

ACE FREHLEY

THE MICRO ORGANISM (c. 1965)

Charley Frehley
Guitar

Paul "Punky" Frehley
Lead Guitar

Unknown
Drums



THE EXTERMINATORS (c. 1965)



THE FOUR ROSES (c. 1966)

Paul "Punky" Frehley
Lead Guitar

Unknown
Bass

Unknown
Drums

Larry Kelly
Vocals

Larry Kelly may not have been in "The Four Roses". However, he was a player in Ace's early bands and would write material with Ace. It is not know whether his song-writing contribution on Ace's 1978 solo album was then current or a result of Ace recycling something from his past...



THE MUFF DIVERS (c. 1967)



KING KONG (c. 1968)

Unknown
Bass/Vocals

Paul "Punky" Frehley
Lead Guitar

Neil ?
Drums

It was during his time with "King Kong" that important things occurred. Ace was introduced to the "Double-Bass" drum style that Neil used, allowing him to have "King" written on one bass drum, and "Kong" on the other; and thus appear "really cool". King Kong were a power trio in the Cream style...



Neil gave the then Paul Frehley the nickname "Ace" after apparently setting him up on a date...

HONEY (c. 1968/9)

Paul "Punky" Frehley
Lead Guitar
Playing local bars...

Rich Circell
Vocals

Tom Stella
Bass

Angelo DiGeronimo
Drums

Lee McNulty
Keyboards



THE MAGIC PEOPLE (c. 1969)

Paul "Punky" Frehley
Lead Guitar

Tom Stella
Bass

Chris Camiolo
Drums

Larry Kelly
Vocals

Larry Kelly may not have been in "The Four Roses". However, he was a player in Ace's early bands and would write material with Ace. It is not know whether his song-writing contribution on Ace's 1978 solo album was then current or a result of Ace recycling something from his past...



MOLIMO (1971 – 1972)

Paul "Ace" Frehley
Lead Guitar

Tom Ellis
Lead Vocals

Roy Singer
Keyboards

Christine Murphy
Lead Vocals

Barry Dempsey
Bass

Dave Polinski
Drums

Little is really known about Molimo. Molimo played gigs at the Village gate and even partially record an album for RCA records. From those connected with Ace who have said the name, it would appear to be "Molimo" (Mo-lee-mo). Paul Frehley became "Ace" during this band...



KISS #1 (Dec. '72 – Dec. '82)



FREHLEY'S COMET #1 (Spring 1984 – April '85)

Ace Frehley
Lead Guitars/Vocals

John Regan
Bass

Anton Fig
Drums

Richie Scarlet
Lead Guitars/Vocals

Arthur Stead
Keyboards

The first Frehley's Comet which would make its live debut in November '84 at S.I.R. Sound Studios in New York City. Limited gigging would follow in the next few months before Arthur departed the band...



FREHLEY'S COMET #2 (May '85)

Ace Frehley
Lead Guitars/Vocals

John Regan
Bass

Anton Fig
Drums

Richie Scarlet
Lead Guitars/Vocals

Rob Sabino
Keyboards

Rob was an old friend of Ace's who was active in the music industry, as well, in the 1980's. However, his tenure in the band was short. Rob had also played keyboards on the "Crazy Joe & The Variable Speed Band" album with Ace and John...



Soon after Rob Sabino departed the band Richie Scarlet quit needing to get on with a musical career that was going somewhere.

FREHLEY'S COMET #3 (Dec. '86 – May 1987)

Ace Frehley
Lead Guitars/Vocals

John Regan
Bass

Anton Fig
Drums

Tod Howarth
Guitars/Keyboard/Vocals

Soon after Rob Sabino departed the band Richie Scarlet quit needing to get on with a musical career that was going somewhere. Ace recruited former 707 and Cheap Trick member Tod Howarth to fill the roles of both Richie and Rob...



Anton Fig quit the Comet to take up the full time and more stable job as drummer on David Letterman's late-night band led by Paul Schaffer, rather than deal with the non-ending issues affecting the comet – it simply was a matter of it being a too good opportunity (stability\$) to pass up...

FREHLEY'S COMET #4 (June – Aug. 31, 1987)

Ace Frehley
Lead Guitars/Vocals

John Regan
Bass

Billy Ward
Drums

Tod Howarth
Guitars/Keyboard/Vocals

The excellent Billy Ward was recruited to complete tour dates with Alice Cooper throughout the summer. He was of a different vibe to the rest of the band so his inclusion was not permanent...



Billy went touring in Yugoslavia with saxophonist Bill Evans and then working on the "Dead Bang" OST...

FREHLEY'S COMET #3 Again (Sept. 1 – 28, 1987)

Ace Frehley
Lead Guitars/Vocals

John Regan
Bass

Anton Fig
Drums

Tod Howarth
Guitars/Keyboard/Vocals

Anton returned for a limited number of gigs, without the tour skipping a beat as Ward's tenure ended.



FREHLEY'S COMET #5 (Oct. '87 – Spring '89)

Ace Frehley
Lead Guitars/Vocals

John Regan
Bass

Jamie Oldaker
Drums

Tod Howarth
Guitars/Keyboard/Vocals

For a while Frehley's Comet experienced a period of stability, however, in March 1989 as Ace geared up for his next studio album, Tod Howarth quit the band when he found out his input was going to be limited. Jamie Oldaker also went back, looking back on his time as an interesting interlude, to session work...



Tod Howarth had been unhappy with the suggestion that his material would be ignored, by 1990 he was back with Cheap Trick while planning a solo career on the side...

ACE FREHLEY BAND #1 (Spring '89 – March '90)

Ace Frehley
Lead Guitars/Vocals

John Regan
Bass

Anton Fig
Drums

Richie Scarlet
Guitars/Keyboard/Vocals

For the "Trouble Walkin" recording sessions, Ace returned to basics and turned down the keyboards that had softened his edge. Returning to the fold were long time friends Anton Fig and Richie Scarlet, though unfortunately this did not help the album they would create. Anton's return was brief, just for the recording sessions and some early live shows in support of the album. Gone also was the name "Frehley's Comet"...



Back to Paul Schaffer's David Letterman's house band and selective session work when the opportunity arose...

ACE FREHLEY BAND #2 (March '90 – April '92)

Ace Frehley
Lead Guitars/Vocals

John Regan
Bass

Sandy Slavin
Drums

Richie Scarlet
Guitars/Keyboard/Vocals

The last hurrah of the Ace Frehley band, when guiding force John Regan departs...



Eventually, even John Regan had had enough of the problems, mostly Ace's behavior, affecting the band, and after nearly a decade of trying to break the band into a business gave up. John would go on to work with another troubled artist – David Lee Roth...

ACE FREHLEY BAND #3 (April '92 – Early 1993)

Ace Frehley
Lead Guitars/Vocals

James Lomenzo
Bass/Vocals

Sandy Slavin
Drums

Richie Scarlet
Lead Guitars/Vocals

Yet another lineup that would not last long, but the powerful Bass playing would add much to the band's live performance. Both Sandy and James would depart around the same time...



James had previously been bassist for White Lion, after his Ace Frehley experience he went on to Zakk Wilde's Pride & Glory and then Slash's Snakepit and...



ACE FREHLEY BAND #4 (Early 1993)

Ace Frehley
Lead Guitars/Vocals

Mark Normand
Bass

Greg D'Angelo
Drums

Richie Scarlet
Lead Guitars/Vocals

Little really known about this lineup, except that it, like the previous line up was short lived.



ACE FREHLEY BAND #5 (Early '93 – Late 1993)

Ace Frehley
Lead Guitars/Vocals

Mark Normand
Bass/Vocals

Steve "Budgie" Werner
Drums

Richie Scarlet
Lead Guitars/Vocals

Yet another short-lived lineup, but one that did tour Japan...



ACE FREHLEY BAND #6 (Early 1994)

Ace Frehley
Lead Guitars/Vocals

Andy Rice
Bass

Steve "Budgie" Werner
Drums

Richie Scarlet
Lead Guitars/Vocals

Brit Andy was involved in the band for a short while, his placement in the timeline is unclear...



ACE FREHLEY BAND #7 (Early 1994 – Oct. '94)

Ace Frehley
Lead Guitars/Vocals

Saul Zonana
Bass

Steve "Budgie" Werner
Drums

Richie Scarlet
Lead Guitars/Vocals

Short lived, but lasted long enough to record the instrumental "Cherokee Boogie", Saul was "new" when introduced at the Brooklyn show of 2/19/94, he was also still in the band in late Spring, May 1994...



Love Junkies



ACE FREHLEY BAND #8 (Oct. '94 – Feb. '96)

Ace Frehley
Guitars/Vocals

Karl Cochran
Bass

Steve "Budgie" Werner
Drums

Richie Scarlet
Guitars/Vocals

The final, and most powerful, Ace Frehley band lineup, who would record 5 excellent demos in 1995 before the KISS Reunion came over the horizon.



KISS Again (March '96 – Feb. '02)



ACE FREHLEY BAND #8 Again (October 2001)

Ace Frehley
Lead Guitars/Vocals

Karl Cochran
Bass/Vocals

Steve "Budgie" Werner
Drums

Richie Scarlet
Lead Guitars/Vocals

The "Ace Frehley Band" lineup reappeared briefly as KISS receded from Ace's priorities. Ace returned to the studio in October 2001 and the band would play the "New York Steel" benefit concert on November 28, 2001.



ACE FREHLEY BAND #9 (August 2002)

Ace Frehley
Lead Guitars/Vocals

Karl Cochran
Lead Guitar/Vocals

Steve "Budgie" Werner
Drums

Bruce Terkildson
Bass/Vocals

Performing one live show for former Megaforce Records employee and friend Eddie Trunk, at his wedding, Ace would have Bruce from the band Far Cry fill in.



ACE FREHLEY BAND #10 (Late 2006 – Early 2007)

Ace Frehley
Lead Guitars/Vocals

?
Lead Guitar/Vocals

Anton Fig
Drums

Anthony Esposito
Bass/Vocals

A studio only creation while Ace worked on demos. It's not clear when the guys got together or whether there was a second guitarist.



ACE FREHLEY BAND #11 (April 2007)

Ace Frehley
Lead Guitars/Vocals

Jason Hook
Lead Guitar/Vocals

Scott Coogan
Drums

Anthony Esposito
Bass/Vocals

This group at least rehearsed for possible tour work. Nothing came of it at the time.



ACE FREHLEY BAND #12 (Summer 2007 –)

Ace Frehley

Lead Guitars/Vocals

Derrek Hawkins

Lead Guitar/Vocals

Scott Coogan

Drums

Anthony Esposito

Bass/Vocals

This line-up successfully toured the US and Europe, and hit the studio...