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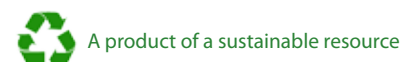
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EDITOR'S WORDS

World Aids Day (1st December) has come and gone and I wonder if many people noticed. I suppose the first day of December is the official lead up to Christmas (despite the festive songs in some stores having been broadcast from the beginning of November) and who wants to be reminded of that 'nasty disease' when we're all getting ready for Santa's visit.

Alas, Aids/HIV hasn't gone away. There are still people suffering from it and what is perhaps even worse, some people have forgotten all about the dangers and are not taking even the most basic precautions when having sex. Charities like the Terrence Higgins Trust, GMFA, Mesmac and a host of others keep trying to get their 'safe sex' message across but far too many people seem to miss this important, and possibly life saving, bit of information. Sadly to say, the spread of STDs in general seem to be on the increase, with the highest rise in the teen-to-25 age group. Listen lads... despite what your mates tell you... the problem has not gone away. There may well be leaps forward in the treatment

but you can only be treated if you've been tested. I know that a trip to the GUM clinic can be a frightening prospect but, if you've let yourself get carried away and had unprotected sex, no matter how sexy and horny the guy was (he may even have said he'd been tested and all was OK) you cannot rely on that person telling you the truth. Make a New Year's resolution to take the test: You can see the adverts in Bent... or call your local GUM clinic (see NHS phone lines) or chat to your local Gay Switchboard operator... they are there to help and not to judge. Sadly, there are many guys out there who are infected with a disease but who don't necessarily realise they have it... and inadvertently pass it on to their next partner. Don't be that guy.

Meanwhile, on a more festive note... let's hear it for Rudolph, who may well have been the first gay reindeer. Remember the song; "All of the other reindeers used to laugh and call him names, they never let poor Rudolph join in any reindeer games" does that bring back memories of the school yard?



So, once again a gay hero selflessly brings joy to millions... so let's be out and proud of our glowing proboscis... in whatever form it takes!

...and finally

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Gordon

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'How To Make Friends' is the debut album from the creative collective and lyrically covers everything that crops up in their lives: One track is called Underwear: "The song is about boredom combined with the freedom of running down the street in your underwear. It's about growing up in place where you have to make your own entertainment." They also do cover versions (re-working Rage Against The Machine and Technotronic) in ways you would least expect. Get ready for Fun...

'How To Make Friends' is released 22nd January on Morr Music / Kimi Records

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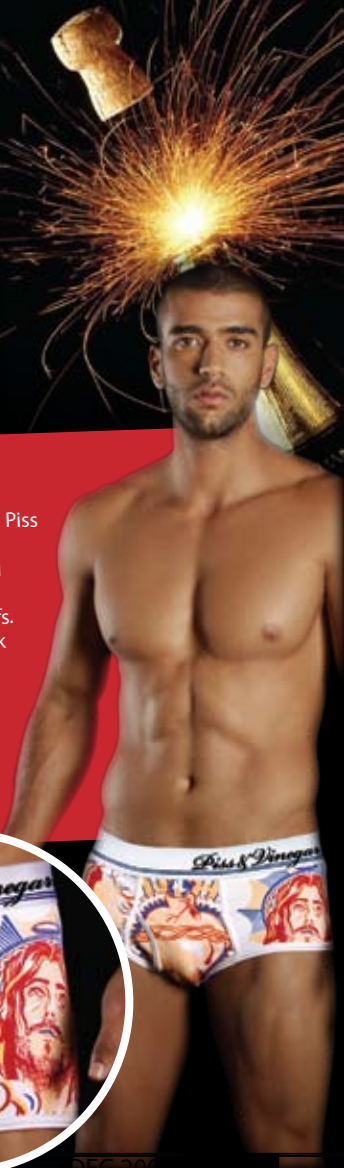
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As a young boy was sent to a private all-boys school in Mumbai where he formed his first band The Hectics.

Learned to play the piano but in later life, despite being fairly accomplished on the instrument, was self deprecating about his abilities.

As front man of Queen his flamboyant and extravagant appearance, coupled with a voice that was both powerful and unique, lifted the fledgling band quickly into the public eye.

Despite being quoted as saying he was gay in a 1974 interview in the NME, he never really pushed his sexuality publicly... although some would say that he didn't have to... it was so obvious.

He was a frequent visitor to gay bars and saunas and was often seen drinking and flirting in the Coleherne dressed in his favourite leather outfit.

Has written some of pop and rock's greatest songs including

Bohemian Rhapsody	Don't Stop Me Now
Killer Queen	Crazy Little Thing Called Love
Somebody to Love	We Are the Champions

Appeared on stage in Rio in front of a crowd of over 500,000 people wearing a crown and a tiny pair of shorts. He also appeared in videos in drag, in ballet tights and as a clown... he never really acknowledged other people's perceived boundaries for a rock star.

He performed the power ballad 'Barcelona' with opera diva Montserrat Caballé, which became a hit single in 1988 and the opening anthem for the 1992 Summer Olympics in that city.

He once said of himself: "When I'm performing I'm an extrovert, yet inside I'm a completely different man."

Although the rumours about Freddie having contracted AIDS had been circulating for a few years, he only publicly admitted to having the disease the day before his death.

The Mercury Phoenix Trust set up in his name has since raised millions of pounds for various AIDS charities.

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- 1.) Which recent addition to the Sugababes (yes we know statistically this could take a while), informed the nation that it was her time during the Eurovision song contest, this year?
- 2.) Which celeb couple/gay royalty were told they couldn't adopt a Ukrainian orphan because of their age and their Civil Partnership not being recognised as a marriage?
- 3.) Simon, Louis, Dannii and Cheryl are the judges on X-factor, (we know you know that) but who were the fabulous musical icons who helped pick their acts at boot camp in 2009?
- 4.) Which king/queen of tea-times is leaving Channel 4 to return to ITV to host his own chat show?
- 5.) What electro pop duo released a greatest hits album in February 2009 called, Total Pop! – The first 40 hits?
- 6.) Camper than Christmas, Sister Act the Musical made its debut in London in 2009, but what was the name (and don't pretend you don't know) of the sequel to the original Sister Act movie?
- 7.) Which former Mr Gay UK Newcastle entrant appeared as a contestant on Big Brother?
- 8.) What is the name of the character that housewives favourite John Barrowman, played when he took to the stage in La Cage Aux Folles?
- 9.) Sayeed Masood has stolen the heart of Christian Clarke, and most viewers of Eastenders, but which actor plays him?
- 10.) Spectacled chatty man Alan Carr hosts a Saturday night Radio 2 show with former children's television presenter Emma Forbes; but what's it called?
- 11.) After what seems like a lifetime playing everyone's favourite time travelling gay icon The Doctor, David Tennant has handed in his keys to the Tardis so that Matt Smith can have a go; but who played The Doctor prior to Tennant?
- 12.) Corrie favourite Antony Cotton was made patron of Manchester Pride this year but the event also announced that it had raised a record breaking amount for charity. How much wonga did they make?
- 13.) Which Sacha Baron Cohen starring film had the tagline, 'Borat was so 2006'?
- 14.) Superhero creator and all round legend Stan Lee, announced in 2009 that he had plans to create a brand new gay superhero, but which amnesiac mutant returned to cinemas this year, and what Aussie hunk played him?
- 15.) Which all female 80s pop group, defied the lack of sun during the cruel, cruel summer and performed at Manchester Pride?
- 16.) The split between celebrity TV couple Peter Andre and Katie Price kept us more glued to our seats than watching President Obama fumble his Inauguration speech; but what is the name of Pete's recent album?
- 17.) Channel 4's Coach Trip got pulses racing this year thanks to super-hot contestant Tom Judge whipping his bum out; but what is the name of the resident tour guide always keeping the journey on track?
- 18.) Ben Barnes starred in the film adaptation of the highly promiscuous and devilishly attractive Dorian Gray, but who wrote the original novel the character was based on?
- 19.) There were tears in our eyes when we heard that Paula Abdul had quit American Idol, but thankfully those tears became ones of joy when we heard who is to replace her. But who is it?
- 20.) Whitney Houston performed on the X-Factor this year, but what happened during her performance?

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Competitions are held in accordance with international standards and rules of the relevant association, and most will recognize any records set.

Cologne is a city that loves to celebrate and the games are just a part of all the LGBT action that takes place over the next year. Take a look at the website for more info on this terrific German metropolis and make your plans for a visit.

Gay Games VIII, Cologne, Germany 31st July – 7th August 2010
www.games-cologne.de



Pink Wedding

After another successful year of same-sex matrimonial festivities... The Gay Wedding Show is already planning events for 2010. Meanwhile, GWS saw its partner company Pink Weddings launch its new project "TogetherTV" live at the show, broadcasting on www.togethertv.tv – TogetherTV is the new TV channel aimed at same sex couples, their families and friends.

Jiggery Pokery

■ **An homage to Charles Hawtrey**

Amanda Lawrence creates a striking homage to Charles Hawtrey, bringing his distinctive spirit to the stage in this funny and poignant tribute to the troubled Carry On star. Drawing on the accounts of the people that knew him, this one woman show interweaves extracts from the Carry On films with episodes from his life, from his days as a child star in Peter Pan and filming at the Pinewood Studios to his final days as a lonely and unpopular drunk on the Kent Coast.

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ANSWERS

1. Jade Ewen 2. Sir Elton John and David Furnish 3. Sinitta, Ronan Keating, Kylie Minogue and Will Young 4. Paul O'Grady 5. Erasure 6. Sister Act 2: Back in the Habit 7. Charlie Drummond 8. Albin 9. Marc Elliott 10. Going out with Alan Carr 11. Christopher Eccleston 12. £135,000 13. Bruno 14. Wolfvine / Hugh Jackman 15. Bananarama 16. Revelation 17. Brendan 18. Oscar Wilde 19. Ellen DeGeneres 20. Her dress came undone, causing her to look a little confused as to what was happening.



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I'll be lonely this Christmas

By Alex Wiggan

Apparently as the dark nights descend and everyone gets excited about an obese old guy who likes to wear red, it no longer matters if you prefer to give or receive, because what's important is being with the one you love. Yes, having a boyfriend at Christmas these days, seems like it's more vital than an X-Factor sob story and can help make the season jolly. They can pretend on cue that they actually like Christmas pudding, they know all the words to White Christmas and will even agree to put Grandma in a headlock as the bottle of sherry is wrestled away from her. OK, so the boyfriend can't store over a thousand songs like a new phone, and they aren't as flash as a belt from All Saints, but they are there to snuggle up to during the Doctor Who Christmas special when that fourth glass of red wine has kicked in. It might not always be plain sailing over the festive period and sometimes it's more a case of Mr Right Now, rather than Mr Right, but at least when the Queen gives her speech there's someone else in the room pretending to be listening to it. So as you tuck into that extra large tin of Cadbury's Roses, making sure to ignore all the chewy caramel ones, spare a poor thought for all the single lads out there, trying to make it through the Christmas period, one day at a time.

Thankfully in the singles game, playing for time is the key, and knowing that Christmas comes but once a year, means there is one upside; New Year's Eve. Unlike those chained to a boyfriend, the single man doesn't have to get roped into a family get-together to ring in the New Year and he also doesn't have to be the designated driver to take the husband's Nan home. What he does get to do, is plan a night out at whatever club he can afford to go to, get absolutely wasted, cop off with another single guy and then be safe in the knowledge that he won't have to go and pick out curtains during the January sales. Yes, Christmas may be targeted at couples, but the harsh winter month that is January, is possibly the most selfish month of all. Gone are all the distractions concerned with getting couples to enjoy their time together and instead it becomes a month for single guys who want to waste their money on buying themselves treats when the prices go down at French Connection. So as the Christmas wish list for Santa gets typed up or Tweeted, it might be the perfect time for reflection, to think about those less fortunate who have other concerns this Christmas and possibly won't enjoy that novelty 'his and his' towel set.



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Of the two (practically) identical twins, Andrew is older by three minutes. When he was recruited to England's junior team in 1989, he travelled for 10 years, participating in some of the biggest gymnastics competitions across the globe. His team took gold at the 1998 Commonwealth Games in Kuala Lumpur, and he returned home with silvers of his own in rings and individual events. Before joining Cirque du Soleil, he tried his hand at a profession requiring an entirely different set of talents—for three months, he worked in a bank!

For his part, Kevin studied to become a sports physiotherapist before joining VAREKAI. Like his brother, he was a member of Britain's gymnastic elite from 1989 to 1999. The high point of his career was in 1992, when he became British junior champion, but his proudest moment was Andrew's performance at Kuala Lumpur as he got injured two weeks before the competition and had to withdraw.

In addition to gymnastics training at the National Sports Centre in Shropshire, they both attended many photo and TV commercial shoots. In 2001, they were the faces of an international poster campaign for Mercedes-Benz, and they shared the stage in Tom Stoppard's *On the Razzle*.

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S&CA Commodore Reggie Blennerhassett added, "We're really proud of Night Owl's achievement. Competitive sailing is becoming more of a feature of our club now that we have absorbed the former Gay UK Sailing Team, and Night Owl's victory will inspire more of us to start racing, especially with the Gay Games coming up in Cologne next year." Racing against similarly-sized boats, the 38-foot boat and her usual complement of 10 crew came first in class overall after the season's 15 offshore races, seeing her win the Bathsbeba Trophy. Night Owl also won trophies for coming first in class in races to St Malo and St Peter Port. www.gaysailing.org.uk



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THE INBETWEENERS SOUNDTRACK

The Inbetweeners is the soundtrack to the BAFTA nominated British sitcom about a group of sixth formers struggling through their teenage years. The series follows four friends Will (Simon Bird), Simon (Joe Thomas), Jay (James Buckley) and Neil (Blake Harrison) who are neither popular nor 'geeky' - they are The Inbetweeners.



Featuring songs from long standing bands The Cure (Inbetween Days) and The Jam (That's Entertainment), through to relative newcomers the Maccabees (Latchmere and About Your Dress) and the Rumble Strips (Girls and Boys in Love) The Inbetweeners is definitely as much about the music as it is about the laughs. **Out: 14th Dec - EMI TV**

To be in with a chance to win this fabulous CD just answer this easy question: *Which band had a hit with That's Entertainment?*

WIN THIS

JACKIE THE ANNUAL 2010

Ah memories of reading your sister's magazine in days gone by... Jackie The Annual 2010 encompasses all the great memory-jogging tracks on a massive triple CD album - a collection of pure nostalgia! Following on from the massive success of the previous three

albums, this is jam packed with more of those fantastic forgotten and classic gems! With the biggest hits from David Cassidy, Diana Ross, T Rex, Donny Osmond, Roxy Music, Blondie, David Bowie, Abba and the Bay City Rollers, what more would you need to help you remember the good times!! **Out now - EMI TV**

To be in with a chance to win this fabulous CD just answer this easy question: *Who had a hit with Puppy Love?*



WIN THIS

PAUL OAKENFOLD - PERFECTO LAS VEGAS

This double CD set of 25 exclusive tracks is a collection of records hand picked and mixed by Oakenfold that go back to his trance roots but are still influenced by his current Vegas soundscape. Including the new Paul Oakenfold track, Buenos Aires plus a 2009 remix of Taste Experience's Summersault,

the compilation also includes Shawn Michaels & Kenneth Thomas Funktion Won, Shannon Let The Music Play (David Delano, Dirty Lou & Swedish Egil Remix), Robert Vadney Away From You, Adam White's Perfecto remix of Nat Monday Flammable, Elucidate Carousel and Torn Schmitt's remix of The Fraction Awaken. **Out now - New State Music**

To be in with a chance to win this fabulous CD just answer this easy question: *In which country is Buenos Aires?*



WIN THIS

TISWAS

Get ready to celebrate and reminisce one of the original, most anarchic and groundbreaking Saturday morning series in British television - TISWAS!! It's rebellious, irreverent nature became the trademark and part of the legacy of this iconic ITV show, which first aired in the mid 1970s and watched by millions.

The new album is jam packed with anarchy anthems reminiscent of the TISWAS era! Memorable classics include: Status Quo 'Whatever You Want', Adam & The Ants 'Antmusic' and Sarah Brightman & Hot Gossip 'I Lost My Heart To A Starship Trooper'. A must-have album this Christmas for any TIWAS fan or anyone who wants to revive the 70's anarchist from within! **Out: 7th December - EMI TV**

To be in with a chance to win this fabulous CD just answer this easy question: *Who lost their heart to a Starship Trooper?*

SHARP FOR 15 YEARS!

By Jason Guy

2009 is the fifteenth anniversary of the Sharp Boys foray into the music industry as a partnership. It was December 1994 when George & Steven joined forces to set up their 'Sharp Recordings' label. As a DJ and production duo, they're probably best known for their residency at the most hedonistic of club nights, Trade at Turnmills and in recent years DJ residencies at Orange and A:M at Fire and Beyond at Area in London.

"My grandfather was called George Sharp and my middle name is Sharp," says George. "When we started the label 15 years ago we toyed with various names before settling with Sharp. It made perfect sense as it kind of described the sound of our percussion. It's as simple as that."

Recently celebrating it's 19th birthday, Trade has had a rocky few years, which is such a shame for a clubbing giant. I ask the boys what they think went wrong. Steve immediately jumps in, "I don't think anything in particular went wrong with Trade, but after an amazing run of eleven years every single weekend in the same venue, which is an incredible achievement, it needed to take a small break as a weekly event to evolve into a new version of former self."

"The effort that went into every party was immense but some of its dedicated crowd of loyal 'Trade Babies' had grown up and wanted different non-clubbing Sunday mornings. It's a generation thing I guess. I have so many amazing memories from that era, like the morning Fat Tony invited Bjork down one Sunday to the 'Lite Lounge'. She was really sweet. Or playing a Subliminal record to look up and see head honcho Erick Morillo dancing beside the DJ Box... we had met in New York a few years before and Lottie had brought him down to say Hi - great guy, he is one of my House Heroes."



Photos: ChrisJepson.com

"It was very nice to be invited back recently for Trade's 19th Birthday at Ministry Of Sound for a special 'Lite Lounge' set - which was a lot of fun and working with Laurence (Malice - Trade founder) again at the 'Orange Trade' parties at Fire has been a total pleasure. And Trade is coming back for its traditional Christmas Day party... this time at Fire."

George smiles, "Christmas Trade is always one of my clubbing highlights of the year!"

Steven butts back in. "We will have four rooms open with the star DJs of both clubs in attendance and a lot of surprises in store for all our party elves... the planning meetings have been great fun and both camps are very excited about the night. We will open at 10pm on Christmas Night and close very late into Boxing Day morning!" Sounds like my kind of party!

2009 has been an incredibly busy year for The Sharp Boys as they moved into the club promoting world once again with incredible results. In March Steven overtook responsibility at Fire's (Vauxhall, London) flagship Sunday night 'Orange' and launched his own night 'Tabloid' in September.

"The whole idea with 'Tabloid' is to offer something totally fresh and unique for Gay clubbing on Saturday nights with a selection of International Headliners, Rising Stars and Scene Royalty, all playing together behind the decks together as never before. You can't fail to notice the UK's obsession with celebrity at the moment and it is the perfect template for a club concept."

"I want to bring names that you don't normally get to hear on the gay scene, like Tall Paul and Sneaky Sound System, who were absolutely incredible last month with a full 1 hour live show, Connie is such a star! I have Boy George headlining at the next party at Fire on Boxing Day, which should be another roadblock following his recent 'Orange' appearance - he is one of a kind and totally stole the show."

So, what do the boys think of the current state of the gay clubbing scene in our capital city? "I think the recession has created a reality check for clubs in general," says Steven. "People are very careful as to when and where they part with their dosh, they simply can't afford to go out three or four times a week like they did a couple of years ago. This has meant club promoters have to work even harder to create unique events to encourage attendance. House parties, cheap supermarket alcohol plus the smoking ban have all had a major impact on clubs, but you have to battle on and offer value for money clubbing."

"I'm happy to say my 'Orange' & 'Tabloid' parties have so far gone really well and I get a lot of great feedback from the clubbers who see we put a lot of work into the parties. Some promoters think it's as simple as putting an advert in the gay press and the clubbers will follow. It's not as easy as that; you have to plan and prepare, be original and creative. I have total respect for my customers and always strive to create a fun atmosphere for everyone."

The Sharp Boys will be DJing at 'Orange Trade' on Christmas Night, 'Tabloid Boxing Day' on Saturday 26th December, 'The Final Orange of the Decade' on Sunday 27th December (All at Fire) and 'Royal House @ Popcorn' at Heaven on Monday 28th December. Find out more by entering 'stevenreactsharp' on Facebook.



I have a packed DJ schedule in December including the Freakshow Red Ribbon Fundraiser at No.1 Club Manchester on Saturday 5th where everyone who makes a donation to the Lesbian & Gay Foundation will get a CD recorded live during one of my DJ sets. Other gigs include Federation Blackpool on the 19th, Freakshow Boxing Day and Federation New Year's Eve @ The Ritz, Manchester. Subscribe to my podcasts @ www.jasonguy.podomatic.com. For more information on having a track, clubnight or DJ feature in Bent, please contact jason@bent.com.

TRACK REVIEW

My TOP 5 tracks of 2009

► HAJI & EMANUEL FT ROACHFORDS

In The Moment

Choosing my favourite track of the year was a tough one to call, but for the amazing goosebumps feeling this track gave me the first time I played it, along with the awesome dancefloor reactions it gets every time. 80's pop star Roachford provides the haunting vocals to Haji & Emanuel's atmospheric stormer, with their big fat bassline and swirling, string instruments. It's one of those house tracks that you can get lost in when you're dancing and I never tire of hearing it.

www.biglovemusic.co.uk



► JUAN KIDD & FELIX BAUMGARTNER FT LISA MILLETT

Now You're Gone

Undeniably one of the biggest anthems on the gay scene this year. A raft of awesome mixes helped this reach many dancefloors, with the cream of the crop being the Matinee progressive Club Mix. Really edgy production and a simple, quirky flow. A very well done project. The instrumental is dreamy, but the vocal from Lisa 'Bad Habit' Millett rocks the house every time! Now you're gone, what am I supposed to do... scream it girl! www.defected.com

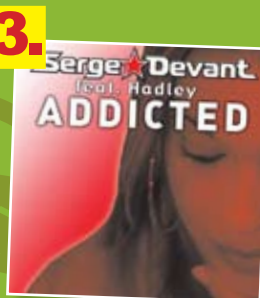


► SERGE DEVANT FT HADLEY

Addicted

This Russian born DJ and producer has had an amazing couple of years. He hit the coveted DJ Mag Top 100 List, became the youngest resident DJ at New York's legendary Crobar, Armani Exchange snatched him up to represent the brand, while Coca-Cola has brought him on board with an exclusive track for the 2008 Olympics in Beijing. This is the stand out track from his album Wanderer. House music doesn't get any more beautiful than this.

www.sergedevant.com



► V.V.BROWN

Shark In The Water

OK - so this probably shouldn't appear in a house music chart, as it's pop music... but the Wendel Kos mix of this was so huge for me this year that I have to include it. VV has risen from nowhere in the past 12 months and with songs this good it's no wonder! The powerful, heartfelt vocals perfectly suit the deep, progressive tinged mix from Wendel. Much cooler than Lady Gaga could every hope to be.

www.vvbrown.com



► STEFANO NOFERINI

Cool Summer

No other track sums up the Summer of 2009 for me better than this piano led, progressive house monster. Ridiculously addictive and uplifting, this is the perfect feel good house track. Hailing from Florence in Italy, Stefano has been getting support from the likes of Sister Bliss, Max Sanna and the Sharp Boys.

www.myspace.com/stefanofnerini



ALBUMS

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▶ HED KANDI

Pure Kandi Out Now!

Pure Kandi celebrates a decade of Hed Kandi glamour with panache and fizz. David Guetta, Solitaire, Empire of the Sun and Armand Van Helden are just some of the superstar names mixed into the pot. This is reads like a who's who of dance music, and for good reason, as Hed Kandi have pioneered a specific type of high-gloss, high-heeled house beloved of gay men and their gag heads everywhere.



▶ DANCE NATION 2

Your Big Night Out Out Now!

Britney Spears, Kelly Clarkson, Jordin Sparks, Pink, Whitley, Basshunter, Booty Luv, Ciara & Justin Timberlake, Shakira and Calvin Harris are just some of the A-list dance maestros included in Dance Nation's second outing. Even cheesy, doe-faced boyband JLS are here in beatgrinding splendour. Definitely one for the gays.

▶ SEAL

Hits Out Now!

Seal seemed to be one of those artists that just simmers away, out of the public eye, living off his past glories. Last year his 'Soul' album reintroduced him back to the fold and this is a timely reminder of just what a good turn this chap is. All the major hits and fan favourites shoved on one album... and some pretty good tracks there are... from the breakthrough 'Killer' and 'Kiss From A Rose...' to his latest single, 'I am Your Man'.



▶ DJ MEHDI

Red, Black & Blue
Out: 7th December

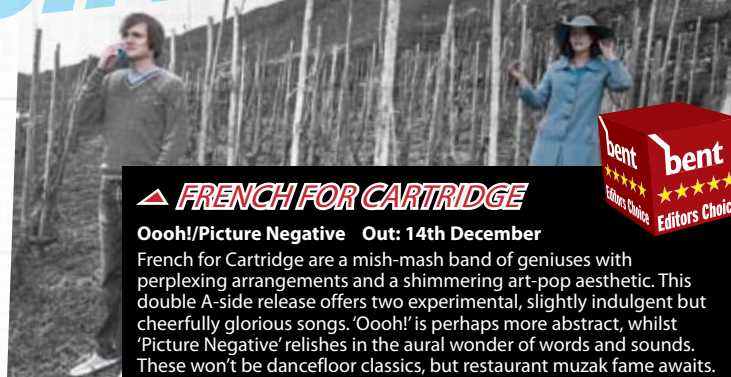
This 19-track collection sees DJ Mehdi show off his best remixes, shaping a five-year career of prolific music production. Those familiar with his work will appreciate the best of it collected together. Those less acquainted will nevertheless enjoy this DJ's mixing talents and no doubt clamour for more.



▶ WAX:ON

Volume 1 Out: 16th December

To celebrate the fifth celebration of huge brand Wax:On, who have triumphed at clubbing venues all over the UK and even in Ibiza. Fake Blood and People Get Real provide the mixing talents on discs one and two, respectively, and the result is a beatrocking compilation that does the legendary club brand proud.



▶ FRENCH FOR CARTRIDGE

Oooh!/Picture Negative Out: 14th December

French for Cartridge are a mish-mash band of geniuses with perplexing arrangements and a shimmering art-pop aesthetic. This double A-side release offers two experimental, slightly indulgent but cheerfully glorious songs. 'Oooh!' is perhaps more abstract, whilst 'Picture Negative' relishes in the aural wonder of words and sounds. These won't be dancefloor classics, but restaurant muzak fame awaits.



▶ LORDS OF FLATBUSH

999 Out: 7th December

Half of Lords of Flatbush worked with Basement Jaxx, Bob Sinclar and Axwell, while the other half has worked with Pulp, Boy George and Take That. Between them, they're a sure fire hit factory. '999', although it sounds a bit circumspect as a title, is a commercial yet credible feel-good song.



▶ SKINNY LISTER

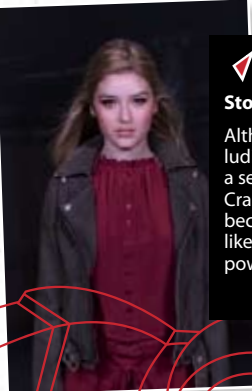
December Out: 7th December

'December' is the kind of soak-in-the-bath-till-your-toes-shrive music my aunt likes to wind down to. Although, it's worth pointing out my aunt listens to speed garage and hard house to wake up. This is soothing, alright, but not without spirit and it's no wonder The Independent and NME have been singing its praises.

▶ LEDDRA CHAPMAN

Story Out: 7th December

Although signed to Ant and Dec's record label (a ludicrous premise if ever there was one), this is actually a serious single with echoes of Sinead O'Connor, The Cranberries and early Alanis Morissette (before her lyrics became transcripts of her therapy sessions). Her voice, like Alanis', is haunting and vibrant in turns, and full of a power that grabs you till the very end.



▶ HEADS WE DANCE

Take My Picture

Out: 14th December

Leeds-based electro-pop emo-bunnies Heads We Dance strike up a glittery disco romper that would work well on the dancefloors of many an alternative gay night. Fast becoming stars, they have already been compared to La Roux (or La Ragu as we affectionately call her), but the comparison isn't quite right: these guys are definitely good, but in a less aerial, clean-toned fashion.



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Faith

Paloma Faith is the latest in a long line of female singers who have made their mark this year. Her debut album, *Do You Want The Truth Or Something Beautiful*, slipped unannounced into the Top 10 and brought with it her colourful persona; drawing on diverse influences from music, literature, art and cinema.

Recently, in the matter of just a few weeks, we saw you gyrating the night away in Blackpool with Alan Carr, appear as a panellist on *The Buzzcocks*... then topping it off by discussing politics with Michael Portillo and Diane Abbot on BBC2's late night political spot *This Week*... so which is the real Paloma?

"All of it." She giggles as she explains in her quiet childlike manner about one of the reactions to her appearance on *This Week*. "Someone in the *Independent* wrote that I was like a child whose parents had brought them down at a dinner party to entertain the guests... I thought it was funny."

Meanwhile, up in Blackpool, Paloma joined chatty man Alan Carr in turning on the town's famous Illuminations and performing for the appreciative crowd. Later she was seen at the Flamingo club, leading the funny man in a hectic night of dance. "He's an absolute sweetheart.... Although, I think I gave him food poisoning. I went round to his place to cook him and his boyfriend dinner... unfortunately, we then all had a bit of a bad stomach and I was so embarrassed I haven't dared call him." She composes herself from her obvious guilt. "I'm actually a really good cook so I just think it was bad luck."

Paloma, who says she relaxes by watching arty style films can also be seen in a couple of movies at the moment. *St Trinians* and the Terry Gilliam's masterpiece, *The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus*. "I love Terry Gilliam, I have seen everything he has done. It's the type of film I'd go and see myself." What about the Rupert Everett led *St Trinians*? "It's funny but probably one I wouldn't go and see."

"it's a shame if our industry gets completely over powered by talent shows"

With the current influx of singers from talent shows like *X Factor*, Paloma is keen that the industry doesn't lose some of it's other talent. "These shows are about singers, and that is one thing but there are a lot of others out there like me, who write all their own material. I think what the British are great at is song writing and it's a shame if our industry gets completely over powered by talent shows because we could be in danger of losing a part of the British heritage."

Unfortunately, the only show that seems to showcase this talent is the Eurovision Song Contest... "Well yes... and that's not really up to scratch is it? It would be hilarious if we entered a song by The Enemy one year wouldn't it?" That idea would certainly give the show more standing to the majority of the UK viewing public but what about Paloma herself... if asked... would she take up the challenge? "I'd be up for it."



Her album: *Do You Want The Truth Or Something Beautiful* is in the shops now and in March 2010 Paloma will be headlining her own tour.

16th	Dublin, Vicar St
17th	Glasgow, ABC
19th	Manchester, Academy
20th	Leeds, Academy
21st	Newcastle, Academy
23rd	Cambridge, Corn Exchange
24th	Birmingham, Academy
25th	Southampton, Guildhall
26th	Bristol, Academy
28th	Oxford, Academy
29th	London, Shepherd's Bush Empire

IT HURTS

From the city that brought you Oasis, Happy Mondays, New Order... and Factory Records (to name but a few of Manchester's glorious musical heritage) comes a new band called Hurts

Theo Hutchcraft (vocals), Adam Anderson (electronics, guitar) make up this moody looking duo and it appears as though the image has been worked on just as much as the music. Talking of which: The video for the new single, *Wonderful Life*, is a sombre, b&w feast, that many moody teens will go mad for. A slice of art with their angst but let us not forget that in an ironic way... it's a surge of brilliance because... it is a *Wonderful Life*. Hurts seem to nod in the direction of some really good synth-duos of the 80s and this isn't a bad thing... knowing some of the bilge that is currently clogging the charts. A pretty good debut... have a listen.

Arthur Baker remix of Hurts - *Wonderful Life* out on 7th December www.myspace.com/ithurts



Katherine Ellis

The voice on everyone's record

She's been singing in bands since she was a teenager and provided backing vocals to a number of top artists. What's more, there can hardly be a gay venue in the UK (and perhaps the world) that hasn't resounded to the vocal talent that is... Katherine Ellis. The lady has music in her blood and a voice that is much in demand from top record producers but which one does she like to work with the most?

It is all of them of course, I'm very lucky that I work with extremely nice people, most recently it would have to be the Freemasons, we have done a lot of gigs together as well, in Australia, UK, Croatia, Belgium etc, it's always great fun being with them.

Dave Lee, Roger Sanchez, Dylan Rhymes, Bimbo Jones, all fab!

Is there anyone you'd like to work with you haven't had a chance to yet?

Laurent Wolf, Fedde LeGrand, Calvin Harris, David Guetta... loads of great producers out there!

At one point in your career you were backing singer on various tours by artist like Boy George and Belinda Carlisle... did you enjoy the touring element?

Touring with Belinda was amazing, we performed in a football stadium supporting Rod Stewart, we supported James Brown at a Private party and performed for McLaren at the Grand Prix in Monte Carlo! We also toured Europe and went to Japan, the musicians were amazing and it was a lot of fun to work with other singers and great experience to see how a Big Artist works. I actually worked with Boy George fairly recently, we both took part in an event to celebrate what would have been Marc Bolan's 60th Birthday at the Café De Paris, London, I did my own set and also did backgrounds for George, it was a total thrill, I have always been a fan.

You've fronted many bands and become the 'featured singer'... when are we going to see Katherine Ellis topping the bill at the O2 Arena in her own right?

Wouldn't that be great! I have such a wealth of material and styles, I have a cabaret act with my friend Clifford Slapper, which is really funny. I reckon I could do a 'One Woman' show and take the audience on a huge emotional journey and perform jazz, blues, soul, funk, dance, do some impressions too! It would be FAB! If anybody wants to help me... get in touch!

We often see you appearing at gay clubs up and down the country, do you particularly like this audience?

Yes I do! Gay audiences are always very warm and really up for having a party!

Some stand out shows I've done this year have been at Mardi Gras Sydney, Market Melbourne, Arq Sydney, Metro Sydney, Essential Manchester, Flamingo Blackpool, Queen Paris, Water Polo Champs Party Malta, Manchester Pride, Soho Live, Honey Club Yaroslavl and Pavlin Kiev - I list all these because the vibes were outstanding.



"Gay audiences are always very warm and really up for having a party!"

You're a mum so have you noticed if your kids have inherited their mother's talents?

My eldest son Zebedee definitely has, he has a very loud voice and a very strong singing voice, can impersonate other singers and writes songs! I took him to Gaydar Radio recently and he did some idents for Phil Marriott, 'This is Zebedee Ellis, Spawn of the Diva!!' My other son Gulliver is learning piano and loves his music, he is more the Producer/DJ type.

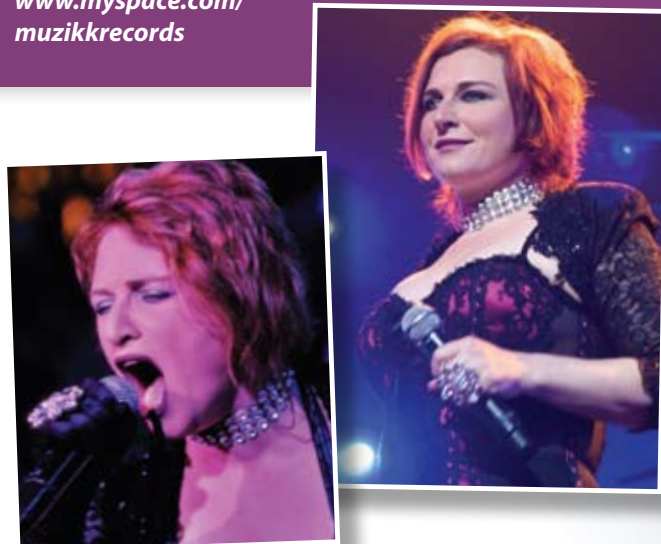
Are there any new projects we should keep our eyes (and ears) out for?

There is a re-release of my 1998 anthem 'Dreaming' with The Ruff Driverz, which is out via Maelstrom. You already know about 'You're mine' with Lewis and Alberto from Solitaire, that's out now via K Klass' label, Muzik K. Then there's 'Time 2 Play' with Soulshaker (Audiofreaks) and a full release of 'Gotta Get Through' with Paul Emanuel & Gav McCall (Born to Dance Records). 'Be With U Tonight' with Beaver & Jones and 'Ready for Love' with The Str8jackets will follow sometime in the New Year as will collaborations with The Studiopunks, The Addict DJs and 7th Heaven. So as you can see I'm definitely being kept busy!

Solitaire & Katherine Ellis

'You're Mine' is out on 7th December on Muzik-K Records UK.

www.myspace.com/muzikkrecords





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PSB - Christmas

2009 has been a productive year for Pet Shop Boys who won the award for Outstanding Contribution To Music at this year's BRITs and celebrated their highest UK and USA album

chart positions for 15 years. And despite a hugely successful world tour still in progress the boys have found time for a bit of festive frivolity.

The track listing for the EP is:

1. It doesn't often snow at Christmas (new version)
2. My Girl
3. All over the world (new version)
4. Viva la vida/Domino dancing
5. My Girl (our house mix)

"All over the world" is a new version of the track which appears on Pet Shop Boys' latest album, "Yes". Also included is a new version of "It doesn't often snow at Christmas", originally an exclusive Christmas single issued to members of the Pet Shop Boys fan club in 1997. Both new versions are produced by Marius de Vries and Pet Shop Boys, based on the original tracks, and have orchestral and choir arrangements by Matt Robertson and Marius de Vries.

Pet Shop Boys new EP, "Christmas" – Out: 14th December - Parlophone Records

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Gay Online Movie Channel

A new online movie service has launched for the discerning consumer of gay and lesbian cinema. Offering broadband audiences the best of gay and lesbian film titles, genres featured include comedy, romance and sci-fi.

Deliberately avoiding pornographic content, they aim squarely at serving the consumer of LGBT (lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender) cinema through offering a wide range of film and TV titles streamed via broadband at a fraction of the price of a DVD. The site also offers additional services such as travel guides, news, horoscopes and a unique music service, QueerClub, featuring famous DJ's accompanied by gogo dancers.

With movies priced at just £2.99 and TV episodes from just 99p, the service is perfectly placed in the current difficult economic environment to provide quality entertainment at a fraction of the price normally associated with buying a DVD.

www.QUOD.tv

New Energy Shot

Target Energy Shots has announced the launch of its new energy shot 'Gorgeous'. The small, vibrant pink bottle contains a sugar-free mixture of vitamins and amino acids and with just four calories, Gorgeous is set to become the latest fashion accessory, aimed squarely at the under 30s gay and girlie market.

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www.starglide.co.uk



Hollywood's Next Big Thing?

By Duane Wells

When Aussie actor Sam Worthington enters a room, an almost palpable cloud of testosterone trails him. He is both every man and guy next door yet a heroic and action figure-like spirit also lurks behind his scruffy demeanour.

Dressed casually for our interview in a faded black T-shirt, black jeans and a worn black jacket, Sam is the antithesis of many in the current crop of well-coiffed Hollywood 'it' boys. From the absence of hair gel in his buzz cut, to his unfussy, basic, low-key apparel to his apparent shunning of any designer endorsed accessories Worthington is, for lack of a better comparison, as handsomely rugged and unadorned in person as the outback that serves as the clichéd backdrop of his birthplace.

Worthington streamed into the global consciousness this past summer in the role of Marcus Wright opposite Christian Bale in the big-budget action entry *Terminator Salvation*. His upcoming film is *Avatar*, the latest epic offering from Oscar-winning *Titanic* director James Cameron.

In the film, Sam plays the story's hero, Jake Sully, an ex-marine confined to a wheel chair who discovers a new life as an avatar when he is recruited to join an expedition to the moon Pandora, where corporate interests are strip-mining for a mineral worth \$20 million per kilogram on Earth.

"He's a man who's stuck between two worlds and that to me is Jake's general journey and biggest dilemma," Worthington says of his character. "He's stuck between his loyalty to humanity here [on Pandora] and his loyalty to humanity as a whole."

Asked if there were inherent challenges for him in the role of Sully, Sam admits that there were some but says that in the final analysis his answer to those challenges was to "keep it truthful" and to try to "keep the heart involved" in his portrayal.

"The greatest challenge is that you've got two different journeys," the actor says. "You've got the journey of Jake when he's in his avatar mode [where] he's got legs but they don't work because he's paralyzed from the waist down and his journey when he's got his legs as an avatar. As an actor you're playing a guy who infiltrates a clan, they test him and he has to prove his merit and his life is open-

ing up and getting a bit more exciting. Then when he's back in this sack of bones here [as a human,] his life is getting more depressing. So as an actor you're playing two different sides of the same character and trying to balance them and trying not to make them clichéd and melodramatic, which sometimes can happen in big movies."

Speaking of 'big movies,' director James Cameron is known not only for helming some of the biggest of all time (*Titanic* alone grossed a staggering \$1.8 billion), but also for employing revolutionary technology in the making of those films. And *Avatar* is no different.

Shot in 3D and taking advantage of cinematic advancements that didn't even exist when the film was conceived, *Avatar* pushes the envelope beyond anything that has been seen before in cinemas, which according to Sam provided him and his fellow actors with the opportunity to really show what they could do with their craft.

"I found it very liberating to be honest, because if acting is truth in imaginary circumstance, you have to get absolute truth in absolute imaginary circumstance," Worthington says of his interaction with *Avatar*'s cutting-edge technology. "When you're in the motion capture world...and you're stuck in world where there's nothing... the only real tangible thing to start with is the other actor and in acting I basically...need to get something from the other person. So it's like a stage production. It's just you and the other actor dealing with the complexities of the scene."

Listening to Worthington talk these days, you'd think he had set his sights on the stage at an early age and had been honing his craft ever since, but that couldn't be further from the truth. In actuality however, Sam's entry into the world of showbiz was rooted more in lust than in a hunger to be seen on the big screen.

"It came because of a girl as most actors can tell you," Sam says with a chuckle in



“People say I’m intense and they say that has a negative connotation, but I call it passionate. Everyone should be passionate about something”.

response to how he got his start as a thespian. “I was 19 and I met a girl who wanted to go the premiere drama school in Australia, where Mel Gibson, Cate Blanchett and Hugo Weaving went. She auditioned and I auditioned to cheer her along as you do out of moral support. I got up balldusted my way through it and they basically went ‘keep going...keep going’ and the auditions kept going and sooner or later they asked me if I’d like a position and if I’d like to spend three years there. So basically I got in and [my girlfriend] didn’t and that was about it. She dumped me a week later.”

Not only was there no grand plan in Worthington’s designs on a career in acting, he says such things weren’t even considered in the corner of Australia where he was raised.

“I was a bricklayer,” Sam says of his life before drama school. “Where I grew up, you barely had a movie house or video stores, let alone thought that you could have your head on a poster. It was a pipe dream, so you don’t even go there. Your dream is to get out of town and maybe work at a local power station. That’s your dream.” Which is why when presented with the opportunity to do something outside the narrow range of possibility that he felt had been dictated to him from the day he was born, Sam says he jumped at it. “It beat mixing cement. It beat digging a hole. I was young, dumb and full of it. During the audition I was thinking ‘Thank fuck, I don’t have to go to work today and damn there are some beautiful girls here apart from my own beautiful girlfriend,’” Worthington says with a conspiratorial laugh about the fateful decision that led him to where he sits today on the brink of superstardom.

Sam’s continued nonchalance about his profession is, in fact, what actually helped him land his

current leading man role in *Avatar*. “I auditioned in Australia. I didn’t really know what the movie was because no one would tell us who it was for,” Worthington offers in explanation of how he ultimately got James Cameron’s attention back in 2007. “I just put two minutes down on the tape and the attitude I had was kind of ‘fuck this’ because I was like ‘How come you won’t tell us what this is for?’ So when we started the audition there was this kind of rebellious streak to it. Two weeks later I got a phone call asking if I’d like to come meet with Jim Cameron. And I was like, ‘What for?’ And they said that was what the audition was for.” Apparently, James Cameron was very interested in Worthington even though he had only seen the two minutes of audition tape that Sam had recorded and nothing more from his previous body of work over the past decade, which had earned the actor some degree of notoriety and kudos in his native Australia. “He said there was something in it...some kind of sparkle in my eye and rebellious nature that led him to wonder if this guy was for real,” Sam says of Cameron’s response to his audition tape. “I think the first line in [the audition] was ‘Are you Jake Sully?’ and I think the [response] is ‘Yes sir I am’ and I went ‘uh-huh, yeah’ and Jim’s always said I had him at ‘Uh-huh.’” Though he seems almost cavalier about some of the most pivotal moments in his career, don’t mistake Worthington’s attitude as anything but professional or consummately committed to what he does. “I love this profession. People say I’m intense and they say that has a negative connotation, but I call it passionate. Everyone should be passionate about something. I’m passionate



about going to work and my work is extraordinary so I lead an ordinary life,”

Despite his almost meteoric rise to the top of the food chain in Hollywood, Worthington eschews the notion that he is the hottest thing in Hollywood at the moment even though he’ll soon be seen in two more mega pics. Including the upcoming remake of *Clash of the Titans*, and potentially in the next sequel in the *Mad Max* catalogue, which made Mel Gibson an international star. On the subject of his rising cache at the box office, Worthington says “I think there’s always a hot thing. I think at the moment I might be lukewarm. I think there’s some others out there.” Moreover, the unpretentious Aussie seems resolute in his determination not to be negatively affected by his newfound success. “I think the world changes. You don’t change,” he says. “I think the world gets a bit more crazy and everyone keeps going ‘you’re the next hot thing’ and things like that, which they wouldn’t have said 10 years ago and you wouldn’t say if you saw me waking up in the morning. There’s nothing hot about that.” On that subject we politely beg to differ.

Avatar opens worldwide on 18th December and also stars Sigourney Weaver and Zoe Saldana.
For more information, visit: www.avatarmovie.com

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Celebrities want the strangest things...



Mariah Carey is perhaps one of the most famous celebrities who is supposed to make diva-ish demands in her contracts. These little 'demands' for instance; 200 white kittens and a host of white doves, makes great copy but are they true?

Over the years I've been running clubs and dealing with celebrities and DJs, quite a lot of the artist riders have demanded some really obscure items. Like specific mixing desks, when perhaps there is only one in existence and it is unavailable at that particular time or precise fluffy towels that they simply must have if they are required to perform. Mostly the riders are for equipment, which is OK although food can sometimes get silly. I remember a DJ who demanded a Sushi platter, which we dutifully supplied at great expense but he came off stage, took one look and said he really wanted a McDonalds. Booze is the main obsession that gets artists all riled up. They can ask for gallons of beer, lager and some exclusive foreign brand vodka, and can get quite snippy when it runs out. Of course they have been supplying it to all their road crew and hangers on and wonder why there's none left by the time they have finished their set.

Many years ago I put on a show with M People, who were at the height of their fame and one of the things they demanded was a case of bananas and fruit. We gave them all they asked for and at the end of the night, when they were on their way home, not one piece of fruit had been eaten. I had to live as a chimp for the rest of the month... eating bananas at every meal.

Some DJs have written into their contracts that they need specific items of clothing. Often these guys are dashing around the country and travelling light so need certain things after a long sweaty set on the decks. We've supplied M&S underwear, shirts and jumpers but by far the most

demanded item is socks. Yes socks. We've sorted that out by taking a trip to Primark and getting a bunch of these essential items ready to meet the next request. I once asked a DJ why he wanted socks. He said that at the hotel they can cost as much as £8 to get them dry cleaned... it hadn't occurred to him to do what I do... wash them in the sink and use the trouser press to dry them out.

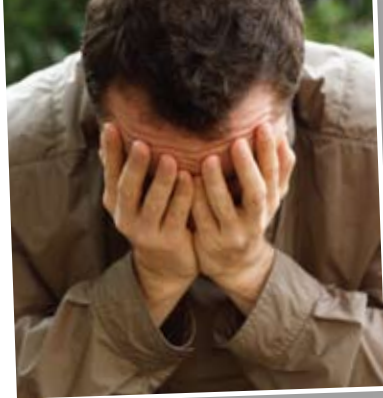
One of my favourite DJs Carl Cox had asked for a bowl of exotic fruit for his dressing room. Unfortunately, I misread it and thought he'd asked for erotic fruit... so he didn't quite get what he wanted. I often wondered what he thought about his bowl containing bananas, cucumbers, carrots, aubergines, courgettes... and fruit flavoured lube!

On a completely different subject - news is circulating that Boy George will be entering the Celebrity Big Brother House next year. The tabloids will be full of the fact that the poor boy is being locked up yet again, after his most famous recent incarceration for imprisoning a rent boy. But, I just want to point out that I was the first to lock in the Boy. I had him imprisoned in my house way back in the early 90s. He did a DJ set at one of my club nights, I had no money to offer him a hotel so I put him up at my back-to-back terrace house where I was living at the time. As I only had one set of keys, I locked him in then went to kip at my mum's. In the morning when he realised he couldn't get out, he was furious and really let rip when I finally arrived to meet him. We've made it up since but it still brings a smile to my face at the memory. Meanwhile, I'm sure if he can put up with the cramped conditions of prison and my back-to-back, he'll have no trouble with the splendour of the BB house. Hell, I even believe they have heating in there.



Gay Domestic Violence

Some will pretend that it couldn't happen, while others might even deny it happening but the truth is, domestic violence is just as prolific in gay relationships as it is in any other.



The issue is rarely mentioned and under reported and in truth, the police do not receive many calls of this nature, though research tells us that it is a major issue in the LGBT (lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender) community and people are afraid to come forward. This could be for a variety of reasons, including how they think they will be perceived by the Police; or feeling that they should be able to handle

themselves with someone of the same sex; or worries about coming out by reporting it to list just a small number of examples.



This problem is not acceptable and West Yorkshire Police are spearheading a campaign whereby they have been working closely with the national charity Broken Rainbow, who have assisted in building a process to change the Forces computer systems to better record and risk assess these situations. They hope that the campaign will eventually be rolled out across the country and that the LGBT community realise the police will take reports of this nature very seriously indeed.

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No more 'bottom' of the class thanks to new THT campaign

Terrence Higgins Trust is launching a new campaign teaching gay men just how HIV is passed on during unprotected anal sex. With little or no sex education relevant to young gay men in schools this new campaign gives a valuable biology lesson to fill these important knowledge gaps.

The 'Biology of Transmission' campaign, aimed especially at younger men and others new to gay sex, gets vital HIV transmission information across using three striking 'bottom' themed images;

*the sponge - illustrating how the lining of the rectum absorbs semen and pre-cum containing HIV.

*the eggs - covering how the rectal lining can be damaged during fucking or when objects enter the rectum, allowing HIV easier entry into the bloodstream.

*the peach - explaining how (often unnoticed) sexually transmitted infections make it easier for HIV to be passed on due to skin damage inside the rectum

To find out more about how HIV can be spread, and how to protect yourself go to:
www.chapsonline.org.uk/biology

New survey targets over 50s living with HIV

Terrence Higgins Trust with Age Concern & Help the Aged are launching a survey to find out the needs and concerns of people living with HIV who are aged over 50.

The findings of the research, titled 50Plus, will be made available to services for both older people, and people with HIV, to help them develop appropriate support. Online and paper questionnaires will be distributed and can be filled in until 4th January, when the survey closes.

The questionnaire asks a series of questions about the participant's life, hopes and concerns. It's completely anonymous and there is a prize draw for two people, randomly drawn, who will each get £100 of shopping vouchers.

To find out more, please visit www.tht.org.uk/howyoucanhelpus/surveys/





Take responsibility



All gay men, regardless of their HIV status, are responsible for safer sex. GMFA, the gay men's health charity, will be promoting this message across the London gay scene with a new postcard campaign and host of fundraising events.

Matthew Hodson, Head of Programmes at GMFA, says: "This is a simple yet important health message that we want to get across. Many HIV-negative men believe it's up to positive men not to infect others, while many HIV-positive men believe HIV-negative men should take responsibility to protect themselves. The truth is we are all responsible for our own health as well as that of our partners."

Unsafe sex between gay men, HIV positive and HIV negative, is behind the spread of HIV in the gay community. Both positive and negative gay men in the UK engage in high-risk sexual activity - specifically, fucking without condoms - with men whose status they do not know, or whose status they know to be different to their own.

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Running hot and cold!

I've just enjoyed three weeks of holidays – full of endless sunshine, and a temperature of 35°C! But now, alas, I'm back in a very cold Czech Republic, where we've even had our first snow of the winter. A fall of 10cms, which I can describe in one word – horrible!

I spent most of my vacation in Thailand, with a few additional days in Kuala Lumpur for some serious shopping! In total, three weeks of pure relaxation, sun-kissed beaches and the very cutest Asian guys. It all seems like a dream now that I'm back home. Why, the first thing I had to do upon my return – after first switching the heaters to full power – was to shovel snow away from the front of my house. Unbelievable!

Anyway, let me tell you all a little bit about my holidays – if only to make you jealous! It was my very first trip to Asia, and not surprisingly I've been quite excited about it. That said, I wasn't altogether sure whether I would like Asian guys – and Thai guys in particular – given that I'm generally into taller, muscular men. But what can I say? I've completely changed my mind. In fairness, I still prefer the Caucasian, muscular type, but I've enjoyed some really fantastic experiences over the past couple of weeks. And Thai guys, it seems to me, are really, really cute!

My first "interaction" with some cute Thai men came after dinner on my very first evening in Thailand, when my friend and I went to DJ Station, one of the most popular gay clubs in Bangkok. It was a Friday night, and the club was packed – mostly with Thais, but also a few Western tourists. The first thing I noticed about the local men, however, was that they were all so small. Gees, it must have been the first time I've ever been to a club where I was one of the tallest guys there! As a result, I had a fantastic view of the stage above all the other heads in the room! The second thing I noticed was how soft, smooth and nicely tanned the skin was on all these guys. All I can say in that respect is "Wow!"

DJ Station itself was fun. Around midnight they had a drag-queen show, and after that the party really kicked off. There was even some kind of dark room – need I say more?

Of course, I also took the opportunity to enjoy a massage. You know – the one with "special services". It was a really special experience for me, I must confess. You enter the parlour and find that there are about 30 or 40 cute Thai guys standing in a row – like tins on a supermarket shelf. You select one and then he goes off and prepares the room for you whilst you freshen yourself up a bit in readiness.

The massage started in the traditional Thai style, with a lot of stroking and soft kneading. Then I had to turn onto my back and the guy started to massage my thighs and cock. Moments later and he was sucking me off – which (needless to say) resulted in me getting hard really fast. Then, whilst still sucking me, he put a condom on my cock – wow, I really liked that style! – before dimming the lights and ... well I'm sure I don't have to spell it out for you. WOW. All of this happened without so much as a single word exchanging between us, since I spoke no Thai and he didn't speak a word of English or Czech! Despite this, I enjoyed a really nice and totally satisfying cumshot, whilst he came all over my stomach shortly after me. Then we headed for the showers, where he washed my body down and completed his duties by sucking and wanking me again. In all, a really horny experience – and perhaps one of the most extraordinary encounters I've ever had!

Another day, I visited a Thai-Boxing school – an experience that, unfortunately, proved to be somewhat embarrassing. The place was advertising some training for Westerners, and as I do kick-boxing at home on a professional level I felt more than confident that I would be able to hold my own in the ring with them. But how wrong you can be! Wow, I never stood a chance with these guys! Nevertheless, it was a really interesting experience, and as a result I think I learnt one or two tricks that might prove very useful the next time I'm in a kick-boxing fight back at home.

I'm certainly very grateful that they used their slow routine when fighting me, rather than taking me on at full pelt – but even that was more than enough for me. My whole body was still hurting days after the lesson and I was more than happy that I could spend the following week on the beach recovering – 35°C in the shade, seated in a deckchair, with a cold beer in my hand and some cute guys all around me giving me a neck massage!

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Johan

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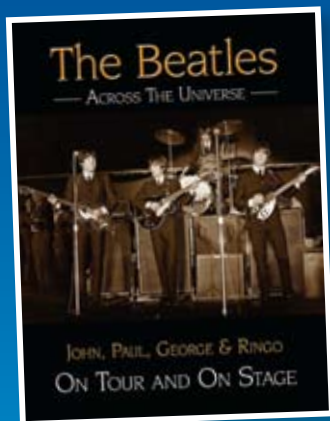
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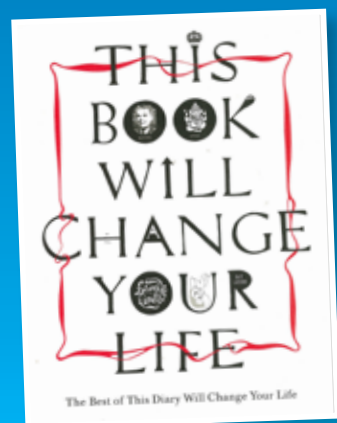
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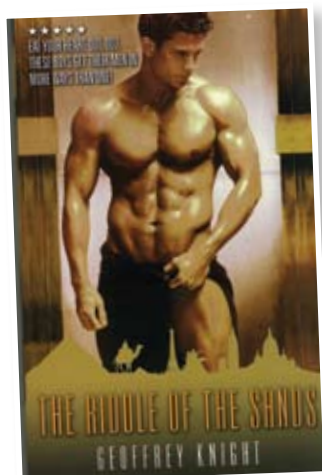


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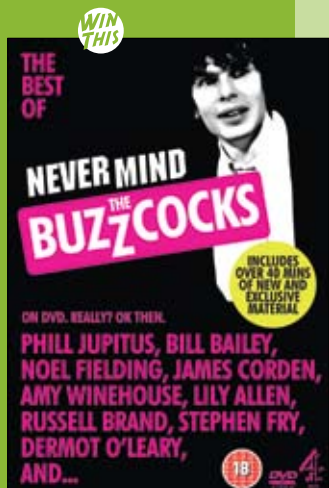
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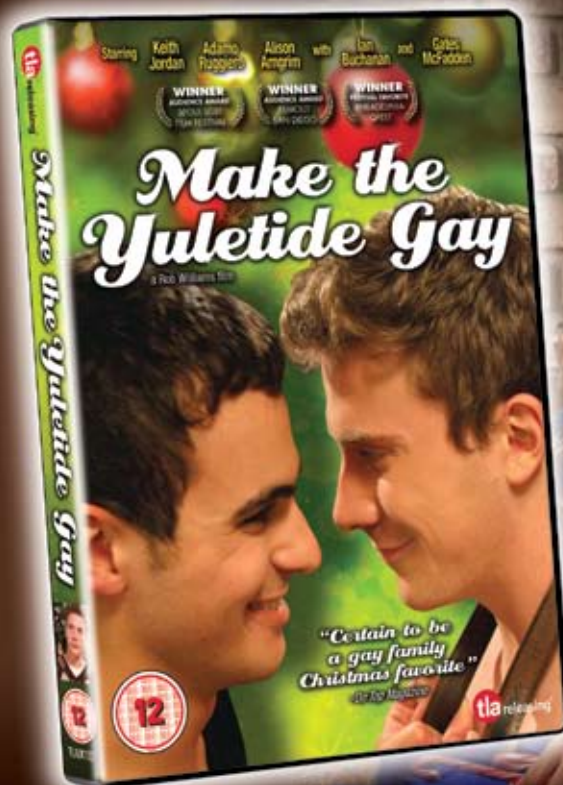
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Me and Orson Welles is set in the world of the New York Theatre. Teenage student Richard Samuels (Zac Efron) lucks his way into a minor role in the legendary 1937 Mercury Theatre production of *Julius Caesar*, directed by a youthful Orson Welles. Over the course of a magical week, Richard makes his Broadway debut, finds romance with an ambitious older woman, and experiences the dark side of genius after daring to cross the imperious, brilliant Welles. Richard has to grow up FAST.

The film's director Richard Linklater wasn't so sure about casting the effervescent Efron in such an important role.

"Someone mentioned the name of Zac Efron, whose image adorns the walls of teenage bedrooms across the world, following the success of 'High School Musical'. Frankly," admits Linklater, "at that point, I had just seen 'Hairspray' and my first impression was that he's almost too good looking. But in my experience, you can't judge the full range of an actor based on what you've seen them in – so we set up a meeting. A minute or two into the conversation, I knew he would be the perfect Richard Samuels."

Once cast Linklater became even more enthusiastic for his new young star. "He really responded to the script and got it. Zac's got so much going on, he's a natural song and dance man – he really does kind of have a song in his heart and a little dance in his step and he's really intelligent."

Zac found he had a lot in common with the character: "He's just a kid at school in Jersey, he's very into the arts and theatre and music, he plays certain instruments and, yeah... it's kind of funny, we are parallel in that way. I think Richard is pretty typical for a Jersey kid in New York at his age in 1937. He's not the coolest kid in school and he has a tough time with the ladies. He's given a week with Orson Welles and it's the most magical week of his life. He falls in love, he stars on Broadway, he gets in a fight with Welles. How many people can say that they have done that?"

The film's theatre scenes were shot in the Isle of Man where Zac's appearance sent many of the local young inhabitants into a frenzy. One of Zac's co-stars remembers the stir his appearance caused. "These young girls were outside, screaming like banshees and he stood up and said 'I'll go out there.' I said 'you're going out there? It's terrifying!' But later, when I went outside, there was this ten-year-old, who had met her hero and the great thing was, her hero had turned out to be everything that she wanted him to be."

It seems that Zac is just as loveable off screen as he is on it. *Me and Orson Welles* in cinemas across the UK this month

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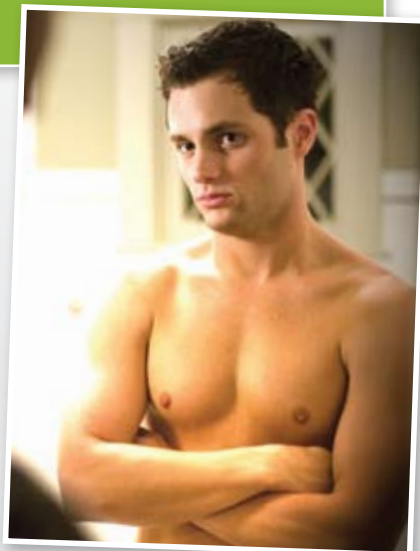
Leona Lewis has recorded the title track for James Cameron's *Avatar*. The song is titled *I See You* (Theme from *Avatar*) and will be available when the soundtrack hits stores on 15th December.

Slash Film is reporting Vincent Cassel, Winona Ryder and Barbara Hershey will join Natalie Portman and Mila Kunis in *Black Swan*, the follow-up film for The Wrestler director, Darren Aronofsky, which tells the story of a talented ballerina (Portman) in the New York City Ballet who is tormented by a rival who might or might not be a figment of the dancer's imagination.

▶ THE STEP FATHER

Out: 11th December

Michael Harding (mega cutie Penn Badgley) returns home from military school to find his mother (Sela Ward) happily in love and living with her new boyfriend, David (Dylan Walsh). As the two men get to know each other, Michael becomes more and more suspicious of the man who is always there with a helpful hand. Is he really the man of her dreams or could David be hiding a dark side? This remake of an 80s classic is jumpy and provides plenty of eye-candy for us gay boys.



▲ NINE

Out: 18th December

Could be the one to beat at next year's Oscars. *Nine* is a vibrant and provocative musical that follows the life of world famous film director Guido Contini (Daniel Day-Lewis) as he reaches a creative and personal crisis of epic proportion, while balancing the numerous women in his life including his wife (Marion Cotillard), his mistress (Penelope Cruz), his film star muse (Nicole Kidman), his confidant and costume designer (Judi Dench), an American fashion journalist (Kate Hudson), the whore from his youth (Fergie) and his mother (Sophia Loren). The film is directed by Rob Marshall (Oscar winning *Chicago*).

▶ NOWHERE BOY

Out: 25 December

Possibly the best British film of the year, *Nowhere Boy* tells the never before seen story of John Lennon's (brilliantly played by sexy Aaron Johnson) childhood. John Lennon is an ordinary fifteen year old boy on the streets of Liverpool. Funny, smart, naughty, a real edge to him. But life is not simple for John - he grew up in a family of secrets and was raised by his Aunt Mimi (Kristin Scott Thomas) from the age of five. When he is suddenly reacquainted with his mother, Julia (Anne-Marie Duff), they form an unbreakable bond. A bitter war rages between the two sisters for John's love. Faced with bringing it to an end, he learns the secret heartbreak of his past. But his mother gives him one great gift - music. A wayward boy finds his voice, and walks into The Beatles. Deserves plenty of awards, superb.





▲ *ST. TRINIAN'S II: THE LEGEND OF FRITTON'S GOLD*

Out: 18th December

St Trinian's II brings back the anarchic, high-spirited family fun of 2007's runaway box-office hit St Trinian's. This all star cast includes Gemma Arterton, Sarah Harding from Girls Aloud, Rupert Everett, Colin Firth and David Tennant completes the exciting cast as the evil Pomfrey. A rollercoaster-style treasure hunt for the legendary Fritton's Gold ensues as the girls face their most fearsome establishment rivals yet, but the feisty and ever-resourceful students of St Trinian's are undeterred in their mission to outwit the villainous Pomfrey and his sidekicks from the women-hating secret society known as AD1.

▶ *WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE*

Out: 11th December

Maurice Sendak's classic book comes to the big screen in an adventure tale for every generation. Where the Wild Things Are follows the adventure of Max (Max Records), a mischievous young boy who is sent to his room after rebelling against his mother (Catherine Keener). Max's imagination is free to roam, and it soon transports him to a thriving forest bordering a vast sea. Delighted, he sets sail for the land of the Wild Things, where mischief reigns and Max rules. In bringing this imaginative fantasy to life, director Spike Jonze leads a team of filmmakers incorporating the most dynamic elements of voice performance, live-action puppetry and computer animation. A classic.

With Tom Cruise and Sam Worthington now no longer attached to star in The Tourist opposite Angelina Jolie, Johnny Depp is in talks to fill in the role. Should things work out, Depp would play an American tourist drawn into a web of intrigue and danger by a female Interpol agent (Jolie) as she attempts to locate a criminal who was once her lover.

MOVIE BUZZ

REVIEW
FILM

Mad Max 4 is now confirmed to be titled Fury Road and Bronson star Tom Hardy will step into the role of Max Rockatansky, a hardened ex-cop in a future beset by gas shortages and marauding gangs... in the role made iconic by Mel Gibson. Charlize Theron has signed on to play the female lead.

Anthony Hopkins has signed on to play the Norse god Odin in Kenneth Branagh's Thor. Odin is Thor's father and ruler of Asgard. The role of Thor is being played by Chris Hemsworth in a story where the god of thunder, a powerful but arrogant warrior, recklessly re-ignites an ancient war.

Men in Black 3, the third pic in its sci-comedy franchise is coming, with Tropic Thunder co-writer Etan Cohen penning the script and Barry Sonnenfeld back to direct once again. However, it appears Will Smith has not committed to the pic although he is interested.



▲ *MR RIGHT*

Out: 27th November

Think Queer As Folk meets Soho, but not as good and you get Mr. Right. Harry hates being a TV producer and dreams of leaving his job to travel the world. He loves Alex, an aspiring actor who is struggling to create an identity for himself as a performer. Rugby player William's nine-year-old daughter is intent on sabotaging his relationships with new boyfriends, and he's finding it difficult to let Lawrence, the soap star, into his life. Lars is a handsome sometime-model kept by Tom, a successful artist, who will excuse his every betrayal so long as Lars doesn't leave him. When their fag hag friend Louise decides to bring her current beau Paul (Jeremy Edwards), to a dinner party with her gaggle of gay friends to reassure herself that he is actually straight, disaster ensues and the couples are sent reeling.



▶ *SHERLOCK HOLMES*

Out: 26 December

Guy Richie directs his first big Hollywood movie with mega stars Jude Law and Robert Downey Jr as Doctor Watson and Sherlock Holmes. In a dynamic new portrayal of Arthur Conan Doyle's most famous characters, Sherlock Holmes sets Holmes and his stalwart partner Watson on their latest challenge. Revealing fighting skills as lethal as his legendary intellect, Holmes will battle as never before to bring down a new nemesis and unravel a deadly plot that could destroy the country.



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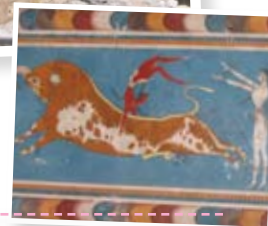


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Queer CRETE



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Adrian Gillan hits Crete - birthplace of Zeus; and the Minotaur!

By far Greece's largest island, covering 3,200 square miles, Crete lies just 125 miles north of the African coast, with a resident population of around 700,000. The glories of the mighty Minoan civilisation (flourishing 2000BC-1500BC approx.) still litter the land; and the sun-drenched northern resorts remain rightly dwarfed by peaks rising to almost 2500 metres, vast goat-filled olive groves, plus deep gorges and caverns.

The island has outlasted myriad invaders – from Romans and Byzantines, through Arabs, Ottomans and Venetians, to integration into the modern independent Greek nation, German invasion, then liberation! Throughout it all, Crete has maintained a fierce identity well-nigh bordering on independence. High up in the mountains, its plucky resistance fighters were famously never defeated by any invader - and even remained mercifully aloof from the post-WW2 civil war that ravaged mainland Greece.



TO BOOZE 'N' CRUISE

Crete's scene is small, with just one gay bar proper, in Malia; a few gay-friendly places in capital Heraklion and other towns; plus numerous nude beaches.

HERAKLION

- Pagopion (front of Agios Titos church, Heraklion) – Stylish gay-friendly café-bar in the city centre.
- Desire (Esplanade, Heraklion) – Gay-friendly club on the capital's seafront, just before the stadium.
- Georgiadis Park – Gents oft take nocturnal airs in the park just over the road from Eleftherias square.
- Kazantzakis Monument – Restless men oft take strolls above Plastira Street, near the monument to the great Greek writer.

MALIA

- Eros Bar (Em. Tsagaraki, Malia; T: +30 694 6489148; www.gaybarscrete.com) – The only dedicatedly gay bar on Crete, in Malia, 15-20 miles east of capital Heraklion.
- Malia Beach – A famous beach for nudism with a lot of tourists; and gay cruising at the rocky area.

TO SEE AND DO:

HERAKLION – Bustling capital with stunning colossal Venetian city walls and harbour fort; plus world-renowned Archaeological Museum brimming with Minoan treasures, mainly preserved from nearby Knossos!

KNOSSOS – Crete's most visited attraction, just a 15 minute bus ride south of Heraklion, featuring great palatial ruins, once covered in exquisitely preserved ancient murals and frescoes. And – who knows – did this warren of halls, lobbies, corridors and stairways once constitute the famous labyrinth where Theseus confronted and defeated the man-bull Minotaur?

GORTYS – Ancient capital of Crete in Roman and Byzantine times, rich in ruins!

ÁGIOS NIKÓLAOS – Eastern Crete's most picturesque town, with wonderful colourful harbour, not to mention sandy beach and vibrant marina! About 1½ hours by bus from Heraklion.

TOPLOU MONASTERY – On Crete's Eastern tip, famous for where monks tried to hold out against Turkish invaders!

LASITHI PLAIN – Rural idyll in Eastern Crete, home to the Dikteon Andron cave where great Zeus was supposedly born!

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A toast to TORONTO

By Adam Lowe

TRAVEL
TORONTO

Toronto is the capital of Ontario and the biggest city by population in Canada. Located on the northwestern shore of Lake Ontario, it has 2.5 million residents and is a leading financial centre in the global market. Its cosmopolitan population comprises British and French influences, as well as the obvious Americanisms, with over 49.9% of its people originally born outside the country. It is clean, has low crime rates, a high standard of living and a welcoming attitude to queer travellers—especially those from the UK.

GETTING AROUND:

The city is a whopping 630km², with the longest distance between points being the 43km from east to west. The Toronto Transit Commission is the third largest of its kind in the whole continent, and as such the city is well-served by trams, buses and a subway. Taxis are also relatively cheap. It's advisable to buy daily TTC travel cards, which can be used on any public transport, as this will provide the cheapest, most versatile way to get around.

Toronto Pearson International Airport is a new, sparkly thing located on the border of Toronto and Mississauga and is the main airport for international travellers. However, journey times will be some 30-40 minutes to the city centre, and taxi fares will reflect that, so you may want to consider picking up your TTC day travel cards at the airport and using public transport instead.

SIGHTSEEING:

Most visitors to Toronto will want to see the CN Tower. The Tower can be seen from most parts of the city, except when foggy or cloudy, and was the tallest building in the world for 30 years. Visitors can go to the top of the tower and take a wonderful view of the city laid out below, although bad weather can at times obscure all visibility.

The Bata Shoe Museum gives an interesting look at various footwear-inspired exhibitions and the Royal Ontario Museum contains exhibits with a global as well as national focus.

The Distillery District allows visitors to check out the making of two tourist favourites: beer and chocolate. The smell of hops and cocoa is wonderful on a crisp autumn morning and if you're feeling suitably brave, you can even take a segway or ebike tour of the district.

SHOPPING:

Most of the city's prominent shopping attractions are based in Yorkville, where the glitterati descend during the Toronto International Film Festival. Shops as diverse as American Apparel, Mexx, H&M and Levi's can all be found here, and for those with bigger needs Toronto Eaton Centre is the city's largest mall.

Chinatown and the bohemian Kensington Market also have some interesting boutiques worth checking out, and the exchange rate means you're bound to get a few bargains. The latter is known not just for its clothes and trinkets, but also for its fresh food, galleries and multicultural atmosphere. The market also houses the city's only two open cannabis cafés: The Hot Box Café and Roach'o'Rama.

DINING OUT:

Most of the restaurants are located in Greektown, which has one of the highest concentrations of restaurants per mile in the world. Casa Loma, the country's most famous 'castle', is located here, and although the building is small by European standards, it is still impressive. The famous Taste of the Danforth festival is held here each year, showcasing the best in Greek food and culture, and falls in the second week of August.

On Church Street, in the heart of the gay village, is Fuzion, an excellent restaurant located in an historic Victorian property. The cuisine is a sumptuous blend of styles in a very provocative and modern fashion. Next door, offering more mid-range Italian cuisine and an interesting tapas-style menu, is Voglie. The décor is more modern and the dishes more familiar than its edgy neighbour, and the cocktail list is definitely worth giving a try.

For more sexy fare, try Spinello. Formerly Trattoria Spinello, this A-list hot-spot has a wonderful range of health-conscious, delicious, top-notch dishes and drinks, including buffalo steaks and Canadian ice wine.

Finally Fire on the East Side doubles as Fly Nightclub downstairs and round the back, serving contemporary dishes with reasonable price tags.

NIGHTLIFE:

The official gay district sprawls Church Street and the nearby areas, making bar crawls seductively easy for gay travellers.

Byzantium was officially the first martini bar in the city, and here you can enjoy flavoursome cocktails on the designer outdoor patio or party hard when the walls slide away inside to open the bar/restaurant into a lively party arena.

Woody's and its brother bar Sailor are solid favourites of the locals, with bulge and butts contests, muscular barmen and a thriving crowd of all ages.

Hair of the Dog is a traditional pub with modern flair, serving some of the most absurdly (and unPC) named cocktails in the city.

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halloweek!

Halloween is a special time in any Torontonians' calendar. Rather than celebrate on just one night, like we do, they instead throw a whole week of celebrations: Halloweek. This year, festivities were wide and varied, held outdoors and indoors.

George's Play held their own Drag and Leather Boo-Zaar and Psychic Fair, where drag, fancy dress and leather items were sold off to raise money for charity. Previous events have seen the venue raise tens of thousands of dollars for good causes, and certificates of achievement hang proudly on the wall for all to see.

Pride Toronto also throws a Halloween party in Cawthra Square Park on Halloween proper. Beverage gardens, a live stage of DJs, processions of drag queens and a fantastic fancy dress competition at 7pm are all part of the fun. This year's winner was a rather creative chandelier. International drag superstar Sofonda Cox hosted this year's competition, and was joined by judges from local TV, radio and the scene.

Halloweek's All Hell Breaks Loose party is the culmination of the day's celebrations, with Church Wellesley Village closed to vehicles, and the Halloween Block Party taking place in the middle of the street!

Following, most revellers choose to move onto Fly Nightclub for their late night excesses. The strange, maze-like nightclub has a downstairs network of rooms that snake up to another two levels. The crowds here are incredibly eclectic, with slim young chickens bouncing along beside grisly bears, muscle Marys and disco bunnies.

Finally, to top it off, local tour guide Bill Genova offers a very special ghost tour of the city, that ranges from Trinity College, University College, E. J. Lennox's YMCA to Osgoode Hall. The tour tells of murders, treachery and infidelity, and is the perfect ending to a fabulous Halloweek.

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7. Drink More - Just because you don't feel as thirsty in the winter it doesn't mean you aren't dehydrating yourself. Drink about 2.5 litres of water daily and even more on days you exercise.

6. Soak up the Sun - A day without sunshine affects your mood. Studies show almost 4 times more anxiety and irritability in people on cloudy days, which can lead to lethargy and depression.

5. Go dancing - Give your mates a call and get your ass on the dance floor. This will give everyone involved a great cardio workout, burning roughly 800 calories/hr.

4. Set up a Home Gym - This isn't expensive. For as little as £50 you can purchase a set of weights, resistance ball and jump rope to keep you active indoors.

3. Stay Cool - Keep the temperature of your house at a moderate 68-70°. The warmer your surroundings the lazier you will feel and more tired you will become.

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1. Hit the Gym - Lift weights and stretch to keep your muscles strong, agile and flexible. Use cardio machines to keep your heart and lungs well conditioned throughout the

winter - for more info on this check my site. Make this the year you do not shut your mind and body down for the long winter haul. Stay active and stay in shape by enjoying what winter has to offer so that you can feel young and look great come summer time.

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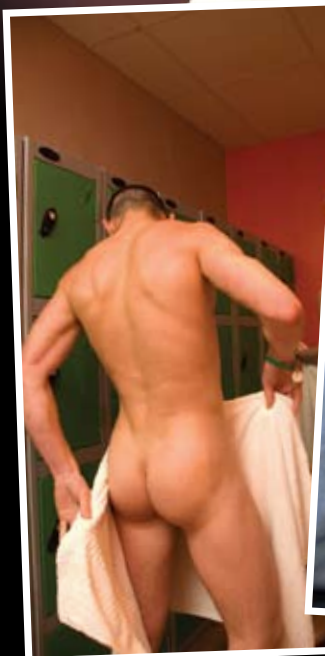
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The big New Year's Eve event in The Village this year is Cirque d'Essential a huge all nighter from 10pm - 6am. Tickets for this event are a credit crunch bustin £10 available from Clone Zone Manchester and Queer Bar - buy early to avoid disappointment! A NYE special Mornin' Glory will take place at Queer (Richmond Street Entrance)

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2009**

Cirque d'Essential

**THURSDAY
31ST DECEMBER 09
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Wed 30th Dec

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Pink Wednesday

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Thu 31st Dec

10.30pm - 6am

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For detailed info on December events at Cruz visit www.cruz101.com



New Year's Eve

It seems like such a long time since the Federation Wild Wild West event that was best clubbing event at this year's Manchester Pride. Well, the team is back at The Ritz on New Year's Eve to throw the mother of all parties. Federation seems to be the place to be at the stroke of midnight for that big room explosion of midnight celebrations. This year the team are trying to tempt us with their Garden of Eden themed event – so come take a bite as DJs Gregg Holden, Jason Guy & Nik Denton will be playing the biggest tracks of 2009 and show off some of their future anthems that we're sure to love. Federation's hottest dancers, the fabulous Fedettes and the crazy entertainers from One Love will be bringing you jaw dropping stage shows. Plus stunning lasers, and an over the top lighting and sound system... not forgetting the biggest and hottest crowd of the clubbers in the UK.

Tickets are £15 (plus booking fee) and on sale from Clone Zone, Spirit, Manto, Velvet, Taurus, Village Off Licence, Spar (Oxford Rd/Hulme Street and Piccadilly) all in Manchester and Fibre in Leeds or online from www.ticketweb.co.uk

200 limited edition joint Federation NYE/ Freakshow After Party tickets available from Clone Zone or online from ticketweb.co.uk priced £20 (+bf).

Everyone who attends Federation Manchester New Year's Eve will also receive a special pass for free entry into Freakshow at the No.1 Club, 1 Central St, Manchester on Saturday 9th, 16th & 23rd January 2010.

The Official Federation after party 'Freakshow After Hours' will kick off from 4am @ No.1 Club, 1 central street, Manchester.



New Year's Eve

Thursday 31st Dec 2009
10.30pm – mega late!

Don't miss the biggest party in Gay Manchester, packed full of Village people welcoming in the New Year and partying til the early hours!

Miss Cara and the Cruz team will ensure you have way too much fun!

New Year's Day

Friday 1st Jan 2010

The Back2Back Village Recovery Party

Cruz & Poptastic join forces to bring you the first Back2Back of 2010 & the wildest Friday night party in Manchester.





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NEW YEAR'S EVE

THURSDAY 31ST DECEMBER 2009/10

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FREAKSHOW

Federation's brand new club night, Freakshow has really given the people of Manchester something to rave about. Its fresh new soundtrack of fierce, tuff house has continuously packed in the most hedonistic up-for-it clubbers, making this the place to be seen.

Taking over the new No.1 Club's Saturday nights, Freakshow brings a new dimension to Manchester's gay scene. Halloween saw the team throw down the gauntlet to see who could come up with the freakiest costume. "We were amazed to see how many people had really made the effort and how fantastic the costumes were, Darth Maul, The Hulk and Michel Jackson in Thriller outfit were my personal favourites" Promoter Gareth Chapman told us after the event.

If their first Freakshow Special back on Halloween was anything to go by we're all in for a treat with the second Freakshow Special. This time they are teaming up with Gaydio, Manchester's gay radio station and the Lesbian, Gay Foundation on Saturday 5th December for a charity red ribbon fundraiser in honour of World Aids Day. Each person donating to the LGF will receive a free limited edition Freakshow CD, recorded live during one of Jason Guy's sets at Freakshow.

***11pm until super-duper late Each and Every Saturday night
@ No.1 Club, 1 Central Street, Manchester.
www.clubfreakshow.com or join the group on Facebook***

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Get into the Christmas



Spirit has gone crackers this Christmas with some of the best entertainment and DJ line ups that the village has ever seen and the very best in buffet /drink party deals. I am sure we will make your Christmas the best ever!!!! Not forgetting some of the hottest boys behind the bar and shot & dancer boys on hand.

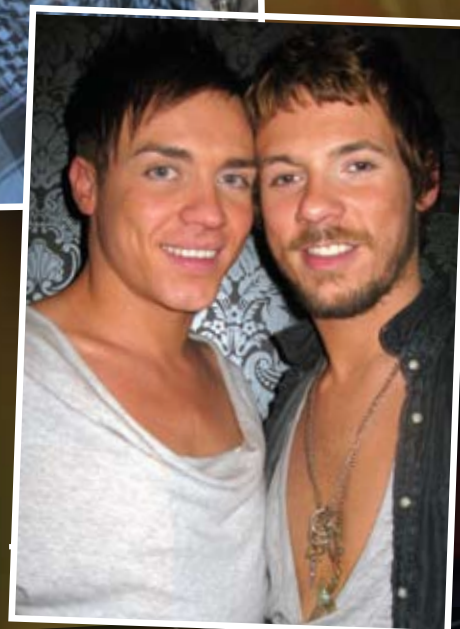
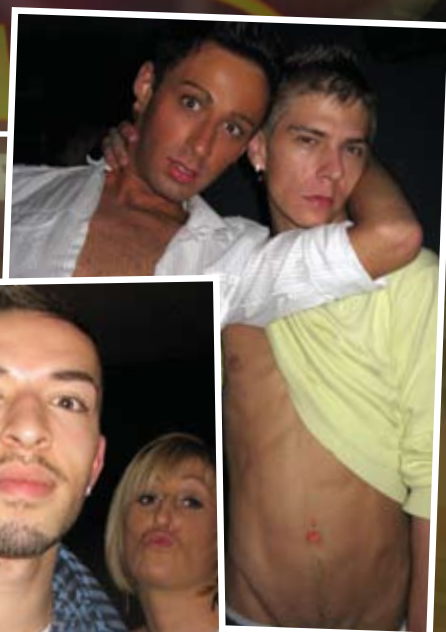
After its stylish makeover back in August, Spirit has gone all out to give you, our village faithful, some amazing drink offers... and now we are the cheapest bar & club in the village FACT! and we haven't jumped our prices for the festive period either! So, get into the Christmas Spirit with us and party hard.

For your party enquires and info: Tel 0161 237 9725 and speak to a duty manager or contact us on spirit@cougarleisureltd.co.uk or www.spiritbar.uk.com

Keep a look out for our internal posters for some special events over the festive period... or join our face book group for the most up to date info! look up Spirit bar.

Merry Christmas from Ian and the Team xx

Photos: Darrell Hirst



ORGANIC

Annual Boxing Day Bash...

Manchester's No.1 After-hours is back for the third year running with its now legendary Boxing Day After-hours bash. This year they are going royal with what they are calling "The Right Royal Sound of Organic". With Federation taking a break from the Ritz this Boxing Day, Organic takes over as the official after party for Freakshow instead. Doors open at 3am for the rest of gay Manchester and when the last beat kicks at Freakshow it's straight over to Organic for undoubtedly the best fully charged afterhours Manchester has to offer. Organic DJ Hierarchy Nik Denton, Gregg Holden, Babyjane and Ross Homson will all make an appearance on the decks for this festive feast for queens. This is after-hours shenanigans of the right royal highest order!

NYE 2010 Afterhours with Manchester's No.1: Organic

Before Organic take their annual January break there is just one party left of the season and Organic have certainly pulled it out of the bag. For their NYE 2010 after-hours they are teaming up with Bounce Therapy, Spirit Bar and Toolbox House for what they are calling Pandora's Box. From 2am until 12noon Spirit & Audio on Canal Street will transform into a den of curiosity after-hours style and feature the biggest and best DJ's from Manchester Gay Scene... past and present. Amongst them are Nik Denton, Gregg Holden, Babyjane, Little Miss Natalie, Dylan Jeffers, Ross Homson, Paul Furley and many, many more. As well as the main dance arena there will be a pop area featuring the Organic Drag's Twisted Karaoke and a Champagne Lounge for those that want to grab the chance to chill for a while. Ten hours of pumping Organic Afterhours: Can you refuse the chance to open Pandora's Box?

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Fridays :: 9pm til 4am

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Saturdays :: 9pm til 4am

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BOXING NIGHT - ORGANIC RETRO

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Mr Pop Fantastic in the Audio Room

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THE MARDI GRAS

Well Christmas is here and The Mardi Gras has got lots lined up for you in December. Together with the fabulous Stella Artois and DJ's Keiron and Ginger, who will be keeping you entertained over the festive season, the Mardi Gras will also be welcoming The Cheeky Girls who will be performing on Christmas Eve. Not only that but, Nathan Moore from Brother Beyond, Sally Jaxx, Nikki French and all of your favourite local cabaret acts including Diane Lee Carol, Brad Leigh Scott, Lee Brady, Joanna Shorrock and many, many more will be on stage over the festive period.

It's been quite an eventful year for The Mardi Gras with a major refurbishment and celebrating its 10th Birthday. The club also continues to work with HEAL Body Positive and together with the support of their customers have this year raised almost £10,000 but there's still one more charity event to be held on Sunday 6th December.

Tickets are now on sale for New Year's Eve and for full listings of all the Cabaret for December check out the Mardi Gras Website at www.themardigrasblackpool.com

The team at The Mardi Gras would like to wish all their customers a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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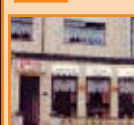
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Boxing Day

(afternoon)

Chelsea Stevens (Vocalist)
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(evening)

Nathan Moore -
From Brother Beyond
Cheap Drinks noon until 7pm
Admission £3 from 8pm
Open until 3am

MARDI

Sunday 27th Dec

(afternoon)

Stella Artois 2:30pm until 7pm

Cage (Male Stripper)

(evening)

Diane Lee Carol (Vocalist) - 8pm

Sally Jaxx (Vocalist)

Starr (Male Stripper)

Cheap drinks noon until close

FREE Admission

Open until 4am

Monday 28th Dec

(afternoon)

Shelley Timmins (Vocalist)

Hustler (Male Stripper)

(evening)

James Reay (Vocalist)

Cheap drinks noon until Close

FREE Admission

Open until 2am



Tuesday 29th Dec

Darren Thomas (Vocalist)
 Cheap drinks noon until Close
 FREE Admission
 Open until 2am



Wednesday 30th Dec

Three Decades of Dance
 with DJ Keiron
 Cheap drinks noon until Close
 FREE Admission
 Open until 2am



New Years Eve

(afternoon)
 Open from noon until 6pm
 FREE ADMISSION
 Cheap drinks noon until 6pm



re-open @ 8pm
 (evening)

Merci (Vocal Duo)
 Joanna Shorrock (Vocalist)
 with DJ Keiron & Stella Artois
 Open until 4am



New Years Day

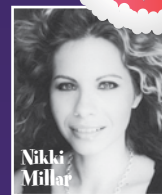
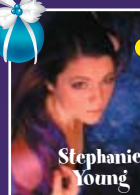
(afternoon)

Maurice Malone (Vocalist)
 Laina B (Vocalist)

(evening)

Stephanie Young (Vocalist)
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Cheap drinks noon until 7pm
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Saturday 2nd Jan

(afternoon)

Dynamite (Male Stripper)

(evening)

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Sunday 3rd Jan

(afternoon)

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Blackpool Federation
Christmas Is Cumming
Saturday 19th December
11pm until late
@ The Flamingo, Queen Street, Blackpool.

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MarkyMark and the team recently decided to see if Bradford had talent! The search took place over six Sunday nights and saw some fantastic singers compete to win £200 cash! After some amazing performances the judges were left with a difficult decision and eventually crowned Jenny Marsden (pictured with MarkyMark, DJ Adam, Marigold Addams and Missy Mincin receiving her prize money) the 2009 winner of The Sun's Got Talent! Christmas at The Sun is going to be bigger than ever! Keen to maintain tradition Becky and her team at The Sun will be opening on Christmas Day for everyone who is sick of turkey and TV and wants to party! The bringer of madness and mayhem herself Miss Missy Mincin will be providing the tunes and a little cabaret as well! See advert for details of all the festive at The Sun.

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The Sun, Sunbridge Road, Bradford



Candy More Candy...

Candy in Bradford just gets sweeter and sweeter. With the visit from Corrie's Michelle Keegan early last month, and the promise of even more names making an appearance, the venue is destined to have the 'full-house' sign up over the festive period. X Factor finalists, Same Difference are set to play a stonking set later this month and the club promise to keep some fantastic special drinks offers all over the festive period. You might also want to make a date in your diary for their fantastic New Year's Masquerade Ball.

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The team at The New Union Wakefield are busy gearing up for a massive Christmas and New Year period with some great entertainment lined up! As well as the usual weekly line up of fun they have some great festive fun and frolics for you to make sure you have a very merry Christmas! The Amazing Dream Girls will be joining MarkyMark and Miss Sordid on Christmas Eve keeping you entertained with their fantastic mix of live vocals, comedy and mime routines, while Santa delivers all your pressies! On Boxing Day Miss Sordid will be letting you sing your little hearts out from 5pm with Teatime Karaoke and then MarkyMark will be taking over at 9pm with the best mix of tunes ever... plus all pint's of draught, excluding Bud and Stella, will be just £2 all night! As always at The New Union Wakefield New Year's Eve will be free entry all night and if it's anything like previous years it will be an amazing night! MarkyMark & Miss Sordid will be making sure 2010 is brought in with a bang! As always, the new year will be brought in with a great January sale! Full details of the great drinks offers will be announced shortly and if you're a Madonna fan, they have a treat lined up for you in January!

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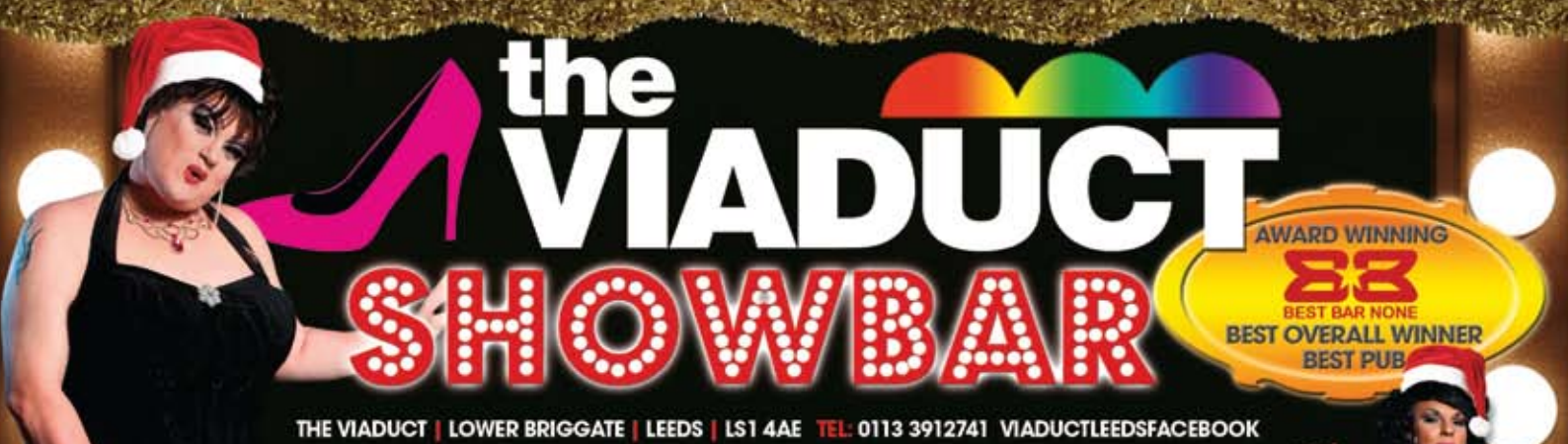
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If you're wanting to know what to expect, then check out the pictures from the Back Door Disco Halloween party. The event saw Mission 2 rammed to the rafters with the hottest party goers in Leeds dressed in outrageous fancy dress.

For more info and photos check out the official website at:

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New Year's Eve...

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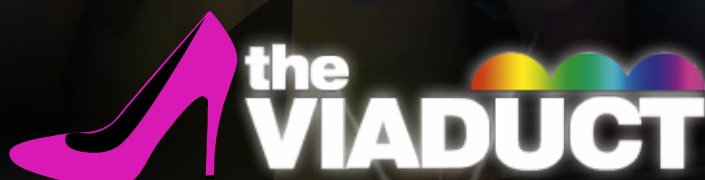
Roll forward twelve months and it's time to do the whole thing again but this year it is going to be a more glamorous affair as we will be rocking the opulent surroundings of the Loft (Formerly Northern Light) from 10pm until 5am and will Feature Federation, KissdaFunk, and BacktoSpace.

Remember if you are quick enough you can get early bird tickets for only £15!

Love Leeds NYE 09/10
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Yuletide Fairies...

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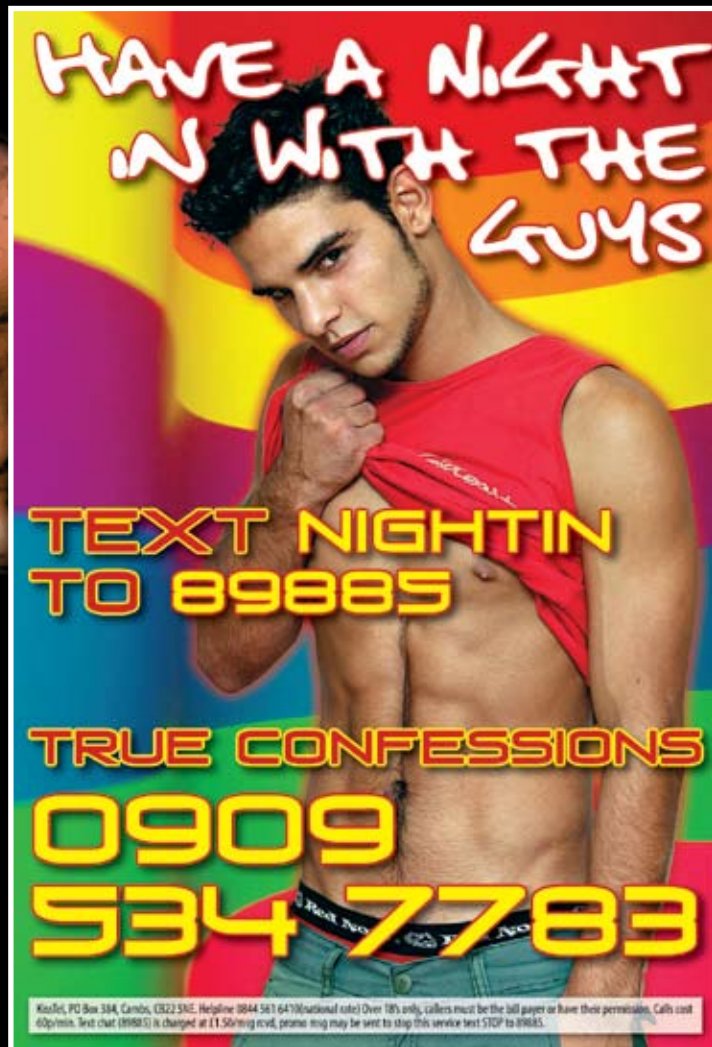
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Passage of discovery

By Les Lea

It was a dangerous time for the young yachtsman to set off on his solo, round the world trip of a lifetime. He'd been sailing since he was 5 years old and took after his father's love of the sea. They had always talked about a round the world trip but, with his father's unexpected death, a year earlier, the two eager sailors never realised their dream together. Now, and with his 18th birthday rapidly approaching, Francis (named after his father's hero Sir Francis Chichester) had decided that he was confident enough to pursue the ambition that he and his father had talked about so much. His mother and young sister had never really taken to the yachting lifestyle but Francis and his father had spent almost every available bit of spare time out at sea. The eager youngster loved every aspect of sea going; from the discipline of keeping the boat clean, to the art of trimming sails to work with the prevailing weather. His father had taught him how to use a sextant to help plot his course and not to rely on any electronic gizmo, how to read the weather and predict future conditions and to interpret the wind to find where and how the boat would sail best. His father had been a successful architect but his youth was spent living on the coast in New Zealand, which had given him a love of the sea. He was incredibly pleased to be able to pass on his enthusiasm and knowledge to his young son. From such an early age Francis drank in his father's seafaring passion and held dear the time they spent together.

All those years out in the fresh sea air, the constant pulling on sails to re-rig the boat had honed his young body to the peak of fitness and instilled in him the thought of continuing that life-affirming trip alone. Christening his new Catalina 30 MK III yacht 'New Discovery', he waved good-bye to his family and cast off into the gently swelling waters. The voyage wasn't to be a quick, against-the-clock, zoom around the world. He stopped off and visited many countries, discovering for himself the history and culture of each place as he tried to immerse himself in being more than just a tourist. The life experience was making a man out of him but just three days after his 18th birthday, and with the prospect of spending Christmas on dry land, tragedy struck. Whilst becalmed in the waters off East Africa, a group of modern day pirates in a high-powered motor cruiser looking for anything they could rob or ransom boarded his yacht. With several guns pointing at his head the young sailor looked nervously on as two men went below and ransacked the cabin. In truth he carried nothing of worth just food, clothes (and few of them), waterproofs and the other paraphernalia of sailing. Needless to say, they returned with the news that there was hardly anything of value worth stealing. The pirate captain thought for a moment and decided that the boat itself could be re-sold and that the lad... well, he would make a pleasant distraction as they sailed back to their secret base. In his mind, Francis already knew that things were going to be bad and that if he fought back the pirates would probably kill him. Shaking in fear and trepidation the young sailor tried as he might to put a brave face on his situation but he hadn't even contemplated what came next. With the boat in tow, the young sailor was given over to the pirate gang who enthusiastically ripped off his shorts and tied him over a stack of lifebelts. After all his father had taught him about seafaring, he hadn't prepared him for this. The captain, who was an ugly sinewy brute of a man, like many adventurers and sailors over the years, navigated an uncharted passage of discovery with relish, vigour and determination as he took the boy's virginity. For the rest of the voyage every crew member visited and pleased themselves with their latest acquisition - time after time after time. After that first scary introduction to the life of a captive, Francis surprisingly discovered that he suddenly found a fervour for something other than sailing.



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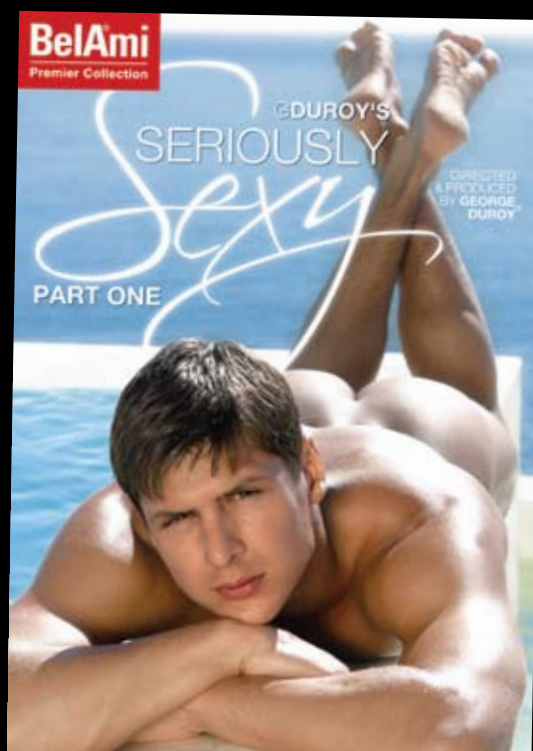
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Simon says...

Dear Simon
My husband and I got married this summer and ever since then both of our mothers-in-law have been hassling us as to which family we will stay with this year. My mother has said that if we stay with her this year she 'wont mind if you do it at the others next year' but then my partner's mother has said the same. Do we start a rota? What do you suggest?
Mark, London

Dear Mark,
I suggest one of three things; the first is spending Christmas abroad, another as it is your first married Christmas together... having it at home just the two of you... thirdly invite them all to yours, which means as it's your home it's your rules and you can please who you like.

Dear Simon
Whilst every other Christmas Fairy out there seems to be wetting themselves with joy at tinsel baubles and buying them in gay abandon, I personally couldn't care less. I just think it's over-rated and often end up feeling miserable stuck in doors with your family when you could just be having a good time out but everything's shut. Can you tell I am not a fan? What's the best way to get through it or what could make it more enjoyable?
Scott, Brighton

Dear Scott,
Well I've found starting the day with a Bailey's often helps but failing that... you are probably not alone in your dislike of forced

fun. However, what are you really riling against? One day a year when things might be closed. I'm sure you are not completely without resource for that period. Read a book, write a story, watch a video, go through your wardrobe and chuck things out to make way for the Sales that start in January. Think ahead and don't pander to the rest of the world. Baa Humbug

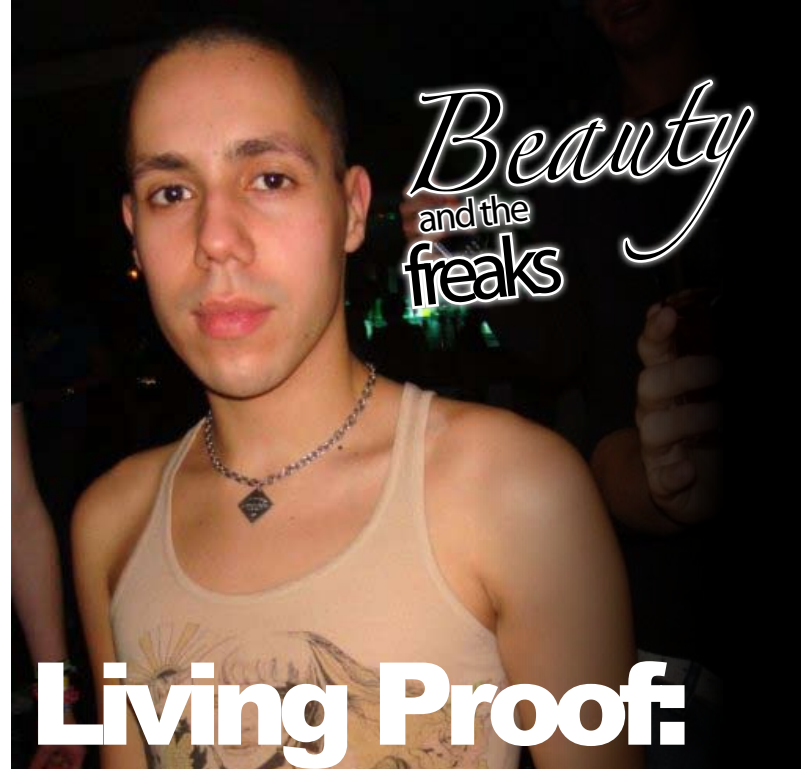
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I hate being on my own at Christmas. Well not on my own as I have my family around me. I hate being without a man at Christmas and this is my third in a row. I don't mean to sound desperate as I have had a few dates and short term relationships, which where based around them just wanting regular sex... but no one special enough to share Christmas, and my family and its craziness with. What can I do?
James, Bradford

Dear James,
You do know you can break with tradition... you don't have to spend Christmas with your family if that's not what you want. Remember, you are very unlikely to find a man to spend your life with in the bosom of your family, and unless you are very lucky with the meter reader, a guy isn't likely to come knocking on your door. So you need to get out. Organise your own party and get your mates to meet up to celebrate -be the life and soul of the festivities, as a dreary guy isn't going to attract many takers.

Make sure your computer is secure and updated with the latest anti-virus software. Make sure that you have a firewall installed.

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There's nothing like living with someone to test a friendship. The person you thought was an innocent-as-pie virgin is revealed to be a hairy, hippy hooker who believes free love comes with small print and a price tag. Some friendships are made stronger, others disintegrate. Some you discover profound connections with; others you learn were best kept as acquaintances you exchanged 'You alright?'/ 'Yeah, you?' exchanges with in dry-iced nightclubs. And the length of friendship is hardly an indicator either. Some people you barely know can become your biggest confidantes, whilst those you've known for years end up running away from you in their underwear, in the rain, swearing to never set foot through your door again.

It helps if you don't live in a crack den. Luckily, I have a crowbar for removing the crackheads on a weekly basis (they tend to build up around the cracks in the bathroom, for some reason). Crackheads can be rather filthy and often leave their rooms a mess, so you have to make sure to rotate the crops at least every other month.

Living alone has its problems too. You can be lonely, insular, inert. You can spend way too much time on gay dating websites and constantly hitting 'refresh' on Facebook. There's no one to tell you what to do and shame you into the right thing. In fact, it might almost be paradise but for the fact you can't have a party on your own.

Living with family can often be worse than living with friends, because although you're less likely to fall out forever and you've years of experience dealing with each other's foibles, you also know how to hurt each other most. Sisters can complain about the time you smeared their cot in shit as a baby (it only happened the twice!); cousins bitch about you stealing their lunch money; mothers complain that despite two morning after pills and three abortions, you just wouldn't flush...

Boyfriends often work well together, so long as they have time apart. But if they see each other for more than two hours a week, there's that awful habit couples have of arguing. About everything. Should we watch X-Factor or South Park? Should we put the lavender bedding on or the violet? Is there a real difference between the lavender and the violet, anyway? Should we have a threesome? Who's that man you've been texting? Why do I not believe you? Why is he sat on your face?

I think it was Sartre who said hell is being stuck in a room with all your mates. But then, I doubt Sartre had ecstasy to lubricate his late-night social interactions. Maybe that's the magical ingredient for healthy cohabitation. Although, I'm not recommending spiking your housemate's Cheerios with methadone just to keep your friendships together. I'm just recommending that you change friends as often as your underwear. That way, you won't have time to fall out.

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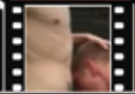
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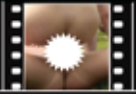
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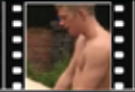
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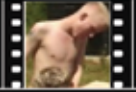
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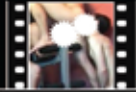
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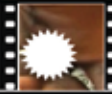
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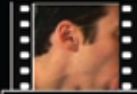
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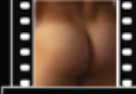
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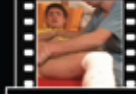
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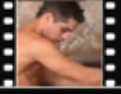
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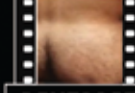
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- 36 I let two blokes watch me get a boner at the urinals
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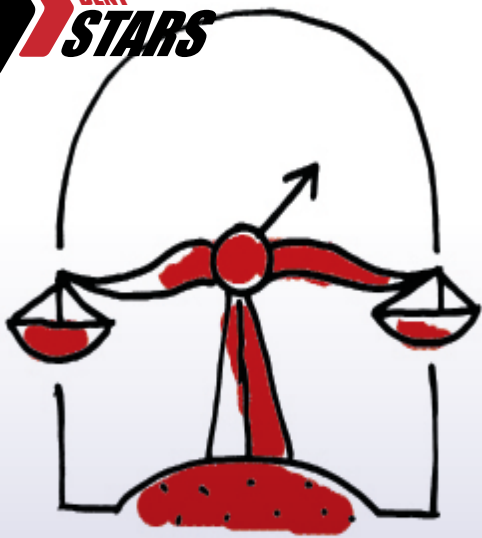
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Philip has just started to write detailed monthly travel horoscopes in addition to his existing content of weekly love & gay horoscopes, daily horoscopes and weekly & monthly in depth scripts for phone lines.



Aries

(Mar21/Apr20)

Planning journeys and excursions for the year ahead will transform your life in 2010. New opportunities are ahead; instead of leaping into anything stop and think whether it is all too easy and you might enjoy a bigger challenge. Whatever plans you are making these next few weeks, let your imagination be your guide. If you felt you were under the thumb of a romantic partner, you will find the situation turns full circle by Christmas and you get to make all the decisions.

Taurus

(Apr21/May21)

You've always been hard working and conscientious but heavy responsibilities are starting to wear on your nerves. Over the festive weeks ahead accept all social invitations coming your way and take the chance to spend extra time enjoying yourself. Draw up a detailed Christmas shopping list for presents and provisions that will be needed over the festive season and start on this early to keep on top of it all.

Gemini

(May22/June21)

You get a weird feeling something special is in the air and this has to do with your partner or the chance of a new romance if you are single. You're being more sensible when planning ahead and you're considering buying gifts that are both functional and pleasurable. A dream, desire or longing that is crying to be fulfilled could come true this Christmas provided you are certain to tie up business loose ends in time for the holiday period.

Cancer

(Jun22/Jul23)

Having more fun and getting more out of your life and relationships is a happy priority of yours over the weeks ahead. It's a perfect time to make new friends; an attractive and compatible partner could be met at a Christmas party. You might also want to spend some time relaxing and enjoying the coming festivities. The weeks ahead are good for creative projects, romance and entertaining. Income and expenditure should balance amicably!

Leo

(Jul24/Aug23)

The weeks ahead will bring the warm and wonderful types of experiences and all the light-hearted romance and pleasure your cheerful nature craves. If you've felt life could have more to offer it is time to start looking for ways to make your hopes come true. A festive gathering could open useful doors for you. A new physical activity could appeal to you over the weeks ahead but there is the danger of over-exerting yourself if you aren't careful!

Virgo

(Aug24/Sept23)

Refuse to allow career and other responsibilities to interfere with personal plans. Think about having some fun over the weeks ahead and remind yourself that this is as much your Christmas as other people's. You might find outlet for your creative and artistic skills within the home and any commitments to do with the family will be a pleasure. Some rumours of change may unsettle you but it's unlikely others will go through with any drastic plans they're thinking of making.

Libra

(Sept24/Oct23)

At times you might feel you're on a social and career merry-go-round that is spinning almost out of control. Fitting in all the appointments, meetings and promises you've made others for the next few weeks won't be easy. Especially when you want to spend more time with your family and partner too. Think about delegating some of your responsibilities. Although you are under heavy work pressure, personal matters that had been put on hold will start to surge forward again.

Scorpio

(Oct24/Nov22)

Some great money-making opportunities lie ahead over the weeks to come. Even so, be sure to make time for yourself to relax, unwind and enjoy the festivities. Mood swings and irritability are sign that you are taking on too much and you need to reduce commitments. If you're looking for love, a sexy connection will be made via a friend of the family during a big festive get-together.

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Capricorn

(Dec22/Jan20)

Final preparations are underway for the festive weeks ahead and you will get the chance to join the full range of activities available. Don't hesitate to enter a competition even if you feel a competitor is more skilled. A message received in a Christmas card will raise your spirits and it might seem as if hidden forces are working in your favour now. You won't be short of money but you will be spending it wisely.

Aquarius

(Jan21/Feb19)

A friend might urge you to enter a competition and you could enjoy the consequences. Whatever you take seriously these days is almost guaranteed a successful and profitable outcome. These next few weeks it might seem as if everyone wants more of your time and attention; remember you don't have to accept every festive offer that comes your way. You seem to thrive on being in the midst of loving and cheerful family circles and friends, this Christmas.

Pisces

(Feb20/Mar20)

Be careful about pursuing someone who is already involved in a relationship as this could be a recipe for disaster. If you're single and looking, there will be plenty chance to meet new people at parties and festive get-togethers these next few weeks. A kiss under the mistletoe could mark the start of a new romance. Even with help from housemates, you could be the one who is doing all the planning, nurturing and organising this Christmas. For once you're the one who keeps on top of it all!

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