

Music Cues (in order) *Bold = confirmed*

1. Thomahawk - Liquid Light
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10. Max Cruise - Return To Sunset Beach

Special Guest: Mark Cooper

INTRO

♪ Thomahawk - Liquid Light

Welcome to The State of Synth, I'm groot, and I'm Neon Fawkes! HAPPY SAINT PADDY'S DAY! Tonight we'll be chatting with artist Mark Cooper as he gears up to perform at SXSW!

That first track you heard comes from LA artist Thomahawk (aka Christoph Thoma). His self titled album is chock full of incredible outrun and synthwave sounds, and it was released on March 9th. There's even a Megan McDuffee collab on here. From the album "Thomahawk", this is...well....Thomahawk with "Liquid Light", right here on NFM

<https://thomahawkmusic.bandcamp.com/album/thomahawk-2>

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Top Story (Dennis)

New radio synthwave radio has been brought online. Apparently a new synthwave radio station called Sunset Radio 88 FM has come out of nowhere. Boasting a listenership of 20,000 concurrent listeners, it seems to really be dominating the scene.

With more on the topic we now turn you to our Night FM industry analyst Lord Reinhold (Reginald Asparagus Reinhold).

Outland Recordings artist Taurus 1984 is back with yet another smooth single featuring the talents of Karl Lewis. This is "Rosebud", right here on NFM

♪ Taurus 1984 - Rosebud (feat. Karl Lewis)

<https://taurus1984.bandcamp.com/album/rosebud-feat-karl-lewis>

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Artist Interview with Mark Cooper

- Magfest, now SXSW
- Your latest album, Gerald's Field
 - 20 tracks!!!
 - What's up with Kimmy, she sounds like a beotch
 - Did left handed power gloves really exist?
 - Collabs. So many on this latest album. Including Anna Moore and Ace Buchannon
- Trilogy in five parts that started with I am Player One, The Allspark, followed by Test Drive, success and failure, and now Gerald's Field
- Tell us about the story. How can we defeat Major Label?

♪ Mark Cooper - Sega (feat. Mic Jack)

Interview Block #2

- You can only choose one game console. Which one would you choose? (trick question, it has to be the Colecovision)
- Teaching?
- Touring (Prowess to Testament, Will A Scott, Nonzenze)
- What's in store for you?

🎵 Mark Cooper - Clout (feat. Anna Moore and Ace Buchannon)

UK artist DEADLIFE has a new single on the way. You get to hear it right here first! This is “Afterlight Special” by Deadlife, right here on NFM.

🎵 Deadlife - Afterlight Special

<https://newretrowave.bandcamp.com/track/afterlight-special>

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Album Releases

- March 9
 - Thomahawk - Thomahawk (album)
- March 10
 - Max Cruise - City Lights (album)
- March 18
 - The Last Years - The After (album)
 - Syntronix - The Root (album)
 - Runaway Droid - Slow Motion (single)
 - Carpenter Brut - The Widow Maker (feat. Alex from Gunship)
- March 25
 - Starfarer - Anomaly (single)
 - Liquid Modern - Lack Of Access (single)
 - Jacket - Take My Light (feat Graystarsmusic) (single)

While TSOS was on break, Aussie artist Dream Fiend dropped a long awaited album called "Outland", which I'm pretty sure is going to be on our top 10 albums of the year. It features collabs with other down unders such as Gryff, September 87, and Killstar. From the album "Outland", this is the titular track "Outland (feat. Sept 87)", here on NFM

🎵 Dream Fiend - Outland (feat. September 87)

<https://dreamfiend.bandcamp.com/album/outland-2>

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Thoughtful call out

We just want to acknowledge the passing of graphic artist Blood and Chrome (aka Basil) who has done amazing works of art for many synth producers such as Gunship, Highway Superstar, and more.

Aztec Records artist Thought Beings dropped a new single. You can hear shades of Depeach Mode in this wonderful track. It features a wonderful duett by Lemon and Orion. This is Thought Beings with "The World", here on NFM.

🎵 Thought Beings - The World

<https://thoughtbeings.bandcamp.com/track/the-world>

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Birthdays

- March 16 (Yesterday)
 - Mike Mendoza (Who HA!!!, Modern Knight)
 - Sebastian Svahn
- March 17
 - Trish from Static Realms
 - Mr Creep
 - The Amiga Gamer
- March 20
 - Jak Syn
 - Daria Danatelli
- March 21
 - Justin from MacReady
 - Death By Neon

Arizona artist Caspro dropped a very cool chillwave/vaporwave album called Pastel on Feb 25. Breezing and relaxing tunes throughout, but it kicks off with this chill cover of Alice DeeJay's "Better Off Alone". This is Caspro with "Better off alone", here on NFM

🎵 Caspro - Better Off Alone (Caspro Cover)

<https://caspromusic.bandcamp.com/album/pastel>

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Touring and Events News

- March 18 - May 10
 - The Midnight in North America, London, Glasgow, and Dublin!
- March 23 - May 15
 - Magic Sword and Dance With The Dead north american tour
- March 26
 - Futuresounds in London with Sunglasses Kid, 80s Stallone, Iversen, New Arcades, DJ She-Ra, Patrick Fakeman
- Apr 01
 - Stockholm... Follaan... with Waveshaper, Robert Parker, F.O.O.L and Neon Nox
- Aug 18-Nov 6
 - Carpenter Brut world tour

Aztec Records artist Syntronix from Belgium is dropping a new album tomorrow called "The Roots" feat collabs with artists such as Chris KD, LAU, and Bunny X. We've picked the first track from the album to play for you tonight! This is Syntronix with "Danger Zone", right here on NFM.

🎵 Syntronix - Danger Zone

<https://syntronix.bandcamp.com/>

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Shoutouts: (b2)

Patreons (New Since January):
CFFNDRGGR

Dennis Bark
James Hostetter

Shawn Smith
jonathan ballentine

Visit: <https://www.patreon.com/nightridefm>

Don't forget to visit:
<https://thestateofsynth.com/>

That's our show! Thanks for listening! Thanks to our guest Mark Cooper!!!!

We are going to play you out with the last track from Max Cruise's sophomore album "City Lights". This album, like his first one, has no fillers. It's quality from start to finish, with guitars, sax, vocals from Alessandra Gonzalez and Pat DiMeo, and more! This nice instrumental ending is perfect to send you all off for the night. This is Max Cruise with "Return to Sunset Beach". From all of us at NFM, have a good night!

🎵 Max Cruise - Return To Sunset Beach

<https://maxcruisemusic.bandcamp.com/album/city-lights>

Listeners:

Destarian
mr3
craigpackman
themajor
thomahawk
Rayyyyy
KZL
Timestrider
Ikarus'un Gunlugu
Nightrazor
Nate_beta
RexBallz
lordtuts
eggshen
Thetanbait
VarX
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