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# Page Three

It's not often that I see Laura in Hotel De Koopermoolen, and as it was a nice day, she came from behind the desk for a photo outside. Smoking had nothing to do with it.



Louise and Katerina were behind the bar in Susie's Saloon, so I had to get my camera out!



This is the third time in four months that Paula and Sabrina in Café Old Town have been on Page Three; I hope you don't think they're getting too much exposure.



This is only Marina's second time in the Stun, but Laura has notched up a few more appearances, behind the bar in H. Murray's.

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# The Editor's Bit

I'm sure it won't come as too much of a surprise to regular readers of this column that nobody entered last month's *Cover Competition*. Paula told me that she was determined to get it, but didn't get back to me, so I presume she failed to identify the location. The statue on the last cover (Summer) can be found in the Artis zoo.

For this month's **Cover Competition**, all you have to do is tell me where the statue is located. Instead of blue skies or foliage, there's a street scene in the background this month, so I hope that makes it a bit easier. As usual, there's an **Honourable Mention** to the first person with the correct answer, and maybe a few other *Mention's* if we get multiple entries. Contact details are on page 2, or you can tell me in person if you meet me in a bar, but if that's the case, make sure I write it down because I can be a bit forgetful.

If anybody would like to donate *real* prizes for any of our competitions, contact me! I'm sure most of our readers would prefer something tangible over an *Honourable Mention*.

One competition where we do have *REAL* prizes is our annual **Premier Predictions League**, sponsored by Coco's Outback. There are 4 x €15 vouchers for food +/- or drink to be won if you can predict where more of the 20 teams in the English Premier League will finish the season than your fellow competitors. I'm hoping to get an entry form online soon, but until then, you can also send in the form on page 17 by email or WhatsApp,

Talking of Coco's Outback, Adriaan was having a farewell drink there before flying off to his new job, managing a bar on Curacao, and he insisted on having his photo taken with me before he left.



Dimitry in Excalibur refused to have his photo taken, but said yes to one with me.



All of our usual stuff is here, so enjoy your July edition of the Amsterdam Stun.

*Andy*

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# Congratulations

Happy Birthday to me, Stun editor/publisher Andy, on the 11th, plus Adrian, Alan, Alex, Alfred, Amy, Anita, Ann, Annelies, Arjette, Arwen, Asna, Cameron, Chantal, Chas, Cherry, Chris, Daan. Daniel, David, Deborah, Dee Dee, Diane, Dimitri, Dominic, Eileen, Eithne, Eleanor, Emiel, Emil, Emma-Jane, Erin, Ernst, Eva, Ewa, Feargal, Hans, Heidi, Henk, Ilona, Ingeborg, Iris, Jack, Jackie, Jan, Jane, Janet, Jasmin, Jeffrey, Jeroen, Jim, Joey, Johan, John, Jon, Kathy, Kees, Kelli, Ken, Kerry, Kevin, Laura, Lawrence, Leo, Leonike, Lin, Lisa, Liza, Luisa, Maggie, Marek, Marianne, Mark, Martijn, Mathilda, Matthew, Maurice, Max, Maya, Mike, Millie, Mugley, Nick, Nikki, Nils, Patrick, Pete, Peter, Piggy, Rebecca, Ron, Rose, Sasha, Sean, Sergio, Shannon, Shaun, Shelley, Stana, Steph, Tim, Tommy, Tony, Viivi, Vivian, Willy & Wol.

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## From The Archives

We've gone back to 1999 for this photo of somebody who's celebrating their birthday in July, and she still likes to party!



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Jur was behind the bar, of course.



Magic Sem was propping up the bar.

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# STUN GIG-LIST

## Monday

### Weekly

- 20:00, **Molly Malone's**, Traditional Irish Session, *A warm welcome to everyone.*
- 20:00, **The End**, Karaoke, *over 40,000 English/Dutch songs to choose from. Open til 3*
- 20:00, **Zaal 100**, Goeie Zin Presents:, *THE evening for singer/songwriters & semi-acoustic music. Check zaal100.nl for details. €5*
- 20:30, **Durty Nelly's**, Live Acoustic Music, *with Gianluca & friends*
- 20:30, **Waterhole**, Open Jam Session, *with Rene Kipuw €2*
- 21:00, **Jazzcafe Alto**, Cool Sound Trio,
- 23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Bourbon Jam, *with Theo Mosquito €5*
- 10th July 2023**
- 19:30, **Q-Factory**, British Lion, *support: Airforce. Hard rock €27.50*
- 20:00, **Maloe Melo**, Simon Lutz, *Bandjes Avond*

## Tuesday

### Weekly

- 20:00, **Café Havelaar**, Games Night, *Play Dungeons & Dragons or Magic: The Gathering against fellow nerds!*
- 20:00, **The End**, Karaoke, *over 40,000 English/Dutch songs to choose from. Open til 3*
- 20:30, **Waterhole**, Open Jam Session, *with Nienke & Jacco €2*
- 21:00, **Jazzcafe Alto**, The Fours, *Jazz, Latin, Funk*  
**11th July 2023**
- 20:00, **Ziggo Dome**, Iron Maiden, *Future Past Tour €99*
- 20:30, **Bar Bukowski**, Laughing Lyrics  
Comedy Night,
- 23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Modie, *Italian pianist, singer, songwriter; Soul and Pop €5*  
**18th July 2023**
- 23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Lamar Chase, *rock/blues €5*  
**25th July 2023**
- 23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Lamar Chase, *rock/blues €5*

## Wednesday

### Weekly

- 20:00, **The End**, Karaoke, *over 40,000 English/Dutch songs to choose from. Open til 3*
- 20:00, **Mulligans**, Open Session, *with various songs & tunes, including Celtic, Folk, Pop, Bluegrass, Americana etc., from our regular musicians and guests!*
- 20:30, **Waterhole**, Open Jam Session, €2  
**12th July 2023**
- 21:00, **Jazzcafe Alto**, Jasper Blom Brings,
- 21:30, **Maloe Melo**, Jam Session, *Bring your instrument and play with the house band*
- 23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Andrea De Luca, *Blues €5*  
**19th July 2023**
- 20:30, **Waterhole**, Open Jam Session, *with Gregorio*
- 21:00, **Jazzcafe Alto**, Yoran Vroom,
- 22:00, **Maloe Melo**, Private Party, *Front bar open to all*
- 23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Rayn Bechoe, *Funk/Soul €5*



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## Wednesday

26th July 2023

- 20:30, **Bulldog Palace**, Caracas Latin Band, *Pop/Latino*  
21:00, **Jazzcafe Alto**, Wouter Kiers Quartet,  
21:30, **Maloe Melo**, Jam Session, *Bring your instrument and play with the house band*  
23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Jacco Gotink, *Classic Rock* €5

## Thursday

Weekly

- 20:00, **The End**, Karaoke, *over 40,000 English/Dutch songs to choose from. Open til 3*  
20:30, **Waterhole**, Live Music (acts tba), *check waterhole.nl for details* €2  
21:00, **Jazzcafe Alto**, Sunirea Wine 22,  
22:00, **Coco's Outback**, Karaoke Competition, *Get a FREE shot before singing and be in with a chance of winning a nice prize!*

13th July 2023

- 21:00, **Mulligans**, Sjoerd van Raavenzwaaij & Nienke Bijker, *local duo: traditional Celtic and folk*  
21:00, **Rockclub The Cave**, Punk meets Metal: Averno [AR], *Deathmetal from Argentina + 3 punk bands* €5  
21:00, **Durty Nelly's**, Clandestinos,  
21:30, **Maloe Melo**, Jam Session, *Bring your instrument and play with the house band*  
23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Roxanne Hartog, *Soul, funk & pop* €5

20th July 2023

- 21:30, **Maloe Melo**, Jam Session, *Bring your instrument and play with the house band*  
23:00, **Bourbon Street**, t.b.a., €5

27th July 2023

- 21:00, **Mulligans**, Malin, *local 4-piece band: traditional Celtic tunes and ballads*  
22:00, **Maloe Melo**, Raising Ravens, *Australian band promoting debut album, Leaving With The Halflight.* €5  
23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Adam James Band, *Rock/Pop/Soul/Reggae* €5

## Friday

Weekly

- 18:30, **Taparia**, Mosquito, *Latin Pop Rock*  
20:00, **The End**, Karaoke, *over 40,000 English/Dutch songs to choose from. Open til 2*  
20:30, **Waterhole**, Rock Night (bands tba), *check waterhole.nl for details* €3

7th July 2023

- 21:00, **Rockclub The Cave**, Serotonia [NL] + Nafearya [NL] + Evil Oath [NL], *Melodic Metalcore, Melodic Metal, Black Metal* €6  
21:00, **Jazzcafe Alto**, Ernesto Montenegro Quintet,  
21:00, **Molly Malone's**, Live Music, *t.b.a.*  
21:30, **Maloe Melo**, Angry Zeta, *Hillbilly/Country from Argentina* €7.50  
23:00, **Bourbon Street**, The Bashir Brothers & A. Hendrikx, *up tempo tunes, from soulful blues, to classic rock.* €5

14th July 2023

- 21:00, **Mulligans**, The Bradley Bunch, *local 4 piece band: Irish ballads & tunes*  
21:00, **Jazzcafe Alto**, Nitin Parree Quintet,  
21:00, **Molly Malone's**, Live Music, *t.b.a.*  
22:00, **Maloe Melo**, Quatorze Juillet, *2 guitar giants: Ralph De Jong + David Hollestelle* €10  
23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Jaxswing, *Funk/Soul/Swing/Electro Pop* €5

21st July 2023

- 21:00, **Mulligans**, Robert Pfeiffer & Mark Gilligan, *local duo: Irish pub and pop songs*  
21:00, **Jazzcafe Alto**, Ilia Rayskin Quintet,  
21:00, **Molly Malone's**, Live Music, *t.b.a.*  
21:30, **Rockclub The Cave**, Mystic Mayesty [IT] + Cervus [NL], *Hard Robot Rock*, €7  
22:00, **Maloe Melo**, The Dickpicks feat. Peter Lavelle, *Americana + country rock* €5  
23:00, **Bourbon Street**, The Wiseflower, *blues, rock and roll, soul and gospel* €5

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## Friday

28th July 2023

- 21:00, **Mulligans**, Mark Nagle, Angus MacGalligan & Siard de Jong, *Celtic trio: uptempo Irish tunes on pipes/flute, guitar/vocals & fiddle*
- 21:00, **Jazzcafe Alto**, Iman Spaargaren,
- 21:00, **Molly Malone's**, Live Music, *t.b.a.*
- 21:30, **Rockclub The Cave**, Bleach 'n' Soda [SE] + 6s & 7s [AU], *Grunge/Alternative Rock* €5
- 22:00, **Maloe Melo**, Live Music, *t.b.a.*
- 23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Caracas Latin Band, *Pop/Latino* €5

## Saturday

22nd July 2023

- 20:00, **Rockclub The Cave**, F.U.A. + Slekt + Coven6669, *Punk/Hardrock* €5
- 21:00, **Mulligans**, Monto, *local trio, playing Dubliner's songs and more...*
- 21:00, **Jazzcafe Alto**, Guillermo Celano Quartet,
- 21:00, **Molly Malone's**, Andy MacUnfraidh, *Irish singer/entertainer*
- 22:00, **Maloe Melo**, Mary Lee Family Band, *Bluegrass, honky-tonk & punk* €7.50
- 23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Jacco Gotink, *classic rock* €5

29th July 20:23

- 18:30, **Taparia**, Caracas Trio, *Pop/Latino*
- 21:00, **Mulligans**, Mark Nagle, Angus MacGalligan & Siard de Jong, *Up tempo Irish tunes*
- 21:00, **Jazzcafe Alto**, Bop This,
- 21:00, **Molly Malone's**, Live Music, *t.b.a.*
- 22:00, **Maloe Melo**, The Stubbs, *60s/70s Soul* €7
- 23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Treasure, *Soul/R&B* €5

## Saturday

Weekly

- 20:00, **The End**, Karaoke, *over 40,000 English/Dutch songs to choose from. Open til 2*
- 20:30, **Waterhole**, Rock Night (bands tba), *check waterhole.nl for details* €3

8th July 2023

- 20:30, **Paradiso**, Southside Johnny & The Asbury Jukes, *Rock, Soul & Blues* €31.50
- 21:00, **Jazzcafe Alto**, Olaf Zwetsloot Quintet,
- 21:00, **Molly Malone's**, Live Music, *t.b.a.*
- 21:30, **Maloe Melo**, The Pheromones, *70s/80s Rock* €7.50
- 21:30, **Rockclub The Cave**, Cuttermess + Nocturnal Empire, *Belgian metal!* €5
- 23:00, **Bourbon Street**, The Wiseflower, *blues, rock and roll, soul and gospel* €5

15th July 2023

- 20:30, **Waterhole**, Petty Kingdom, *Acoustic pop*
- 21:00, **Mulligans**, Niall McGuigan & Robin van Rijswijk, *Irish singer/entertainer and guitarist: wideranging repertoire*
- 21:00, **Jazzcafe Alto**, The Jig,
- 21:00, **Molly Malone's**, Live Music, *t.b.a.*
- 21:30, **Rockclub The Cave**, Gas Giant + Bismut, *Psych stoner rock, Psych prog space trio* €8
- 22:00, **Maloe Melo**, CC Jerome Combo, *Rockabilly* €7.50
- 23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Andrea De Luca, *Blues* €5

## Sunday

Weekly

- 19:00, **Waterhole**, Live Music (acts tba), *check waterhole.nl for details* €2
- 19:00, **Mulligans**, Traditional Irish Session,
- 20:00, **The End**, Karaoke, *over 40,000 English/Dutch songs to choose from. Open til 3*

9th July 2023

- 21:00, **Jazzcafe Alto**, Rob van de Wouw Quartet,
- 23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Jay's Garage, *rock/blues* €5

16th July 2023

- 21:00, **Jazzcafe Alto**, Eran Har Even,
- 23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Curtis Millen, *funk/soul singer with a great energy on stage* €5

23rd July 2023

- 21:00, **Jazzcafe Alto**, Wouter Kiers Quartet,
- 23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Jay's Garage, *rock/blues* €5

30th July 2023

- 21:00, **Jazzcafe Alto**, Eduardo Blanco,
- 23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Sunday R&B Session, *A chance to sing your favourite songs.* €5



Jack and Adrian were behind the mixers for Karaoke night in Coco's Outback.

# ROUND T

Flat cap night in Susie's Saloon, with Carl, Mike and a hatless Spencer.



I was about to go in Excalibur when I got dragged into the tattoo parlour next door to take a photo of Robin and my old friend Carlos.



To those of you wondering what happened to Peter, he moved back to England, but he can't stay away; I spotted him in Café Oporto turning on his charm with Veronica.



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# THE BARS

Empty bars don't attract customers, so after their fine work propping up the bar in Molly Malone's, H. Murray's and De Blauwe Druif, Ariana, Kenny, Neil and Pete have now turned their attention to the Backstage Bar.



Lute, who used to work in Café Zwart, posed for a photo with Jordy in Excalibur.



It was Fathers Day, so Kimberlee took her dad Rene out for a drink in Café Oporto.



Kimberlee's mum Ann and nephew Kealan were there too, so I had to take a family photo.

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# BEHIND

Dustin and Hayley were behind the bar on a Saturday night in Molly Malone's.



You can tell by their faces; Joey and Jarne have fun behind the bar in Bourbon Street.



This is getting to be a regular thing... We had to go *Extra Large*, yet again, to fit in all of the Poolbar crew; this time we've got Dave, Rijk, Isa, Toby, Berend, Harrold and Addy



# BARS

After his Stun debut last month, Mark in Hotel Torenzicht was happy to appear again.



Steven has got every reason to smile; he's just taken over the Backstage Bar on Oudezijds Armsteeg, and he's got Guinness on tap.



Emil and Steve, behind the bar in Susie's Saloon, got photo-bombed by Mike from Café De Buurvrouw.



It was Eddie's last shift in the Three Sisters Pub; he only had a moustache when he started but had a bigger beard than Max and Hassan by the time he left.

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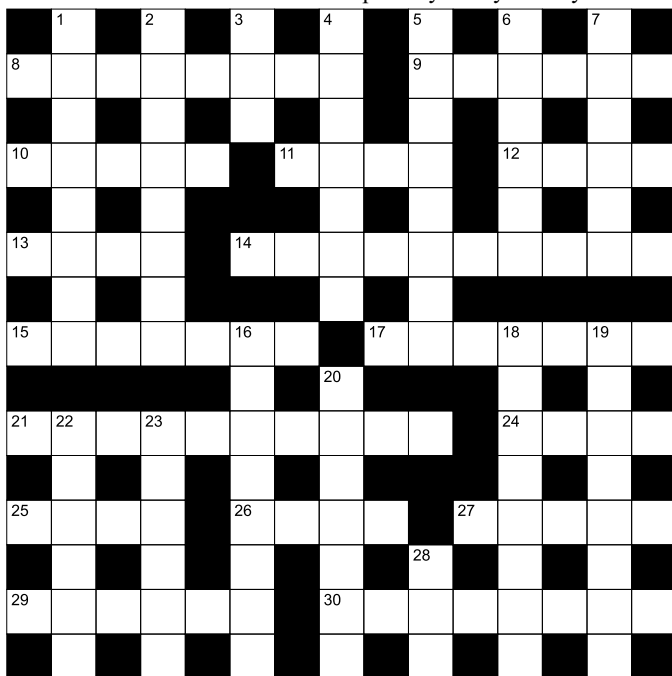
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# Stun Crossword

Compiled by Martyn Hardy

## Across

8. In rehearsal, the performers are in charge (8)
9. Produce carbon decomposing a tree (6)
10. Waterway vessel takes a left (5)
11. Make slow progress parking old model (4)
12. Plane landing in some style (4)
13. Behind taking head off president (4)
14. A request to leave jewellery etc when cooking eggs (10)
15. Farewell demonstration offends, possibly (4-3)
17. Confronts current expenses (7)
21. Doesn't ring out when working hard at it (10)
24. Artist experimented a little bit (4)
25. Musical pair ready with Tchaikovsky's first (4)
26. Made out on board (4)
27. Note, real distress may be signalled thus (5)
29. Consultation on modern day sin (6)
30. One making petition unable to embrace mail order (8)



## Down

1. Terribly rare, cute animal (8)
2. Had fight cancelled (8)
3. Trendy joint (3)
4. Denounce decrepit old peer (7)
5. One who's learned it's not relevant (8)
6. Have a good time taking in a show (6)
7. Pole to focus on work (6)
16. Attached, show constant need to split (8)
18. Former sweetheart proving a lousy match, perhaps (3,5)
19. Liberal scurried to put rental notice outside (8)
20. Ruler making no variation in parade (7)
22. Heats sandwiches, maybe (6)
23. Can do a turn with comic idiot (6)
28. Walk home! (3)

**Scribble Space**

Answers on page 17

# JOKES

A wife was in bed with her lover when she heard her husband's key in the door. "Stay where you are," she said, alarmed by the sound. "He's so drunk he won't even notice you're in bed with me."

The husband jumped into bed, but a few minutes later, through a drunken haze, he saw six feet sticking out at the end of the bed.

He turned to his wife: "Hey, there are six feet in this bed. There should only be four. What's going on?"

"You're so drunk you miscounted," said the wife. Get out of bed and try again. You can see better from over there.

The husband climbed out of bed and counted. "One, two, three, four. Damn, you're right."

\*\*\*\*\*

An old Pilot sat down in Starbucks and ordered a cup of coffee.

As he sat sipping his coffee, a young woman sat down next to him.

She turned to the pilot and asked, 'Are you a real pilot?'

He replied, 'Well, I've spent my whole life flying biplanes, Cubs, Aeroncas, Neiuports, flew in WWII in a B-29, and later in the Korean conflict, taught 50 people to fly and gave rides to hundreds, so I guess I am a pilot – what about you?'

She said, 'I'm a lesbian. I spend my whole day thinking about naked women. As soon as I get up in the morning, I think about naked women. When I shower, I think about naked women. When I watch TV, I think about naked women. It seems everything makes me think of naked women.'

The two sat sipping in silence.

A little while later, a young man sat down on the other side of the old pilot and asked, 'Are you a real pilot?'

He replied, 'I always thought I was, but I just found out I'm a lesbian.'

\*\*\*\*\*

My mate went to a fancy dress party dressed as a loaf of bread. The birds were all over him.

A man and woman had been married for more than 60 years. They had shared everything. They talked about everything. They didn't keep any secrets from each other, except that the little old woman had a shoe box in the top of her closet that she had cautioned her husband never to open or ask her about.

For all of these years, he had never thought about the box, but one day the little old woman got very sick and the doctor said she would not recover.

In trying to sort out their affairs, the little old man took down the shoe box and took it to his wife's bedside. She agreed that it was time that he should know what was in the box. When he opened it, he found two crocheted dolls and a stack of money totalling \$95,000. He asked her about the contents.

"When we were to be married," she said, "my grandmother told me the secret of a happy marriage was to never argue. She told me that if I ever got angry with you, I should just keep quiet and crochet a doll."

The little old man was so moved, he had to fight back tears. Only two precious dolls were in the box. She had only been angry with him two times in all those years of living and loving. He almost burst with happiness.

"Honey," he said, "that explains the dolls, but what about all of this money? Where did it come from?"

"Oh," she said, "That's the money I made from selling the dolls."

\*\*\*\*\*

I've just started writing my next book; it's all about growing up in my home town! It's inspired by the local high street having a Vision Express, Lloyd's Pharmacy and Greggs all next to each other.

It's called "Specs and Drugs and Sausage Rolls" and should be available soon.

# BEING FRANK ON FOOTBALL

So that's it for now. The season is over once again, and as football fans, this is the most miserable of times. Luckily for me, I enjoy lots of other sports, so I can always find something to waste away the hours in front of a TV set.

I would not like to calculate how many hours I have spent in my life watching one sport or another, but it would probably amount to about twenty years!

When I was a kid, I used to sit in the house watching Grandstand from start to finish. It began at around midday, and ended around five pm, and this was long before I could bet on horses - although there was always horse racing incorporated in the Grandstand extravaganza. That was in the days when the BBC had all the big sporting events from the Grand National to the England Test series, the Beeb seemed to have almost everything, and David Coleman was the perfect host for every jam-packed edition which included every sport under the sun from speedway to gymnastics, they had the lot, and that was of course before Sky Sports arrived on the scene, and just as suddenly, everything seemed to change.

I have always been a bit of a sports addict, and it can be very costly being addicted to

sport in the modern era because if you want to watch, you have to pay hefty sums for the pleasure. Big boxing events can be huge draws but nothing comes without a heavy price tag.

As you read this, Wimbledon will be up and running again, and thankfully, along with the snooker, the BBC still have their grip on these two major events and the rugby, but it is debatable as to how long this will last.

And although I was delighted that Ipswich got promotion back into the Championship, it does mean that I will be paying a subscription to watch them live on television every week. It is a relatively small price to pay to watch your favourite team when you no longer live in the country of origin, and it is a lot less than a season ticket.

So finally, I have got back onto the football again, and whatever you say about Manchester City, you cannot deny that they are probably the best team in Europe. Three trophies in a season is a remarkable achievement, and although they have been charged with breaking financial fair play rules around 100 times over a nine-year period which dates back to around 2009, we cannot deny the brilliance of Pep Guardiola and his squad.

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As for Liverpool, if they are serious about being in with a shout of the Premier League title next term then they have to spend big, and Jurgen Klopp desperately needs to rejuvenate a tired looking squad. The player they most missed last season in my view was Sadio Mane; Mo Salah always gets the praise but without Mane, he looked half the player, and old heads like James Milner and co must go, if they have serious aspirations of playing Champions League football and to have a realistic shot at the title once again.

And finally, congratulations once more to John Raftery's daughter who won the Premier Prediction title! Rest assured Trish Steele, I



will personally ensure that you get your €60 worth of Coco's Outback vouchers, and then you can come and join us in Amsterdam and use them!

*Frank Weston*

## Crossword Answers

Across: 8 Practice, 9 Create, 10 Canal, 11 Plod, 12 Eban, 13 Rump, 14 Scrambling, 15 Send-off, 17 Accosts, 21 Grindstone, 24 Dal!, 25 Duet, 26 Edam, 27 Flare, 29 Advice, 30 Claimant.  
Down: 1 Creature, 2 Scrapped, 3 Hip, 4 Deplore, 5 Academic, 6 Reveal, 7 Strain, 16 Fastened, 18 Old Flame, 19 Tolerant, 20 Monarch, 22 Rounds, 23 Nitwit, 28 Pad.

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Take a photo of your completed entry form and email it to [ppl@stun.nl](mailto:ppl@stun.nl) or WhatsApp to +31628712646. If I can get the online entry form to work, I'll announce it on the Stun Facebook Page & Group and will include a link on this page next month. Closing date for entries is Friday 1st September 2023.

# IN THE BACK

Last time Gill was in town, she was curious about what was happening with Hunter's Bar, one of her old stomping grounds when she lived here. It has now reopened, so we had to drop in to check it out. Apart from a paint-job, the new owners haven't changed much, and I was glad to see that the pool table is still on the ceiling.



The bar might have been in the same place and the arch was still there, but Warmoesstraat 55 didn't give us the same vibe as we got when it was the Fiddler's back in the 90s, but times change and it was busy, so the current owners must be doing something right.



Curiosity got the better of Gill, so we had to go on a Krijger hunt to find out how one of her friends in Dublin knew two of my friends here in Amsterdam, according to Facebook.



The mystery was solved as soon as we went in H. Murray's because Brian revealed that he used to work with their mutual friend.



A week later, Gill was back in town with our mutual friend Nancy, so we met up for a drink in Café Oporto.

After that, it was off to the Backstage Bar, where we got our first photo of Josie in what seems like ages, with Gill and Nancy.



# Reader's Photos

Everybody has got a camera on their phone, so if you've taken something that might be suitable for the Stun, send it in; our contact details are on page 2.

Rob from the Poolbar sent us these photos:





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