

# the cranberries

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## LATEST NEWS

### January 5th 1999

Hi, how's it going?

I hope you had a nice Christmas and New Year. I'm still stuffed from eating far too much turkey, ham, chocolate, sweets etc. (If I don't get back to the gym soon, I won't be able to fit behind my drumkit!)

I hope you all enjoyed the performance at the Nobel peace prize concert in Oslo. It was our first time on stage in over two years, so we felt a little strange at rehearsals the day before, but by the time we got to perform we were really excited. We played a new song called "Promises" from the forthcoming album, titled "Bury The Hatchet". (Release date still not known!). (There, now you know the new album title!)

It was a great buzz playing again, and it encouraged us all for the upcoming tour. I don't have the exact dates yet, but we are definitely going "World-wide"!!! We begin rehearsing on the 15th of January and we will be flying around to various countries doing Radio and TV interviews and performances. We are hoping to start touring in late March or early April. It's going to be a very busy year for us but we are really looking forward to it. I will hopefully be able to update more often as there will be loads more happening.

Oh, before I forget! The "Pictures" section is repaired and will be back soon, and then shortly followed by some new ones.

So, it's bye for now!

Slán!  
-Fergal

### December 9th 1998

Hello again! Yes, I know it has been a long time since the last update, but it is difficult to give news, when things change so quickly!

So anyway, we are off to Oslo tonight, to prepare for the upcoming Nobel Peace Prize Awards, which take place on Friday evening, the 11th of December. We are scheduled to perform 3 songs, two of which you already know, namely "Dreams" and "Linger". The third number will be a song called "Promises" which will be the first single from our forthcoming album, which incidentally, is still untitled! You heard it first, right here on [www.cranberries.ie!](#)

After Oslo, we are off to Paris to shoot the video for "Promises", which will be directed by a gentleman by the name of Olivier D'Ahan, the same who directed the video for "Salvation".

Release dates for the single(s) and the album are still not known exactly. It looks like the album will not be released until March 1999. One of the main reasons for the delay is the recent acquisition of Polygram Records by Universal.

Christmas is very close, and I'd like to take this opportunity, on behalf of the whole band, to wish you a very Merry Christmas!

I'll write again as soon as possible! Oh, by the way, you can expect some major changes to this web site as soon as it gets close to the release of the new material! You will just have to wait and see!

Slán!

-Fergal

### November 3rd 1998

Webmaster's error! The below mentioned MTV awards will be presented in Milan, Italy and not Modena as originally written. This ceremony is to take place on the 12th of November, 1998.

Appologies!

-The Webmaster.

### October 19th 1998

A small correction! The below mentioned Nobel Peace Prize event happens in Oslo on December 11th this year, and not December the 15th. Appologies for this mistake!

I'll have more latest news very soon!

Slán!

-Fergal.

### September 27th 1998

#### IT'S FINISHED!

I'm delighted to tell you that the new album is finished. The final mixing work has been completed by Mike Plotnikoff (who engineered and mixed our last Album, "To The Faithful Departed"), and is planned for release in February 1999. A single in January will precede the release of the album.

The album is as yet untitled, and the first single has yet to be selected. As soon as we know the titles, we will tell you right here!

Right now we are home in Limerick rehearsing for future live performances. On December 15th this year, we will be performing 3 songs live at the Nobel Peace Prize awards, in Oslo, Norway. I believe that this award ceremony will be televised live all over much of the planet.

Dolores and I are going to Modena in Italy in mid November this year, to present an award at the MTV Europe music awards.

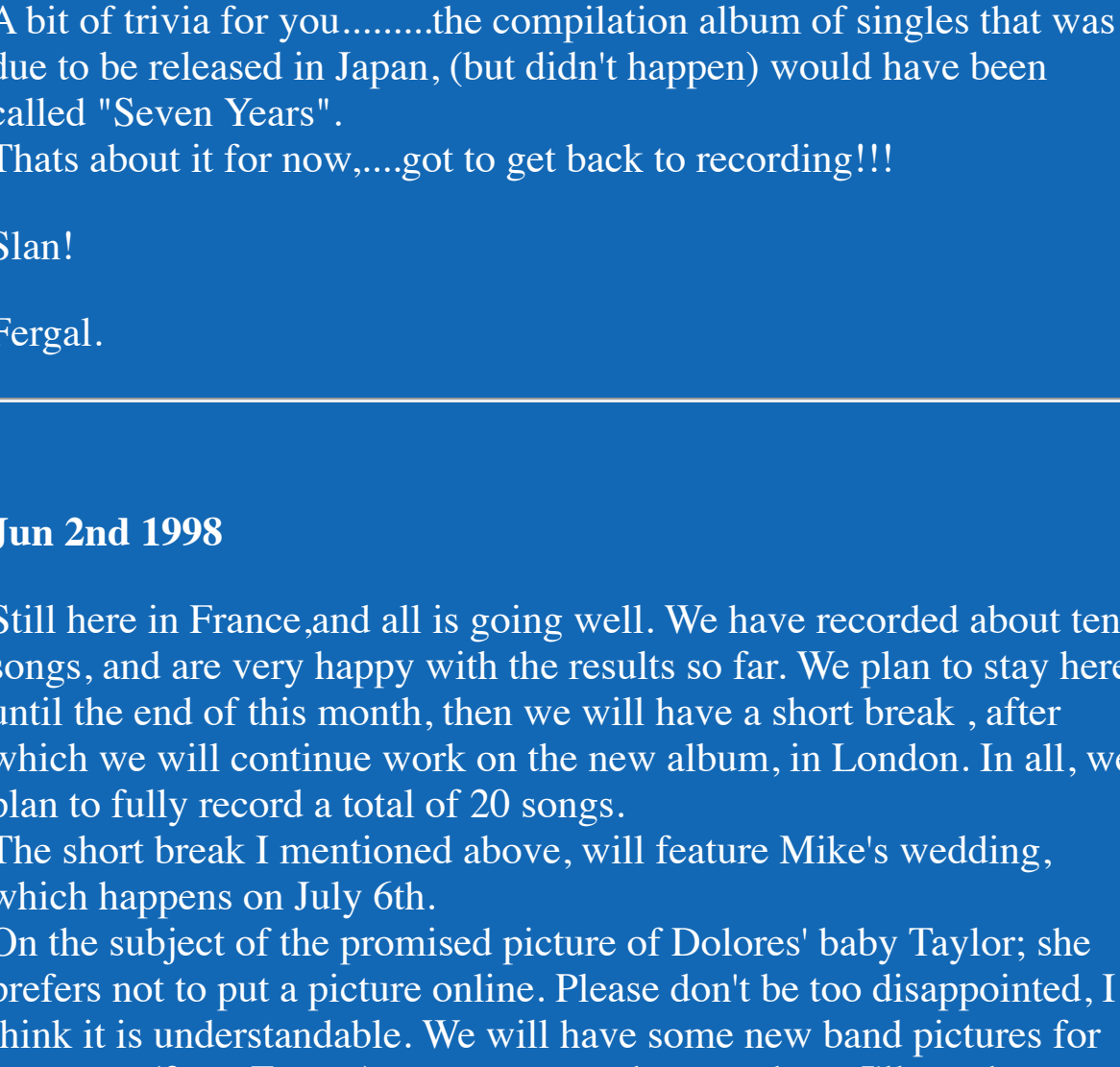
Well, that's about all the news for now! Tune in soon for more details! Noel is still trying to decide what he wants to give away in the competition he was talking about. (He was saying something about a pair of Doc Martens that are pictured on the back of our first album, but he couldn't be serious, could he?)

-Fergal.

### August 27th 1998

Hello! I just got myself a PC too, and looking at our website, I thought I would write a few words to let you know how things stand at the moment! So, I did, and here they are.

We are half way through mixing the album, in London, (where we have been for the last two months or so) and anticipate about another month working on the remaining tracks. As well as that, we have also started on the artwork for the as yet untitled album.



(Mike, Dolores, Fergal and myself out for a little break in London, earlier this August. Sorry about the picture quality!)

Our appologies for leaving it so long until this update, but please bear with us, we are moving along as quickly as possible. I know many of you are keen to know when the album will be released, and I assure you that as soon as we get a date, we will let you know right here!

I'll be back in touch soon to give you details about a give-away competition that we plan to stage right here at this web site!

So, ....Slán for now!

-Noel.

### July 15th 1998

Hello again. Just briefly, wanted to let you know that Mike has agreed to show you one of his wedding pictures, so [click here](#) to see it!

We are still in London recording for the new album, and thereafter we will be mixing all the tracks. No definite date for when that will all be done. We will let you know as soon as we know!

Bye for now!

Fergal.

### Jun 22nd 1998

Hello again, and this time greetings from London. We moved from the Studio in France (namely "Mireval") to a studio here in England. We felt that we needed a change from the beautiful tranquility of the French countryside. The vibrant city life will contribute to the final recordings for the forthcoming album. We have recorded twenty (mostly complete) tracks, not all of which will be used on the album, and those which don't get on the album will be used as B-sides for singles. We expect to finish recording in two to three weeks, and then start with the mixing.

A bit of trivia for you.....the compilation album of singles that was due to be released in Japan, (but didn't happen) would have been called "Seven Years".

Thats about it for now.....got to get back to recording!!!

Slan!

Fergal.

### Jun 2nd 1998

Still here in France and all is going well. We have recorded about ten songs, and are very happy with the results so far. We plan to stay here until the end of this month, then we will have a short break, after which we will continue work on the new album, in London. In all, we plan to fully record a total of 20 songs.

The short break I mentioned above, will feature Mike's wedding, which happens on July 6th.

On the subject of the promised picture of Dolores' baby Taylor, she prefers not to put a picture online. Please don't be too disappointed, I think it is understandable. We will have some new band pictures for you soon (from France), so as soon as they are done, I'll get them over to Ireland and they will go online.

Well, that's about all the news for now. Thanks AGAIN for all the (e)mail, your continuing support is a great inspiration to us all!

Bye for now,

Fergal.

### May 11th 1998

Since May 3rd we are all here in France working away on the new album. It is very beautiful here. I must say. Things are moving along nicely. We are expecting to release it around September, and of course as soon as we know something more exact, you will find out here.

We recieved a lot of mail (thanks!) enquiring whether or not the song that we recorded for the "X-Files" movie, was still going to be used. Unfortunately, that didn't work out, and the song will not be part of the soundtrack. Sorry to all of you that were looking forward to hearing it. Hopefully the release of the new album will compensate. It won't be too long now.

That's all for the moment. Thanks for your promotional support! Bye for now! Au revoir!

Fergal.

### April 27th 1998

This past weekend featured Mike's "Stag Party", which traditionally is what we do in Ireland before one gets married. It's a buddies only affair, and basically the one getting married (Mike) and his buddies leave town for a couple of days and just party! And party we did, it was a thoroughly enjoyable weekend, and much of that famous black Irish beer was consumed! All the involved are reportedly recovering well today.....

Thanks very much for all the email you are sending us! Your encouragement has been overwhelming! Thanks a lot! Please understand that it is really difficult for me or any of the other band members to reply to you in person, we would have to leave the band and answer mail full time! Well, it's not that bad, but you know what I mean! We do read them all, and you'll probably find the most frequently asked questions answered in the FAQ section.

The promised photo of Dolores' son is still on the way! It shouldn't be much longer!

I suppose there won't be much more news for a while, we will be in France for about two months. We can't wait to get recording, everyone's really excited!

So, until then, it's bye for now!  
Slán!

Fergal.

### April 1st 1998

We finished recording the song for the upcoming "X-Files" movie, and it is called "What's On My Mind" (written by Dolores). We co-produced it at Windmill Lane Studios, Dublin with Ben Fenner. He will be co-producing the new album with us in France this summer.

Amongst the artist that Ben has previously worked with are: The Kinks, James ....and various others.

We are back home in Limerick (again), rehearsing and putting more new songs together.

That's all for now!

Slan,

Fergal.

### March 16th 1998

News just in! We have been offered to do a song for the upcoming "X-Files" movie, and we are going to Dublin to record it next week! We haven't decided which song is going to be used as it isn't finished yet.

On behalf of Dolores, Noel, Mike and myself we wish you a happy St. Patrick's Day! Be seen in green!

Bye

Fergal.

### March 12 1998

Ok we're home, all went well in Toronto, we did a weeks rehearsal and then we demo'd eight new songs over the next nine days. They are sounding pretty good, but they are still quite rough. Unfortunately I can't give you the names of any songs yet, as they are still at quite an early stage and with new songs emerging all the time, we're not quite sure which ones will make the album. So, please be patient!

We are now rehearsing in Limerick, and we are constantly writing new songs. We go to France on the 3rd of May for 2 months to record our new album. We have no immediate plans to tour, but we have been talking about maybe doing a few one off shows here and there, because we are "mad" to play live. (that's the Limerick way of saying we are really looking forward to it!)

We are just recovering from Dolores' son, Taylor's Christening, which was last Saturday the 7th of March. It was a great day and Noel and his wife stood as godparents. (Dolores has promised to show you a picture of Taylor very soon, right here on this site!)

Also coming soon will be a full listing of previous tours, where we will try as best as possible to list them all. Also a section where we answer some of your most frequent questions.

We would like to thank you all for your great response to this site, and thank you for your encouragement; we are now becoming more "technically aware" of how this web stuff works.

Slan!

Fergal

### January 29th 1998

Alright then, where to start?!! The last you would have heard was that we had cut our tour short in September 1996 as a result of Dolores' dodgy knee acting up again. It was a pity we had to finish early but I think under it all we were glad to get a chance to rest. We had been going flat out for nearly five years and everyone was feeling well worn out!! We decided to take a six month vaeation to give us a chance to get our personal lives back in order and generally chill out.

In December '96, Dolores recorded a song for the movie "The Devil's Own", and in February '97 Noel and herself recorded "Go Your Own Way" for a Fleetwood Mac tribute album. I got married on April 16th (best day of my life), and two weeks later we all went to Dolores' house in Dingle to begin rehearsing some new stuff.

We continued rehearsing for the next few months and in October '97 we went to Metalworks Studios in Toronto to record some demos, with Dolores in a fully pregnant state!! We spent two and a half weeks there and we recorded five new songs which we were really happy with. It's hard to explain what they sound like but some of our friends say the songs remind them of the first album, but you will just have to wait and see....

In November '97, Dolores had a 7lb 6oz bouncing baby boy, she named Taylor. Yahoo! Crack open the champagne!

We are currently in Toronto doing some more recording and then in May we are going to the south of France to record album no.4.



Here we are in Metalworks Studios October 97.

Mike is getting married to his girlfriend of eight years on July 6th, more to follow on that shortly.

Well that's about it for now, tune in soon for more "Latest News" straight from the horses mouth!!!

SLAN!

Fergal.

A *Subnote*:

*Welcome to our own "official" web site! To be honest, none of us (the band) are into computers very much, as we have always had a bit of "technophobia", but I learned of the Internet recently(!) through some friends who are online(?), and they gave me a guided tour. I explained a bit about it to Dolores, Noel and Mike, and we decided to set up a page of our own, and I've gotten lumped with the job of being spokesperson! (for now anyway) So, all I ask, is that you bear with us, we are new to this game; but we will try to make it as interesting as possible, and to update you with new information as soon as we get it.*

-Fergal

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