

# The BUZZ

## Chart-Toppers

### Hot 20 Songs

1. In My Place - Coldplay
2. Never Again - Nickelback
3. Sk8er Boi - Avril Lavigne
4. Hundred Million - Treble Charger
5. Brother Down - Sam Roberts
6. Cleaning Out My Closet - Eminem
7. Underneath It All - No Doubt
8. Gangsta Love - Eve ft. Alicia Keys
9. Nothing Could Come Between Us - Theory of a Deadman
10. Crazy World - Rascalz
11. Keep Fishin' - Weezer
12. She Hates Me - Puddle of Mudd
13. Standing All Alone - Not By Choice
14. Innocent - Our Lady Peace
15. By the Way - Red Hot Chili Peppers
16. It's A Good Life If You Don't Weaken - Tragically Hip
17. Hate to Say - The Hives
17. I'd Do Anything - Simple Plan
19. Dilemma - Nelly ft. Kelly Rowland
20. Steppin' Through - Swollen Members

### Box Office

1. Sweet Home Alabama
2. The Tuxedo
3. Barbershop
4. My Big Fat Greek Wedding
5. The Banger Sisters
6. The Four Feathers
7. One Hour Photo
8. Ballistic: Ecks vs. Sever
9. Signs

• Red Dragon *New*

### On Video

1. Panic Room
2. Monsters Inc.
3. Murder By Numbers
4. 40 Days and 40 Nights
5. Changing Lanes
6. High Crimes
7. Big Fat Liar
8. Frailty
9. We Were Soldiers

• Scorpion King *New*

## Pick-Hits

### Toy Box

#### The Simpsons: Moe's Tavern

All your favorite Simpsons barflies will be drawn to this playset, recreating Springfield's one and only watering hole, Moe's Tavern. This set comes with an exclusive Duffman action figure, and is the only way to get this highly popular collectable. Plug him onto the Tavern floor and he (and any other Simpsons figure), will utter original dialog from the hit TV series. Don't look for this item on your everyday department store shelves. To get your hands on this item you will have to seek it out at your local comic and toy stores.

### At The Movies

#### Red Dragon

Based on *Thomas Harris'* 1981 novel, which depicts events that preceded those chronicled in the author's later novels *The Silence of the Lambs* (1988) and *Hannibal* (1999). An ex-FBI agent Will Graham, quits the Bureau after almost losing his life in the process of capturing the elusive serial killer Hannibal Lecter. Years later, after a series of grisly murders, Graham reluctantly agrees to come out of retirement and assist in the case. But he soon realizes that the best way to catch this killer, known as the Tooth Fairy, is to find a way to get inside the killer's mind. And the closest thing to that would be to probe the mind of another killer who is equally brilliant and twisted. For Graham, that means confronting his past and facing his former nemesis, the now-incarcerated Lecter. *Red Dragon* is Hannibal's Lecter's birth, and his swan song.

### On Video

#### Panic Room

A first-rate thriller from *David Fincher* (*Seven*, *Fight Club*) stars *Jodie Foster* as a single mother home shopping in New York who falls in love with a townhouse that has all the amenities one could want plus more: a panic room that has its own electricity, security cameras, and thick steel doors. Unfortunately for Foster and daughter (played by *Kristen Stewart*) the original owner left behind a fortune in a secret safe and on their first night there, three invading bad guys force the pair into the panic room. The chills and thrills escalate as the three hoods can't get into the room and Jodie and Kristen are stuck inside, unable to summon help.

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### Spice Girls Rumours Squashed

Young girls everywhere were giddy last week when rumours were rampant that their favourite girl group, the *Spice Girls* were hooking up sans *Geri Halliwell* to record two new tracks for an upcoming greatest hits collection. Unfortunately Virgin Records has denied that the girls will be working on a new record anytime soon.

CBS was the most popular network during opening week of the new season, narrowly beating its top rival. CBS averaged 13.9 million viewers last week in prime-time, while NBC had 13.4 million.

The Big Two have most of television's popular shows: *CSI*, *Everybody Loves Raymond*, *Survivor* and the new *CSI: Miami* on CBS; *Friends*, *ER*, *Frasier* and *The West Wing* on NBC.

*Mariah Carey* was in New York City shooting a video for her first single for Def Jam records "Through The Rain." The diva appeared confident and carefree, strutting around in a trademark thigh-baring skirt and too-tight top while waving happily to the fans that had gathered to see her. In other Mariah news, it appears that Mariah and *Eminem* are still dating despite the rapper's denials.

Oscar-nominated British actress *Minnie Driver* is going to have a U.S. TV series built around her next year but nobody knows if it will be a comedy or drama.

Pop princess *Britney Spears*, the bubbly dancing spokesgirl for Pepsi, will soon be hawking again but on a more serious note in a commercial to warn people of the evils of online piracy.

Confirming weeks of speculation, Warner Bros. announced it has hired *Rush Hour* helmer *Brett Ratner* and *Outlaw Prods.*

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*Hellraiser VII: Deader* is about to go into production, with a six week shoot in Romania (Romania seems to be the trend for direct to video horror sequels these days).

The final season premiere was the most-watched episode ever of NBC's Emmy-winning sitcom *Friends*. The potential untangling of the Ross, Rachel, Joey triangle snagged 33.3 million viewers, according to Nielsen.

*Val Kilmer* is in negotiations to star as the late porn legend *John Holmes* in Lions Gate Films' true-crime tale *Wonderland* for director *James Cox*.

Director *Rob Cohen* (XXX) has inked a rich overall deal with 20th Century Fox Television and has received a put pilot commitment from Fox Broadcasting Co.

Warner Bros. Animation will launch *Daffy Duck* and *Porky Pig* into outer space for *Duck Dodgers*, a new series scheduled to bow in 2004 on the Cartoon Network.

MGM has opted for *The Quarterback's Tale*, picking up the script from writing duo *Jim Burnstein* and *Garrett Schiff* for *Marc Platt* to produce. The project is described as *Almost Famous* set in the world of contemporary NFL football.

*John Travolta* is in negotiations to star in *Intermedia Films'* *Joe's Last Chance* for director *Andrew Bergman* and *Outlaw Prods.*

to get Superman's long-stalled movie comeback moving.

The new *Batman* animated film will star the voice of *Kelly Ripa*, co-host of *Live with Regis and Kelly*, as *Batwoman*, the lead character.

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