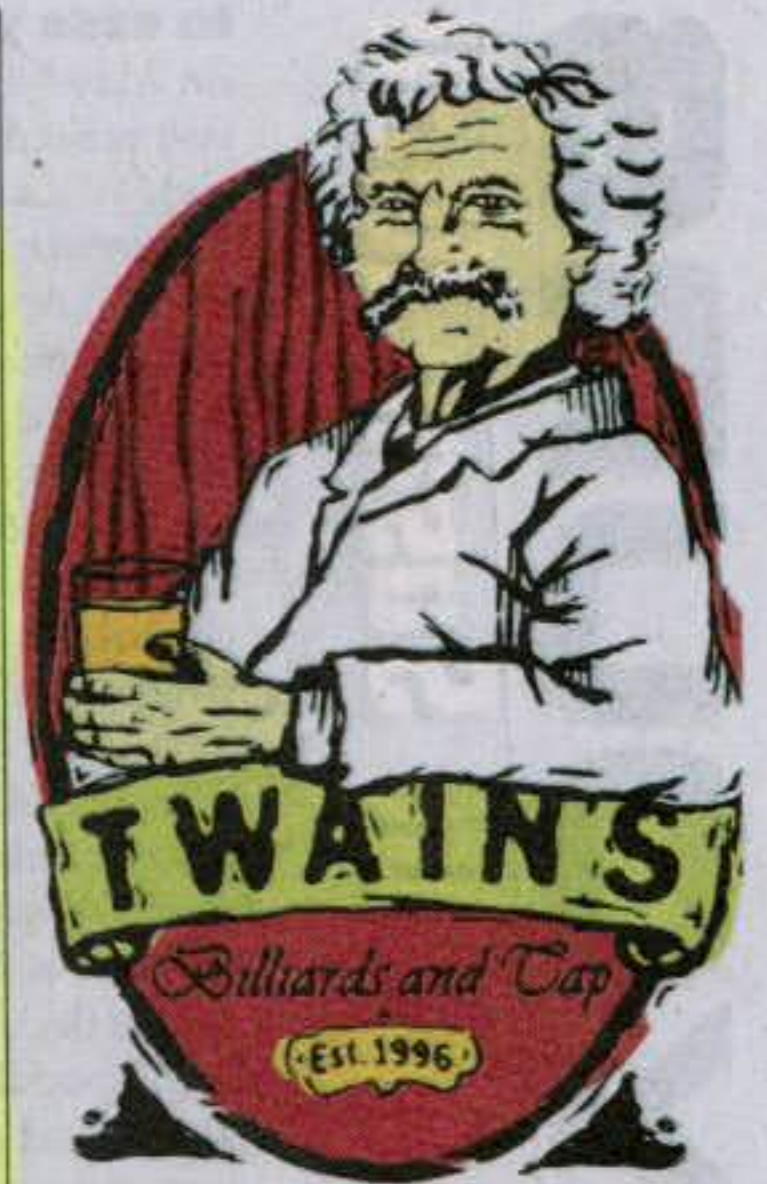
band personnel, co-producer/engineer **Stephen Street**, **Suede's** **Brett Anderson**, and late **Factory Records** founder **Tony Wilson** in addition to the requisite exploration of the music and its continuing impact.

Hot off the heels of the recent reissue of **The Replacements'** **Twin/Tone** recordings comes word that the band is contemplating getting back together after nearly 20 years. Are they back on the sauce again?

If you're concerned about the plight of the independent music retailer (which, as a right-thinking individual, you should be), then be sure to check out the forthcoming documentary *I Need That Record! The Death (or Possible Survival) of the Independent Record Store*. Directed by **Brendan Toller**, the flick will entail musings from **Thurston Moore**, **Ian MacKaye**, **Patterson Hood**, **Mike Watt**, **Lenny Kaye** and **Noam Chomsky**, among others.

In further filmic news, director **Grant Gee's** 2006 **Joy Division** documentary is finally coming out on DVD June 10. The disc contains the requisite performance footage, home videos, rare photos and interviews with late **Factory Records** founder **Tony Wilson** and graphic designer **Peter Saville** as well as **Bernard Sumner**, **Peter Hook** and **Stephen Morris**.

Coldplay's next outing of emasculated dad rock, *Viva la Vida*, arrives June 17 if you're into that sort of thing... ☞



Music in May Thurs 5/8 **Ben Lawless**

Thurs 5/15
Julia Carrol
LVMUZIQ

Thurs 5/22
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