

Look what's happened

to David Cassidy



David Cassidy in Sydney yesterday.

A new David Cassidy appeared at a press conference in Sydney yesterday — without his familiar long, dark hair.

"I just cut it — it happens occasionally," the 24-year-old American pop singer said with a grin.

Was he trying to get away from his youthful image of the Partridge Family television shows?

"I think it is time," said Cassidy, a slightly built, fresh-faced young man in sunglasses.

"The image I was launched in was not me. I was playing the part of a 16-year-old when I was 20. I'm no longer in that time capsule where I go out on the set and say, 'Hi Mom, can I have the keys of the car?'"

"It's not so funny after 4,000 episodes."

An 18-year-old fan who talked her way into the press conference,



David Cassidy in February.

armed with tape recorder and camera, gasped: "That haircut — ugh!"

Cassidy is in Australia for the presentation of the "TV Week" King of Pop Awards in Melbourne tomorrow.