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The Editor's Bit

After seventeen years of writing my editor's bit every month, you'd think I would have it sussed by now, but no... I always end up sitting here trying to remember what I was thinking of writing about. This month is no exception.

Five minutes later...

Some of our readers thought it would be a good idea if we offered a prize with our crossword, so last month, we did. We didn't get a single entry! Was it too hard? Was the method of entry (post or fax) too 20th Century? Didn't anybody want to win a beauty treatment? Tell us, we'd love to know.

We're not going to give up, so this month, Elly has made the puzzle easier, and even if you can't solve every clue, you still have a chance of finding the answer. You don't have to send in the whole crossword either, so we can accept entries by e-mail or SMS. As for the prize, it's beer! Everybody likes beer! Why not give it a go? This month's crossword is on the back cover.

Our Premiership Predictions League didn't suffer from a lack of entries; we've got a record-breaking 36 contestants this season. Find out who they are on page 25.

And I'm back to wondering what to write next. Just a few more lines about nothing in particular and the October edition of the Amsterdam Stun is finished. Whoopee!! Enjoy your Stun and Happy Halloween.

Andy

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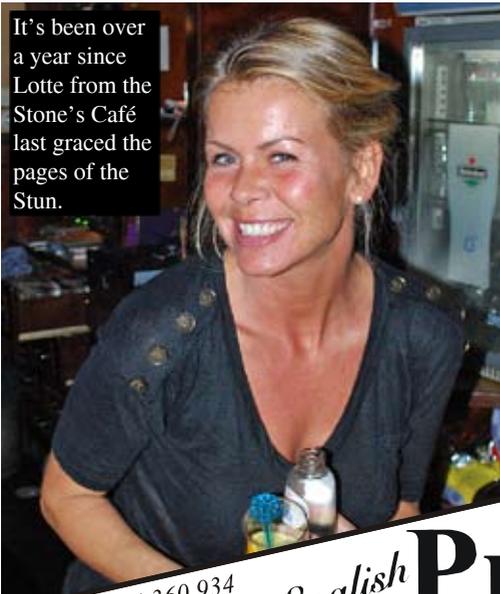
If you would like to contribute a story or even a regular column, don't be shy: we're all amateurs doing our best here.

The following people also contributed to this edition of The **Amsterdam Stun**:

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It's been over a year since Lotte from the Stone's Café last graced the pages of the Stun.



It was Karaoke night in Partycafé Candela and Vanna was behind the bar.



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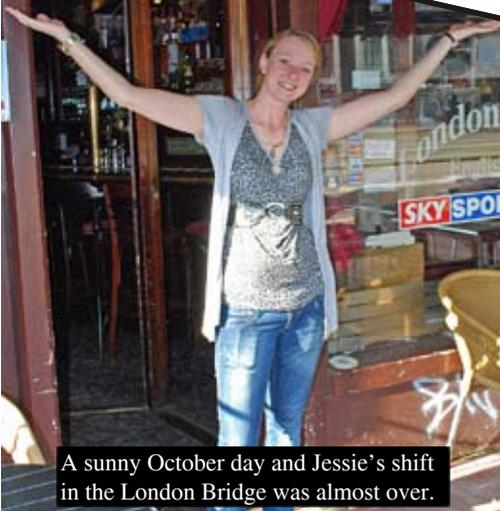
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A sunny October day and Jessie's shift in the London Bridge was almost over.



Ciska was helping her good friend Amy out in The End.

TALES FROM THE

Happy Birthday Alan, Alberto, Alex, Anne, Anneke, Beach-Boy Brian (Caella), Bernard, Brian, Carol, Caroline, Chiron, Chris, Conner, Cora, Daan, Danyel, Daphne, David, Dragon, Eligio, Els, Fred, Frits, Gary, Geoffrey, Heather, Hester, Howard, Ingrid, Isobel, Ivan, Jaap, Jackie, Jan, Jason, Jayden, Jo, Joan, John, Johnny, Julius, Karin, Kenny, Lamar, Laura, Liam, Lisette, Lonneke, Mak, Marie, Mark, Mart, Melanie, Mickey, Mike, Monique, Montse, Neal, Nic, Nina, Owen & Aidan, Pim, Remco, Rhadi, Ria, Roger, Roxanne, Roy, Ruben, Saoirse, Signe, Tara, Tony, Vivian, VJ, Zach, Zorro.

Happy Anniversary Vlatko & Nicola, Esteve & Montse, Iepe & Els.

Happy Anniversary to the Amsterdam Stun too: 17 years and still going strong!

Congratulations.

It's A Boy!



On Sept. 25th 2010, one week later than expected, Muriel & Steven became the very happy parents of Sean Brian. He's a big boy already!

On Sept. 26th, Daisy & Alex also begot a son: his name is Emmett. We tried to get a picture of him as well, but it looks like we have to wait for Emmett's Aunty Sarah, who's coming over from Ireland this weekend to meet her first nephew.

The Chicken Run is over. For now!

The first day they made it to Brussels, where they happened into a few fights (some people might have thought they were chicken!), but they also generated a lot of attention, and got many invites from towns and villages to include them in the next "Chicken-Run". (Success!)

The Old Oak Irish Bar hosted the first fundraising party. We have it from a reliable source that it was "Egg-cellent".



The next day: Off to Ghent, after that Antwerp (where their support vehicle was towed off), and lots of rural Belgium. In all, they spent nine (sometimes wet and gruelling!) days on the bike. And they will do it all again, and more! These guys are really serious about this! All the money raised goes to under-privileged children affected with Down Syndrome.

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GUTTER

Their charity is: Stichting The Charity Chicken Foundation, and anyone who has some money for a good cause, the ABN account number is 45.21.78.622.

The Stun will keep you up to date on future events, or check Facebook.

Our Frank, not only an excellent football pundit, but also an accomplished (six years in a row!) Dam to Dam runner, has been plagued with a leg injury for four months, so bad he had to take time off from work as well.



He only had a couple of weeks of training before this year's event, so to say he wasn't fit would be an understatement. Nevertheless, he finished it in the very respectable time of 1 hour 25 minutes 46 seconds. His best time was in 2008, when he ran 1 hour 19 minutes 14 seconds.

When he ran in Lelystad last week (or so) they sent him the wrong way so he ran 16 instead of 15 kms. How far will you run in Nijmegen in November? Let us know.

Ever since my childhood experience with a "dentist" (he was a butcher!) I've been reluctant to have one poke around in my mouth. But I couldn't delay any longer, with four front teeth & four molars left (eight broke off and four fell out in the last two years!) something had to be done.

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Andy had found a dentist just around the corner, so I thought I'll try him as well. He happens to be very good (molars out, hardly felt a thing, honest!) and equally nice (doesn't rush, explains everything in detail), so if anyone is in need of a dentist, he comes highly recommended.

I've been waiting for a government to materialise since the elections. Just not this one. To be honest, I thought CDA would not agree to work together with PVV.

Because CDA has Principles, Ethics, Morals, Standards... or so they say. They are democrats, so equality must be high on their list.

But it's "Animal Farm" equality. Only about one third of CDA voted against this coalition, the vast majority is willing to forget about principles, ethics, morals and standards, as long as they can be part of the government.

Geert, of course, is very much against equality, among other things! He's usually very outspoken about his hatred. Usually!

I wonder if they watched him on television. Does anybody else find it strange that in a court-case about "Freedom of Speech", where he should actually be defending that fundamental right, Geert Wilders opts to keep his mouth shut?

And don't you think he gets disproportionately angry over simple remarks?

I think he has a giant chip on his shoulder, he's paranoid (but some people might be out to get him!), he's a bully, and like all bullies he's at heart (if he's got one) a coward.

Elly



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It was Nieuwendijk meets Warmoesstraat when Sylvia (Hollywood), Rosanna and Max (Wonder Bar) had a drink with Bianca and Polly in the Stone's Café.

Anna moved all the way from Hunters Bar to the Hotel Old Quarter next door, where she now works with Marvan.



Finny has been on plenty of Mahones posters over the last 20 years, but it's still a novelty for new bass player Sean Riot.



Nathalie came out from behind the bar of the Stone's Café because she wanted to have her picture taken with Gabriela.



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MUSIC NEWS &

October in the Maloe Melo once again has a wide choice of music; acoustic, rock, pop, punk, reggae, psychobilly, r&b and grunge, to name but a few. Checkout the Wednesday evenings, with 3 bands and DJ's. There is live music every night, take a look at our programme elsewhere in this mag.

Labcane will be leading the ghoulsh festivities at the Halloween Dress party in the Maloe Melo on Saturday 30th October. Fancy dress with prizes for the best dressed. This year, we ask partygoers to take all of their appendages home with them. Last year we found a remarkable collection of hands, fingers and an eyeball!!

Maggie

While we're on the subject of Halloween, there's plenty of choice when it comes to parties, on both the commercial Saturday 30th October and the more authentic Sunday 31st. Here's my pick of the parties I hope to get to on the Saturday night.

Coco's Outback will be decorated like a giant spider web with all sorts of scary thingies and there will be a big prize for the best costume (last year, it was a €250 travel voucher).

Molly Malone's always throw a good Halloween party and this year, they will have live music from Peter Carroll, prizes for the best costumes (last year's winners are on this

month's cover) and more...

The Old Quarter don't usually give away prizes for best costume, but they more than make up for it with great music, dancing barstaff and a lot of fun.

I'm not planning to visit so many parties on the Sunday night, but I'm hoping the Shamrock Inn has re-opened by then, because they really go over the top for Halloween. More pub-crawl than party, the regulars like to get dressed up and take Halloween to the other bars around the Staatsliedenbuurt before finishing up back at the Shamrock Inn.

On Friday 29th October, Zaal 100 on De Wittenstraat will host Wicked Words, a festival of contemporary and political music, poetry and spoken word. The evening's entertainment starts at 20:00 in the small room with the phenomenal "percussion poet" Stef Wouters. Kashmere Hakim; "the Moroccan Dylan" will be the first of the evening's musical offerings, a fine songwriter.

From 21:00, the action continues in the main room, where the special headlining guest is John Peel's favourite ranting poet and songwriter, Attila the Stockbroker, celebrating his 30th anniversary as a working, travelling poet. Diana Ozon, the punk godmother of Dutch poetry and Harry Zevenbergen, elected as town laureate of The Hague will also be performing in the main room. Musical intermezzos will be provided by the amazing skiffle energy bomb anarcho trio The Bucket Boyz; mixing the sound of the Tennessee swamps with the Amsterdam underground scene, and by Monty Pagan, folk-punk-cabaret featuring harps, cellos, sax and a cheeky musical and lyrical retrospective of twenty years in the alternative scene across Europe and the UK.

After the witching hour, DJ Rachel and Budapest Delight will play sets 'til close for



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late revellers. At the same time, local artist Wolfling will host a showcase of music and spoken word featuring Ruigoord poets Leslie Ebony Perry, Werner van de Vrede, Lake Montgomery, Max van Remmerden, David Lee + surprise guests and open stage in the small room. Tickets cost €8 for the show, or €13 with food (reservations required for food; call 020-6880127).

Ciaran Wynne is making a long overdue return to the bars of Amsterdam, playing two nights in Molly Malone's, on Friday 8th and Saturday 9th October. He's only in town for a couple of days and no other gigs are planned, so I'll be doing my best to see him play between delivering this Stun round the bars.

A couple of bands I haven't seen since they were forced to stop live music in The End appear in the Stun Gig List this month.



The Sylvester Stallonies have so much fun when they're pumping out heavy rock covers, they're infectious! It's almost impossible not to dance and sing along with them. You can catch the Sylvester Stallonies in the Waterhole on Thursday 21st October at 21:00.



Club Ugly used to rock The End on a regular basis; since I last saw them play, they have performed on the main stage at the Zwarte Cross Festival and drummer Huib has been replaced by R Emmert. Club Ugly play Maloe Melo on Thursday 28th October.

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THE STUN

Monday Weekly

19:30, **The Waterhole**, Neville's Pub Quiz,
20:00, **Café Candela**, Re-Plugged Open Mic Night,
22:00, **The End**, Karaoke, *more than 80,000 songs to choose from. Open til 3*
22:00, **The Waterhole**, Michael Strobel's Band, *Jam session hosted by Michael Strobel and his band. A fine mixture of modern and old rock covers.* €1
22:30, **Maloe Melo**, Acoustic Session, *with Peter Lavell and his Illegible Guitbox Banging Gritmoaners*
23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Smokehouse USA, *The real deal... blues... live & raw, with Chase & the Gang*

11th October 2010

21:00, **Hotel Old Quarter**, The Old Quarter Trio, *special guest: Brandon Allen (jazz)*

18th October 2010

21:00, **Hotel Old Quarter**, The Old Quarter Trio, *special guest: Florian Hierdeis (jazz)*

25th October 2010

21:00, **Hotel Old Quarter**, The Old Quarter Trio, *special guest: Jan Verwey (jazz)*

1st November 2010

21:00, **Hotel Old Quarter**, Old Quarter Trio, *Thijs Cuppen (piano), Olaf Meijer (bass), Klaas van Donkersgoed (drums) jazz*



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Tuesday Weekly



21:00, **Café Candela**, Karaoke Night,
22:00, **The End**, Karaoke, *more than 80,000 songs to choose from. Open til 3*

22:30, **The Waterhole**, Julius E. Green and the Gang Green, *Jam session. Born entertainer Julius E. Green will start the night off with his Gang Green by playing some great blues.* €1

23:30, **Maloe Melo**, Blues + Rock Session, *with Marcel Scherpenzeel (except 19th)*

12th October 2010

21:30, **Maloe Melo**, The Steady Itch + Brand!!, *rock/pop, ned rock* €5

19th October 2010

21:30, **Maloe Melo**, Christine La Rocca + Andrew Balkwill, *funk/fusion/soul*, €5

23:00, **Maloe Melo**, Student Session, *with V.S.P.A.*

26th October 2010

21:30, **Maloe Melo**, Rockerbox + Korte Rock, *rock!* €5

21:30, **Molly Malone's**, Open Podium hosted by NFS, *On the last Tuesday of every month we welcome musicians of all levels onto the stage. Get a free beer for playing a song!*

GIG-LIST

Wednesday

Weekly



22:00, **The End**, Karaoke, *more than 80,000 songs to choose from. Open til 3*

22:30, **The Waterhole**, Stan the Man, *Jam session hosted by Stan and his band. A great repertoire of Latin, Pop and Rock. €1*

23:00, **Bourbon Street**, JB & Friends,
13th October 2010

22:00, **Maloe Melo**, Davila 666, JC Satan, The Anomyls + *DJ's Spik Jagger en Pete Slovenly* €10
20th October 2010

21:30, **Maloe Melo**, Red Flag 77 + Suicidal Taxi, *(punk) + DJ's Meneer & Mevrouw Bok* €5
27th October 2010

20:00, **Molly Malone's**, Pub Quiz,
22:00, **Maloe Melo**, Christian & the 2120's + Jack's On 5, + *DJ Nukebox (rock)* €5

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Thursday

Weekly

21:00, **Old Nickel**, Peter Lavell and his Illegible Guitbox Banging Gritmoaners, *Roots & blues with grit.*

22:00, **The End**, Karaoke, *more than 80,000 songs to choose from. Open til 3*

23:00, **The Waterhole**, Gus Genser, *Former Herman Brood drummer Gus Genser is still kicking ass every Thursday. Great Rock covers performed by Gus and his band. €1*
23:30, **Maloe Melo**, Blues + Rock Session, *with Lamar Chase*

14th October 2010

20:30, **Volta**, Rock Night, *The Boys and the Crash, The Fucking Assholes* €5

21:00, **The Waterhole**, Shaking Baby's,
21:30, **Maloe Melo**, Marulk + Unknown Pleasure, *rock, Joy Division tribute band* €5

21st October 2010

20:30, **Volta**, Metal Night, *Ivy, Crush* €5
21:00, **The Waterhole**, Sylvester Stallonies,
21:30, **Maloe Melo**, Black Bandit + From The Balcony, *pop/grunge/rock* €5

21:30, **Molly Malone's**, Monty Pagan Presents... *singer/songwriter evening hosted by this very comical duo*

22:00, **Coco's Outback**, Karaoke Competition, *Want to have a free shot or possibly win a bottle of sparkling wine?*

28th October 2010

21:00, **The Waterhole**, Red Maddies,
21:00, **Volta**, Spelen voor de Grap, *t.b.a.* €5
21:30, **Maloe Melo**, Club Ugly + De Bende, *rock, punk* €5

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Friday Weekly

21:00, **Old Nickel**, Peter Lavell and his Illegible Guitbox Banging Gritmoaners, *Roots & blues with grit.*

22:00, **The End**, Karaoke, *more than 80,000 songs to choose from. Open til 4*

22:30, **Old Quarter**, Some Band - Unplugged, *Live music with Stan, Micky & Joyce*

8th October 2010

21:00, **The Waterhole**, AFC,

21:00, **Volta**, Knockin Boots, *funk/soul/afrobeat/hiphop & classics, DJ's MR. E, Billy Bad Ass, Phaze, Rebel#1, & Sounder* €5

23:00, **Molly Malone's**, Ciaran Wynne, *Irish-born singer/songwriter who finds his inspiration in the diversity of contemporary music.*

23:00, **Maloe Melo**, Skinner Lynyrd, *Skynyrd tribute band* €5

23:00, **The Waterhole**, The Revival, €1

15th October 2010

20:00, **Bitterzoet**, Maisey Rika & Tama Waipara, *Maori singer/songwriters, with support from guitarist J.J Rika* €10

21:00, **The Waterhole**, Foolsgold,
22:00, **Molly Malone's**, The Monty Pagan Show, *Celtic harps and comedy songs with Ken Parsons and Mick de Neeve. A very talented and very funny show!*

23:00, **Maloe Melo**, Blitzkriegnovisat, *punk from Serbia* €5

23:00, **The Waterhole**, 7T-Rox, €1

22nd October 2010

21:00, **The Waterhole**, Krak,

22:00, **Molly Malone's**, De Quartz & Friends, *Our favourite party-starters have invited some of their friends to join them on stage.*

23:00, **Maloe Melo**, The Optical Nerves, *psychobilly, UK* €5

23:00, **The Waterhole**, Vezpa, €1

Friday

29th October 2010

20:00, **Winston**, Olly De Quartz, *Release of their new album "Silly Jack". Part of Emergenza band competition* €10

20:00, **Zaal 100**, Wicked Words Festival: *A festival of contemporary and political music, poetry & spoken word, featuring special headline guest Attila the Stockbroker, celebrating his 30th anniversary as a working travelling poet.* €8

21:00, **The Waterhole**, Guns,

22:00, **Molly Malone's**, t.b.a.

23:00, **Maloe Melo**, AmsterdamBeatClub, *Live: Sudden Death of Stars, Les Spadassins + ABC DJ's* €5

23:00, **The Waterhole**, Rife, €1



GIG-LIST

Saturday

Weekly

21:00, **Old Nickel**, Peter Lavell and his Illegible Guitbox Banging Gritmoaners, *Roots & blues with grit.*

22:00, **The End**, Karaoke, *more than 80,000 songs to choose from. Open til 4*

22:30, **Old Quarter**, Some Band - Unplugged, *Live music with Stan, Micky & Joyce*

9th October 2010

21:00, **The Waterhole**, Clutch,

22:00, **Molly Malone's**, Ciaran Wynne, *Irish-born singer/songwriter who finds his inspiration in the diversity of contemporary music.*

23:00, **Maloe Melo**, Soul Solution, €5

23:00, **The Waterhole**, Jericho Pie, €1

16th October 2010

21:00, **The Waterhole**, Woohoo,

22:00, **Molly Malone's**, Olly De Quartz, *These 4 Romanian party-starters have been the talk of the town since they landed in town.*

23:00, **Maloe Melo**, Mean Mama, *rock&soul* €5

23:00, **The Waterhole**, Jack's On 5, €1

23rd October 2010

21:00, **The Waterhole**, WNG,

21:00, **Volta**, Gone Bald waiting it out release party, *Katadreuffe, Peach Pit, Gone Bald* €10

22:00, **Molly Malone's**, Molly's 13th Birthday Party, *with the Monty Pagan Show*

23:00, **Maloe Melo**, Reggae Recipe, *live: The Caroloregians* €5

23:00, **The Waterhole**, Waste!! €1

Saturday

30th October 2010

20:00, **Shamrock Inn**, Reggae Party, *with DJ Lesley*

21:00, **The Waterhole**, Blurp,

21:00, **Coco's Outback**, Halloween Fancy Dress Party, *Big prize for the best costume*

22:00, **Molly Malone's**, Halloween Fancy Dress Party, *live music from Peter Carroll, prizes for the best costumes, & more...*

22:30, **Hotel Old Quarter**, Halloween Party, *Live music with Some Band – Unplugged*

23:00, **Maloe Melo**, Halloween Dress Party, *Live: Labcane* €5

23:00, **The Waterhole**, The Relic! €1

Sunday

Weekly

18:00, **The Waterhole**, Theo de Mosquito, *Sunday Matinee with Theo and his mosquito's, a great way to start your Sunday night out.*

22:00, **The End**, Karaoke, *more than 80,000 songs to choose from. Open til 3*

22:30, **Maloe Melo**, Acoustic Session, *with Blueberry Punch*

22:30, **The Waterhole**, Joyce Grimes, *Jam session. Joyce Grimes and various guests performing Pop and Rock covers.* €1

23:00, **Korsakoff**, Eclectic Electric, *techhouse, techno, minimal, electro, progressive, breaks, indie and more.*



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ROUND



Maggie was in Maloe Melo when the Bastardz of Glitter were on stage.



Hiromi was in town for a couple of days, but left before Natalie took delivery of the latest line of Original Giorgi streetwear, designed in collaboration with Rosana from Dermadonna Custom Tattoos (www.dermadonna.com) and available from www.giorgi-moda.com, or the Blarney Stone.



Roxanne and Abby had a good day promoting BeauBronz at the Fashion Event in Rotterdam, so they celebrated by having a couple of drinks in Susie's Saloon.



Mark puffed out his last quiz breath after entertaining a full house at the pub quiz in Finnegan's Rainbow.

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THE BARS



In Maloe Melo, Dee Dee introduced us to David Hollestelle, who, like her, spent a lot of time on stage with Herman Brood.



Emily, from Tullamore via Jersey, found a friendly local when she got talking to Henk at the bar of Café Corso.

All Mathijs and Maria would say was “check out the monthly drink specials in Coco’s Outback”. This month, they have 5 bottles of Sol for €12.90, 4 bottles of Jillz cider for €10 or 10 shots of Jagermeister for €10.



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BEHIND

First time in the Stun for Waterhole crew members Rauli and Salih; can't say that about Anna and Skip though.



Expect a completely different look from Patrick at Maloe Melo's Halloween Party.



The "Ultimate Pubcrawl" mob hit Susie's Saloon, so off-duty barmaid Theersa gave Steve and Rebecca a hand with the glasses.



Dave's a new face in the Waterhole, but I'm sure Iris has made him feel welcome.



It's first time for Luke and the last for Martina; she's leaving Coco's Outback and moving back to Prague.



Ciske and Amy were belting out "Sweet Child of Mine" behind the bar of The End.



BARS



It's Theersa again, but this time on-duty and working with Gonzo, another crazy Dane in Susie's Saloon.



It was quiet in Coco's Outback on their first night open after the fire, but Adrian had his hands full next door in Coco's Mine.



Judging by the look of Matthew and Julia, it's a hard life behind the bar in Molly Malone's!



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Quiz Night

There was a full house in Molly Malone's for the monthly Pub Quiz, with questions from Quizmaster Steven, ably assisted by his twin brother Brian.



Second, with 99½ points: Ann, Pete, Denise, Sheila and Mireille, alias Mentally Challenged.



First place went to Chick, Eddy, Annette and Cathy of the Kilkenny Cats, who scored an impressive 115 out of 138 points.



Have you got what it takes to beat them? The next Pub Quiz in Molly Malone's is on Wednesday 27th October at 20:00.

Seen



I don't get in Mulligan's very often, but I was passing and Monty Pagan were playing, so how could I not drop in to listen to Ken and Mick, and chat to Miriam and Sean at the bar.



I missed the Mahones' last Amsterdam gig, but made it to the Winston for the latest leg of their 20th Anniversary World Tour. Finny and the band had the very enthusiastic audience rocking; it's just a pity it was so early and they were only allowed to play for an hour.

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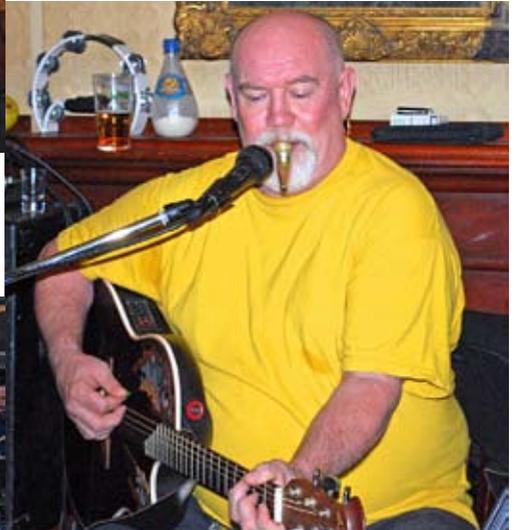
On Stage

It felt like I had been transported back to the music of my youth when the Bastardz of Glitter hit the stage in Maloe Melo. Lead singer Eric belted out songs by Slade, Sweet, Mud, Bowie and Alice Cooper with the conviction that only comes with growing up in the Glam Rock era.



Keyboard player Lode De Roos was the latest guest artiste to play with Olly De Quartz in Molly Malone's. Who will be next?

Finally caught Beth the Warbling Barmaid in action, singing "Proud Mary" at Stan's Wednesday night Latin, Pop & Rock session in the Waterhole.



I used to play the kazoo, but after Micky Llewellyn whipped his out in the Old Quarter, I have to concede that he plays it better than me.

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After her warble in the Waterhole, Beth had a beer at the bar with guitarist Ilja.



David has avoided appearing in the Stun for 14 years, but we caught him in the Blarney Stone.



Gabriela and Ad were propping up the bar of the Stone's Cafe.



Hanna said that Tom is the best customer she's got in the London Bridge.



Jur was too busy to pose, until November Graye joined him behind the bar in Maloe Melo.

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ROUNDS

Every Tuesday from 21:00, it's Karaoke night in Partycafé Candela, with MC Chico and DJ... Oops! Where's he gone?



Earlier attempts at taking a picture of Matje and Chef together were thwarted because it was so busy inside Molly Malone's, but when they went outside for a smoke, success!



Elsevier colleagues Josie and Sara both left boring parties, bumped into each other on the street and went to Molly Malone's, because Ollly De Quartz were playing.



Nehir and Menekse were in the Wonder Bar, where you can always find Max and Hassan.



The Jersey Girls were on tour and settled in Café Corso for the evening.

Man About Town

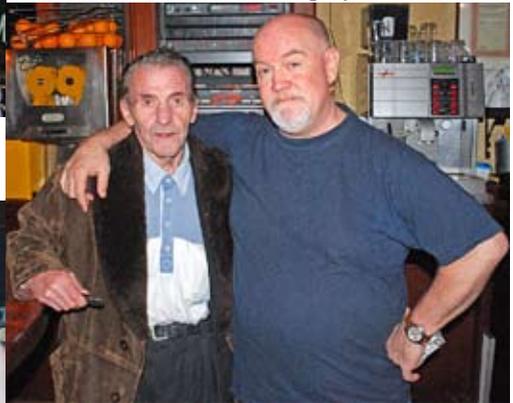
Mickey came over for a visit in August and stayed on to do a bit of house and fish-sitting. He said he would come round to see Elly before leaving on the 7th, but he hasn't yet, so maybe he's still in town.

We hadn't seen Yvonne in ages, but when she heard that Mickey was in the Flying Dutchman, she was there!



Still in the Winston, Mickey was trying to have a sensible conversation with Lorraine from Merv's Sportsbar in Alkmaar, but Finny from the Mahones was in a playful mood.

After the Mahone's gig in the Winston, Mickey joined the band backstage for a drink.



What do you call somebody who hangs out with musicians? On this occasion, the answer's not a drummer; it's Mickey. Here's Mickey with Micky Llewellyn in the Old Quarter.

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JOKES

With our Jokers Billy, Lin, Rush & Tommy

An elderly spinster who was a dog lover agreed to look after and house her neighbour's dog whilst the neighbours went on their holidays. The only problem was that the spinster's own dog was a bitch that was in 'heat' and the neighbour's dog was a male. Nevertheless she had a large house and she was able to keep the two dogs apart.

As she lay in her bed, drifting off to sleep, the spinster was suddenly awakened by awful howling and moaning sounds from downstairs. She rushed downstairs to find the dogs locked together, as dogs do when mating. The dogs were in obvious pain, howling but unable to disengage. Try as she might she could not part them and she was perplexed as what to do next. Though it was late she reluctantly phoned the vet and after a few rings a rather grumpy voice of the vet answered the phone. The spinster explained the problem.

The vet said, "I want you to take the phone to the dogs and place it down alongside them. I will then phone your number back and the noise of the telephone ringing should make the male dog lose his erection and be able to withdraw from the bitch."

"Oh," said the spinster, "Do you think that will work?"

"Well," the vet replied, "it just worked on me!!!!"

Two women were having lunch together, and discussing the merits of cosmetic surgery.

The first woman said, "I need to be honest with you, I'm getting a boob job."

The second woman responded, "Oh, that's nothing. I'm thinking of having my asshole bleached!"

"Whoa," replied the first woman. "I just can't picture your husband as a blond!"

The Lone Ranger and Tonto went camping in the desert. After they got their tent all set up, both men fell sound asleep.

Some hours later, Tonto wakes the Lone Ranger and says, 'Kemo Sabe, look towards sky, what you see?'

'The Lone Ranger replies, 'I see millions of stars.'

'What that tell you?' asked Tonto.

The Lone Ranger ponders for a minute then says, 'Astronomically speaking, it tells me there are millions of Galaxies & potentially billions of planets. Astrologically, it tells me that Saturn is in Leo. Time wise, it appears to be approximately a quarter past three in the morning. Theologically, the Lord is all-powerful & we are small & insignificant. Meteorologically, it seems we will have a beautiful day tomorrow.

What does it tell you, Tonto?'

'You dumber than buffalo shit...'

It means someone stole the tent.'

Two great white sharks, swimming in the ocean, spied survivors of a sunken ship. "Follow me, son," the father shark said to the son shark and they swam to the mass of people. "First we swim around them a few times with just the tip of our fins showing." And they did.

"Well done, son! Now we swim around them a few times with all of our fins showing." And they did. "Now we eat everybody." And they did.

When they were both gorged, the son asked, "Dad, why didn't we just eat them all at first? Why did we swim around and around them?"

His wise father replied, "Because they taste better without the shit inside!"

Husband says to wife, "My Olympic condoms have arrived... I think I'll wear Gold tonight."

Wife says, "Why not wear Silver and come second for a change."

BEING FRANK ON FOOTBALL

If I asked you what Northampton and Blackpool have got in common, I feel sure you would know. Yes, that's right; they have both humiliated Liverpool in recent weeks, to the dismay of Reds fans, who have not witnessed anything quite like this for more than fifty years! To the horror of the die-hard faithful, who are seasoned campaigners and visit their Koppite shrine religiously, this is akin to sacrilege! How can it be that the once mighty Reds could have fallen from grace with such suddenness and indignity? Is this the legacy of a fallen emperor - or is it a case of their new leader finding his feet, but getting his new robes in a bit of a twist? Whichever way you want to look at it, this is Liverpool's worst start to a season since 1953! Even I wasn't born then, so I can't tell you much about it, but it was well before Liverpool managed to get onto the world football stage, that's for sure!

American owners George Gillett and Tom Hicks have been blamed for much of what has gone wrong of late, but the truth is that the demise of Liverpool Football Club has been long in the making. Liverpool have not won the league for decades, for example, and this

was something they used to take for granted in the good old days of the First Division. The fact that they are equal with Manchester United on eighteen league trophies tells you all you need to know about their glorious past. The trouble is, the future also looks far from rosy. Cash strapped and with a squad of players that are unrecognisable in terms of quality from former years, Liverpool seem to be on the rapid decline and their football future looks rather bleak...



I am still of the view however, that Roy Hodgson will turn things around, given time. He has proved his worth again and again, and although this has been a nightmarish start, I am confident he has what it takes to turn things around. Traditionally, Liverpool is not a sacking club and their supporters got on the backs of the owners much more than that of Benitez, so Hodgson should be given a chance. He will need it though, because make no mistake, this is a disastrous start and he may have to off-load a lot of deadwood before he can seriously begin to rebuild. Roy Keane at Ipswich has proved that if the boardroom stay patient and do not press the panic button, then the foundations of a new beginning can be

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put in place. Whether Gillett and Hicks have that kind of patience remains to be seen and if they do sell, will the new owners see RH as the answer to their prayers? As always, in a saga such as this, there are more questions than answers, but the only question on everybody's lips just now is, when will the crisis end?

And finally, as Chelsea look to run away with the Premiership title and only the two Manchester clubs seem to be realistic pretenders to the throne, I am eager to find out who, from our football pundits, is on the ball? Over to you Andy...

Frank

PPL Update

Last season's winner, Stuart, is top dog at the moment, but with a record-breaking 36 contestants vying to win the Amsterdam Stun Premiership Predictions League this season, we should be in for a fiercely fought fight for finishing first.

Here's our first look at the PPL table, and how it stands on Friday 8th October 2010.

Pos.	Name	On	Nr	Pts
1 st	Stuart Davidson	6	0	18
2 nd	Chris Mundell	5	3	18
3 rd	Pete	4	5	17
4 th	Stones	4	4	16
5 th	Ken Passey	4	3	15
6 th	D Bock	4	3	15
7 th	Rob Pendleton	4	3	15
8 th	Jim McGrath	3	6	15
9 th	Ann Marie	3	6	15
10 th	Arun Pankerd	3	6	15
11 th	Willie Wood	4	2	14
12 th	Rick Middelkoop	3	5	14
13 th	John Raftery	3	5	14
14 th	David Crawford	3	5	14
15 th	Frank Weston	3	5	14
16 th	Lennard De Rooij	3	5	14
17 th	Andy F	3	5	14
18 th	Ken Wright	3	5	14
19 th	Paddy Wynne	3	3	12
20 th	Michael Okoje	3	3	12
21 st	Andy Gerrard	3	3	12
22 nd	Steve Mahon	3	3	12
23 rd	Marianne Peereboom	3	2	11
24 th	Steven Krijger	2	5	11
25 th	Suleman Khan	2	5	11
26 th	Buster	2	5	11
27 th	Tom	2	5	11
28 th	Mike	2	4	10
29 th	Elwin Borgman	2	4	10
30 th	Paul Finnegans	1	5	8
31 st	Mr T	1	5	8
32 nd	Carlos Macedo	1	4	7
33 rd	Ron Koopmans	1	4	7
34 th	Callum Dickie	1	3	6
35 th	Pinockio	0	6	6
36 th	Robert Ceasar	1	2	5

A couple of entries were badly filled in, i.e. two teams in 5th place and no 10th, but instead of disqualification or asking for a new entry, which could give an unfair advantage, I put them in numerical order, with double places decided alphabetically.

IN THE BACK



Paul, Ken and Andy in Finnegan's Rainbow are amongst the contenders fighting it out for top spot in our Premiership Predictions League.



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Last Month's Crossword Answers

We didn't have any entries, so nobody won the prize from Déjà Vu Airbrush Tanning.

Across: 1 Lotion, 5 Master, 9 Loyal, 10 Violin, 12 Mosaic, 14 Live, 15 Anew, 16 Lisle, 18 Ellen, 19 Bat, 21 We, 22 Baton, 23 Go, 26 Rip, 29 Elate, 32 Tease, 34 Call, 36 Lear, 37 Brogue, 38 Allege, 39 Dance, 40 Landed, 41 Exhale.

Down: 1 Lovely, 2 Tools, 3 Olive, 4 None, 5 Mama, 6 Alone, 7 Trawl, 8 Recent, 11 Lilo, 13 Sell, 17 Ratio, 19 Bar, 20 Top, 24 Herbal, 25 Stag, 27 Seal, 28 Delete, 30 Acorn, 31 Elude, 32 Telex, 33 Arena, 35 Lead, 36 Lace.

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