SAM THE SKULL (Harry Hagan)

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Well, I roam aroon doon Shettlestoon and they all know me by sight "It's the Skull! It's the Skull!", you can hear them yell As they vanish in tae the night The Polis Station doon oor way has bars on the windy sill It's no to keep the prisoners in, it's to keep oot Sam the Skull

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Well, one fine day no so long ago, they all had had their fill
They sent for the R.S.P.C.A. to come and catch the Skull
Theres naebody kin get oot while he's roamin aboot chasin all the weans up the close
Peein on the stairs scratchin his ears and sittin there pickin his nose

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Well, oot came the men aboot half past ten in their wee blue Escort van Right roon the back, one had a sack, and the other had a mallet in his hand I watched them run doon the back of the hoose, Then I casually strolled tae the van I jumped in the front and I was off, everything had gone tae plan

Ye can hear them say doon Shettleston way, "Whatever happened to Sam the Skull? He had claws on his paws like a crocodile's jaws, and a heid like a framer's bull." You can tell them for me that I'm still running free, never a day is dull It might sound absurd, but I'm livin' wi' a bird in a single end in Maryhill

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