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THE SHORT FUSE



Pic by Andy Bell

THE LEGEND FATBOY SLIM

We've come a long, long way together... Well, what a fitting climax to a pretty climactic week. The pine needles were shaken off the branches by Mr Cook last night. Fatboy Slim started off in style, Willy Wonka blended into Praise You before our headliner rolled out Rehab - its musical irony taken in good humour by everyone.

What followed was sublime, eclectic and always gripping. The crowd were treated to Fatboy's own creations like Fucking in Heaven and Right Here, Right Now. His other tracks were as varied as they were good - there was

Ou Est Le Swimming Pool, Survivor, House of Pain and some crazy Spanish folk music - which shouldn't have worked, but did. Fatboy Slim ended with a mashup of Rockafeller Skank and Satisfaction by Rolling Stones. We loved you Fatboy, come back soon!

Norman was sandwiched between two very different acts. De La Soul, their hip-hop full of infectious enthusiasm and later in the Racket Club, Friendly Fires, their disco rock ensuring Bombers ended the festival on a high.

BANDS ON THE (SKI) RUN

Clash Magazine hosted a superbly sublime mountain top party at the Arctic Disco yesterday afternoon.

All the cool kids were out in force to enjoy the sunshine, lounge in the deckchairs and take in the tasty music on offer.


The Bomb got up the Ahorn just in time to catch Cagedbaby playing a set against a stunning Alpine backdrop. This is surely one stage that anyone would give their right arm to play on or left collar bone, if you're Jon McClure. Reverend Soundsystem treated everyone to an avalanche-inducing bass-heavy offering getting everyone clapping and grooving. We managed to catch up with The Rev post-gig to shamelessly get a pic and discuss his broken colour bone - it turns out he had a choice between nose-diving off a massive cliff or taking one for the team and bailing out. He decided to go with the latter but little did he know that he would spend the next couple of days in hospital on morphine and have to endure a fairly intense operation. Despite


the injury, he's still going strong and had nothing but love for the festival "I've never skied before - it's not for working class people is it? But this place is full of scallies on skis. It's great."


The Whip took to the snow stage next - fully embracing the fancy dress ethos: Nathan sporting a massive Pat Sharpe-esque mullet combines with a long fur coat, Bruce in a full length skeleton suit and Fee rocking an amazing gold one-piece and randomly some rabbit ears. They had some a star-studded backing group, our mate Bones kept hogging the mike at the most inappropriate times and Jade Jagger was throwing some shapes.

Finally the victorious King of the Mountain winners King Porter Stomp were presented with their winners' cheque and showed their gratitude by seeing everyone off with a bouncy reggae and ska-based set. There was a Bora Bora vibe - everyone was nicely lubed and ready to rock for the massive night ahead.

Thanks Clash!

 **RETURN FERRIES FOR THE ROAD TRIP:** Everyone that is driving back to Blighty after the festival will be able to travel via SeaFrance from Calais. There is an open return so you can get any ferry between the 10th and the 13th. You were given your reference number when you checked in - it will have been written on your Road Trip Bible. If you've lost this or don't have one, a copy will be given to Customer Services in The Strass tomorrow from 12pm. Remember to drive carefully - you will have had a very long and messy week and we want you all to get home safely.

 **ARCTIC DISCO TONIGHT:** Here at Snowbombing they love a party and it's always hard to admit that the final tune has been played. So tonight, even though the festival is officially over, there will be one final party at the Arctic Disco. Marc Roberts is playing from 8pm to 9:30pm and Kris Menace will finish off from 9:30pm to 11pm. Tickets are on sale from Event Services outside The Strass.

 **CHEMICAL MOTIVATION:** We always finish The Bomb in the wee hours of the morning and so sometimes we do make the odd teeny mistake. Apologies for the occasional feck-up to the line-up and spelling mistake. We also forgot to put in this picture that Kirsty International gave us of Ed from Chemical Brothers with Mr Motivator at the press party at the back of The Strass. Here it is now.



BACKSTAGE TALES AND PARTY FUN COURTESY



Wow. How you all feeling? I spent most of Thursday in a horizontal position trying not to be sick but after a good shower and bit of food and more Jager we were back on the party trail tearing up and down the main strip.

We spotted Friendly Fires having a wander around, Mistajam touched down in the Strass as he arrived for his set plus Benga, the man with the biggest hair in dubstep was seen around and about the main hotel.

We were pleased to see Mr Motivator checking out the acts and artists at the Racket Club. Still smiling as much as ever. The lucky few who got to go check out Norman Cook aka Fatboy Slim in the igloo disco enjoyed quite a party.

Ghent's finest 2Manydjs did their thing once again, and did it well they did. Perhaps one of the best party DJs on the circuit - the Racket was awash with smiling faces and happy ravers. Friday is all about the Eristoff Party in the Forest as DJ Yoda, De La Soul and Fatboy Slim all prepare to send Snowbombing 2010 off in style.

Also make sure you check out our new bezzies The Whip having a pop at an acoustic set up at the Arctic Disco. If their live performance was anything to go by this'll be pretty bloody special. **Filthy Few xx**

Pics by Limpy



THE GRILL



CHRIS BONES, JADE JAGGER AND A BEAVER

As this year's festival draws to a close, the Bomb caught up with Bones, he of the banging Black Rabbit Party fame, to talk about snowballs, lack of sleep and the theft of stuffed animals.

THE BOMB: Tell us about your week.

BONES: Wow, it has been crazy. I arrived on Monday and I have had about three hours sleep and only eaten half a hamburger all week. But I've been really good and managed to go skiing every day. The skiing has been great.

THE BOMB: So you haven't slept much.

BONES: No, but I'm doing well. I went for a party with Barry Ashworth at Jon Carter's place. He has the best room in the whole town I think - a lounge and the best sofa I have ever seen it was like a massive chaise longue.

THE BOMB: Have there been any good parties?

BONES: Yeah, of course. We went to the Schlüssel one night and Jade Jagger broke the wooden bar by dancing on it - that was a crazy night. We also went up to the Arctic Disco and broke the first safety rule we were given by going around the back of the Arctic Disco for a pee.

THE BOMB: And what about last night?

BONES: Yesterday was brilliant. We had a power session of dancing in Jamie Jones' room headed up to the Arctic Disco for the Clash Magazine Party. I was compering up there and we had the world's largest snowball fight. I started it but I think I probably lost it because I got hundreds of snowballs thrown on me because I was showing my ass. We managed to steal a stuffed beaver on the way back down. Fatboy Slim was brilliant - I'm so glad he's playing this year.

THE BOMB: We know you love Snowbombing as much as everyone else who comes here, do you get that same post-Snowbombing depression like the rest of us?

BONES: Yeah, of course I do - but I don't try to think about it too much. I love coming here, Gareth Cooper is an legend - I love him. If he was gay I would kiss him. In fact we have already snogged a couple of nights this week.

THE BOMB: Have you had a chance to meet many Bombers?

BONES: Yeah, of course - I give them all a high five. I call it the Chris Bones Toll - everyone who walks past me has to high five.

SAME TIME NEXT YEAR?

Ahhh, the memories... some great moments, some drunk, some happy, some very, very messy. The bands and DJs were awesome, but it's the Bombers which make our festival unlike no other. Safe trip home, see you all in 2011.



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