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1. *Epsilon Zero (2019 Recording) (21:13)* 2. *Next Door 50 Miles (7:56)* 3. *Plane With No Wings (7:05)* 4. *Sandman (6:49)* 5. *Polar Vortex (23:44)* Olivier Bonneau - all instruments

The album Spares One have to epic track, Epsilon Zero at 21 minutes and 13 seconds, and Polar Vortex at 23 minutes and 44 seconds. In addition three track at six and seven minutes, and the artist the album is Half A Band. Actually that music project is only one musician, Oliver Bonneau. He says, «A band begins with two people, with only one member this project is only half a band». Half A Band`s new album is entitled Spare Ones, The track Night Train is from an older album because there are nothing yet from the new album on You Tube.

Bonneau lives in the Puy-De-Dome close to the big city of Clermont-Ferrand. Puy De Dôme is a volcanic mountain in the Massif Central in central-southern France, and is one of the youngest in the mountain range. The music Bonneau delivers is not volcanic but atmospheric prog with a vintage touch and a DIY approach. There are obvious that Half A Band have listen to Pink Floyd, but Bonneau call his music post prog. Bonneau is 37 years old, guitarist mediocre for almost 30 years, drummer, then bassist and autodidact keyboards player.

He had played in various band for the last twenty years and have a predilection for analog synths and vintage keyboards in the arrangements. He have a certain passion for the progressive rock of the old days, where we allowed ourselves to fill a whole vinyl face with a long composition with drawers.

Bonneau states, «It`s a bit like the spirit and freedom of this era that I`m trying to recreate with this project Half A Band. All this concocted from my little home studio in a corner of

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