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Page Three

Laura grew all of the foliage on show in Hotel Koopermolen; she discovered she had green fingers during *Lockdown*!



As it was the 5th anniversary of the start of *Lockdown* last month, I had to take a photo of Esther in Hotel Internationaal; she came to my rescue in those dark days when I was stranded in Noord with two bottles of La Chouffe and no way of opening them.



We had to have a photo of Sydney, Klara and Erin; it's been two years since anybody from *Coco's Outback* appeared on Page Three!



How could I not take a photo of Sammer and Alex when I saw them in Café Oporto?

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The Editor's Bit

It was good to see renewed interest in our **Cover Competition** last month; a lot of people came up with suggestions, in person in a bar and via WhatsApp, but the first correct answer came by email. **Steve Currie** gets the **Honourable Mention** for knowing that the turret is on top of the art'otel on the corner of Martelaarsgracht and Prins Hendrikkade.

The 10x zoom on my little Lumix camera has made it much easier to take photos in keeping with the *Look Up* theme I've had going for a while, so there's another *torentje* on this month's cover for you to identify.

Where is it? If you know, tell me! Contact details are on page two, 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. The first person with the correct answer will get an *Honourable Mention* in this column next month.

I've lived in this country for so long, I didn't know what *Torentje* was in English, so I decided to go full-on clog and have applied for Dutch citizenship. When I left the *Stadsloket*, I noticed the turret (I Googled *torentje*) that's on this cover for the first time so I whipped out my camera and took the shot. That's a clue, if anybody actually reads this.

Even after living over half of my lifetime in Amsterdam, I'm still discovering little gems

I've never seen before, or have sprung up in the meantime, so there will always be something for me to put on the cover. I'm going to stick with *Torentjes* for a while, so keep looking up if you want an *Honourable Mention*.

People frequently ask why they never see photos of me in the Stun. They must be blind, or skip this page! I'm in most months.



Here I am with stick-master Luis, just before he hit the stage in Bourbon Street.



In the Cave with Marie to see Stormstress, the US band her agency is promoting on their European tour, and get a photo with her.

That's it from me, all of our usual stuff is here, apart from the crossword, so enjoy your Stun and have a great Kings Day.

Andy

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DORM FORM

I've never been a backpacker or slept in a tent. When I was a kid travelling, I always managed to scam enough dosh for a cheap hotel room.

Even as an infant, I threw fits until I was relieved of my brother's presence and got my own room. Aside from a month in a New Jersey jail, (another story for another time) I never "shared" my space.

Ever adventurous and having reached the age of "old fart," I thought I'd visit a coed dorm full of kiddies.

Filled with curiosity, I opened the door and strolled in.

The place reeked of an assortment of odours that sent me running for the door, leaping and prancing like a Kansas City faggot, screaming and twitching, and nearly upchucking my morning granola all over the floor!

The smell of unwashed buttocks and arm and leg pits was dizzying!

The happy smelly young travellers, away from their parents for the first time, were having a great time sampling each other's smells as if they were sommeliers in a wine tasting!

Raising their arms in unisex revelry, they spread their collective odours through the room and not out the closed windows, (it was still winter). So now to a fun experiment! Back to the dorm!

In the interest of scientific study, I'll not bathe or wash my ass crack or arm pits for a few weeks, move into the dorm, take a tab of acid, and stand on a bed in the middle of the room dancing in circles and flapping my arms!

I'll let you know how it turns out in next month's story... Which I'll write from the insane ward.

Terry Mann

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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 Dave & friends*
- 20:30, **The Waterhole**, Jam Session, €4
- 23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Bourbon Jam, *with Theo Mosquito (28th with Jacco)*
- 7th April 2025**
- 19:30, **Mulligans**, Set-Dance Ceili, *hosted by Koosje Schouten*
- 14th April 2025**
- 20:00, **Mulligans**, Beginner Session, *hosted by Mulligans and Fiachra Meek*



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- 20:00, **Cafe Havelaar**, Games Night,
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- 20:00, **The End**, Karaoke, *over 40,000 English/Dutch songs to choose from. Open til 3*
- 20:30, **The Waterhole**, Rock&Roll Jam Session, €4

8th April 2025

- 23:00, **Bourbon Street**, The Funky Tightrope,
Funk/Soul/R&B €5
- 15th April 2025
- 20:00, **Mulligans**, Úna ní Fhlannagáin,
All-Ireland champion and prizewinner of the Riada Gold Medal for Harp

- 23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Van Tastik,
Gospel/Blues/Rock €5

22nd April 2025

- 19:00, **Coco's Outback**, International Pub Quiz,
Entry price: €5, maximum 5 persons to a team. Great Prizes!
- 23:00, **Bourbon Street**, The Funky Tightrope,
Funk/Soul/R&B €5
- 29th April 2025
- 23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Kitty's Groove Party,
Funk, soul and groovy tunes with Kitano Hernandez and the band €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 songs & tunes from our regular musicians and some surprising guests!
- 20:30, **The Waterhole**, Open Jam with Gianluca,
Funk, Pop, Rock €4
- 22:00, **Maloe Melo**, Jam Session, *Bring your instrument and play with the house band*

9th April 2025

- 20:30, **Bulldog Hotel**, 2Hot2Funk,
Funk, Pop, Rock
- 23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Sonny and The Jets,
Bluesrock-Pop Rock €5

Wednesday

16th April 2025

- 20:00, **Boom Chicago**, Double The Magic,
Starring Comedy Magician Fritz with a Z + NLP Artist & Mindreader Evan Kastor €20
- 23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Goodfellas,
Funk/Reggae/R&B €5

23rd April 2025

- 23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Souljamz,
Neo-soul, hip-hop & jazz €5
- 30th April 2025
- 23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Steven de Geus,
Rock/Reggae €5

Thursday

Weekly

- 20:00, **The End**, Karaoke, *over 40,000 English/Dutch songs to choose from. Open til 3*
- 20:30, **The Waterhole**, Live Music (acts tba),
check waterhole.nl for details €4
- 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, **Maloe Melo**, Jam Session, *Bring your instrument and play with the house band*
- 3rd April 2025
- 20:00, **De Nieuwe Anita**, Nutty Anita's Comedy Night, *Featuring Andy Huggins, one of the oldest dudes on the circuit. €12*
- 20:00, **Mulligans**, Múlú Crú, *Special Thursday night gig with The Múlú Crú*
- 21:45, **Rockclub The Cave**, Adam Bomb (US/EU),
Rock, Live Dream album out now
- 23:00, **The Waterhole**, 2Hot2Funk, *funk, pop, rock*
- 23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Astrid Hendrixx,
Rock/Funk €5
- 10th April 2025
- 19:30, **Paradiso**, The Mary Wallopers,
Irish Folk band, as seen on TV; sold out!
- 20:00, **De Buurvrouw**, Amsterdam Bar Magic,
Enjoy an intimate evening of jaw-dropping close-up magic! €15
- 23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Rayn Bechoe,
Funk/Soul €5

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Thursday

17th April 2025

- 20:00, **Mulligans**, Fiachra Meek, *Local multi-instrumentalist*
23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Adam James Band, *Rock/Pop/Soul/Reggae* €5

24th April 2025

- 20:00, **Molly Malone's**, The Jones, *Pop/rock*
20:00, **De Buurvrouw**, Amsterdam Bar Magic, *Enjoy an intimate evening of jaw-dropping close-up magic!* €15
23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Steven de Geus, *Rock/Reggae* €5

Friday

Weekly

- 18:30, **Taparia**, Caracas Trio, *Latin Pop Rock*
20:00, **The End**, Karaoke, *over 40,000 English/Dutch songs to choose from. Open til 2*
20:30, **The Waterhole**, Rock Night (bands tba), *check waterhole.nl for details* €5

4th April 2025

- 21:00, **Molly Malone's**, Killian Donnelly, *Irish singer/songwriter*
21:00, **Mulligans**, Múlu Crú, *a mix of traditional songs and original compositions*
21:00, **Rockclub The Cave**, BEP, The Unborn Brothers, Radio Cyanide (NL), *Rock Punk Stoner, Bluegrass, Alt. Hardcore/Punk*
22:00, **Maloe Melo**, Live Music, *t.b.a.*, *see www.maloemelo.com*
23:00, **Bourbon Street**, The Wiseflower, *Soul/Rock/Blues* €7.50

Friday

11th April 2025

- 21:00, **Molly Malone's**, Andy MacUnfraidh, *Irish singer/entertainer*
21:00, **Mulligans**, Tony Holiday (USA), *Memphis Blues*
22:00, **Rockclub The Cave**, The Unslain, *Metal*
22:00, **Maloe Melo**, Live Music, *t.b.a.*, *see www.maloemelo.com*
23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Addicted To Groove, *Funk/R&B* €7.50

18th April 2025

- 21:00, **Molly Malone's**, Fiachra Meek, *Talented multi-instrumentalist*
21:00, **Mulligans**, Freddy & The Scabies Sisters, *Local cross-dressing bluegrass band*
21:45, **Rockclub The Cave**, Scarblade (GR/SWE), KFFR (NL), *Heavy Metal, Metal*
22:00, **Maloe Melo**, Kingshakes (UK), *Neo Rockabilly*
23:00, **Bourbon Street**, The Wiseflower, *Soul/Rock/Blues* €7.50

Kings Night

25th April 2025

- 21:00, **Molly Malone's**, Brian Clifford, *Irish singer/songwriter, covers & originals*
21:00, **Mulligans**, Caolán McLaughlin, *Multi instrumentalist: piano/keys & guitar*
21:45, **The Cave**, Destillat (DE), Knightress (FR), *Melodic Death/Black Metal, Metal*
22:00, **Maloe Melo**, Live Music, *t.b.a.*, *see www.maloemelo.com*
23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Groovy Nomads, *Soul/Funk* €7.50
23:00, **Coco's Outback**, 80s/90s/00s Party, *Back to the good old days with all your favourite tunes!*

Saturday

Weekly

- 20:00, **The End**, Karaoke, *over 40,000 English/Dutch songs to choose from. Open til 2*
20:30, **The Waterhole**, Rock Night (bands tba), *check waterhole.nl for details* €5



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Saturday

5th April 2025

- 21:00, **Molly Malone's**, Ramiro,
21:00, **Mulligans**, Múlú Crú, *a mix of traditional songs and original compositions*
21:45, **The Cave**, O.L.T.A.S. (NL), GREH (DE),
Doom Metal, Blackened Death Metal
22:00, **Maloe Melo**, Tallyman (DE),
60s/70s rock
23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Jacco Hendrik,
Classic Rock €7.50

12th April 2025

- 21:00, **Molly Malone's**, Killian Donnelly,
Irish singer/songwriter
21:00, **Mulligans**, Victor, Jimmy & Úna,
Celtic ballads & tunes mixed with folk-songs
21:00, **The Cave**, The Curse Made Flesh, Sklyoth,
Psyc. Death Metal, Melodic Hardcore
22:00, **Maloe Melo**, Live Music, *t.b.a.*,
see www.maloemelo.com
23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Curtis Millen,
Funk/Rock/Soul €7.50

19th April 2025

- 21:00, **Molly Malone's**, Andy MacUnfraidh,
Irish singer/entertainer
21:00, **Mulligans**, Zachary Steiner,
Roots Americana
21:45, **The Cave**, Slekt (NL), Lestrange (DE),
Punk Rock, Heavy music
22:00, **Maloe Melo**, Live Music, *t.b.a.*,
see www.maloemelo.com
23:00, **The Waterhole**, Jay's Garage, *Pop, Rock*
23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Kim Verme,
Rock/R&B €7.50

Kings Day

26th April 2025

- 13:00, **The Cave**, Kings Day: Happy Birthday HRH,
Drink Drink Drink
21:00, **Molly Malone's**, Niall McGuigan,
Irish singer/entertainer
21:00, **Mulligans**, Caolán McLaughlin,
Multi instrumentalist: piano/keys & guitar
22:00, **Maloe Melo**, Live Music, *t.b.a.*,
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23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Kings Day with Jay's Garage,
Rock/Blues €7.50

Sunday

Weekly

- 19:00, **Mulligans**, Traditional Irish Session,
20:00, **The End**, Karaoke, *over 40,000 English/Dutch songs to choose from. Open til 3*
20:30, **The Waterhole**, Live Music (acts tba),
check waterhole.nl for details €4

6th April 2025

- 23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Jay's Garage, *Rock/Blues €5*
13th April 2025

- 20:00, **Molly Malone's**, Ben Reel, *Singer/Songwriter/Performer/Musician/Producer*
21:00, **The Cave**, Valvera (BR), Rats of Gomorrah (DE), *Heavy/Thrash Metal, Death Metal*
23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Souljamz,
Neo-soul, hip-hop & jazz €5

20th April 2025

- 23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Jay's Garage, *Rock/Blues €5*

27th April 2025

- 23:00, **Bourbon Street**, Sunday R&B Session,
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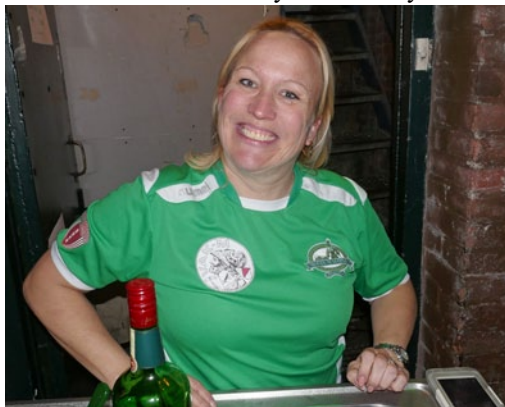
ROUND THE BARS

You don't have to be Irish to celebrate Paddy's Day; just ask Suzana and Gareth.



While Brian Clifford was entertaining the crowd in H. Murray's...

They found a table inside Molly Malone's, but for those on the terrace, Muriel was on hand to make sure nobody went thirsty.



... Sven and Malcolm had time to pose.

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ON PADDY'S DAY

Café Oporto turns into O'Porto for Paddy's Day; Josie and Alex were celebrating outside when I arrived.



The Blarney Stone is on my way home, so I had to drop in for a last pint of Guinness and to take a photo of Pauline and Conner.

Inside, I got a big smile from Maeve, who was all in green at the bar.



While I was there, I took this one of Suzana, Fiona, Aideen, Noa and Danny too.

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BEHIND

Nobody was waiting for a drink, the band had never sounded better, so Brendan, Pasquale and Chiche had time to pose for a photo behind the bar in Rock Club The Cave.



Friday night in the Three Sisters Pub, with Mario, Riley, Dani and Philip behind the bar.



OK, they're not actually behind the bar in Coco's Outback, but it was the only way Melvine, Andrea, Gytis, Luke, Roman and Bane would all fit in the picture.



I didn't take any photos on my last visit to the Poolhole, but luckily, Rob sent me this one of him with the bar crew.

We had to get a photo of Louise's new hairdo, along with her Susie's Saloon colleagues Steve and Savannah.



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BARS

Beth joined her colleagues Seán, Maebh, Val and Kayleigh behind the bar as soon as my camera came out in Mulligans.



Only just got the top of Emil's head in this photo but he does tower over Steve and Alexandra, behind the bar in Susie's Saloon.



Laura in Bourbon Street has been in every Stun this year, Bartel's last time was December!

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MORE ROUNDS

Maloe Melo wasn't open on Jur's birthday, so Miriam had to wait a few days to give him a big 82nd birthday kiss.



Sandro, Seany and Wilma might not have known each other, but they were enjoying the *craic* together in Molly Malone's.

Viking was in town, just in time for Zad's birthday in Excalibur.



Mick's become a groupie! After Marie's band, Children of Stanislaw, had played in The Cave, they were off to Belgium.

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JOKES

I got chatting with a girl in a bar, “Can I buy you a drink?” I asked.

“Have you not got a girlfriend?” she replied, “Guys like you always have girlfriends.”

“No, sadly we broke up just over a month ago,” I assured her.

“Oh I’m sorry to hear that,” she said, “Go on then, I’ll have a white wine please.”

A few drinks later, after a kiss and a cuddle, we headed off back to her place and made passionate love.

While I was putting my clothes back, on she said, “So, you’re good looking, a nice guy and amazing in bed, can I ask why on earth you split with your girlfriend?”

I said, “My wife found out.”

A man returns from the doctor and tells his wife that the doctor has told him he has only 24 hours to live. Given this prognosis, the man asks his wife for sex.

Naturally, she agrees, and they make love.

About six hours later, the husband goes to his wife and says, “Honey, you know I now have only 18 hours to live. Could we please do it one more time?” Of course, the wife agrees, and they do it again.

Later, as the man gets into bed, he looks at his watch and realizes that he now has only 8 hours left. He touches his wife shoulder, and asks, “Honey, please... just one more time.”

She says, “Of course, Dear,” and they make love for the third time.

After this session, the wife rolls over and falls asleep. The man, however, worried about his impending death, tosses and turns, until he’s down to 4 more hours.

He taps his wife, who rouses. “Honey, I have only 4 more hours. Do you think we could...?” At this point the wife sits up and says, “Listen, I have to get up in the morning. You don’t!”

I changed the alarm on my phone to the Hokey Cokey tune. It took me an extra 20 minutes to get out of bed this morning.

I was just looking under my mum’s bed when I came across a suitcase. Curiosity got the better of me so I opened it.

Inside was a leather mask, leather cape, crotchless leather shorts and a leather whip.

I couldn’t believe it...

My mum is a super hero!

Joe says to Paddy: “Close your curtains the next time you’re shagging your wife. The whole street was watching and laughing at you yesterday.”

Paddy says: “Well the joke’s on them stupid bastards because I wasn’t even at home yesterday.”

An Irish painter by the name of Murphy, while not a brilliant scholar, was a gifted portrait artist. Over a short number of years, his fame grew and soon people from all over Ireland were coming to the town of Doolin in County Clare, to get him to paint their likenesses.

One day, a beautiful young English woman arrived at his house in a stretch limo and asked if he would paint her in the nude. This being the first time anyone had made such a request he was a bit perturbed, particularly when the woman told him that money was no object; in fact she was willing to pay up to €10,000.

Not wanting to get into any marital strife, he asked her to wait while he went into the house to confer with Mary, his wife.

In a few minutes he returned.

“T’would be me pleasure to paint yer portrait, missus,” he said. “The wife says it’s okay. I’ll paint you in the nude all right; but I have to at least leave me socks on, so I have a place to wipe me paint brush.”

I asked the doctor if he had anything for wind; he gave me a kite.

BEING FRANK ON FOOTBALL

Has the Arne Slot juggernaut ground to a halt? Since I last wrote, they have been booted out of the Champions League by an in-form Real Madrid, and lost in the final of the Carabao Cup to Newcastle United, who incidentally, lifted their first piece of silverware in 70 years!

All things considered, what the Dutchman has done so far this season has been quite remarkable and was quite unexpected, given the success story of his predecessor Jurgen Klopp. I think most aficionados of the beautiful game would not have anticipated such a stunning start from Slot, who managed to defy the laws of football logic in the way in which he not only steadied the Anfield ship, but in some respects, improved on what had gone on before. His calm dexterity is in complete contrast with the German, who so often wore his heart on his sleeve.

The good news for Reds fans is that Liverpool are a mighty 12 points ahead of their nearest rivals Arsenal, who for the third year running will end up as bridesmaids in the battle for Premier League ascendancy. Nottingham Forest remain the surprise

package and now look likely to take third spot, and a place in the Champions League!

At the bottom, it seems all but certain that the three sides that came up, namely Southampton, Leicester City and Ipswich Town, will all go back from whence they came, in a repeat of the season before. The gulf between the Championship and the Premier League is now so huge that it does need addressing by the powers that be.

New England boss Thomas Tuchel must have been pleased to get over the line in a less than convincing start to his international managerial career. Tuchel had promised to bring back excitement after succeeding the under-fire Gareth Southgate - but it was in very short supply as the Three Lions struggled for fluency against their ultra-cautious visitors from Albania.

The German head coach will undoubtedly be pleased to get off to a winning start, but the thrills and intensity he expects to generate throughout his squad is not there yet. But this will be quickly forgotten if England keep winning, and goals from Lewis-Skelly, who is the youngest player to score on his senior

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England bow, and the irrepressible Harry Kane, ensured they were triumphant.

Skelly was just 18 years and 176 days when he scored on his debut at Wembley, which surpassed Marcus Rashford's previous record set against Australia in May 2016.

New Wales boss Craig Bellamy was equally delighted, as his Welsh squad defeated Kazakhstan 3-1 in a World Cup qualifier at the Cardiff City Stadium. Dan James, Ben Davis and late sub Rabbi Matondo got the goals.

There was some good news for Scotland too, as they beat Greece away 0-1, thanks to a goal from Scott McTominay! They are now a lot closer to retaining their Nations League A status. Greece had 18 shots in just the second half alone, whilst Scotland recorded just one from McGinn from 25 yards in the second half, so this tie is far from over, and the Scots will do well to be on their guard!

The Netherlands drew 2-2 with Spain in the first leg of their Nations League quarter final as the visitors levelled things Mikel Marino on 93 minutes. The Dutch will have to pull out all the stops to get through now it seems.

And finally, in the Nations League B/C play-offs, Ireland defeated Bulgaria 1-2 away, thanks to goals from Fin Azaz and Matt Doherty after they had trailed to Marin Petkov's sixth minute strike. They take a narrow lead back to Ireland where they hope to complete the job.

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PPL UPDATE

Here's how the Premier Predictions League table looked on Monday 31st March 2025. Check the Stun website for the latest stand.

Pos.	Name	On	Nr	Pts
1st	Polly	5	5	20
2nd	Paulo van Melsen	5	3	18
3rd	Frank Zondervan	4	5	17
4th	Jim Scrimgeour	4	4	16
5th	Adam Burton	2	9	15
6th	Ken Passey	3	5	14
6th	Ann-Marie Stopforth	3	5	14
8th	Lee Findley	4	1	13
9th	Eric Donald	3	4	13
10th	Bart L	2	7	13
11th	Jay Wright	3	3	12
12th	John Raftery	2	6	12
12th	Alan Dempsey	2	6	12
12th	Best Chief Engineer	2	6	12
12th	Sid Raghava	2	6	12
16th	Paul Tandy	3	1	10
16th	John Marsden	3	1	10
18th	Chris Rudkin	2	4	10
19th	Philip Rook	1	7	10
20th	Steven Erisman	2	3	9
21st	Jude Noonan	1	5	8
21st	Katie Wright	1	5	8
21st	Trish Steele	1	5	8
21st	Stephen Spencer	1	5	8
25th	Willie Wood	2	1	7
26th	Thomas Freiermuth	1	4	7
26th	Robert Pendleton	1	4	7
26th	Stuart Davidson	1	4	7
29th	Callum Ross Dickie	2	0	6
30th	Dave Wright	0	6	6
31st	Ally MacDougall	1	2	5
32nd	Shaun McCarthy	0	5	5
33rd	Jeffrey Schuffelen	0	4	4
34th	Philip Justice	1	0	3
34th	Josie Gladden	1	0	3
36th	Chris Mundell	0	3	3
37th	Frank Weston	0	2	2

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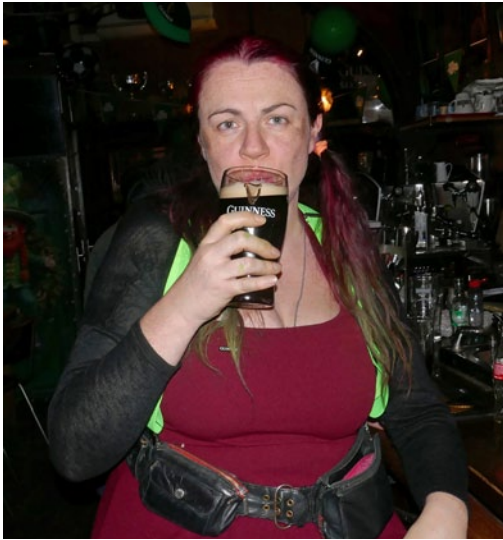
IN THE BACK



Magician Stefano has done a disappearing act by going back to Italy! Before he left, he said goodbye to his friends, far too many to name individually, in Café O'Porto.



The Stun gets delivered to Proeflokaal de Ooievaar every month, but we've never had a photo of Vincent... Until now!



On Paddy's Day, @guinness_gal stopped posting on Instagram after #8 but she didn't stop drinking; here's #10 in Café O'Porto.

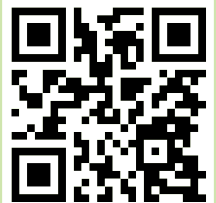


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Love is... Odette and Brian, behind the bar in H. Murray's together.

Or is it a perfect pint? There's a reason Kenny and Remco drink in H. Murray's.



And finally, here are Sinead, Fionn, Jack, Clara and Adam from the Molly Malone's crew.



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