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sterdam, which would have made it a lot easier a bargain. for presenting a prize, if we'd had one.

We probably won't have a prize for next season's competition either, but don't let that stop you entering. More details and an entry form next month.

We're almost a year into the smoking ban and I've noticed one or two bars having a more casual attitude to people lighting up. When I take pictures in such establishments, I try to keep ashtrays and lit cigarettes out of shot, but I don't always succeed. A couple almost slipped through this month, but I remembered just in time and photoshopped the offending items out of the picture. If I missed any, please accept my apologies.

Now that summer is here, most smokers will be out on the terraces. We haven't got many outside pictures in this Stun, although I'm sure I'll be taking a few this month. We didn't even make it to the Rugby Sevens last month; instead we've got plenty of pictures of rugby players in bars.

Still no Dear Dorothy, but all the rest of our regulars bits are here this month, and all of the pictures have captions! Enjoy your Stun.

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- Vicky Brown

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TALES FROM THE

Renee, Duncan, Jim, Steve, Tony, Liz, Gus, together was at their wedding. This time they Mirjam, Sinead, Django, Ushi, Chris, Michelle, are celebrating their tenth year anniversary! Michael, Sandra, Derry, Richard, Jessica, Tommy, Sean, Frans, Russell, Ann, for all the rest: Vicky has become a mother! David, Joost, Jay, Peter, John, Ian, Toosh, Diederik, CJ, Red John, Valerie, Sonja, Martin, Kimberlee, Ferrie, Alan, Mike, Sarah, Claire, Paul, Jo, Lesley, Yvonne.

Happy Anniversary Anja & Cees, Alison & Phil, Ian & Richard, Ilona & Ray.

Maybe you've heard already, but just in case you haven't, the chemo worked and I have been given the all-clear end of May.

Andy & I had to celebrate, of course, but I might have overdone it a bit with the bubbly, I was sick for two days afterwards!

But all in all I'm feeling a lot better, my hair is growing back and I've been out on the bike already. Great.

home, sometimes on our way in to town, and shots we would like to share with you lot. always on Queens Day. But now that we're nearly neighbours, we are becoming regulars Satterthwaite, in café De Poort. Last time we dropped in, weighing in on 7lbs 14.5 ounces! Ilona & Ray were both there, so we asked if Andy could take a photo of them. And as it

Happy Birthday Elly, Ria, Adrie, Johan, happened, the last time they were in the Stun

I'm sure many of you have heard already, but



A beautiful birthday present called Martin. Sometimes we dropped in on our way Ray and Vicky sent us some before & after

> Welcome to the world Martin Arthur 10.56 20-05-09. born on



Your Mum and Dad are getting married in July, so congratulations to you and your family.



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GUTTER



It was so good to see Mickey back in Amsterdam, if only for a couple of weeks (it was meant to be a shorter visit, but his niece booked it for three weeks by accident. Lucky for us!).

I think he enjoyed himself as well, (albeit tiring!) seeing old friends, being serenaded by the Mahones when they played Maloe Melo, and receiving some good news. In fact, he was close to planning his next trip down.

Hope to see you soon, Mickey!

Tommy, one of the few people who came to see us when we were living "way out there", surprised us with a delicious coq au vin when he came round last time. (Thanks) We ate it the next day, and the chicken melted in my mouth. Yum!

Tommy didn't know Andy doesn't eat carrots, but there were plenty of mushrooms. I used to eat carrots, just never prepare any. (so thanks again!)

I haven't seen Mandy since she's back in town, but I've heard she's working on getting some diploma's & certificates that will enable her to work with Roxanne, in Deja Vue.



It sounds like it's doing well, when Nicola isn't studying, doing the house and the kid, or working somewhere else, she helps out in the salon as well.

I'll visit soon, to talk about advertising. Now I'm back on the bike it should be a piece of cake. I wonder if they have that, too?

Elly





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CENTRUM

Simone, making her first appearance in the Stun, was busy behind the bar of the Old Quarter during the Rugby Sevens weekend, although working with Marlene meant she never had a dull moment.



It's been a while since we had a picture of Lisette in the Stun, so we had to get the camera out when we saw her behind the bar in the Stone's Café with Nathalie.

Peter stopped moving for a moment, so we managed to get a picture of him, almost, but not quite posing, in the Old Nickel.



It's even longer since Jackie or Veronica made an appearance: seeing them in the Stone's Café together was a photo opportunity we couldn't miss out on.

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FINNEGAN'S QUIZ

We almost entered a Stun team for the Pub Quiz in Finnegan's Rainbow last month and next four places: having checked out the opposition, there's a good chance we'll be competing when they hold their next one.

At the end of the evening, quizmaster Mark and question setter Marjolein pronounced Oud Mokum the winners with 44 points.



Only one point separated the teams for the

Erik Op Vakantie shared the fourth spot...

Runners-up were SLB with 43 points.



Dude Ringers took third place, 37 points.



With Zweinstein, both on 36 points.



They couldn't pronounce their team name, but Pog Ma Thoin managed to score 35 points, which put them in joint sixth place.

NIGHT

The other team in sixth place were called the Fawltys. Under a different name, they came third at the last Pub Quiz in Finnegan's.



Quiz Team Aguilera were runaway winners in October, but halved their score this time, finishing in eighth place with 33 points.



Somebody had to finish last, and that dubious honour went to the Father & Sons team, who scored 32 points.

KARAOKE TIME

Every other Thursday is Karaoke Night in Coco's Outback, with a bottle of bubbly for the best performance of the evening. At our last visit, there was a sing-off between the three finalists; Heather, Marcel and Kuyn. Marcel won that night, with a little help from naked Fraser. The next Coco's Karaoke night is on Thursday 18th June.



If you want to get some practice in before then, every night is Karaoke Night in The End, and it goes on late into the night.



MUSIC & WHAT'S

There's no live music in The End at the moment, only karaoke. A new tenant moved in Molly Malone's will be hosting a party organabove the Rock Café and started complaining ised by the Ex-pat Meetup Group, with live about the noise. The bar has to be re-insulated, music from NFS. but hopefully, the live music should be back within a couple of months.

If you can't wait a couple of months for your unless they have an electric gig lined up. This fix of live music, Peter Lavell and Friends play month's electric gigs are in Bourbon Street on just down the road in the Old Nickel every Fri-



26th June.



Human Jukebox Craig Coe, who used to Friday 19th June and Club Royalty a week latlead the Thursday session in The End, will er on Friday 26th. Olly De Quartz will be back be back playing in Molly Malone's on Friday in Royalty on Thursday 2nd July, when they compete in the preliminary round of the Dommelsch Clash of the Cover Bands. It starts at 20:00 and admission is free, so get down there and give them some support. Club Royalty is on the Korte Leidsedwarsstraat.

The following night, Saturday 27th June,

Olly De Quartz are playing unplugged in

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ON

Still on Korte Leidsedwarsstraat, What Ever are building up quite a fan-base in the Waterhole. They're the opening act twice this month, on Friday 19th and 26th.



For the mid-week music fan, Maloe Melo have a got a rocking night on Wednesday 17th June, with More Cowbell (featuring Gus Genser on drums) and all-girl band pEp on the bill.



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GIG-LIST

Sunday

Weekly

18:00, **The Waterhole**, Sunday Matinee with Theo de Mosquito & band, *a musical antidote for your hangover (funk/soul jam)*

22:00, **Maloe Melo**, Acoustic Session, *with Eugenio*

22:30, The End, Karaoke,

22:30, **The Waterhole**, Joyce Grimes & Baukje Westerlaken, *Sunday night jam with a feminine touch* €1

Monday

Weekly

22:00, **Bourbon Street**, Mosquito Unplugged, *funky soul*

22:00, **Maloe Melo**, Acoustic Session, *with* Peter Lavell

22:30, The End, Karaoke,

22:30, **The Waterhole**, Rory's Open Mike, *All musicians*, *even complete bands*, *welcome*. €1

8th June 2009

21:00, Hotel Old Quarter, The Old Quarter

Trio, special guest: Frits Katee (jazz)

15th June 2009

21:00, **Hotel Old Quarter**, The Old Quarter Trio, *special guest: Eduardo Blanco (jazz)*

22nd June 2009

21:00, **Hotel Old Quarter**, The Old Quarter Trio, *special guest: Arthur Heuwekemeijer* (*jazz*)

29th June 2009

21:00, **Hotel Old Quarter**, The Old Quarter Trio, *special guest: Chris Corstens (jazz)*

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Tuesday

Weekly

21:30, **Molly Malone's**, Ex-Pat & Horeca Night, *with DJ*

22:30, The End, Karaoke,

22:30, **The Waterhole**, Blues & Soul with Julius E. Green, €1

9th June 2009

22:00, **Maloe Melo**, Blues + Rock Session, with Marcel Scherpenzeel

16th June 2009

22:00, **Maloe Melo**, Student Session, *with V.S.P.A.*

23rd June 2009

20:00, **TWSTD**, Talent Night, *hosted by Ken Parsons*

22:00, **Maloe Melo**, Beat Club Live: Gonn!, *The all-original 1967 line-up* (US) \in 10

30th June 2009

22:00, **Maloe Melo**, Blues + Rock Session, with Marcel Scherpenzeel

Wednesday

Weekly

22:00, **Bourbon Street**, Micky Llewellyn, *blues & rock*

22:30, The End, Karaoke,

22:30, **The Waterhole**, Stan's Latin, Rock & Pop Jam, €1

10th June 2009

22:00, Maloe Melo, Jam Session, with Archie 17th June 2009

20:00, **Volta**, Sounds Different, *All Style Jam session*

22:00, **Maloe Melo**, The Last Attraction, *chanson noir* €5

Thursday

Weekly

22:00, **Maloe Melo**, Blues Session, *with Rahim*

22:30, The End, Karaoke,

23:00, **The Waterhole**, Gus Genser (Herman Brood's ex-drummer) Rock Jam, *Still kicking ass every Thursday* €1

11th June 2009

20:00, **Volta**, Rock Night, *with Togglehead* €5 21:00, **The Waterhole**, John Doe's Revenge, **18th June 2009**

20:00, **Volta**, VoltAcoustiC, *singer/songwriter evening* €5

21:00, The Waterhole, Monday Project,

22:00, Coco's Outback, Karaoke

Competition, win a bottle of bubbly

25th June 2009

20:00, **Volta**, Rock Night, *with Hardzeer*, *Klopje Popje* (*t.b.c.*) €5 21:00, **The Waterhole**, Blodyface, *from USA* 23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Eddy Gartry Blues State UK, *blues*

Friday

Weekly

21:00, **Old Nickel**, Peter Lavell, *Blues* 23:00, **The End**, Karaoke,



GIG-LIST

5th June 2009

21:00, **The Waterhole**, The Cash Brothers, 22:30, **Hotel Old Quarter**, Olly De Quartz (unplugged), *pop/rock covers* 23:00, **Maloe Melo**, Fifty's Rock'n'Roll Night, €5

23:00, **The Waterhole**, Awesome, €1 **12th June 2009**

21:00, **The Waterhole**, Amsterdam Funk Connection,

22:30, **Hotel Old Quarter**, Olly De Quartz (unplugged), *pop/rock covers*23:00, **Maloe Melo**, K.C. Credit & The Cashiers, *100% Johnny Cash* €5
23:00, **The Waterhole**, Roxy, €1
23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Lamar Chase, *blues*

19th June 2009 21:00, The Waterhole, What Ever,

22:30, **Hotel Old Quarter**, Olly De Quartz (unplugged), *pop/rock covers*23:00, **Maloe Melo**, Beyond Lickin +
Drugsmokkel, *garage/punk* €5
23:00, **The Waterhole**, Spit, €1
23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Joe Rocker, *rock*26th June 2009

21:00, The Waterhole, What Ever, 21:30, Molly Malone's, Craig Coe, Singer/ guitarist/Songwriter/Entertainer 22:00, Royalty, Olly De Quartz, rock 23:00, Maloe Melo, Boys Named Sue, Johnny Cash tribute €5

23:00, The Waterhole, Rife, $\in 1$

Saturday

Weekly

21:00, **Old Nickel**, Peter Lavell, *Blues* 22:30, **Hotel Old Quarter**, Olly De Quartz (unplugged), *pop/rock covers (except 13th)* 23:00, **The End**, Karaoke,

6th June 2009

21:00, **The Waterhole**, Tschjer, 23:00, **Maloe Melo**, !Out of Sight! Live: The Waistcoat, *Beat*, *garage*, *surf* €5 23:00, **The Waterhole**, Vezpa, €1

13th June 2009

21:00, **The Waterhole**, Prepare 2 Unload, 23:00, **Maloe Melo**, Bebas, *pop/reggae/r&b/rock'n'roll from Indonesia* €5 23:00, **The Waterhole**, Continental Breakfast,

23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Olly De Quartz, *rock* **20th June 2009**

21:00, **The Waterhole**, Kristina Hanses, 23:00, **Maloe Melo**, Beat Club Live: Blue Moon Special + The WestHell 5, 2 bars, 2 DJ's, 2 bands €7

23:00, The Waterhole, Waste, €1

27th June 2009

21:00, **The Waterhole**, Hans Brinker Band, 21:30, **Molly Malone's**, NFS, *Covers from all genres of music, plus some of their own songs* 23:00, **Maloe Melo**, Student Evening Liber, €5

23:00, **The Waterhole**, Funky Pilots, €1



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ROUND

Neville found a big beermat to doodle on in the Waterhole's smoking room.



No question about where Liam's seat is in Susie's Saloon: They've put up a brass plate.

Mickey was in town, so Tommy was out drinking with him in the Old Highlander.

Toosh was in the Old Highlander with his ex-father in law, Johnny Maloney.

Party Animals Emmah, God the Somali pirate and Winnie were in Coco's Outback.



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THE BARS

This is the first time we've had a picture of Sabine and Mark together.



Another Mark, another bar. This Mark was on the terrace at Molly Malone's.



Pat, Edward and Gavin are the old men of Coco's.





Elaine was paying her first visit to Amsterdam in 35 years and was in the Old Highlander with Jean, one of the Mcguire sisters.



Miquel and Ptol outside the Flying Dutchman. Joe (see page 22) said Ptol is Olympic & World champion in a couple of disciplines, but we can't tell you which.



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all hands on the pumps.



Amber and Navvy were behind the bar in the London Bridge when we dropped in. They're looking for part/full time staff in the London Bridge: If you're interested and have bar & kitchen experience, drop in the bar or call 06-14360934.

Susie's Saloon was full of thirsty rugby players on the Sevens Saturday; no problem for Ruud, Rebecca and Lanny.

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Mak, Mo, Deva, Juriaan and Nils are used to being busy in the Waterhole on Saturdays.



BARS



Pouring two drinks at once? No problem for Gabriel in The End.



Paul from Finnegan's came 7th in the PPL (page 25), behind two of the bar's regulars.

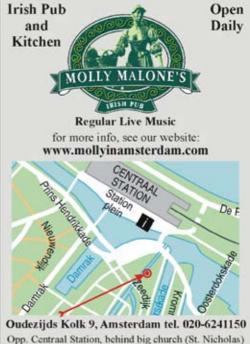


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Molly Malone's barman Tom also entered the PPL and finished in 8th place.



MICKEY FINN

Mickey has been a friend and fan of The Mahones since they first played in Amsterdam, but hadn't seen Finny and the band since retiring to England. Last month, they were both in town at the same time, so they had to meet up.





Josie hadn't seen The Mahone's for a while, so she was in Maloe Melo too.

Here's Mickey & Finn with Jan.

Finn put Mickey and myself on the guest list for the bands gig in Maloe Melo.



Jur was behind the bar, with his Mahone's T-shirt on.



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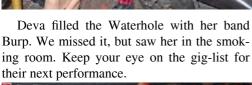
OFF STAGE

Olly De Quartz were taking a break between sets in Bourbon Street. For the big stage, regular band members Amadeo, Olly, Fritz and Alexxx were joined by keyboard player Lode. Road manager Casey was on hand to make sure everything went smoothly.



OUT OF THE STORY O

Thursday night in the Waterhole, with a couple of fine guitar players propping up the bar: Magic Sem and Mickey Llewellyn.





Fraser, Neil and Sandra from NFS, with Karolina, the little Greek trainee groupie, were in Molly Malone's arranging their debut gig, playing acoustic covers of all sorts plus some of Sandra's own compositions.

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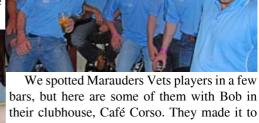
RUGBY SEVENS

We didn't make it to watch any of the matches during this year's Rugby Sevens, but there was plenty of action around the bars.

Wooden Spoon Ladies were doing a Sound of music in the Old Quarter and were joined by the Samurai Ladies team, who beat them in the final the following day.



Two of the Wooden Spoon Ladies wandered into the Old Highlander, asking for directions.



the final of the Veterans 10 competition the next day but lost to Wooden Spoon again.



Plume of Feathers players with some of the locals in the Old Highlander.

A disappointing result for the Marauders in the Men's Sevens; they got knocked out in the quarter-finals. We didn't see any of the players, but here's James and some of the Maraud-

ers supporters in Café Corso.





Catalunya Rugby in Susie's Saloon with...
Wiss the Mama from Spain. Both Spanish teams in the smoking room. Neither team won a match the next day.



Valkyrie Mara with Lou from London.



Pink Ba-ba's lost in the final for the Ladies Wooden Spoon.



Jason and Huw, two of the referees, were in Susie's Saloon, doing the rounds.

Julie, one of the Susie's Valkyries players, behind the bar with Anti & Lars.



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MORE ROUNDS

I know we've already got pictures of Toosh and Tommy in this Stun, but we couldn't leave out this one of them together.



Pete and Lin haven't got a local anymore; they lead a nomadic bar life now, but still visit friends like Matthew in Molly Malone's.

Joe asked us to use the words Klaplopen and Zaklopen in another caption (see page 15) but after hearing Flying Dutchman barmaid Tineke's translation, we declined.





It was Saturday night, so Sanne was dancing on the table with her sister Niki and friend Marloes in Coco's Outback



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A guy buys a second-hand Harley Davidson, which is almost in mint condition. Before riding off, he asks the owner how he managed to keep it in good shape.

'Well,' says the owner, 'its pretty simple. Just make sure that if the bike is outside and it's going to rain, rub Vaseline on the chrome. It protects it from the rain.'

The next night, the guy goes over to his girlfriend's house for dinner. It's the first time he's been there and she meets him on the doorstep.

'Honey," she say's,' I gotta tell you something about my parents before you go in. When we eat dinner, we don't talk. In fact, the person who says anything during dinner has to do the dishes.'

'No problem,' he say's. And in they go. The boyfriend is astounded.

Right smack in the middle of the living room is a huge stack of dirty dishes. in the family room, another huge stack of dishes. Piled up the stairs, dirty dishes. In fact everywhere he looks, dirty dishes. They sit down to dinner and, sure enough, no one says a word.

to take advantage of the situation. So he leans clumps of dried grass. Why do you suppose over and kisses his girlfriend. No one says a that is?' word.

breasts. He looks at her parents, but they still 'Hmmm, I have no idea.' kept quiet.

her naked, and they make love right on the din- you don't know s**t? ner table. Still no one says a word.

'Her mums kinda cute,' he thinks. So he grabs his girlfriend's mum and has his way sweat because he had an important meeting with her right there on the dinner table. Again and couldn't find a parking place. total silence.

the boyfriend realises it's starting to rain. He will go to Mass every Sunday for the rest of me thinks he'd better take care of the motorcy- life and give up me Irish Whiskey". cle, so he pulls the Vaseline from his pocket. Suddenly the father stands up and shouts, 'All right, all right! I'll do the damn dishes.'

JOKES

With our Guest Jokers: Garrie, Martin & Tommy

Someone once said when a black man becomes president, pigs will fly. Sure enough, 100 days later, swine flu!

A stranger was seated next to a little girl on the airplane when the stranger turned to her and said, 'Let's talk. I've heard that flights go quicker if you strike up a conversation with your fellow passenger.'

The little girl, who had just opened her book, closed it slowly and said to the stranger, 'What would you like to talk about?'

'Oh, I don't know,' said the stranger. 'How about nuclear power?' and he smiles.

OK, 'she said. 'That could be an interesting topic. But let me ask you a question first. A horse, a cow, and a deer all eat the same stuff grass. Yet a deer excretes little pellets, while a As dinner progresses, the boyfriend decides cow turns out a flat patty, and a horse produces

The stranger, visibly surprised by the lit-So he decides to reach over and fondle her tle girl's intelligence, thinks about it and says,

To which the little girl replies, 'Do you real-So he stands up, grabs his girlfriend, strips ly feel qualified to discuss nuclear power when

Paddy was driving down the street in a

Looking up to heaven he said, "Lord take Then, a few raindrops hit the window and pity on me. If you find me a parking place I

Miraculously, a parking place appeared.

Paddy looked up again and said, "Never mind, I found one."

BEING FRANK ON BOTBALL

ously dumped out of the elite league with their tails between their legs. He has taken a bit of Briatore, along with Town's excellent 3-1 win

a risk here: At Wigan, expectations were never too high, but at the Stadium of Light, he will feel the heat almost from day one. That said, he has the managerial wherewithal to improve their fortunes considerably and the first season must be about consolidation only and a platform on which to build. Having seen the way the other two big guns from these parts have fallen by the wayside, his primary objective must be steer his side well clear of the relegation zone and a midtable finish next season would be more than satisfactory. He already knows what football means to peo-

feels that at his age, he needs a new challenge. because they are an impatient lot down there. I wish him well.

back on his feet!

Personally, I think he was treated a bit

So, the management merry-go-round is now part of three seasons as manager with the club in full swing. Steve Bruce has left Wigan to he played for as a player seven years prior to take up the mantle at Sunderland. At least he this, the writing was on the wall when Ipswich won't have to face the other two big rivals in failed to make the play-offs for the third year the North East of England, as both Newcastle in a row. That said, they still ended the season and Middlesbrough have been unceremoni- in ninth place and five points ahead of Q.P.R.!

This must have impressed Chairman Flavio

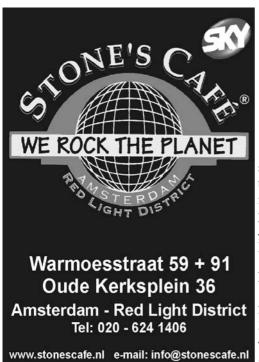
at Loftus Road when the tractor boys played some outstanding football. He may also have remembered that Jim's first season in charge, Town also won there by an identical score line, once again playing some of their best football all season. I have always held the view that Jim Magilton will succeed in management and he will have learned a lot from his three years in charge at



ple in this part of the country and he perhaps Portman Road. He will need to have done too,

This will be their fifth manager since 2007, It may have come as something of a shock so he will not have time on his side, but he will to some people to see Jim Magilton appointed have spending power. Once again, I wish him as the new boss at Loftus Road. Having appar- well and I have a little feeling that the Town ently failed at Ipswich, he has now gone to one board may regret their decision to off-load him of the richest clubs around and landed right quite so hurriedly in order to get Roy Keane in place.

Ironically they share many similarities. They harshly at Town, because this was his first post are both in their early forties and both from Irein management. Although he survived the best land – albeit one from the North and one from



the South. Both have hot tempers and both have a driving ambition that is enough to scare the pants off most players! Where the similarity ends however, is that Roy was a winner in every sense with Manchester United. Jim was not. Although he captained Town from time to time, like Keane, and was instrumental in getting them to the play-off final in 2000, with a virtuoso performance against Bolton when he scored a memorable hat trick, poor old Jim never got his hands on any silverware. It will be interesting to see how they both fair in the same division next season, when the Championship promises to be one of the most fiercely contested yet.

And talking of fiercely contested encounters, let us now have a peek at the Premier Prediction Leagues final standings...

Frank

Premiership Predictions League 2008/2009 Final Table

Wow! I actually know the winner of this season's PPL. I will try to get a picture of Jude, the manager of Meteorite Utd, next time I drop into his local. We haven't got any prizes this year, but how can you put a price on the joy Jude must be feeling now. And before you ask: No, there wasn't any cheating.

Pos.	Name	On	Nr	Pts
1 st	Meteorite Utd	7	3	24
2^{nd}	Carlos	4	5	17
$3^{\rm rd}$	Naut Donders	4	4	16
4^{th}	Stone's	3	7	16
5 th	Ann Marie Stopforth	4	3	15
5^{th}	Graham Scholes	4	3	15
7^{th}	Paul Finnegans	3	6	15
8^{th}	Tom O'Keefe	3	5	14
9 th	Paul Hardman	3	4	13
10^{th}	Jacqueline Rotgers	4	0	12
11^{th}	Paul Tandy	3	3	12
12^{th}	Quisippe Ten brink	3	2	11
12^{th}	Buster	3	2	11
14^{th}	Steve Mahon	2	5	11
14^{th}	Pinockio	2	5	11
16^{th}	John Raftery	2	4	10
16^{th}	Robert	2	4	10
18^{th}	Jim McGrath	2	3	9
19^{th}	Philip Justice	1	6	9
19^{th}	David Kingdon	1	6	9
21^{st}	Dennis	1	5	8
22^{nd}	Frank Weston	1	4	7
22^{nd}	Robert Caesar	1	4	7
22^{nd}	Pompeus Meikel	1	4	7
25^{th}	Jeroen Provoost	1	2	5
26^{th}	Michael Okojie	0	5	5
27^{th}	Paddy Wynne	0	1	1

IN THE BACK

Neil and Josie were in Maloe Melo for the Mahone's gig last month.



Kadirhan, Lütfü and Kerim were in the smoking room of the Waterhole.

I know they are in Coco's Outback on a Thursday night. but I didn't get their names.



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Here's the Waterhole Toilet Lady Trudy with Chaja on a Thursday.



Trudy again, this time on a Saturday night with Nick.

No wonder Trudy was working; Sien had the night off.



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The Stun Crossword

Across

1: The bringing up to date. (13)

8: Newbie. (6)

9: Mythical realm. (6)

11: Voice range. (5)

13:59 Past. (3-2)

15: Abate. (3)

16: Small city in Serbia. (3)

17: First part of ultimatum. (2)

18: Poetic praise. (3)

19:	Very	famous	fictional	doctor.	(2)
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20: French friend. (3)

22: Notional rate of interest, abbr. (3)

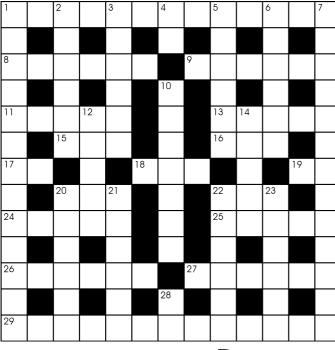
24: Pertaining to ancient Peruvian. (5)

25: Grouch. (5)

26: Damage. (6)

27: Firm. (6)

29: Audio-technician. (13)



Last Month's Crossword Answers

Across: 1 Nightmare, 8 Shine, 9 Vista, 11 Aware, 12 Ear, 14 Rye, 16 Hi, 18 Imp, 19 Or, 20 Tsars, 22 Intro, 24 Earth. 28 Wryly, 31 ET, 32 Ore, 33 On, 34 Rod, 36 Bat, 38 Idaho, 39 Games, 41 Idles, 43 Alcoholic. Down: 1 Nine, 2 In, 3 Gear, 4 Trauma, 5 Aver, 6 RI, 7 Esne, 8 Sightseeing, 10 Androgynous, 13 Air, 15 Yin, 17 Is, 19 Or, 21 Air, 23 Toy, 25 At, 26 Two, 27 Breach, 29 Ria, 30 Lo, 34 Roma, 35 Disc, 36 Boil, 37 Talc, 40 El, 42 Di.

Down

- 1: Sideshow freaks. (13)
- 2: Godlike. (6)
- 3: Put restraint on again. (6)
- 4: That certain something? (2)
- 5: Arthur's afterlife? (6)
- 6: Pictures. (6)
- 7: Artificial Intelligence prototype? (13)
- 10: Sellers. (7)

- 12: Charismatic leader. (5)
- 14; River in Africa. (5)
- 20: Nut. (6)
- 21: Accustomed to. (6)
- 22: Burrowing rodent. (6)
- 23: Disorder. (6)
- 28: Fashionable. (2)