

LIFE AFTER BLACK FLAG

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NO BAND BEFORE OR SINCE HAD GALVANIZED MY WORLD LIKE THE BAND **BLACK FLAG**. MY GOD, DID I LISTEN TO THEIR RECORDS OVER AND OVER... THEY WERE THE PERFECT BAND TO GET OBSESSED OVER. PLUS, THROUGHOUT THEIR HISTORY, MOST OF THE BAND MEMBERS PROVED TO BE REAL CHARACTERS. FROM FIRST SINGER KEITH MORRIS TO SHORT TIME TWISTED ROOTS DRUMMER EMIL, EVERY ONE IN **BLACK FLAG** SEEMED INTERESTING. THEY WERE SORT OF MY PERSONAL VERSION OF THE BEATLES IMPACT-WISE. BUT WHAT HAPPENED TO THESE PEOPLE IN THE AFTERMATH? LET'S FIND OUT.



CHUCK DUKOWSKI: EASILY THE COOLEST AND MOST LOVED BAND MEMBER OF FLAG, CHUCK QUIT AND WORKED AT SST. HE ALSO PLAYED IN THE BAND SWA, A SST BAND THAT PUT OUT LOTS OF RECORDS THAT NO ONE REALLY LIKED.



...WELL, IT WAS STILL CHUCK!

EVENTUALLY CHUCK ENDED UP GETTING MARRIED AND HAVING KIDS, AND HE STILL PLAYS BASS. GOOD FOR HIM!



HEY HONEY... BREWER AND BIAZA ARE COMING OVER!

WELL, THROW SOME MORE BURGERS ON THE GRILL!

ROBO: AFTER ROBO LEFT BLACK FLAG, HE ENDED UP IN THE MISFITS. YEARS LATER HE IS IN THE JERRY ONLY - LED POWER TRIO VERSION OF SAID BAND. HEY, IT BEATS WORKING!



BOO... SPOOKY! BOO??

MOVE OVER DR. CHUD! WE GOT A NEW DRUMMER!

DEZ CADENA: AFTER QUITTING FLAG, DEZ WAS BRIEFLY IN RED KROSS & EVENTUALLY FORMED HIS OWN BAND, DC3. LIKE SWA, THEY PUT OUT SEVERAL RECORDS OF BORING ROCK THAT NO ONE LIKED.. I DID TRY, THOUGH.. I REALLY DID..



...TAKE YET ANOTHER SOLD, DEZ!!

...WE STILL GOT SEVEN MINUTES TILL THE SONG IS OVER!

AFTER PLAYING FOR YEARS IN VARIOUS BANDS, DEZ HAS ENDED UP IN THE "MISFITS" ALONG WITH OLD PAL ROBO. AGAIN, I GUESS THAT IS BETTER THEN FLIPPING BURGERS!



...HEY, AT LEAST I GET TO TRAVEL, RIGHT?

HENRY ROLLINS WENT ON TO CLEARLY BECOMING THE MOST FAMOUS MEMBER OF BLACK FLAG WITH THE HIGHEST PUBLIC PROFILE. HE CONTINUALLY GETS MORE SHIT THEN JUST ABOUT ANY MEMBER OF BLACK FLAG... SERIOUSLY...



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TAKE MY WIFE.. PLEASE!

FROM MUSIC TO SPOKEN WORD TO MOVIES TO TELEVISION IT SEEMS LIKE HENRY HAS DONE IT ALL. HE'S QUITE SUCCESSFUL. MAYBE THAT'S WHY HE IS SO HATED?



BILL STEVENSON ENDED UP RE-FORMING HIS OLD BAND THE DESCENDENTS, WHICH TURNED INTO ALL. HE HAD SPENT THE NEXT FIFTEEN YEARS RECORDING MUSIC AND TOURING. A BUSY GUY...



THESE DAYS, BILL OWNS HIS VERY OWN STUDIO AND IS A IN DEMAND PRODUCER. MARRIED WITH KIDS, BILL SURE SEEMS A WHOLE LOT MELLOWER AND BUSIER.



KIRA ROESSLER: AFTER EITHER QUITTING OR BEING FIRED FROM FLAG, KIRA ENDED UP HAVING A CAREER AS A SOUND EDITOR FOR MOVIES. SHE PLAYS BASS IN DOS WITH EX-HUBBIE MIKE WATT.



KIRA HAS GRANTED SOME RECENT INTERVIEWS AND READING THEM HAS BEEN COOL. SHE SEEMS TO BE A REALLY SMART AND AWESOME WOMAN.



POWERHOUSE DRUM GOD CHUCK BISCUITS WAS ONLY IN FLAG FOR SIX MONTHS IN 1982, BUT HE HAS GONE ON TO MAKE THE CIRCLE JEKKS, DANZIG & SOCIAL DISTORTION ACTUALLY SEEM EXCITING!



SECOND VOCALIST DON REYES WENT TO CANADA TO STAY. ITS INTERESTING TO NOTE THAT HE'S A RELIGIOUS FAMILY MAN... QUITE A CHANGE FROM HIS APPEARANCE IN THE MOVIE, 'DECLINE OF WESTERN CIVILIZATION'.



BAND LEADER GREG GINN IS A CONTRADICTION EQUALLY ADMIRED & DETESTED. GINN'S BEHAVIOR STRIKES SOMEONE LIKE ME AS BORDERING ON THE INSANE!



CURRENT WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN. BESIDES GINN'S HORRIBLE DEP AS A COUNTER SWING BUSINESSMAN, HE SEEMS TO HAVE CULTIVATED A INTENSE HATRED FOR SOME OF HIS EX-BANDMATES BORDERING ON OBSESSION IN ONE CASE....



HE ALSO HAS STATED SEVERAL TIMES THAT HIS FAVORITE LINE-UP OF HIS BAND... WAS THE LAST ONE. THAT'S RIGHT, THE ONE WITH THAT RUOY SARZO GUY ON BASS! CAN YOU BELIEVE THAT?!! JESUS CHRIST!



IT ALL CLIMAXED A COUPLE YEARS AGO IN A BOGUS BACK FLAG REUNION WHERE GINN WAS HELPED OUT BY ROBO, DEZ AND SOME HIRED HANDS. NO ONE ELSE.



APPARENTLY IT WAS A HORRIBLE MESS. I WONDER HOW A PERFECTIONIST LIKE GINN COULD ASSEMBLE SUCH A PEICE OF SHIT? WAY TO REALLY RUIN YOUR LEGACY, MR. GINN... WAY TO GO!!

