

For David and his fans, it's..

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DAVID and wife Meryl.

★ **DAVID CAS-**
SIDY was mak-
ing plans last
night to go back on the
road—11 years after a
teenage fan was killed at
his concert in London's
White City stadium.

"That was one of the
reasons I quit the busi-
ness—it seemed senseless
that a young girl should

die because of me," says
David who recently
bounced back into the
charts with his single *The
Last Kiss*.

Now heavy security
plans are being drawn up
for his 21-date British
tour, which kicks off with
three nights at the Royal
Albert Hall.

"We're taking no
chances this time—David

will be protected at all
times by two bodyguards,
and we are drafting in a
massive security team for
every concert," said man-
ager Deke Arlen, yes-
terday.

"We need to protect the
fans as much as David
himself. There's some-
thing about Cassidy that
sends the girls wild with
hysteria."

White City stewards
who tried to save tragic
14-year-old fan Ber-
nadette Whelan, reported
that fans "kicked, fought
and bit" to get backstage.

Says David: "I'm afraid
there's no way I can tone
down my act. I love to
perform, and I will give
everything I have."