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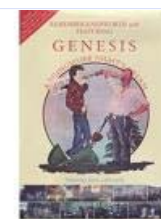
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Genesis: Remember Knebworth 1978- A Midsummer Night's Dream (DVD)

I cannot convey the anticipation that I felt when I read that Genesis would be featured on a DVD that focused on their historic headlining appearance at the Knebworth Festival in 1978. The festivities would not only feature the Progressive Rock giants but also the music of the Atlanta Rhythm Section, Brand X, Devo, Tom Petty & the Heartbreakers, and Jefferson Starship. Right off the bat this sounds like it could be one awesome DVD to sit back, relax and reminisce about musical history when it plays right? That is what I thought until I put it on and realized that the film was only 24 minutes in length. It's primarily commentary with the shows promoter some thirty years later, oh and yes most importantly – there is only ONE SONG FROM GENESIS on the friggin' thing!!!! To me this is a false advertisement of a title and fans should be warned to stay away from it at all costs. I admit that the interviews with Freddy Bannister would have been easier to appreciate and even enjoyable perhaps if there was a little more music to focus ones visual sensors on but even with all of those other fine acts performing that day there isn't another musical feature presented. There are a lot of scenes of crowds walking to the festival and that's about as exciting as watching paint dry or waiting for your mail. Having been to many shows over the course of my life, I have my own memories of walking through parks and I didn't need to waste time watching this as part of the DVD as a result. Yes the Genesis track is fantastic, but its one track and nothing more than a tease of a Progressive Rock juggernaut performing at a crucial festival. It's almost pointless to have even included the one song since there is nothing else to get into from there. There is one redeeming factor and that is the inclusion of a mini-program, which is an exact replica of the tour book available that day during the festival. It goes into great detail about each of the performers and even shows the menus of the day. However, its hardly worth purchasing just for that but if you feel you must have this anyway please pick up a copy of the remastered CD *And Then There Were Three* as this footage is a part of the film that is featured on the DVD they included with it.



Track Listing

1. The Lady Lies

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Score: ★

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Posted by [Pete Pardo](#), [SoT Staff Writer](#) on 2008-02-04 17:24:22

My Score: ★★

I sometimes wonder why things like *Remember Knebworth 1978- A Midsummer Night's Dream* get released. Sure, it was a mammoth concert back in 1978 featuring a full days worth of music from bands such as Genesis, Jefferson Starship, Brand X, Roy Harper, Tom Petty & the Heartbreakers, Devo, and the Atlanta Rhythm Section, drew a huge crowd, and remains to this day a memorable day in rock and rock history. Why then, are we only treated to a 24 minute documentary of the event, featuring only ONE song from Genesis ("The Lady Lies") from the actual event (sorry, the lip-synched soundcheck run-through of "Many Too Many" doesn't count), and one way-too long interview

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