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Here they are ! The pickings of '85, as plucked by your favourite superstars . . . plus a couple of people who happen to be in pop groups. All those celebs featured here were ordered under sentence of death to compile their top ten favourite 'things' of '85. This is what was handed back



DANNY BAKER (left) gets grilled by Mr Spencer

- 1 The occasional Spud-U-Like (with coleslaw)
- 2 *Man About The House* re-runs and the great side-burn revival
- 3 *Sisters Of Mercy* on *Whistle Test* and at Royal Albert Hall
- 4 Shooting *Love Kills* in Fulham
- 5 Shaking hands with Jimmy Greaves
- 6 Discovering thermal long-johns
- 7 Discussing *Laurel And Hardy* with Danny Baker
- 8 Being violently sick whilst watching *The Fame Game* (all ITV regions)



NICE FLAT, Robbi

ROBBI MILLAR

- 1 Escaping the winter depression for the steamy delights of the Rock In Rio festival in Brazil – the music wasn't bad either!
- 2 Buying a tastefully designed, turn of the century garden flat in Richmond
- 3 ZZ Top, Ratt, Bon Jovi live at Donington – the only sunny day all summer
- 4 ZZ Top's new LP, 'Afterburner'
- 5 Managing to avoid *Live Aid*!
- 6 Discovering a fab new Burmese restaurant in South London – name and location kept secret to preserve exclusivity
- 7 The Iron Maiden live LP, 'Live After Death'
- 8 Two weeks in Greece
- 9 The sad demise of the real Van Halen; the welcome return of the original Aerosmith
- 10 The death of Bobby Ewing in Dallas

GARRY BUSHELL

- 1 Death of the Valley. . . closing down Charlton's ground was football's equivalent of nicking the Mona Lisa from the Louvre. And yet still, Phoenix-like from the ashes, the Valiants roar out of the grey confines of Selhurst Park towards First Division glory. When the red, red Robin. . . (cont Kembles Head)
- 2 Death of the Clash . . . the dream is over. Sad but inevitable – we never changed a thing, but they didn't half write some red-hot rebel anthems along the way (one of the best being the farewell single 'This Is England'). And at least we've still got BAD to call our own
- 3 Broooooce at Wembley for Independence Day! What's this? An honest man with feeling and real talent in rock 'n' roll? Nah, it'll never catch on. . .
- 4 Alf Garnett and Chas 'n' Dave at the Palladium. The best double act since Barbara Windsor met the drinking man's Robin Day. Cor! Stewth! Strike a light! Would you Adam and Eve it! Screw me with a rag-man's trumpet (cont Queen Vic).
- 5 *Running Free* – the biography of Iron Maiden. Book (you mean plug – Ed) of the year or what?! Whoever writ this deserves his own brewery, John, and no mistake
- 6 TV Times. . . card-sharp Robby Box; artful Arfur Daley's 'death'; *Fawley Towers* and *Porridge* funnier than the rest ten years on. . . Yeah, it's still worth the licence fee
- 7 Mike Read's sex life – more of a laugh than *The Hit*'s circulation figures. Icicle Works?! Monica Ramone?! Tony Blackburn was never like this!
- 8 The Blood at Mainsqueeze. The Power and the Gory! Shock rock meets Benny Hill in an orgy of stockings, suspenders and sense-shattering sound. Why ain't they massive? (*Because you're their manager* – Ed)
- 9 Angry Anderson the actor! We're talking the crazy baldhead's debut in *Mad Max – Beyond Thunderdome*. Like, move over! Sir Laurence and tell John Gielgud the news!
- 10 Derek Hatton's suit! You can tell a man's politics by the cut of his whistle – which makes Mr Militant razor sharp. No wonder Seething Wells is in the SWP!



THIS IS Bessie isn't it, Glyn?

GLYN BROWN

- 1 Roy Orbison live and sveltly dangerous at the Royal Albert Hall
- 2 Cocteau Twins' 'Aikea Guinea' 45 re-establishing faith after differences of opinion
- 3 'German Art In The Twentieth Century' exhibition at The Royal Academy
- 4 Watching the audience watching Nico, Chelsea Town Hall
- 5 Watching Ferlin and Bessie, Piscean kittens of distinction, mauling shoelaces
- 6 Tom Waits, walking under gold glitter-showers, Dominion July in Paris, Les Halles in brutal sunshine
- 8 The Vibes live at Clarendon (downstairs) and similarly electrified haircuts
- 9 Third viewing of Carlos Saura's *Carmen*
- 10 'LA', The Fall, live at Hammersmith Palais

JANE SIMON

- 1 Big Audio Dynamite at the Kentish Town Town & Country Club
- 2 The Cult 'Love' (Beggars Banquet)
- 3 The Hoodoo Gurus in Sheffield and London and both LPs
- 4 Twenty Flight Rockers all over the place
- 5 July 14 'Me And My Gun' (Greasy Pop Records Import)
- 6 The Clash splitting up and Pam and Bobby getting back together in Dallas
- 7 Repo Man
- 8 Zodiac Mindwarp & The Love Reaction, Alice In Wonderlands
- 9 Live Aid and boys with long black hair
- 10 Brilliant's dance routine and the fireworks at Donington

SANDY ROBERTSON

- 1 Mishima: A Life In Four Chapters – movie by Paul Schrader
- 2 Going to Dallas to buy a cowboy hat
- 3 Basil Rathbone as Sherlock Holmes on BBC2



SANDY BOY meets fellow members of the Dracula Society

- 4 A Goddess In Green flitting through the office
- 5 *The Vampire Lestat* – novel by Anne Rice
- 6 The Jesus And Mary Chain – riots, 'Psycho Candy', cheek, scams, etc
- 7 Joining the Dracula Society
- 8 *Ghosts And Scholars* – a magazine devoted to MR James
- 9 Nastassia Kinski advertising Lux on TV
- 10 The original Velvet Underground albums re-mastered; on tape, too!

BRUCE DICKINSON

- 1 Wife
- 2 Fencing
- 3 Daydreaming
- 4 Books
- 5 Wife's cooking
- 6 A pint of ESB with the lads (or a gallon with the wife)
- 7 Walking the dogs
- 8 Old British black and white films/TV
- 9 Having my head and back scratched
- 10 Sleeping in my own bed (see 1 above)

ANDY HURT

- 1 Meeting Ron & Russell Mael
- 2 The Rapiers live
- 3 Pebbles winning the Champion Stakes at Newmarket
- 4 Discovering Sainsbury's cheese balls
- 5 Having my Sony Walkman pack up four days after the guarantee ran out
- 6 Writing the sleeve notes to Dissidenten's 'Sahara Elektrik'
- 7 Mad Max – Beyond Thunderdome
- 8 Interviewing Jonas Almqvist of The Leather Nun
- 9 'Don't Forget That Beat' by Doug Wimbish
- 10 Three Mustaphas Three

CAROLE LINFIELD

- 1 EastEnders (I never thought anything could better Brookside but Dirty Den and the rest have won me over)
- 2 Cruising along the Canal de Midi on a haze of vin de pays listening to "D-d-d-d-dix neuf, dix neuf"
- 3 Talking Heads – 'Little Creatures'
- 4 Cruising (again) this time in a white convertible along the LA freeway. Listening to Tears For Fears' 'Shout' and



WHERE DO you keep your cream, Lloyd?

LLOYD COLE

Things I had in my suitcase in '85

- 1 Mott The Hoople
- 2 Alan Gilchrist
- 3 Sunspel boxer shorts
- 4 Black & White Pluko hair gel
- 5 TS Eliot
- 6 Miles Davis
- 7 Body Shop Sage & Comfrey acne and open pore cream
- 8 Laurie Anderson
- 9 Levi's
- 10 Ricard

PATSY KENSIT

- 1 'The Girl From Ipanema' – Astrid Gilberto
- 2 'Wild Thing' – Jimi Hendrix
- 3 'Favourite Shirt' – Haircut 100
- 4 'Summer Breeze' – The Isley Brothers
- 5 'Whistle Down The Wind' – Haircut 100
- 6 'Instinction' – Spandau Ballet
- 7 'Rio' – Duran Duran
- 8 'Wishing On A Star' – Rose Royce
- 9 Juicy Fruit
- 10 'Sweetest Girl' – Scritti Politti



NICE TRANSPORT, Ozzy

OZZY OSBOURNE

- 1 Woman In Red – the video
- 2 'Brothers In Arms' – a Dire Straits album
- 3 Mercedes 500 SEL AMG – a car
- 4 Lucky – a book by Jackie Collins
- 6 Porridge – a TV show
- 7 'See The Day' – DC Lee
- 8 View To A Kill – a movie
- 9 Minder – a TV show
- 10 Angry Anderson in Mad Max – Beyond Thunderdome

Fave Dislike – Mad Max – Beyond Thunderdome

MR SPENCER

- 1 Being snubbed by Kenneth Williams