

# CALYPSO AND SOCA WIN THE WORLD



*THE brothers Hansson, Mats, left, and Lars*

## 'NANI WINE' TURNS ON SWEDISH BROTHERS

THREE brothers are breaking new ground with soca music in Gothenburg, Sweden.

The brothers, Lars, Mats and Dan Hansson are so hooked on soca music, that they hope to push it to the top of the popularity charts.

They hope to do this by way of a new record called "Farmer Strang", which, when translated in English, means "Nani Wine".

The record is expected to be released in Sweden in August, and it features an up-beat and rousing interpretation of local calypsonian Crazy's smash hit of 1989.

The flip side contains their composition "Pepper Foh So".

"If all goes well", says spokesman Lars Hansson, "we'll be doing another of Crazy's songs called "Caroline".

### 'SOCA REBELS'

Brothers Lars and Mats both computer consultants, now visiting Socaland, said they dug deep into their pockets to finance their first venture.

They did most of the work in the record themselves, only hiring a bass player.

With reggae, samba and other "Third World Music" now engulfing Sweden, plus the growth of Carnivals in major cities, Lars and Mats are confident their pioneering soca work will bear fruit.

The two are also members of a band called "Soca Rebels", which Lars says, has already performed to 10,000 Swedes.

The bespectacled Lars wants to make a career out of being a "soca musician", but finds "its tough to survive on music in Sweden".

But how did Lars go for Crazy's "Nani Wine" out of the abundance of soca music. He explains:

"It was while on a visit to TuT in 1989. I fell in love with the song, and got Crazy's permission to do it."