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YARDBIRDS: One Bird Missing From the Coop (audio)(Posted 3:00 AM, 2/1/2012)

The Yardbirds start a seven-city east coast tour tonight in Buffalo, New York, but they will be without one of its founding members, guitarist **Chris Dreja**.

During their U.S. tour last September he suffered a series of strokes that affected the right side of his brain. Fortunately he is able to speak and his motor skills are okay, but he is still recuperating at home in London and hopes to be back with the band later this year. That leaves drummer **Jim McCarty** as the only original member on this tour.

The tour runs through February 9th in New Brunswick, New Jersey with **Vanilla Fudge** sharing the bill on all dates. --*Sal Cirrincione*

- 2/1 - Buffalo, NY - Tralf Music Hall
- 2/2 - Nichols, NY - Tioga Downs
- 2/3 - New York, NY - Irving Plaza
- 2/4 - Glenside, PA - Keswick Theatre
- 2/6 - Alexandria, VA -- Birchmere
- 2/8 - Tarrytown, NY - Music Hall
- 2/9 - New Brunswick, NJ - State Theatre

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