

# CELTIC CRUSH Newsletter

Samhain 2014

Build a bonfire - the spirits have need of the light...



Hi Crushers, Crushaholics, Ladies on tables and Gentlemen in kilts:

By right this Samhain newsletter should go out tomorrow but I wanted you to know about a FREE Black 47 gig tonight Thursday at Tommy Fox's in Bergenfield, NJ. There are only 8 gigs in total left. It's been great meeting you all on the road and for those in the South we'll be playing at Four Green Fields in Tampa on Nov. 1st and Gallier Hall in New Orleans on Nov. 8th Two new gigs added are Nov. 11th Georgetown Saloon, Redding, CT and Nov. 14, Mahoney's Irish Pub, Poughkeepsie, NY Visit [www.black47.com](http://www.black47.com) for a full schedule before our final performance at BB King's in NYC on Nov. 15th.

Some exciting news on the CD front - we have recently come into possession of some boxes of the long deleted *Home of the Brave* and *Green Suede Shoes* albums and they go on sale today at [www.black47.com](http://www.black47.com) at SHOP.

For playlists from the last couple of Celtic Crush shows, and lists of recommended books & movies, scroll down. All the best 'til Saturday morning, bright and bushy tailed with your digital coffee and Tullamore Dew!

larry kirwan

Celtic Crush - SiriusXM The Spectrum, Ch. 28, Saturdays 7-10amET, Tuesdays 11pmET & ON DEMAND

Make sure you visit Fans of Celtic Crush on Facebook on Saturday mornings at 7am for videos and information about the songs being played  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/98160297580/>



Upcoming BLACK 47 Shows

OCTOBER 30

Bergenfield, NJ  
TOMMY FOX's (FREE)

NOVEMBER 1  
Tampa, FL  
FOUR GREEN FIELDS

NOVEMBER 6  
New York, NY  
PADDY REILLY'S

NOVEMBER 8  
New Orleans, LA  
International Irish Famine Commemoration  
GALLIER HALL

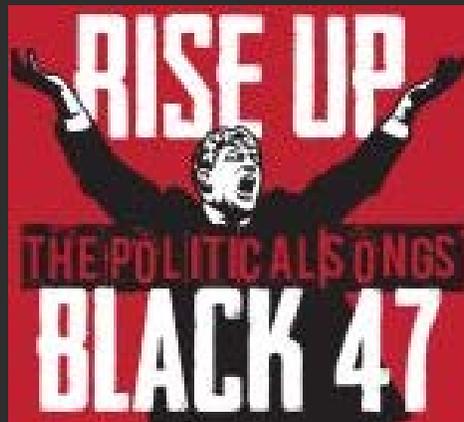
NOVEMBER 11  
Redding, CT  
GEORGETOWN SALOON

NOVEMBER 13  
Philadelphia, PA  
WORLD CAFE LIVE

NOVEMBER 14  
Poughkeepsie, NY  
MAHONEY'S IRISH PUB

NOVEMBER 15  
New York City  
BB KINGS (SOLD OUT)

For full details of all Black 47 gigs  
[www.black47.com](http://www.black47.com)



RISE UP is now available as a CD and T-Shirt at all gigs and from [www.black47.com](http://www.black47.com) SHOP. Larry Kirwan has compiled 15 tracks of remastered favorites and rarities recorded over Black 47's controversial career. From their first recording of *Patriot Game* two months after forming to their parting shot with *US OF A 2014* Black 47 show why many have hailed

them as America's primary political band. 78 minutes of white hot rebellion, resistance & redemption!

## A MESSAGE TO YOU RUDY - Larry Kirwan Blog

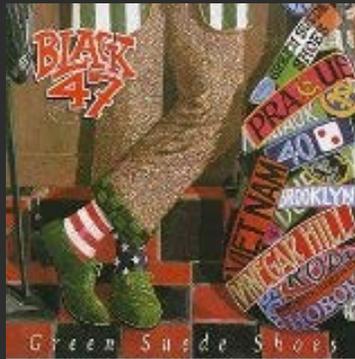
### CHANGE & BERNADETTE

"Change comes slowly like the ocean  
But they can't stop the tide  
And they're never ever going to stop us"

I was recently compiling Rise Up, an album of political/historical songs for Black 47. With over fifty to choose from it called for hard choices.

Certain songs like James Connolly and Bobby Sands MP were obvious but Change, a Reggae tune, kept surfacing. It took me a moment to remember who inspired the song - not surprising since Bernadette Devlin McAliskey is rarely in the public eye anymore. And yet, what an impact she had on Irish life...

To read more go to <http://black47theband.blogspot.com>

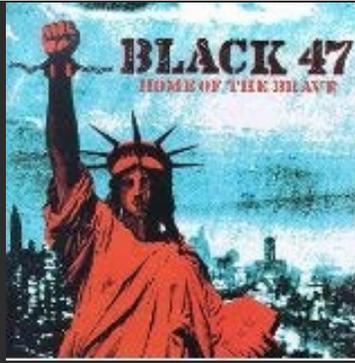


Green Suede Shoes contains some of Black 47's most loved songs including Bobby Sands MP, Change, Five Points, Czechoslovakia, and Green Suede Shoes electric & acoustic versions.

Angry, mournful, hilarious! Sing along, drink along and be merry. - People Magazine

Larry Kirwan isn't content to stand within the lyrical confines of standard pop songs and that's what makes Black 47 so much fun - Chicago Tribune

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Home Of The Brave is a natural follow-up to last year's critically acclaimed Fire Of Freedom. It's filled with broadly told stories of heroes of every stripe, from activist Paul Robeson to rock-'n'-roller Bobby Fuller, as well as a multitude of characters right from the streets of urban America. Co-produced by bandleader Larry Kirwan and former Talking Head Jerry Harrison, Home Of The Brave also shows Black 47's uncommon ability to incorporate traditional Irish melodies, dancehall reggae, funk and a variety of rhythms into its big rock sound. "Paul Robeson," "Who Killed Bobby Fuller," "Danny Boy" and "The Big Fella" stand out among the 16 tunes here, as vast and unpredictable as New York itself. - Jim Caligiuri: CMJ New Music Report

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## BOOKS & MOVIES

I'm including many recommendations. If you would like to just get started and get an overview of Ireland and its history, why not try any of the first books. They will get you going and you may never stop.

Irish History for Dummies

Ten Men Dead - The Story of the 1981 Hunger Strike - David Beresford. This is essential reading for anyone who wishes to understand modern Irish history.

The Commitments, The Van or pretty much any book by Roddy Doyle. Easy to read, lots of fun but will also introduce you to the complexities of modern Ireland.

Michael Collins : a biography by Tim Pat Coogan, 1990. ISBN 0-09-968580-9.

The Yellow Birds - Kevin Powers

Transatlantic - Colum McCann

The Testament of Mary or Brooklyn or Nora Webster by Colm Toibin

Country Girl - Edna O'Brien

Whitey's Payback - TJ English

Changó's Beads and Two-Tone Shoes - William Kennedy

Ancient Light - John Banville

Astray - Emma Donoghue

A Second Life - Dermot Bolger

The Bogman - Walter Macken

The Last of the High Kings - Ferdia Mac Anna

On Canaan's Side - Sebastian Barry

Solace - Belinda McKeon

Paradise Alley - Kevin Baker

The Outside Boy - Jeanine Cummins

Where Have You Been - Joseph O'Connor

City of Bohane - Kevin Barry

Saints and Sinners - Edna O'Brien

The Great Hunger - Cecil Woodham-Smith is a dispassionate but striking book on the Potato Famine of 1845-47 that caused so many Irish to emigrate to the US.

The Orange and the Green - GA Henty. A novel written around 1900 about the events surrounding the Battle of the Boyne and the Siege of Limerick. Originally for young adult audience this reads very well for adults.

The Man Who Never Returned - Peter Quinn

Tabloid City - Pete Hamill

Against The Tide (an autobiography) - Dr. Noel Browne

Lost Boys of the Bronx, The Oral History of the Ducky Boys Gang - James Hannon

Troubles, JG Farrell

South Lawn Plot - Ray O'Hanlon

Thy Tears Might Cease - Michael Farrell

Country Girls Trilogy - Edna O'Brien. Three wonderful books written by a great writer and a rebel in the soul. Ms. O'Brien is as readable as she is profound.

Borstal Boy - Brendan Behan

Alistair MacLeod's novel, "No Great Mischief" about the Clan MacDonald who came

to Canada in 1779.

Donnelly Trilogy of plays, by James Reaney concerning the Irish-Canadian experience.

Tarry Flynn or The Green Fool - Patrick Kavanagh He is better known as a poet - do check out his poetry. But these two small books contain a wealth of information of what it was like to grow up in rural Ireland of the last century.

The Savage City by TJ English - if you'd like to know about crime and passion in NYC in the 60's and 70's this is the book for you. Powerful!

The Collected Stories by William Trevor - perhaps the greatest living short story writer

This is Your Brain on Shamrocks by Mike Farragher (by the Irish Voice music editor - want to plumb the depths of your Irish psyche? Mike's your man!)

Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man or Dubliners - James Joyce. These are two excellent and slim books to get a feel for Sunny Jim's work before you make the life decision to tackle Ulysses. The Dead from Dubliners is perhaps the greatest novella/short story ever written. Don't despair if you find yourself bogged down in Ulysses; it's happened to us all. Just have a drink, pop open any page and begin to read aloud. But whatever you do, don't miss Molly Bloom's closing soliloquy. It's one of the wonders of literature - and more than that - in a way that words fail to do justice.

Eamonn DeValera: a biography by Tim Pat Coogan

The IRA or The Troubles by Tim Pat Coogan

The Secret Scripture or any novel or play by Sebastian Barry. A very modern writer who delves into the past. Barry is true poet who uses beautiful language and creates unforgettable characters that leave a mark on you.

Astrakhan Cloak - Nuala Ni Dhomhnaill or any collection of her poetry. An earthy, yet spiritual, look into the soul of a powerful Irish woman.

Collected Stories - Frank O'Connor. A very readable writer with a remarkable insight into the Irish soul. Also try his biography of Michael Collins, The Big Fellow, should Coogan's be unavailable or too bloody dauntingly long.

Five Points - Tyler Anbinder. This wonderful book will give you a history of the Irish and other immigrants when they arrived in 19th Century New York City.

The Captains and the Kings - Jennifer Johnston

Station Island or any collection of poems by Seamus Heaney

Horse Latitudes or any collection of poems by Paul Muldoon

Good Behaviour and Time After Time by Molly Keane

Fools of Fortune and any collection of his short stories by William Trevor

Amongst Women or The Dark - John McGahern

Year of the French - Thomas Flanagan

Star of the Sea - Joseph O'Connor or any of Joe's hilarious travel books.

At Swim Two Birds or The Poor Mouth or The Poor Mouth - Flann O'Brien

Strumpet City - James Plunkett

How Many Miles to Babylon - Jennifer Johnston

The Book of Evidence - John Banville

Collared - Mike Farragher

Banished Children of Eve - Peter Quinn

The Gathering - Anne Enright

The Year of the French - Thomas Flanagan

To Hell or Barbados - Sean O'Callaghan

A Drinking Life - Pete Hamill

Let The Great World Spin - Colum McCann

A Traitor's Kiss: The Life of Richard Brinsley Sheridan - Fintan O'Toole

Poetry My Arse - Brendan Kennelly

All Souls: A Family Story From Southie and Easter Rising - Michael Patrick MacDonald

Ironweed, Legs (Diamond) or any book by William Kennedy - a Joycean narrative of the great city of Albany, NY

The Westies or Paddy Whacked by T.J. English

Green Suede Shoes - Larry Kirwan Will give you a sense of Wexford, a special town that you may choose to visit, in the first chapters, along with with a relatively dry-eyed look at a life in the music business of the last 30 or more years.

## MOVIES

Calvary

Adam & Paul

A Man of No Importance

Angel

Grabbers

Hunger

The Guard

The Boys From County Clare

Breakfast on Pluto

The Magdalene Sisters

Veronica Guerin

In America

The General

Once  
The Crying Game  
Into The West  
Ryan's Daughter  
Some Mother's Son  
In Bruges  
My Left Foot  
The Butcher Boy  
Bloody Sunday  
Hear My Song  
The Quiet Man  
In The Name of the Father  
Michael Collins  
Odd Man Out  
An Everlasting Piece  
The Field  
The Commitments  
The Van  
The Snapper  
Man of Aran  
The Informer  
Shake Hands with the Devil  
Trojan Eddie  
The Wind That Shakes The Barley  
Waking Ned Devine  
This is the Sea  
Omagh  
Odd Man Out

## CELTIC CRUSH PLAYLISTS 9-27-14 and 9-20-14

CELTIC CRUSH 10-25-14

Mo Bhron (Intro)	Black 47
James Connolly	Black 47
Sep-13	The Waterboys
Tom Paine's Bones	New York Brogue
What A Shame	The Strypes
Two Stones	Walking on Cars
Poor Ellen Smith	The Whileaways
Wavelength	Van Morrison
The Kesh Jib	The Bothy Band
Gloria	Them
You Belong To Me	Kate Rusby
Dear Prudence	Lau
Working Cllass Hero	John Lennon

Where's Me Jumper  
Anarchy in the UK  
White Christmas

Sultans of Ping FC  
The Sex Pistols  
Stiff Little Fingers

The Rising of the Moon  
Johnstons Motor Car  
Her Father Didn't Like Me Anyway

The Dubliners  
The Cllancy Brothers  
Finbar & Eddie Fury

23rd Street  
Les Amantes Infidel  
The Chelsea Hotel

Bill Morrissey  
Mick McCauley/Winifred Horan  
Leonard Cohen

Whirl-Y-Reel 2  
Anthem

Afro-Celt  
The Sensational Alex Harvey Band

Great Ceili Swindle  
Apples  
When The Ship Comes In

Peatbog Faeries  
Delhi 2 Dublin  
Chieftains with The Decembrists

Temperance  
Reels - The Floating Crowbar  
Drunk

The Narrowbacks  
Lost Tribe of Donegal  
Ed Sheeran

Lady of a certain Age  
How About I Be Me  
Linger

The Drivine Comedy  
Sinead O'Connor  
The Cranberries

Sally McLennane  
Sullivan's Lake  
Weekend Irish

The Pogues  
Garahan's Ghost  
Barleyjuice

Drunken Lullabies  
Get Out of Denver  
Sam Hall

Flogging Molly  
Dave Edmunds  
Black 47

Spanish Point

Donal Lunny/Cofofin

CELTIC CRUSH 10-18-14

Mo Bhron (Intro)  
Who Knows Where The Time Goes  
Time Has Told Me  
Time Is On My Side

Black 47  
Sandy Denny  
Nick Drake  
Rolling Stones

Rebels of the Sacred Heart  
Plunkster  
If I Should Fall From Grace

Flogging Molly  
Bible Code Sundays  
The Pogues

Lovers of Lifght  
Light Flight  
Whole of the Moon

Afro-Celt  
Pentangle  
The Waterboys

Birches  
Hello in There  
I Still Miss Someone

Bill Morrissey  
John Prine  
Rosanne Cash

Matty Groves  
Black 47

Fairport Convention  
Black 47

State of Massachussets  
Banshee  
Mummer's Dance

Dropkick Murphys  
Young Dubliners  
Loreena McKennit

Lucy  
The Band Played Waltzing Matilda  
Tom Traubert's Blues

Nick Cave  
Liam Clancy  
Tom Waits

Temperance  
King of the Fairies  
Boys of the Old Brigade

The Narrowbacks  
Horslips  
Mighty Ploughboys

Faerie Stories  
Adhainn an t-Sluaigh  
Old Folks At Home

Peatbog Faeries  
Runrig  
Hard Times Cast

Don't Go  
Cathain  
Viva La Quinta Brigada

Hothouse Flowers  
Liam O'Maoinlai  
Carlos Nunez/Liam O'Maonlai

Raglan Road  
Carrickfergus  
Samhradh Samhradh

Ashley Davis  
Van morrison  
The Gloaming

Big Fella  
Fionnghuala  
Buile Mo Chroi

Black 47  
The Bothy Band  
John Spillane/Louis De Paor

N 17  
Galway Girl  
Courtin in the kitchen

The Saw Doctors  
Steve Earle  
Dessie O'Halloran

The Storm

Moving Hearts

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