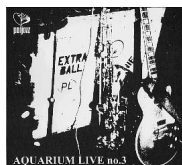


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1. *Dobry rok* (J.Śmietana, Wł.Sendecki), 7:35 2. *Atlantis* (McCoy Tyner), 14:20 3. *Słoneczny poranek* (J.Śmietana, Wł. Sendecki), 6:30 4. *Stella by Starlight* (Rogers-Heart), 15:25

Personnel: Jarosław Śmietana - gitara Władysław Sendecki - fortepian Andrzej Olejniczak - saksofon tenorowy, saksofon sopranowy Jan Cichy - gitara basowa Marek Stach – perkusja
Nagrano 1-4.11.1978 r. w Klubie Jazzowym PSJ "Akwarium" w Warszawie wydano jako trzecią z serii "Aquarium Live" w klubie płytowym PSJ "Poljazz"

Polish Jazz-Rock Fusion band Extra Ball was the best and most dominant ensemble on the local scene in the late 1970s. Founded by the best young Polish Jazz musicians at the time, members of the second generation of the country's splendid tradition, they displayed an amazing level of individual talents both as players and composers. Led by guitarist Jarosław Smietana, the initial incarnation of the band also included saxophonist Andrzej Olejniczak, keyboardist Władysław Sendecki, bassist Jan Cichy and drummer Benedykt Radecki. These live performances are the last recording by the original lineup, except for drummer Marek Stach, who replaced Radecki. Recorded live at the Warsaw Aquarium Jazz club, this is an amazing performance with a band at their highest peak, but torn internally as to the musical direction, which led to their demise soon after, with Sendecki and Olejniczak forming Sun Ship. The inclusion of two Jazz standards clearly points out the tendency of some band members to return to the more traditional Jazz forms rather than continue the Fusion path. Smietana's superb guitar licks will amaze every Fusion fan, who was never exposed to his performances and Sendecki's keyboard wizardry is simply astounding. This is an excellent album, which all Fusion lovers on this planet should be proud to have in their collections. An absolute must! --- rateyourmusic.com

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