

# THE BESTIVAL BUGLE

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## LET THE BESTIVITIES COMMENCE!

The wait is over and the time has arrived. Bestival 2005 is go, and what a weekend there is lined up. Aside from some stunning headliners there's a supporting cast of thousands - not least of whom the audience, who really make the Bestival what it is.

We've got friends old and new across the site - the W.I. Ladies are back and rumour has it they may be singing this year too. The Bollywood Bar is also back, bigger and better than ever, and local legends The Bees will be maintaining a

distinctly chilled vibe in the 24-hour Dub Cafe. New additions this year include the 24-hour Ambient Sauna in the main campsite, and both the Hidden Disco and the Moulin Rouge Casino promise treats aplenty, but don't forget you'll need fancy dress to get in.

The Laundrettas are here to provide cups of tea and a good ear when needed, and there's a vast array of other attractions to stumble across, from the mysterious late-night performances from mayfly, to the daily outings from Puppetry of the Pops at the Sunday Best tent. Morris dancers? Check. Samba bands? Check. Bestival truly is the one place where anyone - and by that we



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**BEST GET STARTED THEN: Bestival 05 is GO!**

Tomorrow's edition of The Bestival Bugle will be available from 12 midday. Get 'em while they're hot!



**BEST AFTER DARK: mayfly art in the campsite**

mean everyone - can dance.

Channel 4 are filming it, Bestival FM and R1 are broadcasting and Tunetribe.com will have the best of the weekend available to download. So come on then, what are you waiting for?

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**BEST OF 2005: The Magic Numbers**

### ROBBY RECOMMENDS...

**Terribly important things to see and do today**

**MUSIC:** Gilles Peterson in the Bollywood Bar, 6pm. Still looks 25 but plays like a god.

**FOOD:** One-Stop Thali. The culinary highlight of Glastonbury comes to the Isle of Wight. A Bolly good idea. Ha ha.

**RANDOM:** Watch the sun set up at the inflatable church, then head down the hill for some main stage madness with Mylo at 9pm.



### BLOWING OUR OWN TRUMPET

Welcome to the first edition of the Bestival Bugle, your indispensable guide to what's happening on the ground at the Bestival this year.

A daily edition packed with interviews, news, rumours and scurrilous fibs will be available at various points around the site today, tomorrow

and Sunday, so keep your eyes peeled for the lowdown on the hoedown.

• For full line-ups, run times and much more besides see the Bestival lanyard mini-programme, available from lovely vendors around the site.

## PLAYING THE NUMBERS GAME

**SHOWING NOW: THE SOUNDTRACK TO YOUR SUMMER**

If you're still in any doubt as to who the band of 2005 might be, there's a place reserved for you at the Main stage tonight, where The Magic Numbers will crown a truly majestic year with a headline set.

of-mouth upswell that would make a marketing man weep followed, and their eponymous debut album proves they fall into the timeless, rather than of-their-time, camp. Ladies and Gentlemen, The Magic Numbers. Enjoy.

### PREVIEW

Sometimes it's nice to be reminded that the good guys can come first, and The Magic Numbers' meteoric 2005 has done just that. The good guys in this case are the bro-sis pairings of Romeo and Michele Stodart, and Sean and Angela Gannon, who met when the former moved to London after a childhood in Trinidad and New York. Two sublime singles (*Forever Lost* and *Love Me Like You*) and a word-



Also on Main stage duty tonight is Skye's great eighties revivalist, Mylo.

Promising "more of a Breastival, really" find out what on earth he's on about at 9.00pm.

### BESTIVAL WEATHER

**NOT A BAD START: CLOUDY, SUNNY, DRY.**  
Max. day 19°C  
Min. night 9°C

**Message from your Mum: Don't forget your vest!**



## BANANAS AT THE READY

There's just one day to go before the biggest party of the summer, and the Bestival's official attempt to establish a Guinness world record for the largest ever fancy dress party.

Bananas will be at a premium as thousands of cowboys look to fill

their holsters, but lots of stalls will be offering bits and pieces for those last-minute additions. For anyone who has come completely under-prepared (where have you been?)

there's The Dressing Up Box stand, situated right next to the Bollywood Tent, and this year there's a mobile dressing up box on wheels, too.

Full details of where and when the fun will begin can be found in tomorrow's Bugle, but it's all happening from around 6pm so make sure you allow enough time to get ready!



**BEST DRESSED:** You, tomorrow

## NO ATLAS FIND THEIR WAY TO BESTIVAL

Competition was fierce in this year's Bestival Island Bands and DJ competition, but after a "very close" final at The Venue, Ryde, laid-back Ventnor boys No Atlas were confirmed as winners of the band comp.

The DJ contest proved equally tight but eventual winners umopap!sdn & drut were a popular choice



**BEST BAND:** No Atlas

on the night. No Atlas open the Main Stage at 1.30pm today and umopap!sdn & drut also play the Main Stage, at 7.30pm this evening.

## MISTER COOL IN CONTROL

Darren John Cool, or DJ Cool as he is sometimes known, is venue/park manager of Robin Hill and can't wait for this year's Bestival....

"We started planning it in January so it's great to see it all come together again. We'd done a few smaller events here before but the Bestival people approached us last year and we were more than happy to let someone else handle the production side of things, and they (Sunday Best) do it so well.

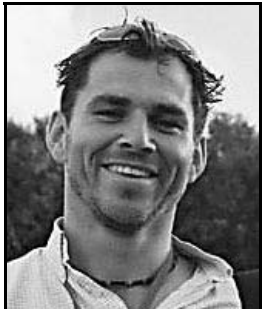
"My biggest headache really is the site itself. After three days of partying across Robin Hill we have to be up and open as a tourist attraction two days later, but as long as the weather smiles on us we've no real worries."

And what are you looking forward to most?

"Friday's fantastic with Mylo then the Magic

Numbers on the main stage, but it's the atmosphere that marks this out against other festivals—so laid back and friendly."

And what of the future? "We'll be talking about next year as soon as the event finishes, but that seems like a long way away right now.



**BEST SURNAME:** DJ Cool

"I have nothing at all to do with the bill, but if I could pick anyone to play it would have to be the Chemical Brothers.

To see them play in a setting like this would be really special."

# A NATION WAITS...

## OUTBREAKS OF BESTIVITY REPORTED ACROSS THE LAND



**BEST ART:** Quay project

Recent weeks and months have seen Britain going Bestival-berserk, with sporadic outbreaks of Bestivity reported in many areas.

The Bollywood Bar ruled supreme at the Isle of Wight festival in June, with madcap performances from The Cuban Brothers and The Hat among many people's highlights. Keep an ear out in case the latter turn up to play unannounced at the Bestival, that's their style.

Elsewhere, launch parties in Southampton, Bournemouth, Portsmouth and Brighton saw the cult of The Cuban Brothers growing apace, backed up by the incomparable Sombrero Sound System and a host of other guests.

On the Isle of Wight Bestival joined forces with Quay Arts, with children from Greenmount, Carisbrooke C of E and Arretton C of E primary schools painting huge scenes depicting global cultures for use at the Bestival.

Two Lido parties in Brockwell, London helped keep things cool through the summer, and just last week the Bestival float took top prize at the Ryde illuminated carnival.

"The Bestival just seems to have the winning touch really" a spokesman may have commented, possibly continuing "we'd probably win the boat race or the Horse of the Year Show if we entered."

## BESTIVAL FM: WIRELESS TECHNOLOGY, HERE

The much-fabled wireless music box finally makes it to the Isle of Wight this year, with the arrival of Bestival FM - pirate radio strictly of the eye-patch variety. Broadcasting 24 hours a day on 87.9 FM, Emma, Clive and the Bestival FM crew will be airing live sets from the main stage and the pick of the action from across the site.

There'll also be label showcases from Sunday Best, Accidental, Fingerlickin' and Bugged Out, and live radio shows from the likes of Barry Peter, Max Sedgley, The Filthy Dukes and many more besides. Mystery guests and surprises a-plenty are also on the cards, so turn on, tune in, and don't drop your ice-cream.

### USEFUL NUMBERS

Emergency.....999  
I.W. Council.....IW 821000  
Hovertravel.....IW 811000  
Police.....0845 045 4545  
Red Funnel..02380 334010  
Samaritans.....IW 521234  
Southern Vectis.....IW 522456  
Wightlink Fishbourne.....IW 882432  
Wightlink Ryde.....IW 562560  
Wightlink Yarmouth.....08705 827744

## BESTIVAL BELIEVE-IT-OR-NOT\*

Bestival honcho Rob da Bank was founder member of the BBC Radio Fruit Label Club and boasts a ten thousand-strong collection.

Haile Selassie, the religious symbol for God incarnate among the Rastafari movement, once visited the Isle of Wight - which may help explain Lee Perry's affection for the place.

Robin Hill is legendary for its many 'high gravity' spots where the earth's pull is considerably stronger than usual, making it hard to leave areas such as the Bollywood Cocktail Bar and 24-hour cafe.

\* One or more are true



**BEST AT THE FESTY:** Bollywood Tent

## STRIKE AVERTED

### LAST-MINUTE TALKS PLACATE LOCAL WILDLIFE

Last-minute negotiations have prevented a possible strike from the Isle of Wight wildlife, who were concerned when they heard the Bestival was intent on importing some super furry animals for the event.

"We have a very delicate ecosystem and several protected species here on the Island and new breeds are most unwelcome" explained a red squirrel, busily concealing his nuts.

"I haven't been this scared since Watership Down came out" added a nervous looking rabbit.

When it was explained that the Super Furry Animals in question were in fact a popular beat combo the crisis was quickly averted.



However, a splinter group of wild gophers continue to threaten action of an as-yet unspecified nature, claiming their band Bizarre Welsh Humanoids had been unfairly overlooked at the recent Bestival Band Competition.

## BESTIVAL VILLAGE NOTICEBOARD

**OWZAT FOR SERVICE?** - If the glorious mash of Bestival vibes gets too much and you yearn for the sound of leather against willow, there's a big screen in the Temple Bar in the village area. Apparently there's a game on.

**KEEP IT TIDY** - Please clean up after yourselves and use the correct bins as everything will be recycled.

**ROBIN HILL** - The site will be operating as usual throughout the weekend, but at times certain features will be closed or areas out of bounds, so please make everyone's life easier by adhering to signs and instructions from stewards.

**NO FIRES** - Bestival is flame-free, so remember, no fires, flares or naked flames, and barbecues are only permitted in the designated areas within the campsites. Thank you.

## WIN STUFF!

We all like free stuff, yeah? Well those nice people at Sunday Best have come up with some special Bestival goodie-bags, containing the official Bestival CD Rob da Bank Presents..., the awesome new Grand National album, something from Lazyboy, t-shirts, badges and all sorts of glamorous what-nots besides.

For your chance to win one, simply be one of the first three people down to the Sunday Best shop (the big pink thing by the main stage, you can't miss it) with a copy of

today's Bugle and a plastic sunflower. That's right, a plastic sunflower. We don't care where you get it, but you'll need one to win.

The Sunday Best shop will be open all weekend so you can stock up on music and more from all the Sunday Best artists, as well as shots of sambuca and tequila to keep the party going.

Also available will be the exclusive Rob da Bank 'Bananas Not Guns' charity wristbands - last to buy one's a rotten egg.



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