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Page Three

Cousins Nuala and Eibhlin were both working when we dropped in Molly Malone's.



We can't see Susanna's legs when she's behind the bar in CC Muziekcafé, so she came to the other side for a photo.



Eileen, Stacy and Elizabeth on a Friday night in King's Cross.



Claire and Eleri were behind the bar in Dirty Nelly's.

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The Editor's Bit

On this month's cover, I only had enough room to describe Elly as the Amsterdam Stun's artistic director, columnist, crossword compiler, photographer, advertising manager, proof reader... But she was so much more! She was the love of my life, best friend and muse; my reason for getting up in the morning and for not drinking too much when out working on the Stun, so that I could cycle home safely to Elly.

To commemorate Elly, I had 100 copies of a Special Memorial Edition of the Amsterdam Stun printed for family and special friends; there are a couple left, in case I forgot anybody. For everybody else, it is also available online at www.amsterdamstun.com/ellyspecial.php

When I looked at this graph with the number of visitors to the Stun website, I could see straight away how loved Elly was; the spikes following the publication of each new Stun pale into insignificance compared with the one after I put the Elly Special online.



A few people have asked if I will continue to make the Stun and the answer is Yes! Elly wouldn't have had it any other way.

With everything that's happened, it's taken me a bit longer than usual to finish this edition, but all of our usual stuff is here and I hope to be back to normal next month. Enjoy your Stun.

Andy

Andy's

Happy Birthday to me, the Stun editor/publisher Andy, Adrian, Alan, Alfred, Amy, Anita, Ann, Arjette, Arwen, Arthur, Asna, Ayla, Cameron, Chantal, Chas, Cherry, Chiara, Chris, Clive, David, Deborah, Dee Dee, Diane, Dimitri, Dominic, Eithne, Eleanor, Emiel, Emma-Jane, Erin, Ernst, Eva, Feargal, Gemma, Gene, Hans, Heidi, Henk, Ilona, Ingeborg, Iris, Jack, Jackie, Janet, Jasmin, Jeffrey, Jim, John, Jon, Kathy, Kees, Kelli, Ken, Kevin, Khaled, Kiz, Klaas, Laura, Lawrence, Leo, Liam, Lin, Lisa, Liza, Luisa, Maggie, Marek, Marianne, Mark, Mathilda, Matthew, Maurice, Maya, Mike, Millie, Murdo, Nick, Nikki, Nils, Nuala, Patrick, Pete, Peter, Piggy, Rebecca, Rinko, Ron, Rose, Sasha, Sean, Sergio, Shannon, Shaun, Shelley, Smithy, Stana, Terry, Tim, Tommy, Tony, Vince, Vivian, Willy.

Happy Anniversary Vicky & Ray, Johann & Karen, Kristie & Peter, Kevin & Natalia, Ann & René, Beth & Mark.

Last month on these pages, I said Elly wasn't going to get better. What I didn't say was that a few days earlier, our GP told me Elly had days rather than weeks left and arranged 24/7 home care. I don't know if Elly heard that, but she seemed at peace and told me to stop crying, finish making the June edition of the Stun and get it in the bars. The full time nursing started on Tuesday 7th and Elly's sister Ria came to

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stay, so I had time to do as Elly had told me and I had the job finished by Saturday.

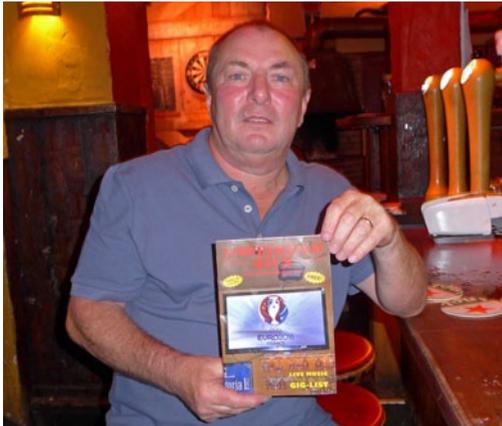
Elly passed away at 20:00 on Sunday 12th June 2016, with Ria, nurse Urmila and myself by her side; it was her 63rd birthday!

My sisters Brenda and Kay came over from England for Elly's funeral, and without knowing it, managed to book a hotel very close to where I live; The Bank on Haarlemmerstraat.



It was also very convenient for their favourite place for a drink and bite to eat on a sunny terrace – Josélito!

Pat was on holiday, so he couldn't make it to Elly's funeral. After he got back, he knew which bar the TV on last month's cover was in; he put it on the wall of Coco's Outback himself.



My old friends Patsy and Cathal were over from Donegal, so we had to meet up for a drink in the Flying Dutchman. Patsy used to work in Amsterdam 20 years ago and I first met Cathal in the 80s, picking oranges in Nafplion, Greece. They first met in the (long gone) Fiddlers on Warmoesstraat, just like Elly and myself.



René in CC Muziekcafé has given up the wild-man look after an ultimatum from Susanna: Get it cut or sleep on the couch. My hair needs a cut, but I have to find someone to do it first; Elly was my hairdresser too.

I haven't decided on a new name for these pages yet, but I'm working on it. Your suggestions are welcome.

Andy

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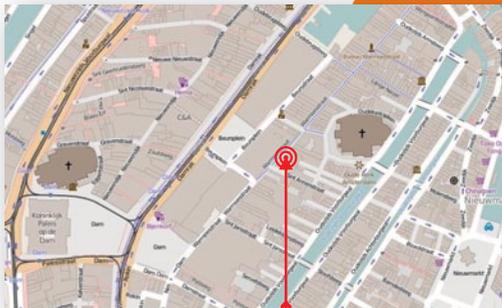
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ONE NIGHT IN...

Bourbon Street, where it was Magic Monday Open Jam night, with Joost behind the bar when we walked in.



The drinking didn't stop there; when they played Tequila, Shari was ready and brought them refills.

Gregorio, Pablo, Miguel, Buddy and Theo, the house band, were having a drink before hitting the stage.



Tobias picked up the empties.

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Monday

Weekly

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

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

22:00, **Maloe Melo**, The Secret Sessions, *with Peter Lavell & his Gritmoaners*

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

25th July 2016

20:00, **The Waterhole**, Damien McFly (Ita), *Indiefolk*

21:00, **The Waterhole**, Driftwood (UK), *Indiepop*

22:15, **The Waterhole**, Kurt Rosa, *Rock*

Tuesday

Weekly

20:00, **Café de Koe**, Open Mic Night, *hosted by The Amsterdam Songwriters Guild*

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

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

22:00, **Jazzcafe Alto**, Conjunto Amsterdam, *Salsa & Latin Jazz*

22:00, **Maloe Melo**, The Secret Sessions, *with Kevin Chapman & Friends*

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

19th July 2016

20:30, **The Waterhole**, Waterhole Jam with Robin Pels & The Bashir Brothers,

22:00, **Bourbon Street**, Daniel Camacho, *'Caribbeanized' versions of classics, as well as lesser known compositions* €3

26th July 2016

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

20:30, **The Waterhole**, Waterhole Jam with Joep Berkenbosch,

22:00, **Bourbon Street**, The Hats, *Rock/Blues* €3



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Weekly

21:00, **The Waterhole**, Unplugged Jam with Jesse, *Pop, Rock*

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*

20th July 2016

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.*

Booking ahead advised (0611958949) as they always fill up. €2.50

20:00, **CC Muziek Cafe**, Serious Lee, *followed by Wonderful Wednesday Jam, open podium & jam session hosted by Theo Mosquito*

22:00, **Maloe Melo**, Ietje Presents, *kick-ass bands, again. €5*

22:00, **Bourbon Street**, Lamar Chase & Francois Spanenburg, *blues €3*

Wednesday

27th July 2016

20:00, **CC Muziek Cafe**, Cornerstone, *followed by Wonderful Wednesday Jam, open podium & jam session hosted by Theo Mosquito*

22:00, **Maloe Melo**, The Other Blues Session, *hosted by O-Dog €5*

22:00, **Bourbon Street**, Soulful NRG, *Live energizing soul €3*

Thursday

Weekly

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*

21st July 2016

20:00, **The Waterhole**, The Faculty, *pop, rock, soul*

20:00, **CC Muziek Cafe**, CC Soul Session, €5

22:00, **Maloe Melo**, The Bunch, *Funk, punk €5*

22:00, **Bourbon Street**, The Blues Summit, *blues €3*

23:30, **The Waterhole**, *Alsof je een koffer bent, Allround pop, funk, rock*

28th July 2016

20:00, **The Waterhole**, - funk/soul/disco band -,

20:00, **CC Muziek Cafe**, CC Soul Session, €5

22:00, **Maloe Melo**, Tercio Macambro (Rock, Fusion), Lucky Shot (Funk, Rock), €5

22:00, **Bourbon Street**, The Bashir Brothers, *A very diverse show, with the emphasis on up tempo tunes, from soulful blues, to classic rock. €3*

22:30, **The Waterhole**, 2 Hot 2 Funk, *Funk, Pop & Rock with a Texmex-sauce*



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Weekly

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

22nd July 2016

20:00, **The Waterhole**, Wasabi Toothpaste, *Rock*

20:00, **CC Muziek Cafe**, Live Music, €5

22:00, **Bourbon Street**, DatFunk, *soul, funk, Motown and pop* €5

22:00, **Coco's Outback**, Full Moon Party, *Get your face and or body painted for free with fluoropaint!*

23:00, **Maloe Melo**, Special Sixties Night, *with surprise act* €5

23:30, **The Waterhole**, Love on the Rocks, *60/70/80's Rock*

29th July 2016

20:00, **The Waterhole**, - rock band -,

20:00, **CC Muziek Cafe**, Live Music, €5

22:00, **Bourbon Street**, Love on the Rocks, *rock* €5

23:00, **Maloe Melo**, High Traditional, *Texas Blues, swing (ex-Wolfpin & Marcel Scherpenzeel Band)* €5

23:30, **The Waterhole**, Local Boyzz, *Partyrock*

Saturday

Weekly

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

Saturday

23rd July 2016

20:00, **The Waterhole**, The MannAct, *Music you didn't know you wanted to hear*

20:00, **CC Muziek Cafe**, Live Music, €5

22:00, **Bourbon Street**, Strobel & Chase, *Blues/Rock* €5

23:00, **Maloe Melo**, Sweet Mary Jane, *Dirty blues rock* €5

23:30, **The Waterhole**, Cover Up, *90's Rock*

30th July 2016

20:00, **The Waterhole**, Charmplay, *Pop, Rock*

20:00, **CC Muziek Cafe**, Live Music, €5

22:00, **Bourbon Street**, Kenny Bogan & The Lads, *The finest in Irish folk, Afrobeat and Rock 'n Roll* €5

22:30, **The Waterhole**, Southern Comfort, *Southern Rock*

23:00, **Maloe Melo**, Vibro Kings, *Top Rockabilly/Bluesband* €5

Sunday

Weekly

22:00, **Maloe Melo**, The Secret Sessions, *with Lamar Chase*

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

24th July 2016

20:00, **The Waterhole**, Driftwood (UK), *Pop/Rock*

20:00, **CC Muziek Cafe**, Banda SambaSim,

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22:00, **Bourbon Street**, Afro Dance, *Afrobeat, funk and house*

22:30, **The Waterhole**, Sweet Mary Jane, *Bluesrock*

31st July 2016

20:00, **The Waterhole**, - band -,

20:00, **CC Muziek Cafe**, Live Music, €5

22:00, **Bourbon Street**, Liber Torriente, *Cuban jazz, funk, fusion*

22:30, **The Waterhole**, Franklin Batta & Soulvival, *Soul, Funk*

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ROUND T

After Ireland beat Italy to reach the next round of Euro 2016, the locals in Molly Malone's were ready to party the night away.



Valentijn, Paula and Ron were getting wasted at the Waste gig in the Waterhole.



Anne and Dave wanted me to take a photo of their daughter and her friends before they went to Sensation, but I took one of them with Louise in Susie's Saloon instead.



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THE BARS

Rory was just leaving Maloe Melo, but waited for me to get the camera out for a photo of him with Jur, who was outside having a smoke.



Excalibur manager Zad was with Antoinette and Heikki. I don't know how I'd never met either of them; she's an old school barmaid who worked in loads of bars I (used to) frequent and he was on his 89th trip to Amsterdam.



Pat from Arkansas spent every evening of his week in Amsterdam in the Flying Dutchman, chatting to locals and other tourists, like Stephanie from New York, or just watching the world go by outside.



Our roving reporter Josie took this photo of Lee and Maisie in the Magpie because I didn't have time to get there, again, but I promise to drop in for a drink very soon.

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BEHIND MORE

It was nice to see Shakira behind the bar when I delivered the last Stun to Café Oporto; I forgot she also works Thursday evenings.



Diego is a new face behind the bar in the Waterhole Tap & Dine, but no stranger to the Stun; he used to work in The End Karaoke.

Jo is a new face behind the bar in Café Schumich, but she's family.



World famous blues guitarist Marcel Scherpenzeel joined his brother Patrick behind the bar in Maloe Melo.



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BARs

James and Antonio were hard at work in the kitchen at Coco's Outback.



I'm sure Grette, Linda, Kaz and Michaela had a reason for posing with a pineapple, but you never know what Coco's bar staff are up to!



They were reluctant at first, but Yair and Suki agreed to a photo in The End (Karaoke).



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ROUND THE



It's been a while since we last had a photo of Ilze on her own in Rock Planet.



Skip made sure he was comfortable for his canal-side smoke outside Excalibur.



Even though he no longer works in Café Corso, Bob can't stay away and had no problem getting Jianho and Kwok in the picture.



Joining Louise behind the bar in Susie's Saloon, it's Dewi from the Cotton Club!

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RED LIGHT



Eamonn from Ireland got to know Amir, Bianca and Ken while drinking in the Stone's.



Mike and Violeta introduced us to Brian, the new guy in Players.



Paula, Marta and Matt, along with Welsh tourists Daniel and Sophie, were singing a Monty Python song at The End Karaoke.

Anna could relax in Hotel Torenzicht, once the Welsh madness had died down and the SM Tour party had moved on.



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Now they are both retired, Andy and Brenda have sold their house on the Duffelhof in Nieuwe Sloten and moved to Manchester.

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MORE ROUNDS

Carlos was in Susie's Saloon with his son Trevor and saw me, but I didn't see them. We met a bit later in Café Schumich, but Carlos was on his own by then.



He might not be the officially recognised as *Nachtburgemeester*, everyone who's anyone knows Jur in Maloe Melo is the real deal.



It's Paula again, this time with Munise, sharing a table with tourists Steve and Ray outside Molly Malone's.



Bumped into Jan in the Old Nickel; I hadn't seen him in ages, but that's probably because he lives in Seville now.

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JOKES

A friend asked me if I wanted to go bungee jumping. I told him that a broken rubber brought me into this world, but I'm sure as hell not going to let it take me out!

If life gives you melons, you might be dyslexic.

When we were kids, we didn't have Pokemon Go... If you wanted to see things that weren't really there, you picked mushrooms.

Pokemon Go is already more popular than Tinder, another app where you swipe to find monsters in your area.

The seven qualities needed for the perfect girlfriend are Beautiful, Intelligent, Gentle, Thoughtful, Innocent, Trustworthy and Sensible. Or in short B.I.G.T.I.T.S

I've been trying to teach my mate how to play golf recently, but the problem seems to be his drive; his wife stands on it and doesn't let us out.

I realised my parents favoured my twin brother when they asked me to blow up balloons for his surprise birthday party.

I like my bank; I can text them and they will text me back my bank balance. It's so convenient. I could do without the LOL at the end of it though.

I'm not ashamed to admit that I cried my eyes out when Andy Murray won Wimbledon; I had £500 on Raonic.

I'm planning a camping holiday, but I have to say, I'm far from impressed with my travel insurance. It turns out if someone steals my tent in the night, I'll no longer be covered.

Barman "What can I get for you?"

Customer "A gin and bitter lemon please."

Barman "What bit of the lemon would you like?"

A man walks into a shop and sees a very handsome dog. He asks the shop assistant "Does your dog bite?"

"No, my dog doesn't bite."

The man happily tries to pet the dog, but the dog attacks him viciously. A little later he stumbles to the shop clerk, "Hey, you said your dog doesn't bite!"

The shop clerk shrugs, "He doesn't. But that wasn't my dog."

A cab driver reaches the pearly gates. St. Peter looks him up in his Big Book and tells him to pick up a gold staff and a silk robe and proceed into Heaven. Next in line is a preacher. St. Peter looks him up in his Big Book, furrows his brow and says, "OK, we'll let you in, but take that cloth robe and wooden staff." The preacher is shocked and replies, "But I am a man of the cloth. You gave that cab driver a gold staff and a silk robe. Surely I rate higher than a cabbie!" St. Peter responds matter-of-factly, "This is Heaven and up here, we are interested in results. When you preached, people slept. When the cabbie drove his taxi, people prayed."

Does anyone know how I can disable the autocorrect function on my wife?

A man was shipwrecked with his dog and a sheep on a tiny island in the middle of nowhere. Every time the man moved close to the sheep, his dog would snarl and growl at him. One day while walking the island, he discovered a lovely naked lady who had also just become marooned. "Finally, some company" he thought. While sitting on the shore and the watching the sunset with his new female friend, he slowly leaned over and whispered in her ear, "Hey, could you go walk the dog?"

BEING FRANK ON FOOTBALL

The Euro 2016 Championships promised a lot, but produced very little in terms of those special goals and exciting football we had all hoped for. To make matters even worse, it was those officials that went a long way to ruining what could have been a wonderful spectacle with some highly dubious decision making throughout the tournament, in my view.

The semi-final between Germany and France seemed to sum up the whole event. The Germans dominated possession in the first half and had 70% of it before Italian referee Nicola Rizzoli decided to play God and award the French a penalty on the stroke of half time. Ninety nine times out of every hundred, this would not have been called, but the Italian knew how to please the locals.

Antoine Griezmann, the tournament's top scorer sent keeper Manuel Neuer the wrong way from the spot and from that moment on, the game was turned on its head! The French

held out against intense German pressure before Griezmann settled the destination of an intriguing semi-final with just 18 minutes remaining, when he turned the ball home from close range, after keeper Manuel Neuer could only half-clear Paul Pogba's cross.

So the hosts made it to the final rather fortuitously, as did the Portuguese, who had to go the distance on a number of occasions before beating Wales in normal time in the other semi-final, but the Welshmen had already eclipsed anything the other representatives of the UK could do.

You have to hand it to the Welsh though, as they reached their first ever competitive semi-final and if it had not been for the enforced absence of Aaron Ramsey through

suspension, who knows what might have happened? In the end though, it was too much for Gareth Bale, who seemed to take the whole world on his shoulders as he tried almost single-handedly to upset the odds!

Both England and Ireland were found seriously wanting. The Irish had a bit more of an excuse however, because they were seriously short of firepower up front. Shane Long is quite good, but without Jonathan Walters, he is but a pale shadow of his former self and of course Robbie Keane is a relic from the past and little else. Daryl Murphy tried his best, but after 22 internationals, has failed to score for his country. Tolerable if you are a



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defender perhaps, but not if you are supposed to be a centre forward!

As for England, they were very poor and if there is one thing you can say about this lot, it is that they are consistent and never seem to live up to the hype. Manager Roy Hodgson played the wrong players in the wrong positions and Jamie Vardy was on bench warming duties for the most part. The other bright spark, Marcus Rashford, was only introduced when the light had dimmed on another European adventure that promised so much, but produced so very little for the English.

Another country that defied football logic was little Iceland. And I do mean little! They are ranked at 180th in the world population charts with 331,778 and just above them are Belize and the Maldives, would you believe! More than 10% of their population got to France and they were not disappointed!

In the end though, the final was between the host nation, who got more than their fair share of favourable decisions, and Portugal, who had to work over-time every time, before they faced the Welsh in the semis.

Portugal were the surprise winners, but only after Cristiano Ronaldo was carried off, and only after another bore draw and more extra time.

It summed up the tournament really; failing miserably to live up to expectations and producing some of the most uninspiring football seen on the planet. If this is what happens when you extend an event by a week and expand the list of finalists, then it has been a very bad idea.

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