



(Birthday card by Sven)

*HAPPY BIRTHDAY RUSS.
FROM YOUR NEWSLETTER READERS ALL
OVER THE WORLD*

 hi Russ, it's Paul Shaffer. 33-year band leader for David Letterman's Late Show here in America. I've been a fan since I caught you with Argent at the Toronto Pop Festival, 1969. Your singing and songwriting has always been haunting to me in the loveliest of ways. It's fun to read about your exploits with Adam Faith. Who didn't dig that kind of beat? Happy 80th from a longtime fan. Love, Paul

 **Paul Shaffer** 

 I did wish one day I'd have the chance to join in such a special occasion regarding you, Russ, the Halloween son, the man who wrote most of my favourite music when I was just 9 or 10 or 11...

Happy Birthday, Russ.

 **Gianmaria**,  your half Scottish half Italian fan whose roots lie in your beloved city of Verona.'

 Happy Birthday Russ. Still brilliant at 80.

Very best wishes

 **Paul Ruocco** 

 Dear Russ

A very happy birthday to you, and many happy returns of the day!
It seems like only yesterday when you invited us for lunch to celebrate our wedding, and when you presented us with two of your hand-written and framed lyrics as a wedding gift.

We have met several times since then, both in the UK and in Switzerland, and it was always much appreciated quality time. It's a privilege to know you and be able to talk about a wide variety of topics.

Anyway, this is your big day, and we wish you lots of happiness, good health and fun!

 Love, **Greg & Ingrid** xxx 

 Wishing a very happy 80th Birthday to a true Legend. Enjoy your special day Russ.

 Lots of Love from **Di in South Wales...**Iechyd Da 🍷🍷 xx 

 Many happy returns Russ, you'll be 80 on 31st, I'll be 70 on the 3rd Nov. Fondly remember seeing you at the Stables a few years back and in Argent way back in the day in St Albans.

Enjoy your day

Love Sue x

 **Sue Legg** 

 Happy birthday Russ. Hope you have a fantastic day

 **Tim Strickland** 

 Happy Birthday and thanks for all the great music. Our office is always taking a quick coffee break to chat about the classic hits, and many are songs that Russ has written or performed, including our admin assistant Lisa's favorite, *God Gave Rock and Roll to You*.

Best wishes for more success and happiness.

 **Jim Roberts** 

Vice President of Marketing and Communications

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 Happy 80th birthday Russ and may you have many more. Thank you for the great music you have given us over many years. Remembering the wonderful Sunday evenings of R n R in the Bulls Head (Mods Pub) and not forgetting the musicians Christmas meetings in the same pub. Great memories back in the day. Enjoy your special day. Peace and Love.

 **Vic Farthing.**  No relation to Norman!! X 🙏🎸🎵🍺🎂

🎉 Happy Birthday Russ,

I'm sure that there is a song in you about reaching the fantastic milestone of 80 years of age! Congratulations...

I have followed you for many many years, so here is a photo of you at The Roundhouse, in Chalk Farm, in the mid '70's, with Argent!

Life and limb was risked to take this photo, as it was in the days when cameras were typically confiscated and the individual ejected from the venue !

Have a fantastic birthday celebration Russ!

🎁 Kind Regards **Paul Quinn** 🎁



🎉 Just wanted to wish Russ a very happy birthday. A true living music legend and great guy. Thanks for being part of the soundtrack of my life. Thank you for your generosity and kindness. God Bless you Russ. Wish you could come over to the states. Take care.

🎁 Kindest regards, **Drew Abel**. 🎁

🎉 Please wish Russ a brilliant and **Happy Birthday** and thank him for being a music icon and yet a humble family man and just a "nice guy". I will toast him with a dram on his birthday and look forward to the next 10yrs.

🎁 **Carlo Rossini** 🎁

 Hello Russ, May I send you Congratulations on this your Milestone Birthday.

I first met you when you were 17 and me 15, at Abbey Road Recording Studios, you had recently joined the Roulettes.

It is hard to believe it is so many years ago, but fortunately we are both still standing and going strong.

I last saw you at one of your RB Experiences in Hertfordshire, which I was invited to by Sue.

It was lovely seeing both you and Bob again and you were looking extremely well and gave us all a fantastic night of music.

I hope you enjoy a wonderful day with your family and friends and I do hope to catch up again at a later date.

Meanwhile, keep rocking and thanks for all the great music along the way.

 Love, Linda Lee McKenna     Cheers 

 Dearest Russ

80!!! I can't believe it - where have all those years gone and still looking so good?.

Wishing you the happiest of Birthdays and may the coming year be as special as you.

With much love

 Jan (Peeling) 

 Happy Birthday from Andrew and Jess!

 Andrew Taylor 

 Hey Russ! I want to wish you a Happy Birthday and to say how much I love your music over the years and what a joy it was to meet and speak with you in our wee pub! Do you remember that little satsuma I gave you as the band were busy eating my " non vegan " baking? Next time I will bake something vegan!! We still talk about that morning to the customers and they're dead impressed!!! Anyway dear Birthday Boy, have a fantastic 80th, keep

recording and running, it obviously keeps you young! Sending very best wishes from 🎁 **Elizabeth in Scotland** 🎁 🎸 🏃

🎉 happy big birthday! To the guy who gave me two of my favourite singles of all time... voices and I don't believe in miracles (albeit the Barbara Dickson version!). Love all your albums. Hope you have a great day. 🎁 **Steve Jacks**. 🎁

🎉 **HAPPY BIRTHDAY RUSS!** 🎉

Keep Rockin'

🎁 **Bruce** 🎁 (Waltham Cross Secondary modern)

🎉 'Happy 80th Birthday, Russ! Thank you for all the great music over the years and I am so glad you are still making music and touring. I wanted you to know that one of the most listened to rock songs in my life is 'Voices'. I will never tire of this song! I hope I can catch you live in the near future and hear it live. Wishing you a wonderful 80th Birthday and keep rockin'!!

🎁 Best Wishes, **John Deehan**. 🎁

🎉 Happy birthday Russ, and thank you for decades of wonderful music. While I am relatively young, I have grown up listening to Argent, and have recently discovered the music of Unit 4+2. I truly admire the songs you have penned for other artists and I look forward to seeing you for the very first time - and hopefully not the last - at Barnoldswick in January.

🎁 Have a very special day, from **Tom Dyson** 🎁

🎉 Happy 80th birthday Russ, looking good as ever and thanks for all the music.

🎁 **Paul Hemmings** 🎁

🎉 Wishing you a very Happy 80th Birthday

🎁 With best wishes, **Rob Wilson** x 🎁

🎉 Hi Russ!

Happy birthday to you. I wish you all the best. Have a drink or two. Cheers!
Keep on rockin',

🎁 **Wolfgang** 🎁

(Greetings from Franconia, Germany - near The Hirsch, Nürnberg, where you recorded this year the live concert, so this coming new release will be special for me, too) .

🎉 A big **Happy birthday** Russ, thank you for the music, see you at ,
The Stables

Regards

🎁 **Kevin McNally** 🎁

🎉 Birthday greetings from Germany!

Dear Russ, all the best for you and keep on rockin'!!!

And tomorrow on MDR Sachsen-Anhalt a song from the 1984 album will definitely be played!

🎁 **Markus** 🎁 (with a picture from November 2022 in Bonn)

