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# Page Three

It's always nice to see Anna behind the bar in the Torenzicht; she's not as camera-shy as most of her colleagues.



After her daughter's appearance on this page last month, Tineke told us she's never been on Page Three! Time to put that right!



First time in the Stun for Susan in the Stone's Café, but Bianca, just back from Ibiza, is no stranger to this page.



Another new face; here's Jessie, behind the bar with Michaela, in Coco's Outback.

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# The Editor's Bit

We're a bit later than planned this month; no particular reason, time just crept up on us. I'm struggling with what to write about in this column! I'll start with the cover; nothing cryptic, it's pumpkins for autumn or Halloween.

Nice to see the 31st fall on a Friday this year; all of the Halloween parties should be on the same night, instead of some on the Saturday before, others on the Friday after and just a few on the 31st. I'll be out and about with my camera, of course, visiting as many bars as possible, but I've got no idea when & where I'll pop up, or what I will look like!

So, what have we got for you in this month's Amsterdam Stun? We've got photos from Micky's Larger Than Life Party on pages 8 & 9, loads of other photos, Elly's Rants & Raves, the Gig List, Jokes, Being Frank on Football, the latest Premier Predictions League and the Prize Crossword! Enjoy your Stun!

*Andy*

# Elly's

Happy Birthday Alan, Alberto, Anne, Anneke, Bernard, Brenda, Brian, Carol, Caroline, Cassandra, Charlotte, Chiron, Chris, Conner, Cora, Daan, Danny, Danyel, Daphne, Dragon, Eligio, Els, Fred, Frits, Gary, Gavin, Geoffrey, Heather, Hester, Howard, Isobel, Ivan, Jaap, Jackie, Jan, Jason, Jayden, Jo, Joan, John, Johnny, Jozef, Julius, Karin, Kees, Kenny, Kerstin, Kym, Lamar, Laura, Liam, Lisette, Lonneke, Mak, Marie, Mark, Melanie, Micky, Mike, Monique, Montse, Neal, Nic, Nina, Pim, Remco, Rhadi, Ria, Roger, Roy, Ruben, Russell, Saoirse, Signe, Tony, Vivian, VJ, Zach, Zorro.

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

Happy Anniversary to the Amsterdam Stun too: 21 years and still going strong!

I've asked Andy to put the names of the people who have died, back into the birthday list. Because I like them to be remembered. And I think they would like to be remembered. Wouldn't you?

We also haven't added many new names to the birthday- and/or anniversary lists in a while, but we have many more readers (We print more issues, and have more hits on line) than when we started the lists.

I'm sure we are missing some peoples birthdays and/or anniversaries that some of our

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# RANTS & RAVES

readers would like mentioned in their favourite Amsterdam monthly magazine!

Why don't you send us a letter, email or text, and we'll add your message to our lists

Maybe you have a photo or a (funny) story that goes with the name, and surprise your nominee with their name (and face?) in the Amsterdam Stun!

I'd also like more people to send in the solutions to the monthly crossword, so we have more variation with the prize-winners. Some people might think we don't pick blind, but we actually don't have too many to pick from.

They are easier than you think! You don't have to send in a finished crossword, just the solution! Try it one time, you might be surprised.

We always have nice prizes, our sponsors are generous: Molly Malone's with delicious food, party-café Candela with jugs of beer & Jagies, the Pool Hall with beer & pool, Coco's with money vouchers for food & drink, and more.

Last month's crossword was won by Dinah Baxter, and her prize is: a Beer Pole from Café Pollux, Prins Hendrikkade 121, here shown by barman Albert.



This month's crossword prize is from the Coca Leaf Liquor Store, where Tommy has donated a bottle of Agwa De Bolivia Coca Leaf Liquor & a pack of Kocandies.

Andy has been munching them all week (Tommy gave him a packet, too)!

Well people, the summer has come to an end, it wasn't a bad one, weather-wise that is, not very good in many other ways.

Wars, Ebola, suicide bombers, but Malala won the Nobel Peace prize.

Airplanes disappearing, or getting blown up, but Scotland is still part of Britain.

Is that good or bad? Depends who you ask.

Don't believe everything you hear, and remain optimistic.

Do you remember, years ago, in one of my rants I called Geert Wilders a racist?

There is talk about prosecuting him, I think that's positive!

Take care of yourself, have fun while doing that.

*Elly*





Frans, Mathilde, Susanna and Rene make up the current CC Muziekcafé crew.



Jur's arm is out of the plaster cast and he's back behind the bar in Maloe Melo.

# BEHIND

In the Waterhole, new boy Jermain was behind the bar with Luana and Janice.



Frank swept Elena off her feet, behind the bar in Susie's Saloon.



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# BARS

Thursday evening in the Three Sisters Pub, with Francesca and Joeri behind the bar.



We got a thumbs up from Joep and Terry when the latest Stun hit Bourbon Street.

Haven't we seen this pose already? This time, it's Pamela in the arms of Yair in The End.



There's always time for fun when Jordy, Judit and Zad are behind the bar in Excalibur.

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# Larger Than Life

Friends and family of the late, great Micky Llewellyn came together in Maloe Melo on what would have been his 60th birthday to remember the man and his music.







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Canada's premier Irish punk rockers, The Mahones, have just released their latest album, *The Hunger & The Fight*, and will be kicking off their European tour of the same name here in Amsterdam. Finny & the band will be playing in Paradiso on Friday 7th November at 20:00.



It's about time we had a photo of Marieke Meijer on stage in Bourbon Street; she's there every Sunday as Little Mary and will be with The Clocks on the 22nd & 24th October.



Olly De Quartz made their long-awaited return to Molly Malone's after spending the summer on the Costa Brava; they'll be back in Molly's again next month.



Between gigs in Bergen Op Zoom and Poland, Brendan Monaghan found time to play at the Candela's Open Mic Night.

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# GIG-LIST

## Monday

### Weekly

20:30, **Cafe Candela**, Re-Plugged Open Mic Night, *Everyone can have the chance to take up the mic or an instrument to entertain the audience.*

22:00, **Bourbon Street**, Magic Monday, *Open Jam hosted by Theo Mosquito*

22:00, **The End**, Karaoke, *over 40,000 English/Dutch songs to choose from. Open til 3*

22:30, **Maloe Melo**, Acoustic Session, *with Peter Lavell & his Gritmoaners*

22:30, **The Waterhole**, Onno's Grooves Jam, *pop, rock, funk jam*

### 20th October 2014

20:00, **CC Muziek Cafe**, Stompin' at the CC, *with Sebas & his CC Riders €4*

### 27th October 2014

20:00, **Molly Malone's**, Pub Quiz, *8 rounds of brain-teasing questions! €2.50 per person, all money taken will be given back out in prizes.*

20:00, **CC Muziek Cafe**, Mediterranean Folk €4

## Tuesday

### Weekly

20:00, **BackStage Hotel**, Open Mic Night, *hosted by The Amsterdam Songwriters Guild*

20:00, **CC Muziek Cafe**, Magic Gumball Night & Open Mic, *4 acts*

20:30, **Cafe Candela**, International Karaoke Night, *An explosive combination of international songs and funky people from all over the world*

20:30, **Het Hok**, Mosquito, *Latin Pop Rock*

22:00, **The End**, Karaoke, *over 40,000 English/Dutch songs to choose from. Open til 3*

22:30, **The Waterhole**, One Night Stan, *Pop & Rock Jam Session with Stan the Man*

22:30, **Maloe Melo**, Acoustic Session, *with Kevin Chapman & Friends (except 14th)*

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### 21st October 2014

22:00, **Bourbon Street**, Steven De Geus, *Rock/Soul €3*

### 28th October 2014

20:00, **Coco's Outback**, Pub Quiz, *Entry price: €3, maximum 5 persons to a team. Great Prizes!*

22:00, **Bourbon Street**, Lamar Chase, *Blues/Rock €3*

## Wednesday

### Weekly

20:00, **CC Muziek Cafe**, Theo Mosquito's Wednesday Night Jam,

22:00, **Cafe Pollux**, Jukebox Rocola Jam Session,

22:00, **The End**, Karaoke, *over 40,000 English/Dutch songs to choose from. Open til 3*

22:30, **The Waterhole**, Stijn's Could Have Should Haves Jam, *Pop Rock Jam*

23:00, **Cafe Candela**, Salsa Night,

### 22nd October 2014

21:30, **Maloe Melo**, Singer/Songwriter Night, *hosted by Dzuana Bakker, followed by Nico's After Midnight session*

22:00, **Bourbon Street**, The Cloxxs, *Soul/Pop/Rock €3*

### 29th October 2014

22:00, **Maloe Melo**, DNA (Anneriek, Dimmy, Rinus Groenevelt), €5

22:00, **Bourbon Street**, Luis Diaz & Friends, *Afro-Funk, Rock, Reggae €3*



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### Weekly

20:00, **CC Muziek Cafe**, JAZZoul session hosted by Wilco Koster, €4

20:30, **Cafe Candela**, Live Jam Session with Marcos Gomez, *Bring your instruments and show your musical talent... sing along... or just enjoy the music!*

20:30, **Het Hok**, Lamar & Friends, *blues/rock*

22:00, **Coco's Outback**, Karaoke Competition, *Get a FREE shot before singing and be in with a chance of winning a nice prize!*

22:00, **The End**, Karaoke, *over 40,000 English/Dutch songs to choose from. Open til 3*

23:30, **Maloe Melo**, Blues + Rock Session, *with Rahim*

### 16th October 2014

21:00, **The Waterhole**, Diquapo,

22:00, **Maloe Melo**, Mojo Misterys, *blues* €5

22:00, **Bourbon Street**, The Fab Lushes, *americana, blues, roots and rockabilly.* €3

23:00, **The Waterhole**, Blueswheel,

### 23rd October 2014

21:00, **The Waterhole**, Staalbeek,

22:00, **Maloe Melo**, Idiophones, €5

22:00, **Bourbon Street**, Les Bifters, *retrofuturistic soul-dub-rock* €3

23:00, **The Waterhole**, Bob Color,

### 30th October 2014

22:00, **Maloe Melo**, Periscope Down, Shagmoth, €5

22:00, **Bourbon Street**, Grooveland, *rock/funk/latin* €3

23:00, **The Waterhole**, Shagging Ponies,

## Friday

### Weekly

20:00, **Maloe Melo**, Bubbels & Blues, *Hot Smoking Blues & Ice-cold bubbles from Budapest for €15 per bottle. Ladies: first flute free!*

21:00, **The End**, Karaoke, *over 40,000 English/Dutch songs to choose from. Open til 3*

### 17th October 2014

20:00, **CC Muziek Cafe**, Live Salsa, *followed by 'Back to the Old School' DJ from 23:30 'til late.* €5

21:00, **Maloe Melo**, Mokum Liedjes, *Jantje Jorandaan & Tante Loes + band*

21:00, **The Waterhole**, The Remedy,

22:00, **Coco's Outback**, Oktoberfest Party,

22:00, **Bourbon Street**, Boyd Small, *blues* €5

22:00, **Molly Malone's**, The Boardwalkers, *Gareth Evans-Jones with Erik van de Langkruis*

22:30, **Old Nickel**, Robbie & Friends,

23:00, **Maloe Melo**, Cracked Up, Agitators, *punk* €5

23:00, **The Waterhole**, Red Maddies,

### 24th October 2014

20:00, **CC Muziek Cafe**, Funky Friday, *with DJ Daniel Quiros from 23:30 'til late.* €5

22:00, **Bourbon Street**, The Cloxcs, *Soul/Pop/Rock* €5

22:00, **Molly Malone's**, Darren Byrne, *singer/songwriter/comedian from Wexford*

22:30, **Old Nickel**, Tijmen & Friends,

23:00, **Maloe Melo**, The Anomalys, X-Offenders, Backbiter (Punk), *Supporting Maloe Melo: fundraiser to help keep the Home Of The Blues open.* €8

23:00, **The Waterhole**, Kangaroo Dynasty,

### 31st October 2014

20:00, **CC Muziek Cafe**, Halloween Party, *followed by DJ from 23:30 'til late.* €5

22:00, **Coco's Outback**, Halloween Fancy Dress Party, *prizes for best costumes plus extra Halloween specials*

22:00, **Bourbon Street**, The Hats, *Rock/Blues* €5

22:00, **Molly Malone's**, Halloween Fancy Dress Party, *with live music from Scary Derry & Black Rosie*

22:30, **Old Nickel**, Tijmen & Friends,

23:00, **Maloe Melo**, Halloween Party, *live: The Haystack Hi-Tones* €5

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20:30, **Het Hok**, Lamar & Rahim, *blues/rock*  
21:00, **The End**, Karaoke, *over 40,000 English/Dutch songs to choose from. Open til 3*

22:30, **Old Nickel**, Archie & Friends, *top local & international artists join Archie every week to bring great entertainment in an intimate setting*

**18th October 2014**

20:00, **CC Muziek Cafe**, Coverband, *followed by DJ from 23:30 'til late. €5*

21:00, **The Waterhole**, Bulluk,

22:00, **Bourbon Street**, Hurricane Joy, *Pop Rock €5*

22:00, **Molly Malone's**, Bunoscionn, *five-piece alternative Irish folk group*

23:00, **Maloe Melo**, The Unborn Brothers, Bep, Hoving, *Supporting Maloe Melo: fundraiser to help keep the Home Of The Blues open. €5*

23:00, **The Waterhole**, Waste,

**25th October 2014**

20:00, **CC Muziek Cafe**, Live Music, *followed by DJ from 23:30 'til late. €5*

22:00, **Bourbon Street**, The Shady Rollers, *Southern blues & rock €5*

22:00, **Molly Malone's**, Darren Byrne, *singer/songwriter/comedian from Wexford*

23:00, **Maloe Melo**, Reggae Recipe, *live: Erin Bardwel Collective, Modern Boss €7.50*

23:00, **The Waterhole**, Spit,

**1st November 2014**

20:00, **CC Muziek Cafe**, St. Louis Slim (blues), *followed by DJ from 23:30 'til late. €5*

22:00, **Bourbon Street**, Machiel Boon & Friends, *€5*

22:00, **Molly Malone's**, Jeff Spivey, *American singer/songwriter*

23:00, **Maloe Melo**, Ricky de Sire, Thijs Heij & More, *€5*

## Sunday

### Weekly

17:00, **Cafe Pollux**, Lazy Sunday, *singer/songwriters*  
18:00, **The Waterhole**, Mosquito's Matinee, *Latin Pop Rock*

20:30, **Het Hok**, Stan & Friends, *pop/rock*

22:00, **Bourbon Street**, Little Mary, *Soul/Blues/Pop €3*

22:00, **The End**, Karaoke, *over 40,000 English/Dutch songs to choose from. Open til 3*

22:30, **Maloe Melo**, Acoustic Session, *with Lamar*

22:30, **The Waterhole**, Jam Session with Solo Keys,

23:00, **Cafe Candela**, Salsa Night,

**19th October 2014**

20:00, **CC Muziek Cafe**, EtnoJazz & Balkan Beats, *€4*

**26th October 2014**

16:00, **De Barones**, Woody & The Sidemen, *blues/rock n roll*

20:00, **CC Muziek Cafe**, When Klezmer Meets..., *Oriental music €4*

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Jason and Elvin from Capetown made an impression on Tineke in the Flying Dutchman while they were in town.

# ROUND T

After his shift in the Okura, sushi chef Koba likes to drop in CC Muziekcafé to see Rene and play drums in the jam sessions.



Trevor was at the bar in Susie's Saloon, so we had to get a photo of him.



The smoke from Mick's E-Cig didn't bother Vera, sitting at the bar of the Old Nickel.



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# THE BARS

The Waterhole has changed ownership, but will continue as the live music venue we all know and love, with Dave as the new manager.



Monday night in Café Candela, with Laura, Amy, Johnny and Ryan.



Some of the cast of *The Bold & the Beautiful* dropped into Café Corso and nobody knew who they were, apart from Raymond, who got a couple of selfies with them.



Wam and Karen from the Poolhole were relaxing after passing their *Heineken Goed Getapt* course with flying colours.

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Just another Friday night in Susie's Saloon, with Rebecca, Steve, Robert, Louise and Patricia behind the bar, but not all working.



Damir and Riikka are off to South America, leaving Mike to get by without them in Players.



Beaudil had Bartel and Romeo to show her the ropes on her first day in Bourbon Street.

# BEHIND

There are two Lotte's in the Waterhole now; Crazy Lotte and Normal Lotte, but don't ask us which one is the crazy one.



We always get a warm welcome from Skip when he's behind the bar in Excalibur.





# MORE BARS



Christina, Kaz, Sarah, Lara and Jasmine will be in dirndls (or lederhosen) when Coco's kick off their theme party season with Oktoberfest on Friday 17th October. Drink specials will include litre Steiners of Heineken for €8! Coco's Pub Quiz returns on Tuesday 28th, with a €150 first prize, and there will be great prizes for the best costumes at the Halloween Party on Friday 31st!



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# Off Stage

Gareth and Joep picked up copies of the latest Stun while on a break in Molly Malone's.



At the Monday Jam session in the Waterhole, Niki and Lars were ready to hit the stage.



Irish singer/songwriter Brendan Monaghan was in town and did a few songs with Candela Open Mic regulars Marcos, John and Andy.



Archie, Dominik and Mick had just finished playing for the night in the Old Nickel.



At the bar in Bourbon Street; Arjan from Sound Garden, drummer Daniel and bassist Jose, who was celebrating his birthday.

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Janice in Molly Malone's is already Michael's favourite barmaid, and they'd only just met.



Victoria from Italy posed with Lamar Chase after the singer/songwriter night in Maloe Melo.



David was outside the Flying Dutchman, so we had to get the camera out.

# Outside

Molly Malone's regular Pete and barmaid Nuala have been in the same Stun photo before, but this is the first time with nobody else.



It was a nice evening, so David and Joaquin had a full terrace outside Café Tapas Josélito.



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# MORE

Poolhole regular Steven was only pretending to smoke over the table, but you can smoke around them!



Mart was on the water in Susie's after celebrating his birthday for a couple of days.



Gabriela and Vladi were enjoying a Friday night pint in the Stone's Café.



Otto, Luke and Sara were also in Susie's Smoking Room.



Carina posed with Susie's barman Steve.

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# ROUNDS

My namesake Andy has retired from the Sea Palace, but he's still doing karaoke!



At the Pub Quiz in Molly Malone's, the Crash Test Dummies (Laura, her parents Martin & Marianne, Johan and Anna) came last, but I think they planned it that way.



Waterhole regulars Jip, Jordy, Amber, Janira and Jasper were spotted in the smoking room.



Magic Monday in Bourbon Street with far too many people to name individually.



Marcello's pizzeria, next to Candela, is the best in town, according to Marcos and Juan.



Roland was in Coco's Outback when we delivered the new Stun and it was Happy Hour!

# Stun Prize Crossword

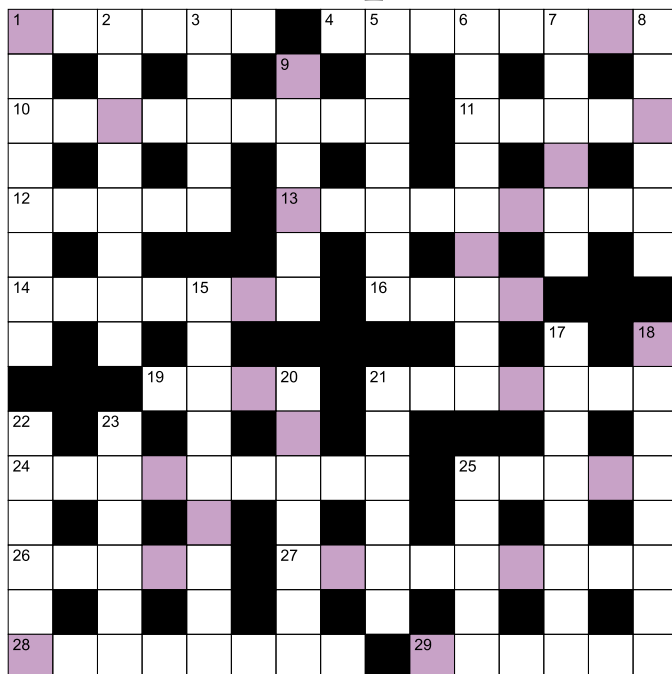
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## Across

- 1: Yearning. (6)
- 4: Man-eater. (8)
- 10: Fat-reducer. (9)
- 11: Bitchy. (5)
- 12: Offence. (5)
- 13: Star-gazing practice. (9)
- 14: Ink-blots? (7)
- 16: Catcall. (4)
- 19: Originate. (4)
- 21: Cunning. (7)
- 24: Shook violently. (9)
- 25: Mocking remark. (5)
- 26: Submits. (5)
- 27: Portent, be gone! (5, 4)
- 28: Catastrophe. (8)
- 29: Jamaican gangster. (6)

## Down

- 1: Muscle cars. (8)
- 2: Bites. (4, 4)
- 3: Party host. (5)
- 5: Building block. (3, 4)
- 6: Obituary notice. (9)
- 7: Anti-climax. (6)
- 8: Parking spots. (6)
- 9: Muslim Bulgarians. (6)
- 15: Tirades. (9)
- 17: Compensated. (8)
- 18: Lose contact. (8)
- 20: Communication. (7)
- 21: Inflictor. (6)
- 22: Harmony. (6)
- 23: Irks. (6)
- 25: Alaskan spruce? (5)



This month's Prize Crossword is sponsored by **Coca Leaf Liquor Store**, Warmoesstraat 32, who have generously donated a **bottle of Agwa De Bolivia Coca Leaf Liqueur & a pack of Kocandies** for the winner. All you have to do is put the letters in the shaded squares into the 2nd grid in the same order they appear to reveal the answer. E-mail your answer, along with name & contact details, to [puzzle@stun.nl](mailto:puzzle@stun.nl) or SMS 0628712646 to arrive no later than Thursday 6th November 2014. The winner will be drawn from all correct entries and announced in the next Stun.

### Last Month's Answers

The older you get, the more time flies!

Across: 6 Enamour, 7 Overt, 9 Keel, 10 Exonerated, 11 Stuck out, 13 Biting, 15 Up to, 17 House, 18 Moot, 19 Itched, 20 Promoter, 23 Tithing sum, 26, Rare, 27 Yikes, 28 Incense.

Down: 1 Tablecloth, 2 Torero, 3 Arlo, 4 Honey bee, 5 Veda, 6 Event, 8 Tie onto, 12 Trump, 14 Tambourine, 16 Petrify, 17 Hedonism, 21 Olmecs, 22 Eerie, 24 Hike, 25 Slim.

And the prize goes to: Dinah Baxter, who wins  
A **Beer Pole** generously donated by **Café Pollux**.



# JOKES

A 75 Year Old Lady rings her local hospital and this conversation follows: 'Hello I'd like some information on a patient, Mrs Tiptree. She was admitted last week with chest pains and I just want to know if her condition has deteriorated, stabilised or improved?'

'Do you know which ward she is in?'

'Yes, ward P, room 2B'

'I'll just put you through to the nurse station.'

'Hello, ward P, how can I help?'

'I would just like some information on a patient, Mrs Tiptree, I was wondering if her condition had deteriorated, stabilised or improved?'

'I'll just check her notes. I'm pleased to say that Mrs Tiptree's condition has improved. She has regained her appetite, her temperature has steadied and after some routine checks tonight, she should be well enough to go home tomorrow.'

'Oh that's wonderful news, I'm so happy, thank you ever so much!'

'You seem very relieved, are you a close friend or relative?'

'No, I'm Mrs Tiptree in room 2b. Nobody tells you f\*\*k all in here!'

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Two kids are arguing over whose father is the biggest scaredy-cat. The first kid says, "My dad is so scared that when lightning strikes, he hides underneath the bed."

The second kid replies, "Yeah? Well, that's nothing. My dad is so scared that when my mom has to work the night shift, he sleeps with the lady next door!"

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A Jewish daughter says to her mother, "I'm divorcing Nathan. All he wants is sex, sex and more sex. My vagina is now the size of a 50-cent piece, when it used to be the size of a 5-cent piece."

Her mother says, "You're married to a multi-millionaire businessman! You live in an 8 bedroom mansion! You drive a \$250,000 Ferrari! You get \$2,000 a week allowance! You take 6 vacations a year and you want to throw all that away over 45 cents?"

The only way to pull off a Sunday afternoon quickie with their 8-year old son in the flat was to send him out on the balcony with a Mars Bar and tell him to report on all the street activities. Their 8-year old began his commentary as his parents put their plan into operation; 'There's a car being towed from the car park,' he shouted. 'An ambulance just drove past' 'Looks like the Anderson's have visitors,' he called out. 'Matt's riding a new bike!' 'Looks like the Sanders are moving!' 'Jason is on his skateboard!' After a few moments he announced, 'The Coopers are having a shag!' Startled, his mum and dad shot up in bed! Dad cautiously called out, 'How do you know that?' 'Jimmy Cooper is standing on his balcony with a Mars Bar

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My wife and I had a huge row last night; she called me gullible and said I was "financially irresponsible."

I can't wait to see her face when I tell her I've just won the Nigerian lottery.

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"I have good news and bad news," the defence lawyer says to his client.

"What's the bad news?"

The lawyer says, "Your blood matches the DNA found at the murder scene."

"Damn!" cries the client. "What's the good news?"

"Well," the lawyer says, "Your cholesterol is down to 4.6."

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My missus is pissed off with me again. Last night while she was fast asleep, I gently removed her tampon and replaced it with a party popper leaving the string hanging out.

I'm telling you! That woman's got no sense of humour at all.

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I swapped our bed for a trampoline. The wife hit the roof.

# BEING FRANK ON FOOTBALL

Chelsea lead the Premiership by five points and the way Diego Costa is playing, they could extend it yet further in the coming weeks. He has an insatiable appetite for goals and in just seven games in the top flight of English football, he has scored an incredible nine times!

What Chelsea lacked last season, they have gained this and if Manchester City are to take the title this term, they will have to play out of their skins again. In fact, I would suggest that they will have to perform even better than last season to take the Premier League title once more.

Talking of City, isn't it strange to see Frank Lampard in a Citizen shirt! I have the feeling that Jose Mourinho will have some regrets losing him so cheaply - although the circumstances were rather complicated, I must admit.

When he left Chelsea to join New York City in The States, it was assumed by

everyone that that was the end of his playing career over here and then all of a sudden, City had him on their books!

After playing with Chelsea for more than thirteen years, it was indeed a strange thing to see our Frank wearing the Manchester City colours! The Major League Soccer season does not kick off until January 2015, so this gave the Chelsea hero time to take a loan deal with the Mancunians for a six month stint. He has already proved to be a thorn in the Chelsea side with a late equalizer against his old club. In fairness though, he chose not to celebrate that crucial goal out of respect for his former employers.

Money in football works in wondrous ways. Sometimes it works a treat and yet on other occasions, you end up scratching your head thinking was that money really well spent? Take Liverpool and Manchester United and their dismal seasons to date. Yes, I know they both won last weekend, but they have



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largely baffled to deceive and throwing money at a football club does not always have the desired effect.

Louis van Gaal will get it right at Old Trafford, of this I am quite sure, but it will not be an overnight success and in the case of Brendan Rodgers, I do believe he has thrown the baby out with the bath water. He lost Suarez, so he decided to spend all the money he got from that sale on a number of players that were surplus to requirements. He now has a lot of high earners who have had the effect of destabilizing the whole squad. As for super Mario, he may have the DNA of Suarez when it comes to his disciplinary record, but not when it comes to goals! Lambert also looks a little past his sell by date, I am afraid to say.

And now, with the help of Editor Andy Reeves, let us see what is happening in the Premier Prediction League!

**Frank**

## PPL UPDATE

Here's how the Premier Predictions League table looked on Sunday 5th October 2014.

Pos.	Name	On	Nr	Pts
1st	Alan Dempsey	7	2	23
2nd	Jim McGrath	7	1	22
3rd	Trish Steele	4	5	17
4th	Frank Weston	5	1	16
5th	Carlos Macedo	4	4	16
6th	Sydney Blok	4	3	15
7th	Rick Middelkoop	3	6	15
8th	Stuart Davidson	4	2	14
9th	Buster	4	1	13
10th	Elwin Borgman	3	4	13
11th	Eric Donald	3	4	13
12th	Ron Koopmans	3	3	12
13th	Paul Tandy	3	3	12
14th	Callum Dickie	3	3	12
15th	Grouty	3	3	12
16th	James Talynin Hughes	3	3	12
17th	Ken Passey	3	3	12
18th	Willie Wood	3	3	12
19th	Arun Panker	2	6	12
20th	Nix Nicoll	2	6	12
21st	Nigel French	3	2	11
22nd	David Lourenco	1	8	11
23rd	Tomasz Kuna	2	4	10
24th	Ben Stopforth	2	4	10
25th	Phil Rook	2	4	10
26th	Billy C	3	0	9
27th	Polly Wijn	2	3	9
28th	John Raftery	2	3	9
29th	Stephen Spencer	2	3	9
30th	Peter van der Wal	2	3	9
31st	Sander Middelkoop	1	6	9
32nd	Paddy Wynne	1	6	9
33rd	Andy	2	2	8
34th	Steve Mahon	1	5	8
35th	Bertus van Feyenoord	2	1	7
36th	Michael	1	4	7
37th	Frank Theunissen	1	4	7
38th	Jordy de Leeuw	1	4	7
39th	Josie Gladden	2	0	6
40th	Frank Waardenburg	1	3	6
41st	Philip Justice	0	6	6
42nd	Jude Noonan	1	2	5
43rd	Ann Marie Stopforth	0	5	5
44th	Boelenspark Rangers	0	5	5
45th	Eric	1	1	4

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# IN THE BACK



Terry and Cathy were taking Rhuari for a walk on World Animal Day, but can you guess where they were when I took this photo?

Louise, Nina, Leo, Petra, Patricia and Sharon had been out for a meal to celebrate Nina's birthday and finished off the evening with a few drinks in Susie's Saloon.

Peter Lavell made the poster that Patrick and Jur have on the door of Maloe Melo until they get a new sign to replace the 'Home of the Blues' one the council took away.







No parking problems for Jesse and Ryan when visiting Maloe Melo; just moor up outside.



Aggy from Candela got a warm welcome from Mike when she dropped in Player's.

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