

The Band

Happy Birthday

When the band did live shows early on, they always brought new things to every show; a gimmick, a new song, something had to be new. As the band progressed, they also realized that their music lacked some real country sound.

To suit both purposes, they got the idea to bring in Jesper's younger brother Jacob, known to everybody as Cobber, for a concert. Cobber also played the guitar and was a much more skilled guitarist than Jesper, and a better musician than all of them. He could do all sorts of sounds that sounded like the real country thing. He was just what they needed.

The group wanted Cobber to play with them at a concert at Musikcaféen in Copenhagen on March 3, 1984. Cobber spent about a day learning the songs for the show. Thus prepared, the four of them did the show in which Cobber sat on a stool the whole time to give off the impression that he was a hired studio musician.

However, at first it was by no means a matter of course that Cobber should be a permanent member of the group. His participation was considered to be "temporary" and "for the time being". But little by little, Cobber became a regular and a full-blooded band member.

Slowly, the band began referring to this first concert with Stig, Jesper, Peter, and Cobber in the lineup as the band's "birthday". Disneyland After Dark was born, and it would be many years before there was any change in the group's lineup.