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#### Hello Everyone,

Welcome to the June issue of the Bolton On-Line Updates.

We hope you are all ready for a fun summer and looking forward to the upcoming fall concerts. Please don't forget to keep watch on the fan club website at <u>www.michaelboltonclub.com</u> and also on this website for updates as we get them. Several of the venues have already had fan club sales and are now closed...be sure not to miss out!

Please, don't forget that as of June 30<sup>th</sup> the Gold Club will no longer be supported so if you want fan seating for venues going on sale after that date you will need to join the Platinum Club.

Enjoy this issue and e-mail us with any questions, stories or photos!!

Best Wishes, *Carol & Gail* On-Line Editors

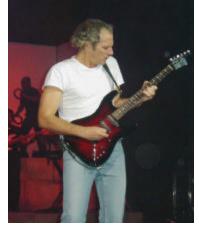


Photo: Laurie Schoenberg



Photo: June Vearling

#### WEBSITES OF INTEREST

Official Fan Club Site: www.michaelboltonclub.com Joyce Logan's Candy Site: www.joyzelle.com Great Fan Photos of Michael: www.michaelboltonphotos.com Michael's Place: members.aol.com/Jigadake/index.html Michael Bolton Charities website: www.michaelboltoncharities.com



The Platinum Club management has gotten a large number of e-mails and letters letting us know how much you enjoyed the new membership kits! Thanks for passing on your thoughts, it is greatly appreciated and look forward to hearing from you anytime!





Photo: Denise Park

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Following are the dates we have confirmed so far for this fall's tour. The fan club seats will be sold through the fan club itself which should make it much easier for you to get the great seats. Also, **whenever possible**, the tickets will be sold before the public sale to give fan club members the best seats possible. Please keep watch on the Fan Club site for the details on each venue as we get them and watch closely for the fan club on sale dates. Be sure to read the ticket policy on the websites before ordering tickets so you do know what to expect. If you have any questions, please e-mail info@michaelboltonclub.com or MBPlatinum@aol.com.

Date	City, State	Venue
September 18, 2003	Sterling Heights, MI	Freedom Hill Amphitheater
September 20, 2003	Elmira, NY	Clemens Center
September 24, 2003	Bloomsburg, PA	Bloomsburg State Fair
September 25, 2003	Orillia Ontario Canada	Casino Rama
September 27, 2003	Atlantic City, NJ	Trump Taj Mahal
September 29-30, 2003	Verona, NY	Turning Stone Casino
October 3, 2003	Mashantucket, CT	Foxwoods Resort and Casino
October 4, 2003	Westbury, NY	Westbury Music Fair
October 7-8, 2003	Windsor Ontario Canada	Chrysler Theater
October 11, 2003	Sandusky, OH	State Theater
October 12, 2003	Kalamazoo, MI	Miller Auditorium
October 18, 2003	Jackson, MI	George E. Porter Center
October 19, 2003	Indiana, PA	Fisher Auditorium - IUP Campus

Fan club member, Meri Ross, has offered to coordinate a chartered bus from Stamford, CT to the Elmira, NY concert on September 20<sup>th</sup> if there is enough interest. The cost would be around \$40 and there is room for 47 people. If you are interested please e-mail Meri at <u>MRoss36851@aol.com</u> so she can get a feel for the interest.



Photo: Meri Ross

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Photo: Rebecca Austin

### Michael Bolton looks ahead to fall tour

by Jon Zahlaway liveDaily Staff Writer May 28, '03

#### http://www.livedaily.citysearch.com/news/5040.html

Michael Bolton, who is busy recording the follow-up to last year's "Only a Woman Like You," has mapped out plans for a road trip that will presumably back his work-in-progress.

So far, Bolton has lined up a round of dates that stretches from mid September into late October. The balladeer is booked primarily into theaters. Bolton is currently splitting his time between recording and preparing for the upcoming tour, the singer has not nailed down a projected release date for his next album, according to his website. The site alludes to the possibility that Bolton may release two albums before the end of the year, but provides no specifics. Last April, Bolton released "Only a Woman Like You," his first album of original material in more than four years, and his inaugural effort for Jive Records. It debuted at No. 36 on the Billboard 200 album chart. Taking a cue from his Jive Records labelmates, Bolton hired 'NSync and Backstreet Boys hitmakers Max Martin and Rami to work with him on "Only a Woman Like You." Producer Mutt Lange and his wife Shania Twain penned the title track.

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Golf Course Management online has an article about Michael by Seth Jones with a picture by the fan club's own Jan Goldberg. Check it out at http://www.gcsaa.org/gcm/gcm\_fr.html. Following are some comments Michael made in the article:

"I don't know how great (a course) has to be, it's more like if it is in bad shape, then you get whiners and complainers. There are bumps and airtime on the green, the kind of stuff that interferes with your game -- that's when you hear people complaining. If things are in decent shape you shouldn't be whining about anything except the way you're striking the ball.

I know a few (superintendents) from where I play in Connecticut. And when I travel, when I tour with my music, I stop and play a lot of courses. I always make it a point to tell either the superintendent or the people I'm playing with, to please tell (the superintendent) how great a job they're doing, because I know it's not easy. Especially when I was traveling on this tour, there was a lot of drought going on in Eastern Pennsylvania; they hadn't had rain in like three months or something like that. There were some other places where they had so much rain down south; they were under water for a lot of time. So what do these guys do? They've got to keep their jobs; they've got to keep the course up. It's not an easy thing.

But if you really appreciate playing on great courses, you've got to thank these guys for doing such a great job. "



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In the October 2002 issue of **The North Star Harmony Rag** --The following was printed in a side-bar: "Singing is not about the notes; it is about reaching deep down inside yourself." -Michael Bolton



Photo: Leesa Gamble



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The 11th Annual Michael Bolton Charities' Gala and Celebrity Golf Classic

Why: Proceeds from this event will benefit The Michael Bolton Charities, which was established in 1993 to assist children and women at risk by supporting such programs as: Prevent Child Abuse America, Kids in Crisis, Boys Choir of Harlem and Domestic Violence Crisis Center. The Michael Bolton Charities aims to serve as an instrument of compassion to give to those less fortunate children and women, a better chance for life. The Michael Bolton Charities has also created "Safe Space" in New Haven, Connecticut, which utilizes the arts to provide an environment designed to foster self-esteem, leadership-skills, job training and awareness of social issues.

When: Sunday - September 21st, 2003 - Gala and Auction (black tie) 5:30 p.m. - Silent Auction 7:00 p.m. - Dinner/Entertainment

> Monday - September 22nd, 2003 - Golf Classic 11:00 a.m. - Shotgun Tee Off 5:00 p.m. - Cocktail/Awards Reception

Where:Gala and Auction: Stamford Marriott Hotel - Stamford, Connecticut Golf Classic: The Wee Burn Country Club - Darien, Connecticut

Who: Joan Lunden is returning for her eleventh year as Mistress of Ceremonies for the Gala, which will feature a special performance by Michael Bolton and his band. The Michael Bolton Charities' Lifetime Achievement Award will be presented to Frances Preston, Chairman/CEO, BMI and celebrated sports figure and ESPN commentator, Bobby Valentine.

How: Gala Ticket: \$500 per person
Golf Playing Spot: \$600 per person (includes a guest ticket to Cocktail/Awards Reception)
Golf Playing Spot with a Celebrity: \$2,000
Two Gala Tickets and One Golf Playing Spot: \$1,500
18th Hole Gallery Ticket and Cocktail/Awards Reception: \$125 per person
Sponsorship opportunities are available.
For more information or to purchase tickets, contact The Michael Bolton Charities at (203) 483-6463. or galainfo@michaelboltoncharities.com. Also, check Michael's charity site at http://www.michaelboltoncharities.com for more info on the pricing packages when it becomes available.

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### **Michael Bolton Fan Reception**

When:September 21, 2003<br/>10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.Where :Stamford Marriott<br/>Stamford, CT

**Cost**: \$35 per person. We accept money orders only. Please make it out to Layne Seeloff and send it to the following:

Michael Bolton Fan Reception

PO Box 13

Newfane NY 14108

\*Please include a note with your name, address, phone, and e-mail address and self addressed stamped envelope to return your tickets. The tickets will be sent to you a few weeks before the event. Please be sure to bring your ticket because only those that have prepaid and received tickets will be admitted! Thanks!

**Logo Item:** This year the logo item being sold will be gray jersey shorts. These shorts will be great for walking or wearing over your bathing suit. It goes great with the T-shirt and tote bag from the previous year's reception. They are Eagle Sportswear, Recreational Shorts 100% cotton Jersey Knit. They come in S, M, L, XL or XXL. The cost is \$20 and the total amount of proceeds goes to the Michael Bolton Charities, Inc.

Please check out http://members.aol.com/Boltoninfo/MBF.html for more info on the reception and shorts and how to order.

Contact: If you have any questions, please e-mail MBCReception02@aol.com. Thanks and see you there!!!!!

### **Fan Reception Auction**

It's June and our thoughts begin to turn toward September and Fan Reception time! Or they better! We've got work to do! It's time to exam our Michael walls, go through our Michael trophy homes attic to basement, dig out the Rubbermaid shrines from under the beds, throw open the doors of our Michael Bolton rooms and find those unique treasures to donate to the Michael Bolton Fan Reception Auction! This year we have a special challenge in order to better our donation from last year as we have every previous year. We need great donations, and I'll tell you a little secret, we may already have some really interesting things to auction and you won't want to miss it! So e-mail me, Sharon Oyster, at OysterSA@aol.com with your donations or questions. And no I am not giving away any secrets!!



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### Press Release issued on Appearance by Orrin Bolton, Michael's singer, songwriter brother

For immediate release

Subject: <u>Orrin Bolton</u> -May 27, 2003 Contact: Alan Van Klatzkin-Mgr G.M.K. Management 860-350-6306 rocknhood@aol.com



(Songwriter/Performer--Brother of Michael)

Contact: Active Entertainment Concert Promoters 203-439-0829 booking@ActiveEntertainment.US

Cheshire, Connecticut

Litchfield, Connecticut

Active Entertainment, in cooperation with Rock'n Hood Records, has announced a Save This Date, June 20th "Head's Up," for an evening of live, musical entertainment.

Music veteran, Orrin "O.B." Bolton will be bringing his band and an eagerly anticipated, fun filled evening, to the New Haven Area. In our northeast entertainment scene, eclectic and exciting, notable and unique performers worth special mention, are not always with in reach for very long. But the summer of 2003 is seeing this valued and exciting musical artist, returning to center stage to please music lovers of all genres of music.

Orrin Bolton is returning to Connecticut to showcase the new material he has written and is currently recording for his upcoming CD, "THE PROMISE" on Rock'n Hood Records.

In addition to performing many of his earlier songs, written by himself and his brother Michael, Orrin will be sharing new melodies and experiences through the medium of his finely crafted tunes. Musical, surprise guest artists are expected to come by to say "hi", and "sit in" with Orrin on stage, during the performance.

Most of the earlier songs "Everything Matters," "Take a Vacation," "Freedom Song," and The Hunter" appear on Orrin Bolton's Debut CD, FREEDOM on Rock'n Hood Records. FREEDOM is available in Connecticut at Cutler's Records (New Haven), Phoenix Records (Waterbury,CT) and Gerosa Records (Danbury,CT),Merle's Record Rack(Derby, Guilford CT), New Milford Music Store(New Milford, CT) in addition to the website, Rocknhood.com.

The Orrin Bolton concert will be taking place at the 390 seat Annex Club on Friday, June 20 located at 554 Woodward Avenue in New Haven (I-95N to exit 50, 0.3m to right). Doors open at 7:30, with drinks be ing served and plenty of seating available. Tickets are \$20 and are available in advance at

Phoenix Records, Waterbury, CT(203)756-1617, Merle's Record Rack ,Derby, CT (203) 736-2047 Merle's Record Rack, Guilford, CT (203) 453-3965

<u>Tickets will also be available at the door on the night of the show while they last.</u> More details are available at <u>www.ActiveEntertainment.Us</u> and 203-439-0829.

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#### **Press Release continued:**

Orrin Bolton, is without a doubt, an artist that is deserving of the increasingly wider appeal and acceptance of new fans, bringing him to the attention of many other listeners, previously unaware of his truly unique and at the same time comfortably familiar, performance and vocal prowess. And while it is true that the last name is Bolton, there are always many more "live" musical and anecdotal moments waiting to be heard and enjoyed that will surprise even the casual listener.

The fact that the United States is becoming increasingly culturally diverse is not unrelated to the music of Orrin Bolton. Here is a man who spent a lifetime living in exotic world locals, where his name was not as important as his own musical tales of "lessons learned," "bridges burned" "dues to pay," faith, love and life's adventure's revealed. From each geographic location, Orrin has assimilated the flavor and essence of life, as interpreted by he and his talented crew of players. Countries and places reflected include songs drawn from America's heartland as well as South America, Jamaica, and points east of Istanbul. The Jamaican influence is especially prominent in some of Orrin's music and acceptance of his music by the reggae community is evidenced by European concerts that have included Rita Marley, wife of Bob Marley.and other notable reggae artists featured on both O.B.'s CD's. His "old school" R&B, "rock steady," rock songs, pop tunes and ballads reflect a heartfelt understanding, of music as the message.

The music of Orrin Bolton must be heard and experienced "live" to see how a true talent from an obviously, special background brings all of these elements into a style that is truly his own.

Many often may wonder if Orrin was involved with the career of his brother. In fact, Orrin was quite involved in Michael's career early on, securing Michael's first major recording contract with RCA Records, in addition to later, heading Orro Corp. which served as Leber & Krebs Management's, "fifth column." This successful activity spearheaded the creation of Michael Bolton's massive, proactive national fan base that continues to support the many worthy causes that have grown, blossomed and flowered under Michael's leadership. Orrin has made numerous appearances alone and with his brother in this spirit. Orrin is also an extremely active fundraiser and continues to remain steadfast in his commitment to controversial American issues and causes.

Orrin's appearances on the OPRAH and LEEZA shows prior to his Debut release, sparked international interest in his music. This summer also is seeing increased media attention in his music. Orrin is exploring new avenues by making appearances on some of the largest cable networks in the state of Connecticut including Tele-Media and others in addition to various radio interviews on networks as diverse as the new Internet form of radio, amongst others.

While in New Haven, Orrin has been hard at work at Horizon Studio's in West Haven, producing the most recent addition to the Rock'n Hood records label, 16 TONS. The16 TONS single, ,BAGHDAD MARKET, scheduled for a fall release will give listeners a taste of the band's sound which fulfills" Orrin's original announcement as founder of Rock'n Hood Records, "to showcase an assortment of artists and issues that have been ignored by the mainstream music industry."

While Orrin is mixing the latest original contributions to his new CD "THE PROMISE," at Wager Studios of Connecticut, fans, friends and music lovers will be treated to much of the new material, as "Any time," "In Me, "This Gold Band", "Moon is Full" and other new songs will be part of Orrin's repertoire on June 20th at the Annex.

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#### **Orrin 's Appearance**

Orrin will be appearing June 20, 2003 at The Annex in New Haven, CT

Active Entertainment is making it possible for people to reserve tickets by contacting us via email (<u>booking@ActiveEntertainment.US</u>) or phone (203-439-0829).

Orrin has agreed to provide a meet and greet for the audience after the show! You will be able to get your merchandise signed and maybe get a photo taken with him. So bring your CD's or just get your copies at The Annex on June 20th. This show is going to be great!

Keep your eyes on The New Haven Register, The Waterbury Republican will run a feature cover story on Orrin in the Republican's "Weekend Magazine" and watch the New Haven Advocate for write-ups, photos and features about Orrin. Radio and television support is cropping up as well. Conrad's Corner will be airing a segment on Orrin Bolton on Wednesday at 8pm on Telemedia's Public Access Channel 10 in the Valley area.

Reserve your V.I.P. table for 10 near the stage while they are still available.



Photo: Gail Atkinson

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#### Attention: Michael Bolton Gold Club Members

If you're a member of the Michael Bolton Gold Club, please be aware that effective June 30, 2003, the Gold Club program will no longer be supported as part of Michael's official fan club program. As there were no annual membership fees within the Gold Club, there were unfortunately no resources for club material. Therefore you are invited to join the Platinum Club and receive all new material the MBPC has to offer, and be able to purchase 4 tickets to Michael's concerts. You can join online at www.michaelboltonclub.com.

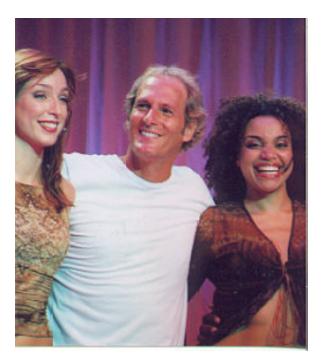


Photo: Sally Freeman

This is a comment from the website of Dick Hardwick regarding his performance and participation in last year's gala and golf classic.

//www.dickhardwick.com/

"Dick Hardwick performed at the dinner banquet and played golf at a recent Michael Bolton Charities event in Connecticut. Dick is shown here with Joan Lunden & Michael after Michael asked him to do some more "time" at the golf awards program.



#### Soultype 9

On a website for "New Equations - Discovering the language of the soul" there's a list of public figures whose "soul types have been determined through a combination of analyzing photographs, watching interviews, and/or watching performances of each person."

They figure Michael is Soultype 9, and "embraces the heart and soul of life." More at:

http://www.newequations.com/soultypes/publicfigures-all.html

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### **Readers Poll**

In 2002 there was a Readers Poll run by the Fairfield Weekly (Fairfield County, Connecticut). Readers were asked to vote for the "Best of Fairfield" in various categories:

Best Eats, Drinks & Diversions, Arts & Entertainment, etc. Results of the Best Resident Celebrity poll were:

1. Paul Newman

2. Joanne Woodward

3. A TIE BETWEEN David Letterman & Michael Bolton

http://www.fairfieldweekly.com/bestof/2002/list.html



Photo: Sally Freeman

### Michael and Ballet

Michael's music is being used for more types of dancing than previously noted on line-dancing sites. His version of "Yesterday" is the background for a number by a neo-classical & contemporary ballet group.

http://danzalenain.galeon.com/album610180.html



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