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[Roch Parisien's Rocon Communications](#) **music chat page recommended holiday reading or gift giving: 'Pop Goes the Weasel: Rock and Roll Off the Record', by [Gerry Young](#).**

This is a casual, breezy memoir of one man's adventures as a record-company rep in Toronto in the '70s & '80s, starting as a concert promoter & later becoming an executive with Polygram Records.

We follows Gerry through his years of herding musicians & partying on the road & backstage with the likes of Johnny Winter, The Kinks, Jerry Lee Lewis, Phil Spector, Peter Gabriel, Robert Fripp, Frank Zappa, Bob Geldof, KISS, XTC, Dire Straits, Randy Bachman, Martha & The Muffins, Parachute Club...even the French-filmmaker Truffaut.

[Roch Parisien's Rocon Communications](#) Out of all the people you worked with, who made the biggest impression on you?

- [Gerry Young](#) Roch, apart from my own bands Martha And The Muffins and The Parachute Club, I would say that Peter Gabriel, Bob Geldof, and everyone in Dire Straits made the biggest impression on me. At the time I met them, they all had #1 records worldwide, (Jeu Sans Frontieres, I Don't Like Mondays, and Sultans Of Swing respectively) and yet were so down to earth and humble about their success. I found that truly inspiring.

[Roch Parisien's Rocon Communications](#) Gerry, your management career got off to a good start, working with Martha & The Muffins and The Parachute Club...your Current Management is still a going concern...who are you working with these days, who should people be keeping an ear turned for, and where can the curious find more information?

[Gerry Young](#) I'm Currently (no pun intended) managing six bands that include David Henman, former co-founder of April Wine, Betty Moon, who is living and working in L.A., Fergus Hambleton, former co-leader of The Sattalites, Trinity Square, a band from Calgary, and George Casey and Scotty Newlands from Toronto, who both have recent CDs released on Blue Sapphire/Dep/Universal in Canada. If anyone is interested in knowing more about Current Management, they can visit our website at www.currentmgmt.com.

[Roch Parisien's Rocon Communications](#) Where is the best place for people to exchange currency for multiple Christmas present copies of 'Pop Goes the Weasel'?

[Gerry Young](#) Even though it's available from Chapters/Indigo and Barnes and Noble, probably the fastest and easiest way to order the book is online from www.amazon.com. They also offer free delivery.

- [Roch Parisien's Rocon Communications](#) Gerry, congrats on the book, best of luck with it, and thanks for dropping by for a chat to provide this extra background!

[Gerry Young](#) It was my pleasure Roch. Thank you.