



Blood on the Saddle's Classic Album "Poison Love" Celebrates Fortieth Anniversary



NEW YORK - April 20, 2026 - [PRLog](#) -- **Poison Love**, **Blood on the Saddle's** 1986 follow-up album to their critically acclaimed self-titled debut, celebrates its fortieth anniversary this month. **Trouser Press** described the album as "enough electricity to make a deep impression," and **William Ruhlmann** at **All Music** stated in his review that the album "demonstrates tremendous growth," and "The group still has a punky energy."

To celebrate the milestone, on **Wednesday, April 22, 2026, Ton-Up Records** will release an archival video of the band performing the album's title song, **Poison Love**, and it will be available on the band's official YouTube channel. Filmed at Club Lingerie in Los Angeles, California, the venue, like **Blood on the Saddle**, played a significant role in shaping the city's alternative/underground scene. This will be followed by a digital release on Friday, **April 24, 2026**, of a single featuring an alternate mix of the song, as well as "**A Step Away**," which appeared on the original release.

Spin Magazine described the band as "A high-energy fusion that doesn't sound like punk or country. (**Blood on the Saddle**) is doing something new and a half twist different from what has gone before."

Formed in early 1983 by guitar virtuoso **Greg Davis**, who had the idea of combining bluegrass with punk rock, he was joined by bass player **Ron Botelho** and drummer **Hermann Senac**. **Annette Zilinskas**, bass player for **The Bangles**, joined **Blood on the Saddle** in July of 1983 as co-lead singer.

Blood on the Saddle's recent release, "First Blood," a compilation of early recordings and acoustic demos, was released May 31, 2024, on **Ton-Up Records**. The band has released eleven albums and is credited with laying the foundation of the alternative genre in the 90s. The band's current lineup is **Greg Davis** (Vocals, Guitar), **Dave Frappier** (Drums), and **John K. Stephenson** (Bass). The band is currently working on a new album.

<https://bloodonthesaddle.lnk.to/PoisonLove>

Ton-Up Records & Music Publishing is an independent record label and music publishing company formed in 2009 by musician Eddie Star (Eddie Star & The Zero Effect, JoyBox). In addition to Star's music, its roster includes the legendary country punk band **Blood on the Saddle**, **Greg Davis**, **Philip Paul**

Kelly, Toy Machine Gun, and the solo catalog of 1960s legend **Dean Ford** of **The Marmalade** fame.

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