

# **The Western Sizzlers - Electronic Press Kit**



## **THE WESTERN SIZZLERS**

**Atlanta, Georgia, U.S.A.**

**The story begins in 2012, after a series of demo recordings that sound like old school country songs covered ‘n’ smothered with a bit of southern boogie, accidentally turned into an album. The eleven & a half tracks were “mysteriously” released on “Roar Hide Records” as a CD collection called “For Ol’ Times Sake”, under the name of “THE WESTERN SIZZLERS”.**

**The mystery didn’t last long and by 2013 a “band” was put together to tour Europe. The band is fueled by a longtime friendship, turned musical partnership between Georgia Satellites guitarist, Rick Richards and former manager Kevin “The Switch” Jennings. With the help of local guitar wizard Nicky Ford and a bullet proof rhythm section featuring Jeff Bakos on bass & Mike Hammer on drums, The Sizzlers have a rocking, country based southern sound with a bluesy, British edge.**

**Something on the lines of ...**

**Blackberry Smoke + Status Quo = Foghat .**

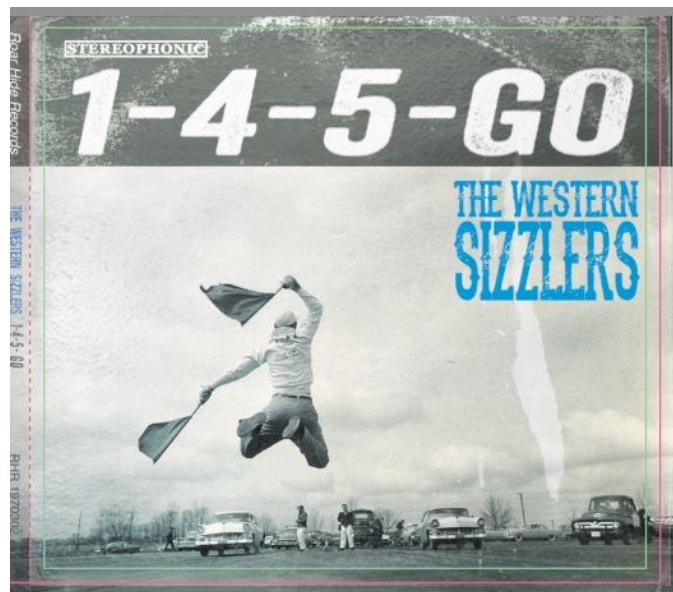
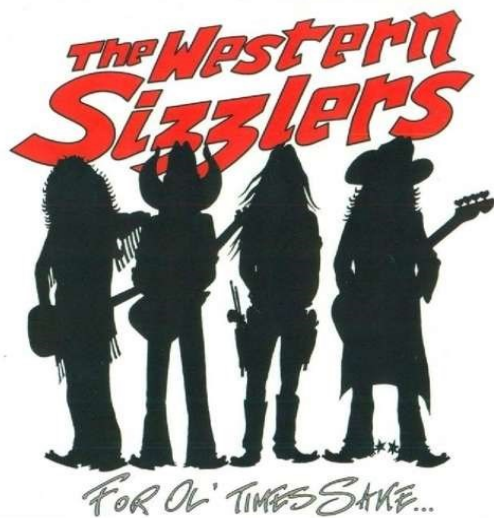
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Debut album: "For Ol' Times Sakes" - Second installment "1-4-5-Go"

May 27th 2013 the Western Sizzlers album "For ol' Times Sake" was released in Europe and a few reviews posted already. All are 4 out of 5 Stars. Not too bad!! Here are some links to those reviews. For info on how to purchase the CD here in the states go to "thewesternsizzlers.com" or, hit the back button below. A European tour is in the works for late fall. We got together last night to have "One more Beer" in celebration.

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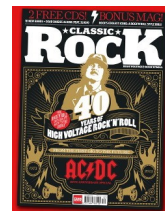
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**The Sizzlers toured Europe in 2013 and again with Mick Ralphs from Bad Company in 2014 with great reviews. The second album 1-4-5-Go just released in August of 2016.**



Thursday 14th November 2013

I absolutely loved last night's gig from Blackberry Smoke and The Western Sizzlers, which took place at a jam-packed Barfly club in Camden. Both groups were making their UK debuts, which gave the evening a really special feel.

Featuring former Georgia Satellites legend Rick Richards on guitar and fronted by Kevin Jennings - who my mate Andy Beare thought looked a bit like Arfur Daley... never a bad thing! - The Western Sizzlers play a gnarly, authentic brand of Southern bar-room boogie. Though he chips in with certain lead solos and slide guitar parts, Richards is like human rhythm machine - America's answer to Rick Parfitt, if you will, and this comparison held water as the band blazed through a shit-kicking rendition of the Frantic Four's own 'Break The Rules'. Praise is also due for their own songs such as 'One Day Closer To Crazy' and 'One More Beer', the latter of which is worthy of the Satellites themselves.

Such was the anticipation for the Atlanta band's first UK visit, the 200 lucky tickets to see Blackberry Smoke apparently sold out in less than an hour. A five-date tour now takes place in the springtime, just as their most recent album, 'The Whippoorwill', arrives on this side of the pond. Sporting some truly alarming facial hair and with three albums in a decade-long existence, the headliners were considerably less breakneck than their opening act, sounding more like the Black Crowes or the Allman Brothers, and it was no surprise when a snippet of the latter's 'Midnight Rider' bled into a mid-set 'Let Sleeping Dogs Lie'. Luckily, the annoying country rock tendencies that tend to permeate their records were left at the door (though 'Ride My Pony' was a close call...) but my own favourite of the band's songs, 'Up In Smoke', really got the crowd pumped up.

BBS cannot return to the UK quickly enough for yours truly, and the campaign to reinstall the Sizzlers as their tour's support act starts here.

David Ling



## VIDEO'S

### **Break the Rules from Ol' Times Sake (2013)**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZuWgv10Jy6M>

### **One More Beer—from Ol' Times Sakes (2013)**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M8KG9-XrtBw>

### **The Rebel in Me - 1-4-5-Go (2015)**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=coJutWpB30o>





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The Western Sizzlers have shared the stage with Mick Ralphs, Warner Hodges, Blackberry Smoke, The Del Lords, Drivin' N Cryin to name a few. More info on the Western Sizzlers at: [www.thewesternsizzlers.com](http://www.thewesternsizzlers.com)

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The\\_Western\\_Sizzlers](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Western_Sizzlers)

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