

Coming Home

The Fifth album by Matt Hall & The Meteor Shower

Chaos (They Say)



Verse 1

Red skies, once in a blue moon
Snow at Christmas, rain on a desert island
A moon of green cheese, or a Super-moon
A Danish Blue please, or a pumpkin pie

Chorus 1

Nonsense fills our lives
It's just chaos - so they say
But in the vortex, we might find
A miracle one day

Verse 2

Twenty-four
Blackbirds in a pie
Pigs in blankets
Life's a pig sty
We're dogged by problems
It's a dog's dinner
It's a bitch (honey)
Life, and then you die

Chorus 2

Nonsense fills our world
It's just chaos, the star-men say
(But) As events unfurl
The unexpected comes our way
See the light
See the broad daylight

Know the purpose why
See the 'out-of-sight'

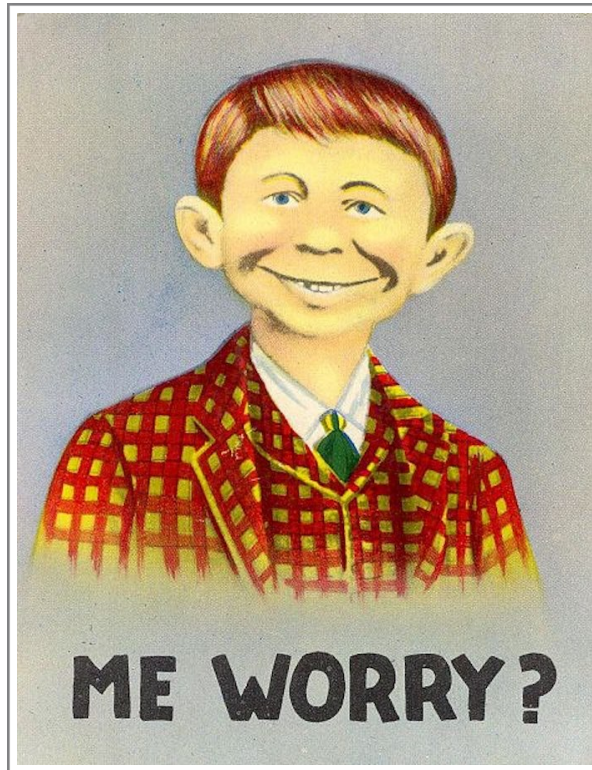
Verse 3

Let's predict, the unpredictable
Let's explain, the inexplicable
In case you wondered, it's time to wonder why
You've got a theory, and then it goes awry
A time to open
Open the curtains wide
And if you're slumbering
It's time to get a life

Chorus 3

Nonsense fills our lives
It's just chaos, so they say
But in the vortex we will find
A miracle one day
See the light
See the broad daylight
Know the purpose
See the out-of-sight

Waiting for a Miracle



Verse 1

*Yes, I'm waiting
Waiting for a miracle
To burst through nature
Something quite incredible*

Chorus 1

*Time and tides move onward
Relentless in their flow
The past is unforgiving
And I need to make a show*

Verse 2

*Routines ruling
Same story - a different day*

*Glass walls and ceilings
Circumstance seems to get in the way*

*Positive thinking (you say)
Will take you on to where you want to be
But here's that sinking feeling
As the 'same old' catches on again*

Chorus 2

*Tide and times move forward
Relentless in their flow
The past is unforgiving
And I need to make a show*

*Waiting for divine action
To interrupt the pattern of life
No explaining
To relieve the boredom and the strife*

Middle 8th

Instrumental verse section

Verse 3

*Wasted chances
Beat myself up for what I've missed
Fickle dances
All the lovers that I've never kissed*

*Maybe just maybe
Fair winds will turn around
And against all predictions
I'll start running when I hit the ground*

Repeat long chorus & fade

Quantum Wormholes



Verse 1

Divine dogmas
Invite you to think
Evolution
Trace the missing link

Memes and meanings
Something to calculate
Darwin's leanings
And Dawkin's generation

Chorus 1

Science never waits

No blissful hesitation
A new renaissance wakes
Brings new complications

Verse 2

Galaxies
From satellites and probes
To the power of a trillion million
Does anybody know

Chorus 2

Science never waits
No blissful hesitation
A new renaissance wakes
Brings new complications

We've seen it all
Through mathematical computations
To toys and playthings
And other infatuations

Verse 3 (quiet)

The mind's a maze
Linked by wires
It gets you thinking
While neurones fire

Solo & middle 8th

Verse 4

Life's a blank slate
Where nature preys
Consciousness
All must be explained

Free will's a hoax
A phantom and a ghost

Out in the darkness
Anything goes

Repeat chorus 2 & fade

Edge of the City



Verse 1

Edge of the city - off the highway
Where concrete meets cornflowers and clay
Slick city-slicker's city patter
While slow courting lovers make hay

Bridge 1

Old skits and urban myths

Don't fade away

We're in the in-between

Not night and day

Verse 2

Penthouse and pavement - once the whizz-kids

The Dunroamin' boys now at play

Golf courses criss-cross the horizon

Bankers and bunkers in spades

Bridge 2

Out here, the life has changed

So they say

Here in the in-between

More shades of grey

Chorus

Edge of the city

A nation divides

Edge of the city

Two worlds collide

Verse 3

Brash, sassy houses on the hilltop
Where brown fields sweep green fields aside
Tough kid on scooter prowls the woodland
Clutching a stash load to hide

Bridge 3

Trailers and Tudor gates
Country estates
Tractors and criminals
Come face to face

Rpt. Chorus

Instrumental Break

Rpt. Chorus

Verse 4

Sprawling estates out in the nowhere
Surrounded by valleys and fields

Shysters that set the wheels in motion
In land grabs and backhander deals

Bridge 4

Not much to do there then
Except survive
Faint dreams and reckless schemes
Kept hope alive

Rpt. Chorus to fade

The Albatross has Flown



Intro

Try to purge the unbearable
And delete the indelible

Verse 1

Got to blank, all the pain
The spectres of the past
And dismantle the places
Brutal years that passed
Memories kind of fade
Into distorted dreams
A collage of the macabre
And nothing as it seems

Verse 2

Questions never answered
And problems left undone
Riddles keep on dancing round your head
Demons having fun

Chorus 1

But the truth is kinder
And the past moved on
Those things can't hurt you anymore
The albatross has flown

Instrumental Break

Verse 3

Things just weren't as they seemed
Those devils had no horns
Hills loomed up like mountains up ahead
And rains turned into storms

Chorus 2

Faint hearts forever waiting
At the back of the queue
We get smart we stop the hating
A great escape came true

Repeat Intro

Try to purge the unbearable
And delete the indelible

Instrumental Break

Chorus 3

But the truth is kinder
And the past moved on
Those things can't hurt you anymore
The albatross has flown

Verse 4

Hindsight offers comfort
Tears that come from relief
The light beyond the self-loathing
The hidden soul underneath

Chorus 4

Faint hearts forever waiting
At the back of the queue
We get smart we stop the hating
A great escape came true

Repeat Intro to fade

Try to purge the unbearable
And delete the indelible

Two by Two



V.1 Two by two we must make our way
Climb the gangplank, escape the rains
With the penguins and the pangolins
To live on top of an ocean wave

Ch.1 There's a black cloud that's right in front of you
Man the lifeboat to save our souls
Keep the faith till the deluge passes
And build our lives on the other side

V.2 A looming crisis has laid us bare
Signs and portents are blocking us (our) everywhere
In a crisis there's nobody here
We're cut adrift from the nature we once shared

Ch.2 There's a roadblock, it's right in front of you
A raging torrent that bars your way
The tide must carry us to where it's moving
Where we'll end up, no-one can say

Br. Do you want to come along
Or do you want to stay ?
This boat is leaving
Sharp at noon today

V.3 As the winds change before our eyes
Once a zephyr with a gentle sigh
A piercing arrow's here to change our lives
We have to build) in order to survive

Ch.3 There's a plague that's infected all of us
A king's ransom was all it took
The big prize with a value of nothing
A shiny rhinestone, a fateful look

V.4 This big adventure that changed our course
An epic odyssey eventually got us through
A fight against an unstoppable force
Amid the warnings that all came true

Ch.4 There's a white dove that's flying back to us
As we survey a peaceful land
The sea's subsided, the rage has died away
Saved by an almighty pair of hands

A Virus and a Nation



V.1

A late train skimming fast through the night
Below a restless nation
Through the tunnels heading south towards Brixton
Zeros in on its destination

Short ch.1 -

Up above in the streets
This city's got insomnia, it never sleeps

V.2

Homeless souls with a hat of change
And a dog on a string
Wind and rain lash the pavements all evening
While the seasons wash down the drain

Ch.2

There's got to be better days than 2020 when
All the world sat still
While we stayed indoors and feel the phobia
The devil had his fill

V.3

Bright lights from the station below
Reflected glass and steel
Masked statues, gliding up the escalator
Lately feels so unreal

Ch.3

The city's wide awake with insomnia
It seems it never sleeps
Late news fuels fear and paranoia
While all is quiet in the streets

V.4

The tick-rock of the clock in the concourse
While it counts the small early hours
An announcement to no-one in particular
Another world it's not ours

Ch.4

Strange times like a film
In petrified isolation
Life behind a closed door
A virus and a nation

Flute solo

Ch.5 (instrumental) to fade

Guilty of Shame



V.1 You think the world is looking daggers at you

But that just isn't so

Imagination's your cruellest friend

It's immune to the truth don't you know

Paranoia's the silent master

And guilt traps you in shame

Make sure the story is told

And don't you fall for the game

V.2 Feigning an interest ain't easy

So as not to upset

Moving a mountain almost every day

Just to win some respect

But in truth the world is only
An unsuspecting place
There is no judgment to shame you
And there's no disgrace

Ch. Whats in your mind ?
Just a false interpretation
Pointless self blame
Guilty feelings drive you crazy

V.3 The world is too busy itself
To even be unaware
Caught up in its own inner place
No reason to care
But self-doubt starts twisting the truth again
The old obsessions will win
Questions keep filling your head up
In a circle of pain

V.4 So don't go on hating - go on hating yourself
Don't go worrying always that you'll stay on the shelf
It's all for nothing, all for vanity - or something in your head
I can tell you you're beautiful baby, so walk tall instead

Three Four Blues



Get away from the daily grind
All those stupid things .
Always cluttering my mind

Why oh why

Always looking for a quieter life
Always ending up with
Just the struggle and the strife

My oh my

Always checking on my telephone

Always ending up

Drinking on my own

Why oh why

Read the papers daily

Looking for a story

Nothing to report

Life is always boring

My oh my

It Doesn't Matter Today



Verse 1

*On a motorway bridge
High above the fever below
All at peace with the world
No morbid feelings to taunt your soul
Long journeys to faraway towns
In the hazy petrol of a summer's day
Up here there's no getting you down
All the passions and moods start to melt away*

Chorus

*It doesn't matter today (doesn't matter today)
We'll see the world in different ways
It won't happen today (won't happen today)
While the sun shines we're making hay*

Verse 2

*This valley hides
In the shadows beneath the surrounding hills
Guarded by a castle
Like a fortress brave and majestic still
This land is so serene
Jealously defending its privacy*

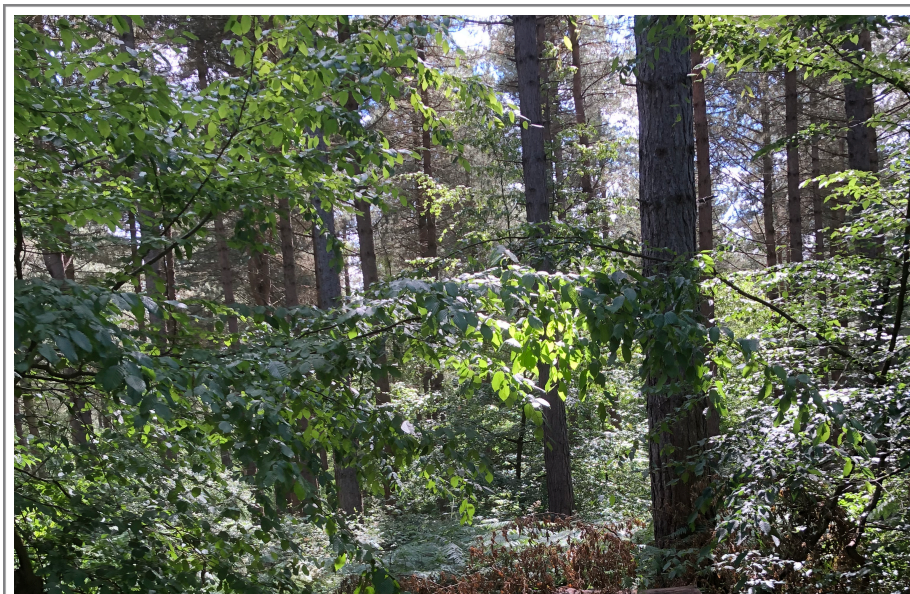
*While the world rushes through it oblivious
Through the people, the landscapes and history*

Repeat Chorus

Verse 3

*In a Wessex sun
Still up high in the evening sky
The earth is gleaming, the days are long
The black dogs are locked up and out-of-sight
A vein of traffic winds
Around the spur in the distance up ahead
It's just a moment, a flicker in time
But for now, there's no reason to question why*

Lost in Woodland (Instrumental)



(Don't Let) Emotions Control You



Verse 1

Puckering, pouting
And sullen stares
High horses and tantrums
Rearing everywhere

Chorus 1

Demons control you
Don't let those demons control you

Verse 2

An angry emoji
And a burning flame
Then batting your flattering eyes
Just to get your own way

Chorus 2

Emotions control you
Don't let emotions control you

Middle 8th (instrumental)

Chorus 3

Emotions control you
Don't let emotions control you

Verse 3

Your own ego
Is your only friend
We're stuck in a mind loop, maybe
That never seems to end

Chorus 4

Things can frustrate you
Don't let them frustrate you

Instrumental to fade