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CELTIC FOLK AND PROGRESSIVE ROCK MEET ON MAT DICKSON'S NEW CD

November 26, 2003 (Ringwood, United Kingdom) -- Mat Dickson, a blender of instrumental Celtic folk and atmospheric progressive rock music, releases his new album "The Keeper's Log" on November 27. The CD is a tribute to lighthouses and their keepers, and for everyone who feels drawn to the coast, to lighthouses and the sea.

Mat Dickson's music creates a highly atmospheric soundscape, reflecting the ever-changing moods of the sea and the sky around the lighthouse; from storm to calm, cloud to sunshine - stimulating to relaxing, contemplative to uplifting. Electric and acoustic guitars interweave with other instruments, and at times the sound of the ocean, reflecting the ever-changing moods of the sea and the sky.

Mat first caught the musical 'bug' at an early age, but after some initial classical guitar lessons, it was his elder brother's record collection during the late '70s with albums from groups such as Supertramp, Pink Floyd, The Alan Parsons Project, Genesis and Dire Straits which got Mat really hooked on playing the guitar.

Following a bilingual upbringing and many trips to France, it was inevitable that Mat would be tempted to swap the 'bright lights' of London for the 'City of Light', Paris, where he lived for a number of years. Although involved in a rock band whilst there, it was during this time that Mat composed much of his early music that determined his creative direction.

However near or far you may find yourself from the coast, the inspiring and relaxing music of Mat's new "The Keeper's Log" album will take you on a journey where time stands still - where the everyday world can become just a speck on the horizon in your mind's eye. The CD is available through Beachcombermusic.com from November 27.

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