

Frightened Rabbit on the road

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WITH Lochaber's Gordon Skene named as the fifth member added to the line-up of Frightened Rabbit last month, maybe Scott Hutchison has finally got the right number.

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The band that started out first as just Scott, then with brother Grant joining him on drums, before adding in Billy Kennedy and Andy Monaghan, may finally be complete.

Former Carson, Make Model and Tommy Reilly band member Gordon was recruited in October, so there's every chance we're seeing the whole Rabbit family.

Scott admitted earlier this month that five and multiples of five are the numbers he is happiest with - so maybe that's it.

Scott said: "Five is a good number and Gordon is a great person to have around with us.

"I think we first met him when we were on tour and he needed a lift to London. Then he helped us out a bit and was around for the fun of it. When you're looking for someone else, you want a decent guy, someone we can get on with and someone who's a great musician.

"And with his experience, Gordon's done all these places five times. He's a decent guy and fun to have around. He's playing a bit of guitar, mandolin and a big drum and had just a couple of weeks to learn all the songs before we went off to do some dates with Gomez. But he doesn't need to be told anything - he's got his own intuition, so it's been really easy for us."

It's good timing.

There's the current Tune Up tour across Scotland with The Phantom Band and that is swiftly followed by a support slot on tour with Modest Mouse.

And things have not been slow on the recording front either.

This week, single *Swim Until You Can't See Land* was released on 7-inch and on download.

And in the spring, album three - *The Winter Of Mixed Drinks* will be with us - to take up where second album, 2008's *The Midnight Organ Fight* left off.



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