

TROYEN

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About

Troyen first graced the NWOBHM scene in early 1981. Despite a promising arrival, the band were sadly to part ways early in 1983. They re-formed in 2014 after 32 years apart released the 9 track CD 'Finish What You Starte' and have undoubtedly come back onto the scene with energy and determination. Their EP 'Storm Child' was released in July 2017 to great critical acclaim. 'A New Dawn' was released in July 2019. In October 2019 Troyen signed with Classic Metal Records to globally release 'Anthology 1981-2019'. High Roller Records released a double issue vinyl version in November 2020, 'Syrian Lady The Troyen Anthology Part 1 1981-1982' & 'Nightmare The Troyen Anthology Part 2 2014-2019'. 'Falling Off The Edge Of Forever' was released on Classic Metal Records in Autumn 2021 the bands 40th Anniversary year. A new studio album is planned for release in autumn 2023 and a live album in 2024

The bands first Demo album was engineered by the now legendary producer Gil Norton's in his first ever studio job. The album sold out of two runs of 250 and Troyen enjoyed good radio play alongside the promise of a contract with Neat records for a three-track EP but the band split prior to completion. In the time spent together, Troyen played approximately 130 gigs and supported Spider, Girlschool and Diamond Head amongst others. They also enjoyed a 1982 European support tour with Nightwing.

After being approached to play at Brofest#3 events in 2014 brought the four original members back together and it was decided that the band was to re-form. Since then Troyen have played at the likes of Drunken Monkey Festival, Heavy Metal Maniacs in The Netherlands, British Steel in France, Mearfest, HRH Xmas Rocka, Blast From The Past in Belgium, Giants Of Rock in Minehead, Loverocks V and Headbangers Open Air in Germany. Since Re forming there have been several personel changes but the current line up of original members Jeff Baddley (Drums) and Steve McGuire (Lead Guitar) joined by Mark Nortley (Bass Guitar) , Mark Walling (Lead Vocals) and Simon Lind (Lead Guitar) are most definitely the strongest to date.

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Steve McGuire - Lead Guitar & Backing Vocals

Steve's interest in music started around the age of eleven whilst learning to play piano. He started playing guitar seriously whilst at university. His musical influences began with Eric Clapton, Led Zeppelin, Black Sabbath and Bruce Springsteen (amongst others) whilst more recently enjoying the work of Joe Bonamassa, Muse, Eric Roche and Tommy Emmanuel.

Before forming Troyen, Steve had already teamed with Jeff an old friend of many years from playing in local bands, playing in the same football team.



Jeff Baddley - Drums & Backing Vocals

Together with Steve, Jeff was a Founder Member of Troven back in 1981. He was influenced back in the 70's and 80's by bands like Led Zeppelin, Deep Purple, UFO and Rush. Their drummers John Bonham, Ian Paice, Andy Parker and Neil Peart inspired his ambitions to pursue a career in Music. Following the demise of Troyen in early 1983, Jeff walked away from

playing live music completely and sold all his gear to get a "proper job"! Twenty-four years later, a chance encounter with Troyen's old Sound Engineer convinced him to buy another kit and start playing again.



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Mark Nortley - Bass Guitar

Mark joined the band in January 2019 having played approaching 400 gigs across the North West of the UK with bands including Piggery Bandana, LA80 and Into The Void. His musical influences include Van Halen, Metallica, Mr Big, Journey, Rush, Zappa and Malmsteen. Mark's heroes as you might expect from the list above include Billy Sheehan and Geddy Lee. Having gigged heavily over the years Mark believes live performing "is the real thing" where you stand and fall in the moment. Mark's playing style adds power to Troven's engine room and driving rhythm section.



Mark Walling - Lead Vocals

Born in 1970, Mark grew up hearing his parent's Queen, Quo and Rod Stewart records, then at around 11 years old, accidentally found Tommy Vance on the radio. Musical influences include AC/DC, KISS, Motorhead, Iron Maiden, Scorpions to name a few. Mark has been involved with several bands in the North West UK including briefly brushing shoulders with Mark Nortley. Mark's stage presence and powerful vocals take Troven to the next level.



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Simon Lind - Lead Guitar

Hailing from Edinburgh Scotland Simon started his musical adventure at the age of 15 as a drummer inspired by John Bonham and Simon Phillips and after a brief spell on keyboards and as a bass player an friend suggested he should try a 6 string as he kept bending the strings on the bass. Having settled in the Northwest UK in recent years Simon has been in several bands playing across the UK, Europe and USA including a couple of years working with a Prog Rock group called FULA, playing lead guitar in an original Alternative Rock band named 'Dr. Mustard', playing in a Meatloaf tribute band and pre Covid he was in 'Captain Beyond' in the USA a rock band originally formed in 1972 with original Deep Purple vocalist Rod Evans.



Discography



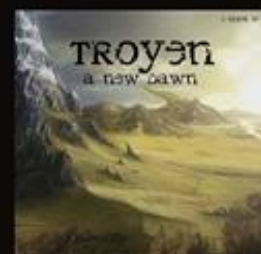
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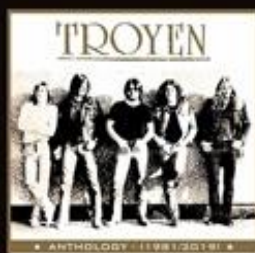
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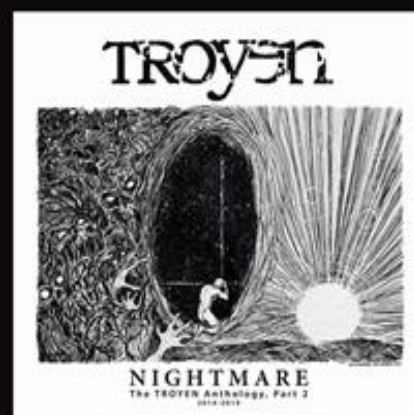
Released 2019



Released 2019
Classic Metal Records
CM54



Released 2020 Vinyl
High Roller Records HRR748



Released 2020 Vinyl
High Roller Records HRR749



Released 2021
Classic Metal Records
CM 106



Reviews

"On Friday 23/09/16 there were 4 bands at the P60 Maniacs festival of which the British band Troyen delivered the most convincing performance. Their blues and hard rock tinged metal from the NWOBHM era had groove and feeling".

(Bert Meierjürgen – Crossfire Metalzine)

"Fortunately I was there in time for Troyen, a band that escaped my NWOBHM radar back in 1982. They never got past the demo tape stage back then but after reforming with three quarters of the original line-up intact in 2014 and going down a storm at the Brofest last year, the band are thankfully back to finish what they started."

(Mark Taylor – MetalTalk)

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Soundcloud: www.soundcloud.com/troyen-1

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Media

Storm Child (2021) <https://youtu.be/YsmOyQocktk>

Come On <https://youtu.be/nAl246lUBg0>

No Going Back https://youtu.be/wrh8K3_ZbPY

It's Not Too Late <https://youtu.be/vGcE8FNVbSs>

Nightmare <https://youtu.be/EbLknqgmoPA>

Syrian Lady (2019) <https://youtu.be/OIPVr6xMZuc>

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