

Late as usual

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Nigel Price — 18 Apr 2003, 11:56

Leicke and life by Fairport convention (this is a cd; music for hippies apparently)

Splutter! What!

Nigel, a fat, bearded and ageing hippy who has been meaning to respond to all sorts of issues raised on the Urth list recently but still hasn't got round to it, rushes to the keyboard to deny this vicious slander, only to find that the inestimable hartshorn has got their first (as usual)...

No, that was me bought that. Liege and Leaf

FAIRPORT CONVENTION are a bunch of '70s Electric Folkies. Some overlap with The Strawbs, but "music for hippies" doesn't cut it.

Fairport started in 1967 and released their first album in 1968. The utterly wonderful "Liege and Lief" - the prototype British folk rock album - came out in 1969, but they're still going strong to this day. (I was recently given their 35th anniversary 4-CD boxed set of live tracks and rarities for my birthday!) Music is a mixture of rock and traditional folk music. Some members have also been members of Jethro Tull. Stunning musicianship, and Cropredy, the biggest and best annual folk-rock festival in Europe.

Tripping on his beard as he goes, Nigel stomps back out to the garden, where he is teaching his younger daughter to play "Johnny B. Goode" on the penny whistle, while he accompanies her on the mandolin.

Music for hippies, indeed!

Nigel (who still has not found satisfactory photographs either of his black cat or of himself wearing a tie - sorry, Blattid)