BAND of the week

Electric Pulse

Photo courtesy of Electric Pulse.

MEMBERS

(PICTURED FROM LEFT)

Ron Zito
Bass-Vocals

Bobby Boom-Boom
Drums-Vocals

Dave Kraemer
Guitar-Vocals

Electric Pulse Features Jefferson Drummer

Band performs first Fridays at The Wearhouse Grille

By Tim Sohn, *Editor*

LH! Weekly recently caught up with Dave Kraemer of band Electric Pulse, which performs at The Wearhouse Grille in Lake Hopatcong every first Friday.

LH! Weekly: Who are the band members, and what towns do they live in?
Kraemer: Dave Kraemer, guitar, vocals, of Haskell; Bobby Boom-Boom, drums and vocals, of Jefferson Township; Ron Zito, bass and vocals, of Dumont. We have been playing live virtually all our lives. We occasionally trade guitar and bass duties for fun and to keep us "on the edge."

LH! Weekly: When and how did the band get its start?
Kraemer: The band started as a duo in 1995 named Pulse D.K. with acoustic guitar and bass. We had a firm belief that this music from the '60s, '70s and '80s that we love would remain popular for quite a while. That is really the premise of the band. We began playing in the Butler/Pompton Lakes area, down to Morristown, and then expanded into Bergen and Sussex counties. With personnel changes, we are now also a trio, known as Electric Pulse. It was a natural progression of fans wanting to dance more, and it also allowed us to play more and larger rooms.

LH! Weekly: What types of music does the band play?
Kraemer: We play classic rock, and we have our audience devise the set list each night from our extensive repertoire — from Louis Armstrong to Blink 182. That's over a half- century of rock.

LH! Weekly: Who are some of your all-time favorite bands that you listen to?
Kraemer: The Beatles have an overwhelming influence on us, but we listen to Miles Davis, John Prine, Grateful Dead, Foo Fighters, The Monkees and Deep Purple — all British invasion bands, blues, we listen to a wide variety, and it shows in our performance.

LH! Weekly: Where do you perform locally?
Kraemer: We play every first Friday at The Wearhouse Grille, 161 Route 181 N., Lake Hopatcong, (973) 663-2222, except Jan. 7, because we are performing the previous Friday for the New Year's Eve celebration, 9 p.m.-1 a.m. Please call the restaurant for details. We are very proud to have been steadily associated with The Wearhouse for five years. The people we work for are terrific, and the audience is very appreciative ... until we call last song of the night. We play every second Friday at The Huntsman Restaurant, 1745 Macopin Road, West Milford, (973) 728-5565, *www.huntsmanrestaurant.com*. This is also a great restaurant but smaller and cozier, tucked in the hills of West Milford. Our other gigs are not as local but still mostly in North Jersey.

LH! Weekly: When are your upcoming performances?
Kraemer: We are playing all the time. All performances are listed on our website calendar at *www.ElectricPulseBand.com*.

LH! Weekly: How do you promote your performances?
Kraemer: Besides word of mouth, which is most important, we have a 400-member newsletter that is e-mailed weekly with upcoming events. It's easy to sign up for it on our website, or just e-mail us from the website, and we will include you too.

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