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## THE HOT PUPPIES – “SOMEWHERE” (PURR 022)



“Somewhere, there’s a deserted radio station, playing all the hits we used to know. Somewhere there’s a bar, serving every drop of every drink we’ve ever drunk. Oh I never said I’d take you there. I choose my words with care. I only said that I would take you somewhere,” sings Hot Puppies’ singer and secret weapon Becki Newman, in such an emotive and thought-provoking way that it makes the hairs on the back of our necks spring immediately to attention, on new single and set highlight ‘Somewhere’, a song, according to songwriter and guitarist Luke Taylor, about “living with the decisions we make in life and never closing the door on dreams.”

As The Hot Puppies search for “somewhere we can build our fires and try and find a new way to be young,” we feel we’re searching for that ‘Somewhere’, too, on their behalf. Somewhere their web of pop can be safely spun. Where their whirlpool melodies can engulf the listener, sucking them in and never letting them go. Stopping off along the way we’ll pick up some luscious harmonies, as Kate Bush-esque loop-de-loops of deliciously-executed choral commands soar and then dive for more plaintive pearls of persuasion, as

spaghetti-western windings of guitar ride through a ballroom dancefloor filled with vintage keyboards, as a lone figure in a pair of glittering-red shoes dances with her canine companion to the backbone beat of bass and drums. Somewhere where music is music is music and is bigger and better and brighter than fashion or drugs or any of the other soulless contributions made to this industry. A place where passion is the only fashion and where music is the only drug, and together they make the sun appear brighter than it does through any telescope.

Do you think there is such a place, Toto? The Hot Puppies say there is, and that they’ll take us there... And you’re invited too...

On Monday 26th May Purr Records release 500 copies of “Somewhere” c/w ‘Where The Werewolves Meet’ (PURR022) on 7" vinyl in full-colour sleeves. This release will be available nationally through Shellshock, and online stores such as Rough Trade and Norman Records. It will also be available through the Purr website ([www.purr.org.uk](http://www.purr.org.uk)), and as a digital download from iTunes.

So, will The Hot Puppies’ story have a fairytale ending? Here at Purr HQ we believe there is a pot of gold... ‘Somewhere.’

“A truly titanic ballad, driven by Becki Newman’s oscillation between come-hither whispers and love-lorn operatics. You can practically see Kate Bush leaping across the moors as the track reaches its thrilling crescendo.” - The Mic

“Becki’s sultry vocals and feline onstage demeanour make you feel like there’s no one else in the room. She harmonises with Beth, creating a sound that is painstakingly heartfelt and mature beyond their years.” – The Guardian

“Eerily magical keyboards, Theremin, twangy guitar and haunting/striking vocals are living, vibrant proof that they are ripe for big-time success.” – Artrocker

**Band Website:** [www.thehotpuppies.com](http://www.thehotpuppies.com) and [www.myspace.com/thehotpuppies](http://www.myspace.com/thehotpuppies)

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