The band play their debut gig supporting Tokyo Blade on January 4.

This is the first of many shows throughout 1985. The band find time to record a new demo tape at Easter. The three songs are: "Treachery (Ride like the Wind)", "Winds of Time" and "Playing with Fire".

In response to an overwhelming demand from fans at home and abroad, Elixir release their debut single "Treachery (Ride like the Wind)/ Winds of Time" in July. This single is reviewed by Ronnie James Dio in Kerrang! No 99 and is given the thumbs up.

The band see out the rest of the year riding high on the crest of a wave playing shows to bigger and bigger audiences.