

Kim Wilde Fan Club News

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Welcome to the first Newsletter of 1982, a year in which we all hope that Kim will continue to broaden her achievements. In terms of chart action, the first couple of months of the year have been quiet for Kim to say the least, but January and February are notoriously slack times for record releases as the pre-Christmas rush is inclined to exhaust record dealers and buyers alike.

January saw Cambodia slip out of the British Chart having attained the number 12 position. On the Continent, however, the single is still going strong and has reached number 2 in the German Chart and 1 in Sweden. In actual fact, total sales of Cambodia are rapidly approaching the figure achieved by Kids In America, so what appears on the face of it to have been a moderate seller is proving to be quite a success.

During January, Kim had her first holiday since before the release of Kids In America – spending a week ski-ing in the Pyrenees. Kim had a great time and managed to spend a relatively inconspicuous but nonetheless hectic week. A lot of fans have asked whether Kim is interested in sport, and although she does have a reasonable knowledge of some of the major sporting events that occur from month to month, ski-ing is probably the only sport that she gets actively involved in – albeit only once a year. Her love of ski-ing extends back almost ten years to her first ski-ing holiday with her school and she has been a number of times since then.

I'm sure that Kim would like me to mention the fact that she has recently received a bicycle for Christmas though, and also that she possesses a pair of jogging shoes, so her desire to remain fit may well succeed.

Upon her return from holiday, Kim spent a couple of weeks in the studio to continue work on the new album. At the time of going to print there is no release date for the album but it is expected to be towards the end of March. After the studio, Kim spent a much publicised week in America, where she is yet to have had a record released.

Contrary to the popular belief nothing has yet been signed with respect to America, but we will of course keep you up to date with events across the Atlantic although as yet there is nothing more to report.

Since returning from America, work on the album has been held up slightly for Kim to work on a Japanese television commercial. As you may have read in the newspapers, both Kim and Ricky have been working closely with a Japanese musician called Masami who fronts a band known as Ippu-do, who are receiving quite a lot of British Press coverage at the moment. The band are very successful in Japan and are currently trying to establish an audience in the UK. Their cause was helped by a play on Radio One's Round Table when everyone present was impressed. The jingle was written by Masami and Ricky produced it with Kim supplying the vocals. The song may be released as a single in Japan but it will not be available in this country.



KIM WILDE – FACTS FILE

We know that these are published in several magazines from time to time, and that they have an annoying habit of changing from one paper to another, all of which leaves you, the fans, not knowing who or what Kim likes. Due to this, we – the Official Kim Wilde Fan Club – have the pleasure and honour of presenting once and for all the definitive all time Kim Wilde Personal File – until she changes her mind again that is.

Favourite Album: Get Happy – Elvis Costello and The Attractions.

Favourite Single: 24 Hours from Tulsa – Gene Pitney.

Favourite Film: Mary Poppins.

Favourite Actor: Phil Silvers.

Favourite Actress: Greta Garbo.

Favourite Food: Jaffa Cakes and Red Leicester Cheese.

Favourite Producer: Ricky Wilde.

Pretty good huh?



A suggestion which has been quite popular over the months is a 'swap or sell' page where Kim's fans can write in offering anything connected with Kim that they would like to sell or swap for other Kim Wilde items.

Obviously, a feature such as this is purely for your benefit so it's up to you whether or not you make it work. Simply send in your swaps with your name and address and we'll publish as many as we can.

Here's a swap to start the ball rolling.

M. McLachlan of: Dundonald Avenue, Johnstone, Renfrewshire, Scotland.
Would like to exchange a brand new 12" German Import of Kids in America (English vocals) for anything connected with Kim Wilde.

This is the sort of thing we are looking for, so if you have anything you would like to offer send details to:

Kim Wilde Fan Club,
Swap or Sell,
PO BOX 202,
Welwyn Garden City,
Herts.
AL6 0LT.



QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Judging by the mail we received after the last Newsletter, you all think that this is a good idea so we shall continue to run it. We can't print every question we receive, however, so we just pick as many as we can out of a hat so to speak. If you've sent a question in and it hasn't been printed, we're sorry, but don't give up because it's simply a question of luck.

Without further ado, I have great pleasure in presenting by courtesy of 'No Expense Spared Productions', this months questions – duly answered by that legendary Star of television, radio and colourful videos with nasty little spiders – Ladies and Gentlemen, Miss Kim Wilde.

Question 1. From: John Woodley, 53 Raymonds Drive, Thundersley, Benfleet, Essex.

“When you were younger, did you have any particular idol, or were you open minded towards music and styles?”

I remember idolising Gary Glitter although I liked all sorts of other music at that time.

Question 2. From: Michele Morris, 3 Priors Halton, Broomfield, Nr. Ludlow, Salop.

“How do you make your hair stand up? What do you use and where do you get it from?”

I keep my hair fairly short on top which helps to keep it standing up. I also use a hair gel I get in Boots.

Question 3. From: Mick Bone, 253 Gammons Lane, Watford, Herts.

“Do you ever regret giving up your art for music?”

No not really. Music was always the most important thing in my life even when I was at Art College.

Question 4. From: Steve Toseland, 31 Grange Road, Geddington, Kettering, Northants.

“Do you mind me undressing in front of you every night?”

Yes I do you little pervert.

Question 5. From: Caroline Hancock, 45 Tansycroft, Welwyn Garden City, Herts.

“What is the most frightening thing that has ever happened to you?”

By far the most frightening thing was when a stranger chased my car off the Motorway to my house.

Question 6. From: Jayne Spears, 12 Wandsbeck, Belgrave, Tamworth.

“Do you play any musical instruments and have you got any Police or Beatles records?”

I play piano and guitar and I have lots of records by The Police and The Beatles.

Question 7. From: Mark Osborne, Sandfield Bridge House, Saul, Glos.

“Did you have a nickname at school, what is your favourite item of clothing, what is your favourite TV programme, what is the best single you have heard recently, at what age did you have your ears pierced and of all the songs on the album, which did you enjoy singing most?”

My best mate called me Smithy and still does, a jumper my Nan knitted me, The Riverside Club and Sergeant Bilko (not forgetting TOTP of course), Papa's Got a Brand New Pigbag by Pigbag, 17 I think and finally, You'll Never be so Wrong and Tuning in, Tuning on.

Question 8. From: Phil Carman, 9 Mulveton Road, Spital, Bebington, Wirral, Merseyside.

“What are your most treasured possessions, what’s the best place you’ve ever been, what would you do with a million pounds, what’s the word you hate the most, and what’s so wonderful about a McDonald Hamburger?”

My records and my black boots, Paris (very beautiful), count it, money, and finally, well I’m not so crazy on them now – I liked the gherkins.

Question 9. From: Nathan Richmond, 28 Orchard House, Orchard Lane, Southampton, Hants.

“Is it true that the BBC banned the Cambodia video because they say it’s (quote) ‘too suggestive’?”

No, they just didn’t want to show it on Swap-Shop ’coz they thought it might frighten some youngsters. Shame eh?

Question 10. From: Tim Jones, “The Beeches”, 26 High Park, Gwernaffield, Clwyd.

“In a recent edition of ‘Record Mirror’ I read about Claire Grogan of Altered Images having a chat with you. Are you friendly with Claire and do you like her music?”

I met Claire in Germany whilst doing a Pop Show called Musikladen, and again when we did the Christmas TOTP together. I think she’s great (and her band too).

Pen Pal Spot

First on the list this month is Layne Barber who was included in the last edition but unfortunately we left his address out.

Layne Barber would like girl Pen Pal 17+. Favourite artists: Kim Wilde, Dexys and Cockney Rejects. Like Discos, autograph collecting and West Ham United. Photo if possible. 20 Churchfield Road, Outwell, Wisbech, Cambs.

Karen Smith (15) would like male Pen Pal 16-19 yrs. Favourite groups: Kim Wilde, Human League, Haircut One Hundred. Dislikes: Crass, Punk, Heavy Metal (except Meatloaf) and foreign food – please send pic. 1 Scotts Hill Close, Thorner, Leeds, W. Yorkshire.

Giorgio Luciano would like a Kim Wilde Fan as a Pen Pal. Favourite Groups: Kim, electronic pop, and Kraftwerk. Likes watching Kim videos and listening to electronic music. Dislikes: Punk and smoking. Via Lama, 45, 41012 Carpi (Mo), Italy.

Jayne Spears of 12 Wandsbeck, Belgrave, Tamworth, Staffs. would like boy or girl Pen Pal. Likes Kim Wilde, The Police, The Beatles and Ultravox and watching TV (especially when The Police or Kim are on), John McEnroe, Chris Lloyd, Space Invaders and playing records. Dislikes: people who don’t like Kim Wilde or The Police, getting up in the morning, Adam Ant and Elvis Costello.

John Woodley of 53 Raymonds Drive, Thundersley, Benfleet, Essex, would like a female Pen Pal aged 14/15. Favourite Groups: Kim Wilde, Blondie, Toyah and Hazel O’Connor. Likes reading interviews, West Ham and listening to records. Hates Heavy Metal.

Kathryn Searle of 51 Elm Avenue, Upminster, Essex, would like a boy or girl Pen Pal aged 9-14 yrs. Favourite Groups: Kim Wilde, Human League, Bucks Fizz, Barron Knights. Dislikes: The Ants, School Dinners. Thinks Punk looks funny. Like swimming, netball, pop and reading.

Adrian Coates would like a Pen Pal aged 15-17yrs. Likes Kim Wilde, Status Quo, Colleen Nolan, listening to pop music (not punk though), cats and football (supports Manchester United). Dislikes punk, smoking, mods, bragging people and horrible girls. 85 Oakbank Avenue, Chadderton, Oldham OL9 0PW.

Robert Bruce of 11 Irongray Street, Haghill, Glasgow, Scotland, would like a Pen Pal aged between 19 and 22. Favourite artists: Kim Wilde, Abba, Cliff Richard, Adam and the Ants, OMD and Duran Duran. Likes Discos, buying and listening to records.

Kev McEntee would like a girl Pen Pal (photo if possible). Favourite Groups Kim Wilde, Toyah, Madness, Bad Manners, Jam, Human League, Depeche Mode, Police. Dislikes Heavy Metal and Punk. Interests – sport (especially football – supports Leeds U.F.C.), listening to records, going out and having a good time. Write to: 5 Valley Walk, Kettering, Northants.

Alan Robertson of 12 Hamilton Wynd, Leith, Edinburgh, would like a girl Pen Pal age 19-20. Loves Kim Wilde, Abba, Queen, Pretenders, Judie Tzuke, sport, Sue Barker, anything to do with Kim Wilde, girls. Dislikes Punks and Mods, smoking.

Tracey Emans would like boy or girl Pen Pal aged 16/17. Favourite Groups: Kim Wilde, Bucks Fizz, Nolans, Shaky. Dislikes Punk and Terry Wogan. Likes reading and golf. 46 Coleridge Road, Addiscombe, Croydon, Surrey.

Martin Roberts of 82 Nethermoor Road, Tupton, Chesterfield, Derbyshire. Age 16. Likes Kim Wilde, B. A. Robertson, and most others. All sports. Would like boy or girl Pen Pal.

DJ Roger Brooks of 8 Perrior Road, Farncombe, Godalming, Surrey. Likes: Kim Wilde, Bucks Fizz and listening to pop records. Age 22½.

Paul Sheehy, aged 15, would like girl Pen Pal aged between 13-15yrs. (photo if possible). Favourite groups: Kim Wilde, Blondie, Police and The Ants. Address: 16 Durbar Avenue, Feleshill, Coventry CN6 5LU.

Stephen West of 17 Frowyke Crescent, South Mimms, Potters Bar, Herts. would like a Pen Pal. Favourite groups Kim Wilde, Blondie, Bucks Fizz and The Police. Age 16.

Jane Pike, aged 17, would like boy or girl Pen Pal. Likes Kim Wilde (of course), Altered Images, B52's. Have met Kim. 16 Somertrees Avenue, Grove Park, London SE12 0BX.

Ian Blick (16) would like girl Pen Pal (photo if possible). Favourite groups Kim Wilde, Sheena Easton, Human League, Spandau Ballet, Roxy Music and others. Likes football, Cinema & TV. Hate punks, sore losers & Bigheads. 29 Westbourne Road, West Bromwich, West Midlands B70 8LD.

Vikki Sullivan, age 12, would like girl Pen Pals aged 12. Pics. if possible. Likes Punk, Altered Images, Kim Wilde, Bow Wow Wow, Siouxsie, Clare Grogan. Hobbies: Pets, Goldfish, Dying Hair, collectinb badges and Kim Wilde/Altered Images merchandise, punk clothes, swimming, records. Address: 8a Ledi View, Cornton, Stirling FK9 5BY, Scotland.

Wayne Quinney would like girl Pen Pal aged 14/15. Favourite groups: Kim Wilde, Adam and the Ants, Soft Cell. Likes: Blonde girls and space invaders. Dislikes smoking. Photo if possible. 10 Heddle Grove, Bell Green, Coventry CV6 7LN.

Seanus Lea of 54 North Road, Bourne, Lincolnshire PE10 98T would like a girl Pen Pal 15/16 Years (photo if possible). Favourite groups are OMD, Rainbow, Queen, Altered Images, and Ultravox. Favourite vocalists are Kim, David Bowie and Bruce Springsteen. Enjoys playing most sports, quite like school and hates loud-mouthed and noisy people.

Tom Knight would like a male or female Pen Pal aged 15+. Favourite groups include Kim Wilde, Police, Kraftwerk and Human League. Likes collecting posters and pictures of Kim, buying records, fishing and motor bikes. 18 Bridge Street, Olney, Bucks.

Andy Wood, age 17, would like a female Pen Pal aged 15-18. Likes The Exploited, Discharge, Blitz, Partisans, Infa Riot, The Business, The Angelic Upstarts and all other punk groups but I also have a soft spot for Kim Wilde and Madness. Dislikes: Lincoln City F.C., Futurists and Maggie Thatcher. Send your missiles to: 22 Blake Crescent, Mansfield, Notts. NE18 2NB.

Jimmy Pratt, aged 17, would like a girl Pen Pal, 15-19yrs. Punk preferable. Groups: Kim Wilde, Toyah, Bad Manners, Madness, Depeche Mode, Duran Duran (music with a good beat). Likes blondes, TV, going out, cinemas, sport, keeping fit. Address: Linfield, Nine Ashes Road, Blackmore, Nr. Ingatestone, Essex.

Peter Dutton would like a female Pen Pal aged 13-15yrs. Likes Kim Wilde, Police, OMD, Human League and computer games. Photo if possible. Address: 50 Edge Lane, Thornton, Liverpool.

Jamie Smith would like girl Pen Pal aged 13-15. Favourite groups: Kim Wilde, Human League, Toyah, Bad Manners. Likes girls, C.B., tropical fish. Photo if possible. 80 Abbotsbury Gdns., Eastcote, Pinner, Middx.

Raj Sachdev, aged 19, would like to write to a sophisticated, suave, attractive female Pen Pal – all nationalities welcome. Favourite artists include Kim, Cliff Richard, Abba, Human League, Christopher Cross and Barry Manilow. Enjoys all aspects of life namely girls, tennis, discos, collecting autographs, writing letters and wine – but not necessarily in that order. Girls from Sheffield most welcome to write. Dislikes: Adam Ant, smoking, people using foul language and vain people. Second favourite lady: Joanna Lumley. Address: Woodville Hall, Broomhill Road, Sheffield, Yorkshire.

DECEMBER COMPETITION

I have to be honest and say that this competition didn't really capture your imaginations. We didn't receive nearly as many entries as for the last competition – or maybe you didn't relish the prospect of owning one of Kim's own paintings . . . who knows?

Anyway, the correct answers to the questions are listed below:

1. Kids in America reached No. 2
Chequered Love reached No. 4
Water On Glass reached No. 11
2. The Lodge Studios.
3. Tuning In, Tuning On.
Boys.
Shane.
Watching for Shapes.
4. Scorpio.
5. Gered Mankowitz.

The second part of the competition was a Limerick, and the winning entry was sent in by Derek Baillie of 22 Woodburn Court, Darvel, Ayrshire, Scotland. His Limerick is:—

There was a young artist from Herts,
Who loved singing more than the Arts,
So she made a recording,
Signed a deal so rewarding,
And is now at the top of the Charts.

Derek will receive one of Kim's own artistic efforts, signed by the girl herself. The five runners-up, each of whom will receive a signed copy of Kim's new single as soon as it is released, are listed below:

Steve Toseland, 31 Grange Road, Geddington, Kettering, Northants.
Judy Bush, 150 Valley Drive, Withdean, Brighton BN1 5LG.
Richard Driessen, Floralaan 8, 2343 VS Oegstgeest, Netherlands.
Tony Cook, 37 Yarborough Road, East Cowes, Isle of Wight.
Mark Lenczner, 'Four Oaks', 78 Mill Road, Lisvane, Cardiff CF4 5UG.

FEBRUARY COMPETITION

The competition this month involves some valuated judgements and a lot of guessing.

We we are asking you to do is to tell us in how many countries Kim's first album went gold **and** the total number of gold singles Kim has received — so really it is in two parts.

The first prize this month will be a signal copy of Kim's new album as soon as it is released. There will be five runners-up prizes once again.

Send your entries to:
Kim Wilde Fan Club,
February Competition,
PO BOX 202,
Welwyn Garden City,
Herts. AL6 0LT.

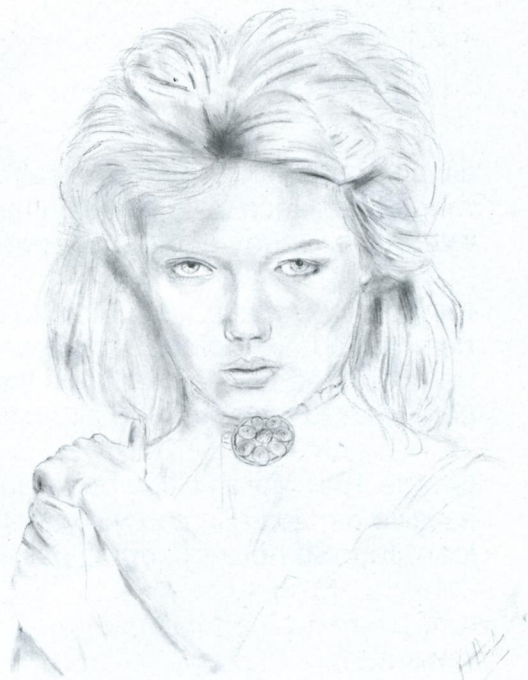


FAN CLUB GALLERY

Here are some more fine examples of creativity from those 'Arty Types' amongst you.



Kim – when she was a child.
Tracy Lowther,
16 Glendale Road, North Seaton,
Ashington, Northumberland.



D. Hart (15).
50 Boundary Road,
Ramsgate,
Kent.



Shaun Barrell,
36 Mount Road,
Chadwell-St-Mary,
Nr. Grays,
Essex.



Paul Fellows,
169a Oldbury Road,
St. Johns,
Worcester,
WR2 6AR.

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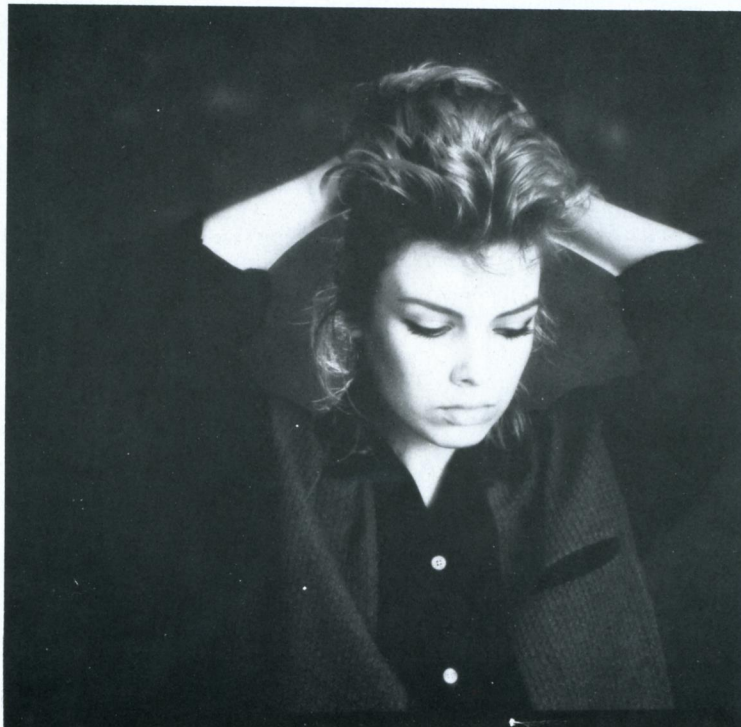
Since I got back from my holiday I've spent most of the time doing interviews with magazines such as 'Cosmopolitan', 'The Face', 'Jackie' and 'Blitz', so keep an eye out, as many of them are putting me on the cover.

I hope you all caught my 'Top 12' on January 2nd., we had thought it would have been broadcast before Christmas, so apologies to those of you who missed it. I'd be interested to hear what you thought of my choice. I really enjoyed doing it and can't wait to take over the air waves again.

On the 18th March I'll be off to Belgium to do a TV Show with Madness and receive a gold L.P., and also another Musikladen in Germany which is always a lot of fun. So here's keeping our fingers crossed for the next single and L.P.

Madness

P.S. Thanks to all my Valentines.



Once again we are giving you the opportunity to purchase great Kim Wilde merchandise through the Fan Club. In addition to the T-Shirts which are shown once again below, we have responded to the request for badges and patches and are offering a neat badge package.

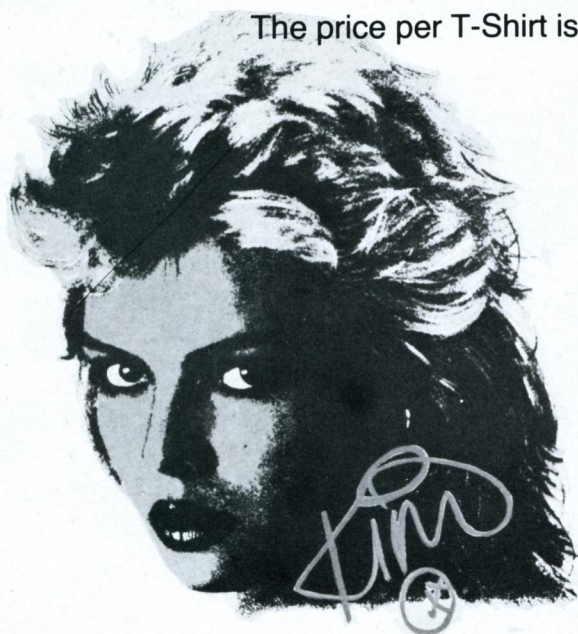
The package comprises a 1" diameter badge (the same size as the Fan Club badge), a 1¼" badge, a metal lapel badge and a sew-on patch for your jackets or jeans designed by Kim herself.

The whole package is offered at £2.00 and this price is inclusive of postage and packing. Place your order quickly to avoid disappointment.

Send Cheques or Postal Orders to the value of £2.00 to:-

Kim Wilde Fan Club,
 Badge Offer,
 PO BOX 202,
 Welwyn Garden City,
 Herts. AL6 0LT.

The price per T-Shirt is £2.99 plus 50p post and packing.



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2.

If you would like either of these T-Shirts (or both) cut out and complete the order form below.

DESIGN No.		S	M	L	Name _____
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					Address _____

Please send cheques or postal orders made payable to the Kim Wilde Fan Club along with your completed order form to:-

Kim Wilde Fan Club,
 T-Shirt Offer,
 P O Box 202,
 Welwyn Garden City, Herts. AL6 0LT.

Allow 14 to 21 days for delivery.