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The Editor's Bit

At last! We had entries for our monthly Crossword Competition! I could tell you all about it here, but Elly has already written about it in Tales From The Gutter.

In between my trips around the bars, I spent some of October putting together a photo gallery for my other website, Live Around Amsterdam. You can read more about it, amongst some of the pictures I took last month, in Seen On Stage On-line on pages 8 & 9.

Of course, they're not the only pictures in this month's Stun; we've got three pages of the Halloween happenings I witnessed starting on page 18, plus extra pictures from the parties in Molly Malone's and the Old Quarter available on Facebook.

There would have been more, but my bike seat fell off. Even though I looked like a zombie, I'm not and it would have been too painful trying to get to all the parties I was planning to visit. Coco's Outback and Maloe Melo kindly sent me some photos of what I missed out on; they're on page 21.

Frank concentrates on the Dutch league in this month's Being Frank On Football, but also finds room to mention the troubled team from his native Liverpool. It starts on page 24, with the latest Premiership Predictions League update on page 26.

Add more pictures, music & jokes and you've got the November Stun. Enjoy!

Andy

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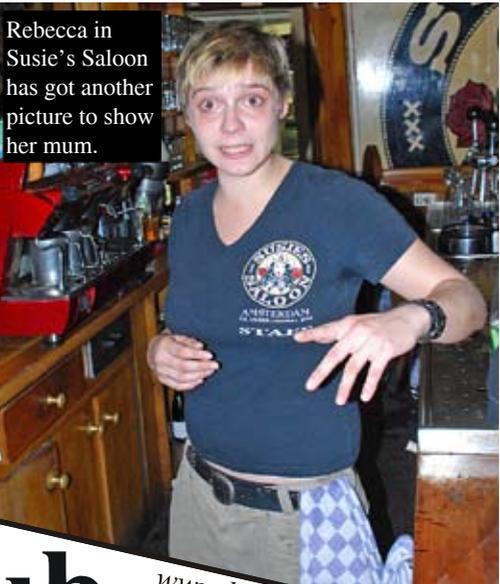
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If you would like to contribute a story or even a regular column, don't be shy: we're all amateurs doing our best here.

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

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Rebecca in Susie's Saloon has got another picture to show her mum.

London Bridge barmaid Lisa has got a nice pair of single malts in her hands.

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It was Happy Hour, so Kym posed on the bar in Coco's Outback.

TALES FROM THE

Happy Birthday Aileen, Angela, Bob, Bronski, Bruce, Cassandra, Christopher, Clia, Colette, Daniel, Dave, David, Deva, Emma, Fiona, Garri, Gerda, Hennie, Jack, Janni, Jared, Jerome, Jettina, Joanne, Joey, John, Jordy, Joshua, Karen, Kate, Lianne, Lilian, Louise, Maarten, Mah Noor, Maria, Milos, Neil, Nick, Nicola, Noemí, November Graye, Patsy, Paul, PT, Ray, Remy, Rene, Renee, Reuben, Roxanne, Sean-Patrick, Spek, Steve, Susie, Terry, Theo, Tiny, Walter, Yvonne.

Happy Anniversary Lana & Zach.

Happy Birthday/Anniversary Finnegan's Rainbow (8 years) & Maloe Melo (26 years).

Happy Birthday Janni!

You are in the birthday list, of course, but I didn't send you a card. We'll send you the Stun instead.

Last month we didn't yet have a picture of little Emmett, born to Daisy & Alex. He's doing well now, so his proud parents took the opportunity to spend a couple of hours in Molly Malone's to celebrate with their friends.



Jill has been out of the hospital for a while now, slowly but surely recuperating at home, with Klaas looking after her. We are all thinking about you Jill, and we miss you!

You always know how to make people feel good about themselves, to make them feel special.

And you know what, you're special, and we wish you all the best!

If there's something we can do for you, don't hesitate to ask.

Neil wasn't long in Amsterdam before he became a member of the Fiddlers crowd (here he is with Caroline behind the bar, and Kim in front of it), and was happy to play his guitar



GUTTER

(with or without the mouth-organ) whenever asked. He was usually in “high spirits”, but he could feel very down at times.

I think he was like a tortured soul inside, who, while actually being introvert, put on his extrovert suit in public, so people didn't know he was dying a bit inside.

Now he doesn't have to struggle any more. He can rest in peace.

We never had many crossword solutions sent in. There were a few comments about them being too difficult, but I like to think our readership wouldn't accept them too easy, and frankly, I'd feel like if I was insulting our readers intelligence.

But now we have prizes to give away (thanks a lot to our sponsors for that!) I did make it a bit easier by including the shaded squares, where the letters spell out a little message. That's the solution.

And, by the way, none of the entrants (or anybody else for that matter) congratulated the Stun with it's 17th anniversary. The solution was: The Stun is seventeen years old.

And the winner is: Chris Mundell!

This ex-policeman, who now teaches at Durham University, doesn't live in Amsterdam, but is a frequent visitor to our beloved city. There's actually a chance he'll be over this weekend, so he can collect his prize in person.

So Chris, when you read this, give us a ring!

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This month's sponsor is Salon Déjà Vu, with a choice of treatments. With more sponsors lined up already, so prizes guaranteed!

The Stun hopes to get lots of entries, so start puzzling, have fun, closing date is December 4th.

We had quite a few entries for last month, so many I had to pick one out of a basket, under the all-seeing eye of the camera.

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WARD AROUND

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CENTRUM



Marvan took to his first Halloween party in the Old Quarter like a duck to water, so Marlene had no reason to handcuff him. More party photos on pages 19 & 20 and Facebook.

Bianca was enjoying a late night snack during her shift behind the bar of the Stone's Café: Nice chips.



Niesje was taking Queenie (Johnny Bravo's dog) for a walk, so we had to get a photo; it's over 6 years since either of them appeared in the Stun.



Here's Willem behind the bar of the Old Nickel, but if you visit www.livearoundamsterdam.com/photos, you can find a picture of him playing his guitar.

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Seen On Stage

Every month, I take loads of pictures of the live music I encounter while crawling round the bars of Amsterdam, but most of them have gone unseen – until now! The Stun's sister site, Live Around Amsterdam, has now got a photo gallery with nearly all my music photos from the last two years:

www.livearoundamsterdam.com/photos



All the photos of Monty Pagan Shows I've seen in Molly Malone's are grouped together in one album.

I was delivering the latest Stun when Ciaran Wynne played in Molly's last month, so I only took 6 photos of him.



Peter Lavell's Monday Acoustic Jam in Maloe Melo and weekend gigs in the Old Nickel both have their own album.

Loads of pictures with Rory on-line; this one is from Michael Strobel's Monday Jam in the Waterhole.



Theo made a guest appearance with Some Band in the Old Quarter in October; gigs with the rest of Mosquito in the Waterhole, Bourbon Street, Coco's Mine and The End are also on-line.

On-line



Devon and his melodica played a few songs with hosts Neil and Fraser at a quieter than usual Open Mike Night in Molly Malone's.

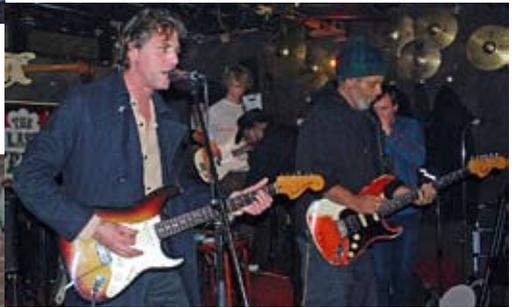
Giovanni accompanied Tamira on the stage.



Tijmen was playing in the Old Nickel with Francesco, Jaap and Mick, amongst others, so that's another photo album.



Julius E. Green is a natural performer and always pulls in a good crowd for his Tuesday jam in the Waterhole.



Magic Sem and Terry Mann don't have their own albums, but appear in quite a few places on the site.



I didn't have any recent pictures of Marcel Scherpenzeel's Tuesday session in Maloe Melo, so I dropped in for some of his inimitable Rock & Blues.

WHAT'S ON

Wintertime has arrived. It's cold and dark outside. Come along to the Maloe Malo and warm yourself up with a drink and good music. We have all kinds of music to choose from, see our programme in this mag. You can be sure of a warm welcome and good company. See you soon.

Maggie

No pictures of Olly De Quartz in this month's Stun (although you can find over 200 at www.livearoundamsterdam.com/photos), but we have got some news from the band: they have released a Christmas album, featuring their new single 'Silly Jack' and festive classics like 'Rocking Around The Christmas Tree', 'Santa Claus is Coming to Town' and 'Jingle Bell Rock'. 'Quartz Christmas' will be on sale at all future Olly De Quartz gigs, including tonight (Friday 12th) and Saturday 27th November in Molly Malone's. Get a preview at www.youtube.com/user/Quartzchristmas.

Canadian singer/songwriter Serena Pryne is currently on a month long tour of the Netherlands and will be finishing it in the Waterhole on Saturday 27th November. Should be a good night; she's on stage from 21:00.

Concert tickets are not exactly cheap, but now the government is planning to raise the VAT on them from 6% to 19% and cut subsidies to cultural palaces like Paradiso and Melkweg, making them even more expensive! If you think the government is going too far, join the demo on Leidseplein on Saturday 20th November from 16:00.



Every Monday at 19:30, Neville presents the weekly Pub Quiz in the Waterhole. It's free to enter with the winner getting a pint for themselves and a tray of Jagermeisters to share with the other contestants.

To avoid clashing with the Champions League matches on TV, this month's Pub Quiz in Molly Malone's has been moved to Monday 22nd November, starting at 20:00. They have cash prizes and it's always a full house, so it's advisable to book your table in advance.

This month's Pub Quiz in Finnegan's Rainbow is planned for Saturday 20th, but that hadn't been confirmed as we went to print. Ask in the bar for the latest news.

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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*

15th November 2010

- 21:00, **Hotel Old Quarter**, Jazz Special, *with Florian Hierdeis - guitar, Andreas Metzler - bass & Michael Rorby - trombone,*

22nd November 2010

- 20:00, **Molly Malone's**, Pub Quiz,
21:00, **Hotel Old Quarter**, The Old Quarter Trio, *special guest: Mathilde Marlon (jazz)*

29th November 2010

- 21:00, **Hotel Old Quarter**, The Old Quarter Trio, *jazz*

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
23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Open Jam, *with Lamar Chase*
23:30, **Maloe Melo**, Blues + Rock Session, *with Marcel Scherpenzeel*

Tuesday cont.

16th November 2010

- 21:30, **Maloe Melo**, V.S.P.A. Student Session,

23rd November 2010

- 21:30, **Maloe Melo**, The Aborigines, €5

30th November 2010

- 21:30, **Maloe Melo**, Les Bif-Tecs, *soul, jazz, blues* €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!*

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, *live soul, funk and blues all night*

17th November 2010

- 22:00, **Maloe Melo**, Punk/Rock Evening, *with WAT, Since I am, Yawp + DJ Hammer* €5

24th November 2010

- 22:00, **Maloe Melo**, Punk/Rock Evening, *with Bad Movies, 10 Gauge, De Bende + DJ Nukebox* €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 Rahim*

11th November 2010

20:30, **Volta**, Rock Night, *Fatneck, The Mystery Train Conductors* €5

21:00, **The Waterhole**, Shaking Patsy,
21:30, **Maloe Melo**, Void Union, *support: The Beatzers (ska)* €8

18th November 2010

20:30, **Volta**, Rock Night, *The Suspenders, Smook* €5

21:00, **The Waterhole**, Lek,
21:30, **Maloe Melo**, November's Birthday Bash
22:00, **Coco's Outback**, Karaoke
Competition, *Want to have a free shot or possibly win a bottle of sparkling wine?*

25th November 2010

21:00, **The Waterhole**, Suspenders,
21:00, **Volta**, Spelen voor de Grap, *t.b.a.* €5
21:30, **Maloe Melo**, Stead, *support: Honeyffy* €5
21:30, **Molly Malone's**, Monty Pagan
Presents... *singer/songwriter evening hosted by this very comical duo*

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*

12th November 2010

21:00, **The Waterhole**, AFC,
22:00, **Molly Malone's**, Olly De Quartz, *These 4 Romanian party-starters have been the talk of the town since they landed in Amsterdam. A night guaranteed to be one you will always be trying to remember!*

23:00, **Maloe Melo**, The Soul Prophets, €5
23:00, **The Waterhole**, Waste!! €1

19th November 2010

21:00, **The Waterhole**, Noise,
21:00, **Volta**, Club Noir Excess: Gothic Night, *DJ Droid, Reverend Esser, CCCP, G.Host, Ro, Dresscode: gothic/cyber/black/alternative* €7
23:00, **Maloe Melo**, The Neon Angels, *rock* €5
23:00, **The Waterhole**, Alkazar, €1

26th November 2010

21:00, **The Waterhole**, Wild Boyz,
22:00, **Molly Malone's**, Molly's 13th Birthday Party, *with Declan Downey*
23:00, **Maloe Melo**, Boys Named Sue, *homage to the man in black* €5
23:00, **The Waterhole**, Rubber, €1
23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Mosquito,

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Saturday

Weekly

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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*

13th November 2010

21:00, **The Waterhole**, Mixxxed Breed,

22:00, **Molly Malone's**, 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**, Bluesenz, *powerblues* €5

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

23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Gregosaurus Rex,

20th November 2010

20:00, **Finnegan's Rainbow**, Pub Quiz (tbc),

21:00, **The Waterhole**, Stereo Types,

23:00, **Maloe Melo**, Jean Paul Rena, *bluesrock* €5

23:00, **The Waterhole**, Rife, €1

27th November 2010

21:00, **The Waterhole**, Serena Pryne,

22:00, **Molly Malone's**, Olly De Quartz, *See Friday 12th*

23:00, **Maloe Melo**, Out On The Floor, *Northern Soul. Ska, Sixties* €5

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

14th November 2010

19:00, **Shamrock Inn**, The Sham Jam, *with Berna, Jur & Kim*

28th November 2010

19:00, **Shamrock Inn**, The Sham Jam, *with Berna, Jur & Kim*

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ROUND



Simon, Matje, Pete and Klaas were having a drink in Molly's. Matje & Klaas are siblings of Foxy, who used to have a bar on Zeedijk.



Proud parents Alex and Daisy were celebrating the birth of baby Emmett (see page 4) with a drink in Molly Malone's.



Gabriel has just invested in a new Karaoke computer for The End, which gets the thumbs-up from Sopa and Andy.

Stan doesn't drink in the afternoon, but after 4pm, it's early evening and Happy Hour has already started in Susie's Saloon.



Lauren had Mathijs in the palm of her hand in the Flying Dutchman.

Tommy and Elly are the first people you meet when you visit the Waterhole.



THE BARS



The locals, Jackie and Trina, are back in their local, the Shamrock Inn.



Henk was stunned at the sight of somebody "washing" Café Corso's window.

Monday night in Coco's Outback, where Dave (www.tayview.nl) was having a drink with Adriaan, who plays with fire (see page 26) in Coco's Mine.



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BEHIND



Iris, Anna, Skip and Elisa were showing new girl Annelotte the ropes, so there were five of them behind the Waterhole bar on a Monday night.



It was Marcelle's first night back behind the bar in De Barones after a three week break while she down-sized to perfection.

Didn't we have a picture of Julie and Matthew together in Molly's last month?



Two weeks later, on a Tuesday; this time Annelotte was working with Arjan, David and Liz.

Guess what word was passing Susie's barman Frank's lips when the flash went off.



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BARS



Aggy and Vanna know how to party, which is probably why they're behind the bar in Partycafé Candela.



The Shamrock Inn has re-opened after some refurbishment work and is now in the capable hands of Pascal, a familiar face to Shamrock regulars, but rarely caught by the Stun camera.



Another night in Molly Malone's and another crew behind the bar; this time, Pat and Steven were doing the honours.

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ROUND THE BARS

First port of call on my Halloween rounds was Molly Malone's; not as busy as other years, but still a lot of fun.



AT HALLOWEEN

Next stop, the Old Quarter, where the party overflowed onto Warmoesstraat.



MORE



The Addams Family; Gomez on guitar, Morticia on bass and Uncle Fester (impersonating rock legend Micky Llewellyn) provided the Old Quarter's entertainment.

Cousin Itt joined them for a few songs.



Has Beth the Warbling Barmaid got a rival in Old Quarter barmaid Marlene?



HALLOWEEN

Due to a broken bike seat, I couldn't make it to these parties, so thank you Maloe Melo and Coco's Outback for supplying these pictures.



8 Years

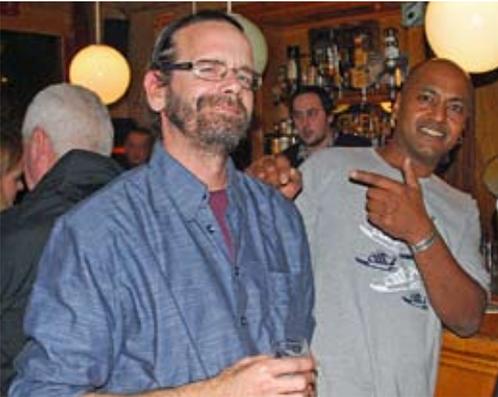
MORE ROUNDS



At Finnegan's Rainbow 8th Birthday Party, while Marjolein and... Paul were mingling with the regulars...



Martine, Sabra, Cynthia and Francia were in Molly Malone's to see Ciaran Wynne play.



Mark was taking care of the music and Andy the visuals.



Tas was in town for a couple of weeks to spend time with his daughter Renee.



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In a Restaurant window: "Don't stand there and be hungry; come on in and get fed up."

Outside a Muffler Shop: "No appointment necessary. We hear you coming."

JOKES

With Jokers: Billy, Franky, John & Lin

Little Melissa comes home from school & tells her father that they learned about the history of Valentine's Day. 'Since Valentine is a Christian saint, and we're Jewish,' she asks, 'Will God get mad at me for giving someone a valentine?'

Melissa's father thinks a bit, then says: 'No, I don't think God would get mad. Who do you want to give a Valentine to?'

'Osama Bin Laden,' she says.

'Why Osama Bin Laden?' her father asks in shock.

'Well,' she says, 'I thought that if a little British Jewish girl could have enough love to give Osama a Valentine, he might start to think that maybe we're not all bad, and maybe start loving people a little bit. And if other kids saw what I did and sent Valentines to Osama, he'd love everyone a lot. And then he'd start going all over the place to tell everyone how much he loved them, and how he didn't hate anyone anymore.'

Her father's heart swells and he looks at his daughter with newfound pride. 'Melissa, that's the most wonderful thing I have ever heard.'

'I know,' Melissa says, 'and once that gets him out into the open, the Royal Marines could shoot the bastard.'

Australian Medical Association researchers have found that patients needing blood transfusions may benefit from receiving chicken blood rather than human blood. It tends to make the men cocky and the women lay better...

I spent \$5000 on a boob job for the wife. She was delighted.

I spent another \$2000 on a nose job for her. She was ecstatic.

I spent \$2000 on liposuction for her and she was over the moon.

I spent \$50 on a blowjob for myself and she gets pissed. Women!

BEING FRANK ON FOOTBALL

I don't often start my column with a look at the Eredivisie here in the Netherlands, but I think it is long overdue. Special mention must go to Twente Enschede, who sit proudly at the top of the Dutch league once again and are as yet undefeated. Personally, I thought that this season would be a two-horse race between P.S.V. and Ajax. I had not bargained for the continuing success story of a team, who a season or so ago, were more likely to be propping up the division rather than actually winning it! It has been a remarkable transition and even more remarkable perhaps because last year's Championship winning coach Steve McClaren, has moved on to pastures new.

The football season over here has in fact been full of surprises with Feyenoord failing and also falling into football oblivion and of course the more recent Ajax capitulation. Martin Jol, the current coach, is coming under scrutiny because of a lack of creativity in

midfield and the need for a speedy wide man to make things happen. Making things happen though, requires a team!

He argues however, that if the club could hand him 10 million euros, he could easily find one, but after an embarrassing home defeat to ADO Den Haag last week, this sounds a bit like an after the horse has bolted afterthought. I also think Ajax has another problem and this is up front. Strangely, two of the best strikers in the land are not bonding quite as well as first thought. Luis Suarez and Mounir El Hamdaoui started well enough and in El Hamdaoui's case, maybe too well? He scored on his debut and has never really looked back - although it must be said that in the Champions league, when the standards rise, he seems less able to replicate

his form with the club from Amsterdam. In the Eredivisie however, there is generally no stopping him and I think there could be an ego conflict to contend with here. Sometimes



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Suarez reminds me of a small child, who, if he does not get his own way, will run off with the ball in protest!

Since El Hamdaoui arrived on the scene, the limelight - which Luis craves for with the same intensity as a vampire desires the darkness - has been blazing in the direction of the Moroccan international and our Uruguayan acquaintance has not enjoyed it too much. In fact, I think it drains his batteries, along with that captain's name tag, but his greatest nemesis is probably his frustrations with a team that promises to deliver, but invariably doesn't. Ajax have had their wake-up call and now it is about time they started to deliver. Whether Martin Jol is the

right man for the job is still very much open to debate, but I am a firm believer in continuity and for that reason I would say stay with him and see. If one week in politics is a long time, then one day in football most certainly is a lot longer, so the key to success is continuity, as has been proven by Sir Alex, Arse Wenger and the late great Sir Bobby Robson. They all had their doubters to begin with, but in the end, because they had the support of the board, they went from strength to strength.

Talking of continuity, this is what Liverpool need at the moment. New owners - albeit more Americans - but a sense of purpose that reverberates around Anfield from the ball boys to the tea lady. You can see it on the field as well. Fernando Torres and Steven Gerrard have been rejuvenated and refreshingly rewarded too when they almost single-handedly defeated Chelsea the other week. Finally the Koppite roar has reason to be re-awoken and the long-term future of a club that never walks alone has found new cause for optimism. It is not going to happen overnight though, but the seeds are now at long last starting to be sown. The good news for the Reds is that Torres, Gerrard, and Reina too, are up to the job and they are, in the short term at least, pivotal to the Reds football rehabilitation.

And finally, as our Premier Prediction League reaches new levels of competitiveness, I might just add that my dear wife Arun is doing better than I am! Perhaps it is true. The less you know about football, the better it is for everyone.

Frank

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PPL UPDATE In The Back

We seem to have a very volatile table this season and since writing his column on Tuesday, Frank has overtaken Arun and finds himself in 5th place. Here's how the table looks on Friday 12th November 2010.

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



You have to be careful when Adriaan is behind the bar in Coco's Mine, but where else are you going to find a fire-breathing barman?



Appearing with Waterhole Plee Boy Dennis this month: the one & only Julius E. Green!

Last Month's Crossword Answer

Puzzle: The Stun is seventeen years old

Across: 1 Photographers, 8 Inert, 10 Chimp, 12 Neo, 13 Eat, 14 To, 15 Pet, 16 Li, 17 STP, 19 Lei, 21 Nob, 22 At, 23 We, 24 Out, 25 Sty, 28 Eon, 30 Pi, 31 Wry, 32 PC, 33 CBS, 35 Gig, 37 Eilat, 38 Roast, 39 Sandwich Board.
 Down: 1 Printing Press, 2 Oven, 3 Otto, 4 Russet, 5 Puce, 6 Exit, 7 Sophisticated, 9 Rest, 11 Have, 17 SBS, 18 Pay, 19 Lee, 20 Ion, 26 Tuba, 27 Erotic, 29 Ohio, 33 Clan, 34 Stow, 35 Grab, 36 Gala.

In Memory of Neil Stanley Rogerson

12th January 1966 - 15th October 2010



It came as quite a shock when I heard Neil the busker had died; he had looked and sounded his usual self when I last saw him playing on the bridge near us a few weeks earlier. I've known Neil since the days of the Rodos Bar and to me, he had become such an integral part of the sights and sounds of Amsterdam that I rarely took pictures of him, but always listened to his songs when I bumped into him.

Andy

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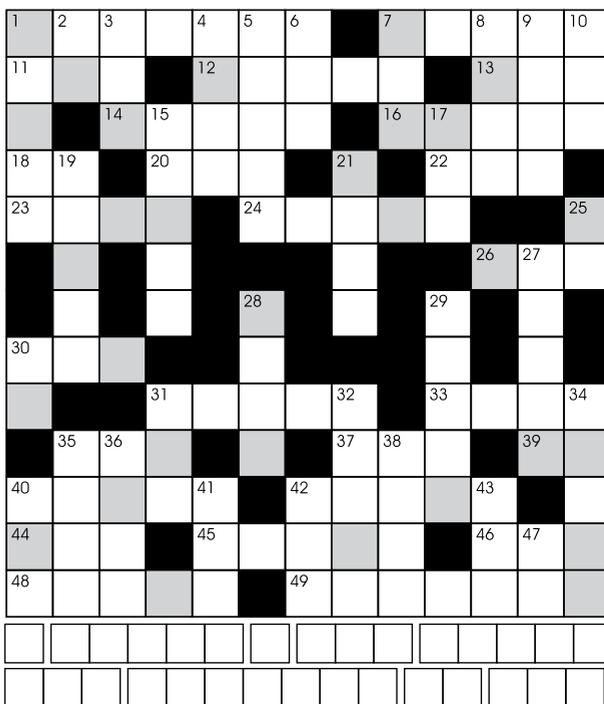
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Across

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|---------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1: Egg white. (7) | 20: Soak. (3) | 37: Young newt. (3) |
| 7: Depart. (5) | 22: Chinese hero. (3) | 39: Not any. (2) |
| 11: Equal. (3) | 23: Title. (4) | 40: Gibe. (5) |
| 12: Taste. (5) | 24: Dream time. (5) | 42: Woodwind instrument. (5) |
| 13: Stone. (3) | 26: A pair. (3) | 44: Abet. (3) |
| 14: Wing it. (2, 3) | 30: Lyric poem. (3) | 45: Overact. (5) |
| 16: Flits. (5) | 31: Ball shape. (5) | 46: American sailor, archaic. (3) |
| 18: When. (2) | 33: Ball shape. (4) | 48: Grunt. (5) |
| | 35: Asian, chicken and swine. (3) | 49: Famous Juliette set. (7) |

Down

- 1: Bug. (5)
- 2: Hollywood city. (2)
- 3: Woman's undergarment. (3)
- 4: Beast of burden. (4)
- 5: Gives out. (5)
- 6: Catch. (3)
- 7: Pie-top crust. (3)
- 8: Ancient Mogul capital. (4)
- 9: Forbid. (4)
- 10: European Monetary System, abbr. (3)
- 15: Robe. (5)
- 17: Unit of electric current, abbr. (3)
- 19: Linked. (5)
- 21: Annum. (4)
- 25: Italian river. (2)
- 27: Female. (5)
- 28: Time span. (4)
- 29: Poet and novelist Sir Walter. (5)
- 30: Russian river. (2)
- 31: Ladder. (3)
- 32: Triangle shaped formation. (5)
- 34: Group with influence. (5)
- 35: Honest. (4)
- 36: Board game. (4)
- 38: Energy. (4)
- 40: Label. (3)
- 41: Number of hand digits. (3)
- 42: Watch chain. (3)
- 43: Self. (3)
- 47: In use. (2)



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