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The Hoist

helping London shoot its load for 18 years

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cumming of age

By Cliff Joannou

IT'S THE INNOCUOUS DOORWAY under the arches in Vauxhall that you wander past on your weekend jaunts. To most of gay London, it's one of the scene's most famous fetish venues, often used in casual reference to illicit sexual misadventures, even by those who have never visited. To its customers, **The Hoist** is a bastion of sexual proclivity, steadfastly defiant in the face of encroaching gentrification. An oft-overlooked champion of queer sexual liberation, the venue celebrates its 18th birthday next weekend, and is the subject of a new documentary, 'Age of Consent', at this year's BFI Flare London LGBT Film Festival.

It's easy to dismiss The Hoist as 'just a sex club' where sleazy guys go to get their rocks off, or indulge in whatever rubber, leather, sports or nude fetish they have. And, yes, in many ways, it *is* all that - and unashamedly so. You see The Hoist has never apologised for *not* being ashamed of gay sex. Whilst right wing Conservatives and middle-ground liberals jump on gay marriage and demand equality, they are still quick to shun other aspects of gay men's lives that provide a less 'wholesome' image.

But here's a badly kept secret: gay men have sex, and often a lot of it. (Generally more than their heterosexual counterparts, at least.) That means cocks go up bums, and in mouths. Other things go up bums and in mouths, too: tongues, dildos, fingers, fists. Not all the time (if at all) mind you, because the sex of gay men comes in the form of all manner of different preferences. It is sometimes loving, sometimes rough, sometimes aggressive, sometimes anonymous, sometimes monogamous, sometimes polyamorous. I could go on. The sexual identity of gay men is as diverse as each and every gay man. No different to heterosexuals, really. Only gay men are often more 'public' or honest about it.

But the sexual freedom we enjoy today was once, not so long ago, illegal. Male homosexual activity was only *fully* decriminalized as recently as 2003. Up until then, you could be arrested for engaging in the perfectly natural activity that is fucking. Running a sex or cruise club was a constant battle with local authorities and the police.

"The law around public sexual encounters was at best vague, at worst discriminatory," says one of The Hoist's co-founders, Guy Patrick Irwin, in the documentary 'Age of Consent'.

His business partner, Unkut Kurt, concurs: "It was a very brave move to open The Hoist. In many ways you could say it was a defiant protest against the way in which the police and the courts were criminalizing same sex behaviour. The Hoist got away with it, because at the time the LGBT community was highly politicised and highly mobilised… The police stepped back with when and how they intervened. And that's the context in which The Hoist got away with having public sex on the premises."

Speaking in Age of Consent, human rights campaigner Peter Tatchell believes that The Hoist is underrated in its position as one of the few reminders of gay sexual independence, a place to escape from the expectations and dictats of heteronormative life. "The Hoist was this glorious, irreverent, sacrilegious queer space for perverts, deviants, faggots, dissidents. The people that didn't fit in to the nice squeaky clean image that so many gay people wanted to cultivate," Tatchell says with a wry smile and rebellious glint in his eye. "It was the place for the sexual outlaw."

"I hope that we made a little contribution to make Britain a fairer and better place for gay men who are into BDSM and fetish," reflects Unkut Kurt.

"Some things will never change. Like big dicks. Or well dressed Top guys that know what they want and how to get it!"

It's remarkable to see the changes that have swept through London in the past eighteen years. The Hoist opened in 1996. A year later New Labour came into power. In the years that followed we saw the abolishment of Section 28, the full decriminalisation of gay sex, the introduction of Civil Partnerships and just last year, the Coalition government introduced gay marriage.

As the gay scene evolved, the traditional 'Tom of Finland' fetish image evolved too, giving way to sportswear and the massively successful naked theme parties. "The fetish scene has grown and grown since The Hoist first opened 18 years ago," Unkut Kurt tells me. "There are loads of new fetishes around. Hot stuff like neoprene, nasty pig, pup play, sneakers - hot shit like that! And the boys are more daring and more creative and playful than ever. Last week in the club, we had a group of hot rubber guys all in their twenties. They combined rubber chaps, rubber jocks and boots with sneakers. That looked hot! What is also fun to see is how much, erm, in demand old style leather daddies still are in the club. A lot of guys are looking for someone to take charge. And The Hoist is the only club to find that."

The venue has stood defiant in the face of all this change, be it political, social, cultural or sexual.

It's still standing after the UK's worst recession of recent times. And it's even still here in the face of easy-sex access apps and websites. "I prefer to come out and socialize than stay at home staring at an app that might tell me my nearest homosexual is 100 yards away," states customer David Regan, aka Mr Eagle 2013. "My nearest homosexuals are right here, I don't need an app to tell me that!"

Vauxhall continues to evolve, and luxury flats, supermarkets and coffee shops emerge. London may be changing all the time, but one thing remains certain: men will always want to meet other men, in person, for sex. And The Hoist will continue to deliver just that.

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Read the full interview here: www.qxmagazine.com/cumming-of-age

The Hoist 18th Birthday Weekend is at The Hoist (South Lambeth Road, Vauxhall, SW8) from Friday 28th-Sunday 30th March.

'Age of Consent' is being screened at the BFI Flare - London LGBT Film Festival, www.bfi.org.uk/flare

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When it comes to gay scene awards, forget the rest, it's all about the **HOT NOB AWARDS**.

Last week we gave you Part 1. This week we are proud to continue the lunacy with the second round of awards for the most (un)deserving people on the gay scene, services rendered or sheer fierceness dished out.

These awards are entirely biased and based on no merit whatsoever other than our own bad judgement, personal favourites, those who perform sexual favours for us, our general cuntiness or simply the bitchiness of our come-downs. The Hot Nob Award is the ULTIMATE honour for gay Londoners. Gurl, if you haven't won a Hot Nob … you simply haven't been working your nob worthiness hard enough! Yes, bitch, you need to work that nob harder!

Part 2

Best Bitches

Baga Chipz & **Tanya Hyde**
QX says: These bitches will cut you up! Then eat you alive. Then throw you back up. Then gobble you up again.

Best Before & After Shot
Miss Jason at **The Old Ship**
QX says: A wonderful pair of oh dears… Oops, we mean 'old dears'!

MOST MAJOR ETHNIC MINORITY OUTFIT

Son ofa Tutu at **Manbar**
QX says: Queens among queens.

QX says: In breach of ASBOs across four London boroughs.

Runner-Up: This guy at **East Bloc**

Best Mother & Daughter Double Act
Kelly Wilde and **Gloria Swansong** at **West 5**
QX says: Auburn is the new black.

Best Smize
Sandra

Best Rinse

Bette Rinse at **Halfway II Heaven**
QX says: Sorry, we couldn't resist…

Best Magazine
QX
QX says: Taking the award for a second year running. For services to the gay scene.

Most Rude Rude Boys

Steve Darragh and **Jason Prince** at **Vibe**
QX says: The presenters CBeebies wanted but couldn't afford

Best Head

Francois Sagat at **Playtime**

Runner-Up: **Crystal D'Canter** and **Kelly Mild** at **Halfway II Heaven**
Honourable Mention: **Wild Fruit**

BEST BLING

Neil Hodgson at Comptons of Soho
QX says: Neil wore only East Street Market's finest for his Thursday night sing-along at 'Around the Candelabra'

Top of the Year
Alex Han at **Dish**
QX says: A very adventurous top.

BEST BAR-STUDS

Ku Bar Boys
QX says: For their amazing personalities.

Best Pout

Mark Ashley-Dupé at **Queer Nation**
QX says: No pout taken out.

Biggest Drag Fag

(like a fag hag, but a gay guy that only hangs around with drag queens)

QX Cabaret reporter **Jason Reid**
QX says: Taking wig fetish to new levels.

Best Jacket Racket
Lee Dalloway in the **Circa** coat-check
QX says: Never has a coat hanger had so much sex appeal than when it's compared to Lee Dalloway's waif-like frame.

Best DJ that never DJ'd
Giléhmina SlayHer
QX says: Somebody give her a chance. Or at least a Smint.

HOT NOB AWARDS 2014

Best Geri Halliwell Homage
Halfway II Heaven
QX says: Half of Me? More of a hit for us than Geri's flop return single.

Best Funky Chicken Dance Moves
Jason Prince at **Vibe**
QX says: Vauxhall's Got Talent winner!

BEST DRAG CAR CRASH

*QX says: Everything about this guy's look at **SEPM** is major.*

BEST BREAST BASHING

*QX says: Ah, the **XXL** dancefloor. THE place to let it ALL hang out: bulges, bellies, butt-cheeks, biceps and beer guts!*

Best New Night That Never Was
Swallow
QX says: Exactly

BEST REQUEST

Chad Sheldon at **The Edge** for asking QX Editor Cliff if he could also receive his own Hot Nob Award last week.

QX says: Ten points for lateral thinking. Why earn an award when you can simply ask for one?

Happiest Bar Manager

Dame **Alan Winter**

Best Bending Over Backward to get on the Guest List
This guy at **Shadow Lounge 'Carnivale'**

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The Queen of G-A-Y

Jeremy Joseph explains why Kylie will always be the Queen of G-A-Y...

Gay Pride 1993 at LA 2

Kylie's first appearance was when we were in a little venue at the LA 2. It was the first time we had done a surprise act, it was Pride and the slogan was: "It's who everybody wants it to be!"

It was still early days for me, I'd only been doing it for six months and I came on stage and asked the question, "Who is it?" and the whole crowd chanted back, "We want Kylie!"

I laughed to myself, what if it hadn't of been? She walked on stage and the sound of the cheers was incredible. You could hardly hear the music. It was just phenomenal.

Kylie's 2nd appearance was September 1994 to launch 'Confide In Me'.

Kylie had such an amazing night the previous year that she promised to come back and do Pride the next year. As it came around, Kylie got the role in Street Fighter and had to cancel us. We hadn't advertised it, so it wasn't a problem. But it's a testament to how loyal she is that as soon as she came back to the UK, her management called me up about ten days before and said, "Do you want to do it?"

G-A-Y's 1st Pride in The Astoria in 1995

This is when we moved up to the Astoria. We'd doubled our capacity to 2,000. Dannii did the launch night and at the time, we didn't know how it would work. Kylie's manager turned up on the night and turned to me and said, "So, I suppose you want Kylie for Pride?"

Kylie's 4th appearance was when we joined both venues, LA2 and The Astoria, together by video screen for Pride in 1996

We'd taken over the Astoria and the LA2 for one night. The idea was that Kylie and I were going to host it, but we were never on stage together, and her and I would meet in the Fire Exit and work out our intros between performances. We had five other acts on: Dannii Minogiue, Bananarama, Margarita Pracatan and The Human League. The idea was that you didn't know which act would be in which venue. Kylie and Dannii also sang a couple lines together, but over video screens!

Next was Pink Paper's 10th Birthday when she launched 'Did It Again' in November 1997

Kylie was going to host it with me to celebrate the Pink Paper's birthday. I got a phone call from the Human League's manager saying, "I don't think Kylie's going to do it. Michael Hutchence has just died."

I called her manager and said she doesn't have to do it, but at sound check she insisted she wanted to as it had been advertised she didn't want to let anyone down. Her only worry that night was that she didn't want people to think that she didn't care about Michael.

I said to her to say something on the night, but if there was something she wanted to be said, but couldn't, she should grab my hand and I would say it. As it happened, when the moment came, she grabbed my hand and I spoke for her.

If anything tells you what kind of person Kylie is, it's that night.

Kylie's 6th appearance was to launch 'Spinning Around' in 2000

This is when we saw the beginning of Kylie's big shows at G-A-Y. It was a full on stage show and it was absolutely spectacular.

After 'Cant Get You Out Of My Head' was Number 1, Kylie turned up for her own theme party in 2001

That was one of my favourite shows ever. There was one date that was possible, but as the song was such a hit all over Europe, her schedule was all over the place. I didn't want to lose the date, so we had a Kylie-theme night and we were going to at least run a video message.

As the date approached the video message didn't get done, but we got to record a phone message. On the night, her manager Terry arrived and called me to meet him by stage door. I laughed at him and joked, "Ha, so we didn't need Kylie to pack the club out," and standing right behind him was Kylie!

So, I went on stage and told the crowd that we were going to call her. As we talked on mic, she said, "I don't think this is working," and walked out on stage. The crowd went wild!

Kylie's 8th appearance was in 2004 with the release of 'Red Blooded Woman'

This was another massive stage show spectacular with costume changes, dancers and a taste of her next massive tour. It was a fantastic night.

Kylie's first appearance on stage after receiving treatment for cancer was at G-A-Y. She went on stage and surprised Dannii at the launch of her sister's Greatest Hits.

Kylie had been away for a year getting treatment for cancer. She had just got the all-clear and came down to support Dannii. Nothing was planned that night and Kylie was watching from the balcony. At the end of the show, she walked out on stage without an introduction to give Dannii the flowers. Dannii had no idea what was going on. It was so emotional. Then they did an acapella rendition of 'Jump To The Beat' together. It was just amazing.

Kylie's 10th appearance was her first show at Heaven for the release of Aphrodite in 2010.

It was an important date as it was her first performance since G-A-Y moved to Heaven. There are certain acts that you need to have as endorsement that this is G-A-Y's new home, and to have Kylie there is that endorsement.

Kylie is at G-A-Y at Heaven (Villiers Street, WC2N 6NG) on Saturday 22nd March. Discount wristbands from G-A-Y Bar.

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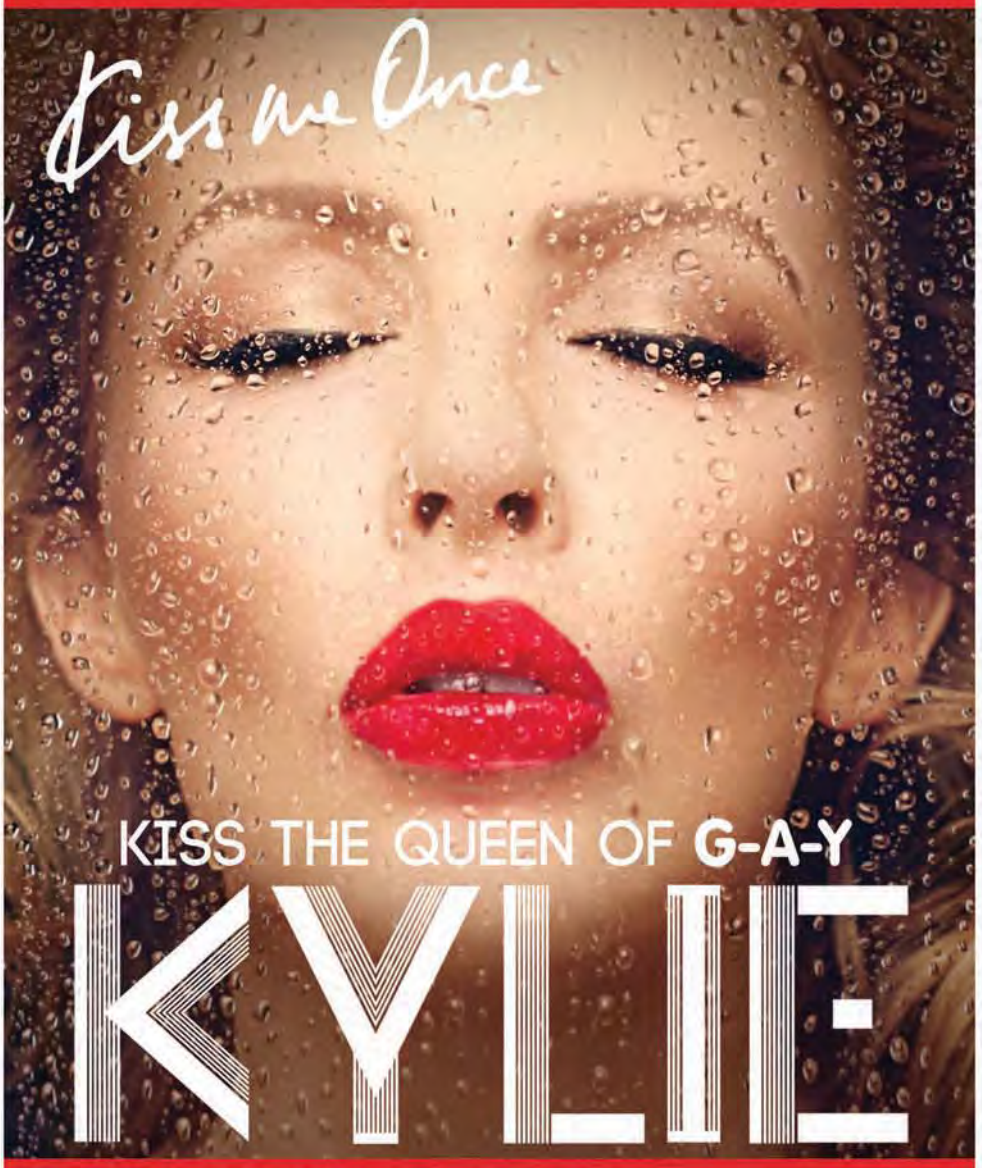

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QX film critic Jack Leger asks filmmakers and actors who all contribute to **Boys On Film 11: We Are Animals**, the latest film collection from Peccadillo Pictures, a simple question...

WHAT DOES YOUR FILM MEAN TO YOU?

Carlos Oliveira
writer-director, Three Summers

The two main characters are based on friends of mine, so it is quite a personal film. I started imagining what could have happened if those two men got together. I was smitten by the concept of this young, innocent looking boy being the seducer, using all the tricks he knew to bed the straight guy. I tried to work with topics I believe are not dealt with so often: the young gay man who is not confused about his sexuality, and the idea that being gay is much more than just going to bed with another man.

Ben Lerman
actor, Spooners

Even though I'm completely out, there are certain places and certain times when I don't want to hold hands with my partner or display any affection or attachment. I know a lot of people feel this way. Sometimes those feelings are valid, as there are still very real dangers for gay people in this world. At other times it's just a silly, neurotic notion. Spooners shows how sometimes this feeling of wanting to remain closeted in certain situations isn't borne of any real danger, but a product of our own personal baggage.

Shaz Bennett
writer-director, Alaska Is a Drag

This story has been in my head for years. I worked in a fish cannery in Alaska and I also used to perform in a "sister" drag act. So, it's very personal to me. I know this kid! He is me in so many ways. Especially how he wants to be so much more than his environment.

Eldar Rapaport
writer-director, Little Man

I was always intrigued by double identity: what we show and what we are. This story touches the core of the split that is created by relationships. And in that, the story brings out the frustration I feel - and everyone else does too. Friends have told me it's the most personal film I've ever made.

Walter Replogle
actor, Spooners

To me this film is a simple viewpoint of a larger issue. Without making some huge political stance or screaming about civil injustice, it just shows the truth of two men who love each other. It's their normality that I love.

Magnus Mork
writer-director, Burger

The film depicts a very common experience: drunk and noisy people of all kinds mix in a tiny burger bar, and alcohol lifts the barrier between them into something lively and unpredictable. It's a fascinating, exaggerated version of real-life society. The shoot was a hilarious one-night experience in Cardiff.

Bryan Horch
writer-director, Spooners

My film is a satire of how corporate America is suddenly becoming open-minded about former social taboos in order to keep up with the quickly changing gay marriage laws sweeping the country. Making a comedy based on an awkward real-life experience of being self-conscious about my sexual orientation in public was cathartic for me. Hopefully it's making audiences think more about the issue of data-mining while they laugh at the ridiculousness of it all.

Nick Verso
writer-director, The Last Time I Saw Richard

When I was 15, five of my friends were put in mental health clinics for different reasons. I made this film as a love letter to them. The two lead actors were both incredibly brave and committed. And working with a group of 8-year-old gymnasts to make the "darklings" was hilarious. They were so excited to be using their skills on film and creeped out the whole crew.

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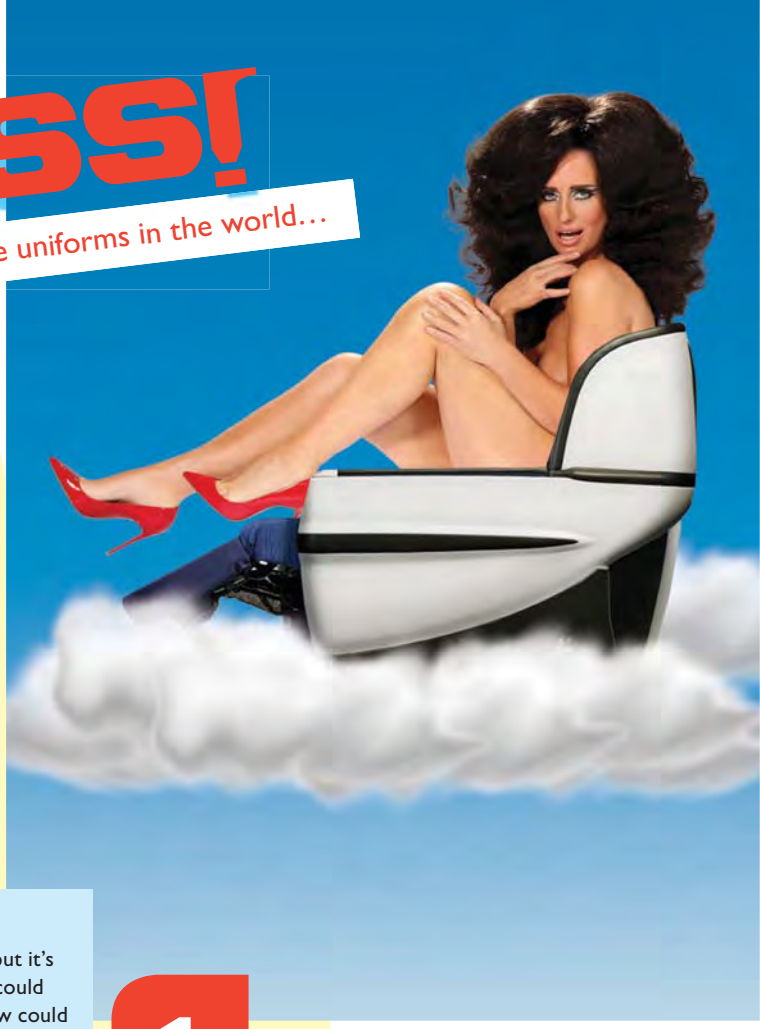

4 AIR NEW ZEALAND

The uniform looks like an economy passenger has thrown up all over it. I would rather fuck a Hobbit on crack than wear this. New Zealand is so fucking far away I think they are just catching up to the fashion of the '70s now. I would want to bungee jump out of a 747 if I woke up to a bitch serving me coffee at 41,000ft over the Pacific after a 28hour flight wearing this. BURN IT.

3 AMERICAN ARLINES

The uniform isn't so offensive, but it's bland and boring and seriously could do with an upgrade and the crew could also do with retiring. They are the oldest cabin crew in the world. Apparently one flight attendant dies on board every flight. Flying AA is like going back in time. Amelia Earhart was flying the last AA flight I boarded. AA now has brail boarding cards because the crew is so old they can't see, and they yell because they can't hear. They need the food cart to get from one end of the aircraft to the other. From behind, some of them look young but when they turn around they are 135yrs old. They wear lesbian rubber soled flat shoes and some of the girls have to walk sideways down the aisle because they have eaten too many chocolate chip cookies: "one for you, fourteen for me". The great thing about the elderly Flight Attendants is that they have flown so long they can shut the overhead lockers with their eyes! They could also do with upgrading their museum pieces, I mean fleet. I boarded a Boeing 757 – yes, a 757! These planes should have been retired in the 80's. For those who don't know what a 757 is, it's a fucking plane. You can tell it's an old plane when there is an ashtray in the armrest, and when I see this I light up a cigarette and I don't even smoke! BURN IT.

2 EASYJET

Any airline that allows flight attendant's to have a say in the design of a uniform is questionable and cheap to begin with. Not even Kate Moss could get away with wearing orange and grey. Well, maybe she could, but the normal pale skinned Brit CANNOT! Easy Jet say their uniform was designed for style and comfort. The word 'comfort' makes my skin crawl and the word 'style' used in a sentence describing anything to do with Easy Jet makes me want to grab my Tom Ford glasses and smash them in my face. There is nothing comfortable or stylish on Easy Jet. Period. Easy Jet crew look like they have just come from Burger King. The uniforms fabric is so thick and plastic it would catch on fire just through their fat thighs rubbing together, and the cabin crew are so loud they need their voice boxes removed. I was at Primark, I mean Gatwick, once and I tell you I've never seen so many ugly people in my life. When I was waiting in the Bag Drop line (which felt like I was in a queue to get executed by terrorist extremists) a heavy-footed Easy Jet representative shook the terminal with his rubber soled Clarkes shoes. He had a face on him that could stop a train in Madrid. I still have nightmares today. I would rather be gangbanged on crack by the Taliban and my teeth pulled out with pliers than fly Easy Jet ever again. I say burn the uniform and arrest the cabin crew for disorderly conduct.

1 RYANAIR

Fuck me the Al-Qaeda wouldn't even want to blow this airline up. It would be too embarrassing, so that says a lot. Firstly, the air crew can't talk properly over their teeth, they have absolutely no customer service skills, and the only job they would excel at is in a meat factory in Romania. You would expect them to sell Romanian Horse Meat burgers on board! The cabin crew wear yellow and blue low quality cardboard uniforms designed by fuck who cares, and have to 'rent' their uniforms for €30 a month for the first year. I feel sorry for the Ryan Air cabin crew, I really do.

What's more, they sell you tickets to Vienna but you land in Bratislava and you have to bike it to Vienna. What it ends up costing you, you could fly First Class Air France to Sydney return.

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OVER THE RAINBOW (AND ONTO GRINDR)

English Language School Offers Online Dating Class

The UK's only English language school aimed exclusively at gay people, Rainbow School of English, has added online dating to their curriculum. We assume it explains phrases like, 'top or bot?' and 'NSA'. It aims to teach people to get the most out of dating apps/websites. We personally think it would be a welcome addition to the university national curriculum, also.

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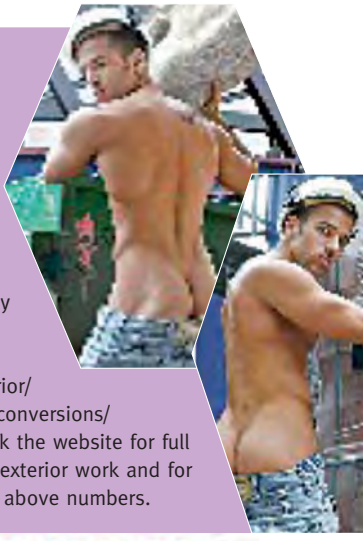

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Jeremy Joseph, owner of the G-A-Y brand, is running his fifth consecutive Virgin London Marathon and this year is the 'Run for Life'. Twenty-six miles will see twenty-six people tested for the first time! Every time Jeremy passes a mile point, a tweet will be sent out and at that point, someone who has never been tested for HIV before will be tested by **56 Dean Street** at **G-A-Y Bar**. If you have *never been tested* and think now is the time, then please email the above contact address to be part of this innovative awareness drive and fundraising day.

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Don't You Know Who I Am?
CHRIS SELBY
Promoter @ Popcorn

Photo: Dean Stockings

Where are you from?
A small village called Goring–on–Thames in Oxfordshire. I was born in Scotland and now live in Greenwich.

How old are you?
The document says 35, the tantrums say 7.

Describe yourself in five words.
Soft, long and incredibly strong. (Yes, I am an Andrex loo roll!)

Sum up your personality in a song title and a movie title.
'It's Not Right, But It's OK' and 'Everything you wanted to know about sex but were afraid to ask.'

Who are your three ultimate icons?
My Mum, the Queen and Mr Kipling

What was the first gay venue you ever went to?
Costa Coffee on Old Compton Street. It took me 40 minutes to pluck up the courage to go in. Otherwise, Heaven. I liked it so much I never left.

What was the first club you ever worked at?
Heaven. It was and is still a delight.

What has been the highlight of your career?
My 'Best Wet Nob' Award, of course – see last issue's QX Red Hot Awards!

What has been your worst club moment ever?
Does it have to be my club? 'Cause I have had some pretty horrendous experiences in other people's! But I couldn't possibly say where. It was something involving a Ouija board, three geese, a pineapple and a tub of Swarfega.

Who is your favourite cabaret performer?
Courtney Act. Fantastically talented. Chad Michaels, too. Who doesn't like a bit of Cher?

What makes the London gay scene so special?
We do it well, and with gusto.

And what is the worst thing about the gay scene?
Drugs and politics.

What question do you get asked the most when working?
Do you work here? (Quickly followed by, "Where are the toilets?")

If you were a cocktail, what would be your ingredients?
Amaretto/gin, crème soda and Hugh Jackman.

Which TV show character would you love to meet if they were a real person?
Pete from Warehouse 13, but that's more to do with me wanting to marry Eddie McClintock than who he portrays.

Tell us something about you that nobody knows...
I have three nipples and am directly related to Edward 1st.

Popcorn is at Heaven (Villiers Street, WC2N 6NG) every Monday, 11pm-5.30am. Discount wristbands from G-A-Y Bar.

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CLUB NEWS

20/03/14: G-A-Y 'Kylie' Porn Idol

The Kylie weekend at G-A-Y launches with G-A-Y 'Kylie' Porn Idol special! Contestants will be spinning around and stripping to Kylie, and G-A-Y are seeking 'all the lovers' to get involved! Better the Devil You Know are resident witches, bitches and judges: **Tanya Hyde**, **Michael Mitchell** and **Baga Chipz**. Your disco needs you! To be a contestant text 07789 553 868 or email info@g-a-y.co.uk.

Heaven, Street, Charing Cross, WC2N 6NG. 10.30pm-5am. Free entry wristbands available from G-A-Y Bar.

21/03/14: Banjee Boy Realness

'Superstore hosts another night of edgy sounds and ghetto glam. **Josh Caffe** and **Capracara** return this month for a fab night of US house, garage and techno – and this time they're joined by legendary **Smokin' Jo**. As they describe the night, it "explores the point where masculinity meets bitch-house" – that's like our favourite point! We'll see you there, hunty.

Dalston Superstore, 117 Kingsland High Street, Dalston, E8 2PB. 9pm-3am. Free b4 11pm/£5 after.

22/03/14: Fitladz vs The Gym

In addition to the regular weekly Friday night party of **Fitladz**, this week you can try it out on a Saturday night, too! In association with super sexy gay party from Brussels, **The Gym**, you'll be able to experience the same great music and atmosphere of Fitladz (including its infamous horny 'men only' zone upstairs) with a cock-rocking continental twist! DJs include **Stevie B**, **Pjay**, **Abstar**, **Andrei Stan**, **Paul Coals** and **Jason Prince**.

Barcode, 69 Albert Embankment, Vauxhall, SE1 7TP. 10pm-superlate. £8 before midnight, £10 after.

22/03/14: XXL 'Bear'

This week's theme for the Southbank superclub is 'Bears' - so, no different from any other mega-week there then! No gimmicks, costumes or props… Unless you want to, of course. Join the Bears for a night of uplifting house and a disco-loving atmosphere. Music from **Joe Egg**, **Andy Almighty**, **Christian M**, **Alex Logan** and **Stuart Style** will send you well into Sunday morning. We advise calling the parents and cancelling lunch now.

1 Invicta Plaza, Southbank, SE1 9UF. 10pm–8am. Members £8, guests £15, £5 after 4am.

22/03/14: R18

Congratulations to the new Mr Eagle 2014 **Alfie Stone**! And if you want to see Alfie in the flesh head down to R18 where he'll be giving a scorching hot show with his porn partner **Jack Empire**. This will be a night of 'unrestricted' pleasure because your hosts are full of seasonal slutty Spring joy and suitably 'sprung'. Your deep and dirty DJs for the night will be R18 residents **Astroboy** and **Eduardo Hererra** laying down the R18 sounds of pulsating dark beats. Plus, from 9-11pm there's a happy hour with doubles for singles on Absolut, Gin and Whiskey and Red Stripe £3 all night…

The Eagle, 372 Kennington Lane, Vauxhall, SE11 5QY. 9pm-4am. Free before 10pm/£6 after.

22/03/14: TheMenWhoFell2Earth

Back for a fourth year of underground antics (and still sporting a mouthful of a name, and a bugger for us hacks to type) and this time their special guest is **The Lovely Jonjo**, who will be dropping some seriously sexy beats alongside **Chris Camplin** of Gay Little Brother and TheMenWhoEtc themselves. Bloc-lovers will be familiar with the wonders of **Ollywood**, and introducing **Debbie**! At TheMenWhoFell2Earth musical quality takes priority!

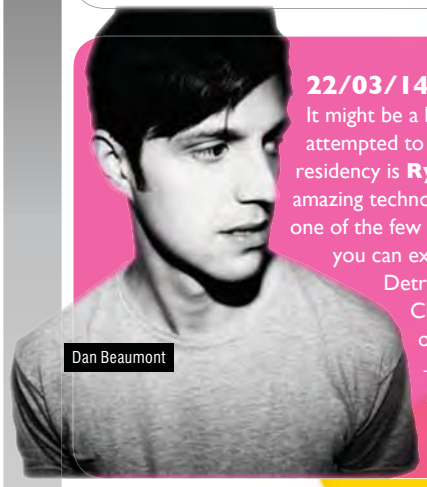
East Bloc, 217 City Road, Shoreditch, EC1V 1JN. 10.30pm–6am. £6/£10.

The Lovely Jonjo

22/03/14: Kylie @ G-A-Y

She's a massive gay icon, and probably responsible for a majority – if not, all – of the queens that own gold hot pants, and she'll be returning to G-A-Y for her 11th time. Seems she loves us as much as we love her, right? Celebrating the release of her 12th album, Kiss Me Once, **Kylie** will take to the stage for no doubt what will be a show-stopping performance. But the question that's on everyone's lips, what *will* she be wearing? Give us another ridiculously camp fad please!

Heaven, Under the Arches, Villiers Street, Charing Cross, WC2H 6NG. 10.30pm–5am. £12 wristbands from G-A-Y.



Dan Beaumont

22/03/14: Ostgut Ton Nacht

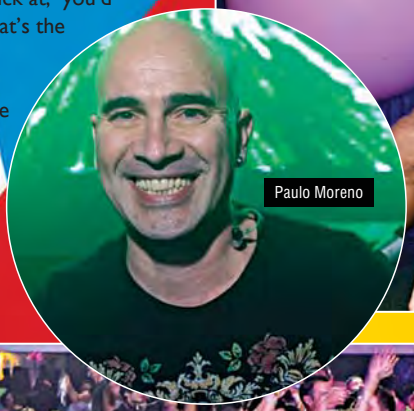
It might be a bit of a mouthful, but don't even try pretend you haven't attempted to get your mouth around worse things. Kicking off a new residency is **Ryan Elliott**. Originally from Detroit, Ryan used to run amazing techno nights with Matthew Dear, but now he lives in Berlin. He is one of the few Ostgut DJs who plays both Panorama Bar AND Berghain so you can expect a mixture of both house and techno and a blur between Detroit and Berlin styles! He joins **Gene Hunt** (Music Box, Chicago), **Dan Beaumont** and **Charlie Porter** for a night of quality dance and debauchery.

Dance Tunnel, 95 Kingsland High Street, Dalston, E8 2PB. 10pm–5am.

24/03/14: Popcorn 'House Arrest'

Everybody (on the scene, at least) knows that in the rare event of having a Tuesday off work, the best way to waste your day off with a monster hangover is to get stuck in amidst the craziness that is Popcorn. With a full-on stage show, pumping house and more lasers than you can shake a (glow)stick at, you'd think it was Saturday. That's the idea. This week **Neroli**, **Paulo Moreno** and **Jamie Hammond** take over the main room.

Heaven, Villiers Street, Charing Cross, WC2H 6NG. 11pm–5.30am. Discount wristband from G-A-Y Bar.



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29/03/14: Blocheads 'Spring Break'

Images of Spring Break conjure drunken frat girl, flashing their tits and waking up in bed with a stranger (or three). That's us… we wanna be her. To get us in the mood, **Pagano**, **Tom Stephan** and **The Carry Nation** will be in the main room with what promises to be hours of pumping house. **Tasty Tim** and **Jeffrey Hinton** will be in the Bunker Bar, while **Ollywood**, **Ray Noir** and **Julian Smith** take over the Macho Sluts room; which is obviously where we'll be hunting down the strangers for the morning. **Andrew Moore** and **Ursula Snakes** host.

East Bloc, 217 City Road, Shoreditch, EC1V 1JN. 10pm–6am. £8 advance, £10 OTD.

DJ OF THE WEEK

THEMENWHOFELL2EARTH @ EAST BLOC

Describe a night at TheMenWhoFell2Earth to the uninitiated…
Hot. Sweaty. Loud. Queer. Dancy. Boozy. Friendly. Messy.

What's happenin' at next week's event?
It's all happenin'! Some great guest DJs – a long overdue return for Jonjo Jury, who always steers the party in the right direction, and a late night spot from Little Gay Brother's Chris Camplin alongside residents, TheMenWhoFell2Earth DJs. And Debbie's doing Room 2. Ollywood is, as always, in charge of the things that *really* matter and BOTHER are back with another arsemageddon of performance, trash and spectacle.

Which four icons would make the dream TheMenWho Fell2Earth guest list?
Hedwig with Her Angry Inch, Russell Tovey (for all the 'Looking' fans), Morrissey (cos you always need someone in the kitchen at parties). Oh, and of course, David Bowie (cos he's David Bowie).

TheMenWhoFell2Earth will be playing at East Bloc (217 City Road, EC1V 1JN) on Saturday 22nd March, 10.30pm-6am.

1) Paul Johnson : "Let Me See You Butterfly" (Cosmic Kids Remix) [Mr. Kim's Records]
Always groovy, always hooky, a touch of Cosmic Kids disco action always grabs the East Bloc floor.

2) Klaxons : "There Is No Other Time" (Kiwi Remix) [Akashic]
Another stellar re-work from Kiwi, the man single handedly redefining the sound of the drum machine. Great to have the Klaxons back too.

3) Tom Flynn : "Mistress Chantelle" [Hot Natured]
"I'm not a prostitute, I'm a mistress."

4)Tronik Youth : "Pain Relief" [NEIN]
Hot in our warm up slot and heavy on the hand claps.

5) Huxley & Sam Russo : "Don't Undastand" (Honey Dijon's NYC Mix) [Leftroom]
Honey leads the charge on this re-issued and re-werq'd houser.

6) Hercules & Love Affair : "Do You Feel The Same?" [Moshi Moshi]
Welcome back, Hercules, we missed you!

7) Boot & Tax : "Acido" [Optimo Trax]
Loving the Optimo Trax imprint just now and this 90s tinged number is dripping in warm, squelchy, acid groves – winner.

8) Warboy : "Pull Me Down " [Save Our Souls]
Great new EP from Warboy and this belter built around a captivating little vocal hook is the stand out moment.

9) Brevil : "Houston We Have A Groove EP" [Electric Larry Records]
Killer 5 tracker packed with all things swell. A touch of deep, a dash of disco, a drop of vocal and some extra large good times.

10) William Onyeabor: "Good Name" [Luaka Bop]
Nigerian. Synth. Disco. That is all.

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WORDS AND PHOTOS BY
CHRIS JOHN

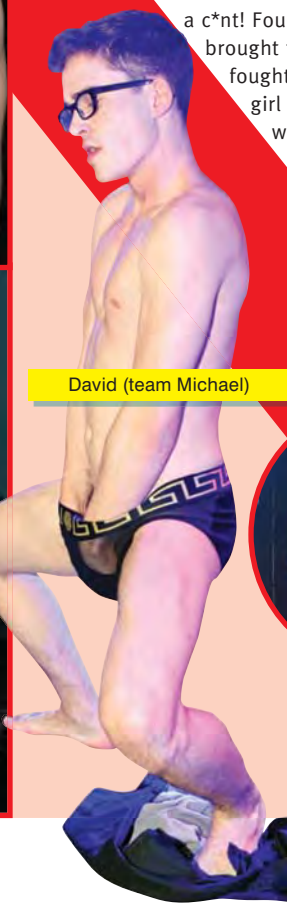
G-A-Y LAUNCHED its new season of Porn Idol last week with not one but two nights of willy waving wonder by a bevy of cute cocks and 'cockettes'. Part 1 on Thursday were the blind heats where, in the style of The Voice, judges Michael, Tanya Hyde and Baga Chipz were blindfolded as the performances started, only turning their chairs to watch based on audience reaction. If only one judge turned they got the stripper for their team – if more than one turned then the stripper chose who they wanted to mentor them. Seems simple doesn't it?

But best laid plans and all that meant that from the first 4 contestants Baga got 1 and Michael 3, leaving Tanya alone on the shelf and getting desperate. Determined not to be out done, as contestant 5 took to the stage Tanya whipped off her blindfold and spun her chair around to claim the boy, only causing him to trip, fall and flee from the stage in embarrassment! Amazingly, by the end of the evening, they all had a team of 3 to mentor for the £1000 final just 2 days later.

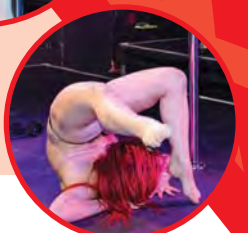
Due, in part, to their exceptional herding skills, or lack thereof, as Saturday arrived all the judges had managed to lose at least one of their acts – or, in Baga's case, 2 of them – so the now 5 contestants were supplemented by reserves and audience members... The concept seemed so simple in the beginning!

Team Tanya's Victor and Craig went first giving us army and leather themes. Then came Team Michael's Anatasia with girl on a lead, a suited David and cute, tattooed Conah with two drag queens and a dancer as support. Bringing up the rear was Team Baga's sole remaining contestant Britney, complete with a Putin mask attached to her pants... What a c*nt! Four wannabes from the audience brought the total to 10 but after a closely fought dance-off it was Baga Chipz' girl Britney who walked off with the wonga, proving once again that you don't actually need a willy to win a willy waving competition!

Porn Idol continues with a normal service every Thursday, or as normal as they get, so get down there and show us what you're made of!



David (team Michael)



Victor (team Tanya)

Craig (team Tanya)

Anastasia (team Michael)

Jimmy (audience)

David (team Michael)

Conah (team Michael)

Conah (team Michael)

Britney (team Baga)

Baga Chipz and winner Britney

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MARK STOREY

PULSE WELCOMED the hirsute hordes as XXL hit the spot for yet another rockin' party with a rocket-boosted St Patrick's Day blowout, coupled with promoter Mark Ames' birthday bash, last weekend. Featuring five fantastic arches of furry frolics, London's biggest weekly bears' bash drew in yet another monumental mass ready to rock the block until morning. Larger than life action across two dancefloors saw shamrockin' shenanigans in the main room, with DJ Christian M whipping up the crowd for roof-raising commercial house licks that had gregarious guys cramming into every inch of available space. Next door, retro daddy, Joe Egg, paid tribute to the Emerald Isle with a jukebox attack of Irish-themed chartbusters including our fave, The Nolan Sisters 'I'm in the Mood for Dancing', getting us ra-ra-stepping like it was 1982 all over again. Elsewhere, the labyrinthine darkroom proved a popular draw as QX Club News fumbled in the shadows for anything we could grab hold of on a fruitless quest to get a birthday quote from Mark Ames (perchance we were looking in the wrong place). Meanwhile, with the double celebrations in full swing, there were still hours more amazing action to come as the heavyweight hoe-down continued through 'til 7am!

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AFTER 20 MINUTES of wandering around Shoreditch in a drunken haze, we finally remembered where we were and made it to East Bloc in one piece (just). As it was Handsome, we'd all donned our varsity best in the vain hope of finding a hot guy with shoulders broader than his knowledge. In the main room, Dave Kendrick laid down some seriously sick house beats, before guest DJ Marshall Jefferies had everyone skanking 'til even the most Handsome were slightly dishevelled. Mistamaker warmed up the R&B room before Mark-Ashley had us 'hand-fanning' to Beyoncé's 'Flawless' (although we looked far from it). We also noticed that the side room had had a Handsome makeover itself, covered in black and white posters with pulsing red lights we couldn't help but feel they were going for an underground New York feel. After hours of popping and winding, we peeled ourself off the speakers and onto Old Street. See you next month, stunners!

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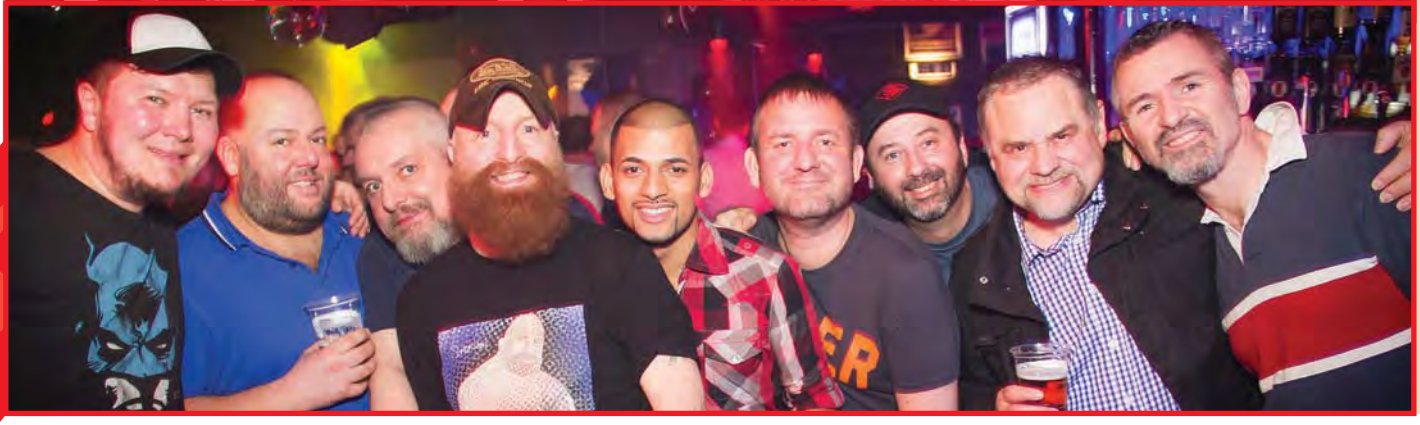
LONDON'S LONGEST-RUNNING bijou bears night celebrated an impressive 11 years on the Vauxhall block as Tonker let rip for a bonanza birthday bash last weekend. Featuring all the beefed-up antics we know and love, the anniversary special saw a mass of hairy hunks packing into the Eagle for dastardly DJ sounds, supercharged socialising and a whole lot more at one of the most popular parties in town. Highlights under the disco balls included dazzling daddy Ross Jones joining Tonker promoter Tim Jones at the decks for a furry face-off that had the grizzly gathering throwing their hands up into the small hours. Elsewhere, a midnight running buffet included enough tasty nibbles to see us through 'til breakfast. Meanwhile, the spring-like conditions outside proved a draw for all those friendly folks whose idea of a great night out is holding court in the Eagle garden until closing time. But with all those funkin' choons to enjoy inside it was back onto the dancefloor for us as the thrills continued through 'til late. Tonker is back at Eagle London this Friday!



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SEPM AT EB opened the hatch of their subterrenean lair Friday night and let loose a whole tin of whoop-ass!

"We just enjoy giving people what they want and what we know they'll like," East Bloc manager Adele shrugged modestly as she, Larry Tee and Attack Attack Attack hurled a fistful of SEPM dynamite onto the dance floor with Jodie Harsh, Michael Stephens, Kassandra Powell and Jonathan Bestley that blew the uppity Old Street surface dwellers right outta their second-hand Pradas!

The night got weirder and wilder the way we like it with a 'mummy burlesque' by Resistance Gallery performance artist Dunja and an 'Alice in Ga-Ga-land' piece by Rodent De-cay.

We had the most fun squirming back 'n' forth between the two club rooms catching deep house beats from LT, AAA and Ms. Harsh, then the 80s pop and nu-disco grooves of MS, KP and Ms. Bestley and back again with breaks in-between to chat up coatroom cutie Fernando Iglesias.

One superdiva DJ even had her own boytoy drooling behind her decks. "I might fuck him later," she batted her bat-wing lashes, "– if he's lucky!" The rest of us lucky disco-bunnies wiggled out of the rabbit hole at dawn all sweaty and ready to spread the love to the weary norms on the tube.

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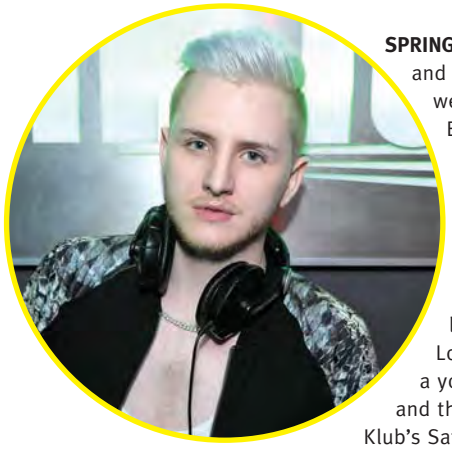

SPRING WAS in the air and QX Club News went totally West End Wendy as the masses hit the centre of town for Ku Klub's fabulous Saturday night throw-down last weekend. Long popular with a youthful crowd and their admirers, Ku Klub's Saturday spectacular seems to be going from strength to strength these days, with a queue stretching along Lisle Street at midnight and all manner of cute Klub kidz thrilling for poptastic smashes inside. Heading down the narrow staircase into Ku's compact basement hangout we found ourselves engulfed in a wave of exuberance that had us joining in the excitable antics in no time. Meanwhile, QX's photographer got friendly with some of the hottest dancing boys you'll see this side of Trafalgar Square. Elsewhere, with the Saturday night spectacular in full, feverish swing, the Ku Klub DJs ramped up the action for even more elation-inducing anthems as the riotous gathering continued into the small hours. Ku Klub's sensational Saturday-nighter is back this weekend!

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Halfway to Heaven has a jam-packed weekend coming up for you cabaret lovers of London, with **Myra Dubois**'s **Friday Night Live** on Friday 21st, featuring special guest **Miss Jason**. On Saturday 22nd there's going to be a mega boozy entertainment knees up from the afternoon onwards as that old knocker is back from Australia: **Rose Garden**! Catch the triumphant return of the **Saturday Market Swapshop** from 4pm, followed by **Bears Downstairs** with **Justin Swift** at 9pm. Then finish off the weekend with **CK Sunday** from 3.30pm on Sunday 23rd, followed by **An Evening With Mrs Moore** from 8pm.

Miss Jason

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Sunday 23rd sees a super-special '**Prom Party**' at Ku Klub, celebrating the after party of new comedy film about a gay boy chased by the girls '**GBF**'. Ku Klub will be open from 8pm onwards, with host **Nieko** on site and a sexy shot boy walking round with free shots! Plus **Vicki Vivacious** will be spinning beats from 8-9pm until **Lady Lloyd** takes over the decks from 9pm onwards. See off the weekend in style and music at Ku Klub on Sunday!

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Angie Brown descends upon her spiritual home of Kazbar on Friday 28th March for an amazing one-off performance, supported by DJ **Eduardo Herrera**. After a brilliant appearance on The Voice recently, Miss Brown will be rocking a live PA to promote her new single 'Fight No More', with the sounds kicking off at 8pm and Angie on stage at 11pm. To celebrate this special gig, we have a short interview with 'Ang herself!

Angie Brown

Tell us about The Voice!
After a busy summer of auditions, where 40,000 people applied for The Voice, I was lucky enough to get into the last 200. I really enjoyed being a part of The Voice. After I got over my nerves and fear of the auditions, and as I got closer and closer to recording the actual show, that was aired in the long run and I found the whole experience very exhilarating! So I was gutted to be off the show, but even more gutted that I wasn't going to see various people who I met last year, who work behind the scenes for The Voice, who are really kind, amazing, upbeat people. They gave me lots of encouragement, positivity, and a really amazing voice coach called Mark. The experience also got my family and friends together in two carloads as we lumbered up to Salford and stayed in hotels, and had a good time, as we waited around to be filmed. The rest is history and there is no sour grapes from me: yes I was shocked and yes I would have liked to have gone through, but I didn't. But it's been really good for bookings and of course my big fat gay weddings!

What is 'Fight, No More' about?
'Fight, No More' came about after my agent and my publisher thought that we should produce something new on the back of The Voice. So it was written, produced and mastered within a couple of days. And the response has been amazing because it was only inspired after we received the date of the actual broadcasting of The Voice. So basically once we got the date that The Voice was going to be out... I think it's important to stay in the public mind. And refresh people as to who I am and what I do. 'Fight No More' was fun to do but because of how little time we had, I found the whole project was very challenging.... But I also proved that when you put your mind to something it can be achievable. I'd like to say thank you to the people who support my career and thank you for getting behind 'Fight No More'!

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LA VOIX "UNVEILED" herself on Sat night at Two Brewers and exposed her Va Va Voom Boys to Clapham's favourite bouncy castle. Mama Voix gave birth to a baker's dozen of hot-from-the-oven meat pies sprung fully-formed from Aphrodite's hip right onstage and we were all there to witness the miracle in the manger.

Emerging in a solemn procession led by two monks, a black-veiled La Voix launched into 'Like A Prayer' backed by her glory chorus of 13 Speedo-stretchin' Va Va Voom dancers, pinpoint perfect with every step. What followed was a deafening ecstatic gush of explosive love from the crowd that would've made a certain Madge purple with rage and envy!

Madame then introduced her young-uns (each one clearly from a different father!) two at a time in a dance-off we could have watched all night, but spoil us she must and Ms. Voix served us heaping helpings of song and dance from her limitless catalogue.

"I've had this show in mind for two years, held auditions last week, and pulled it all together last night!" an exhausted but beaming La Voix cooed backstage, surrounded by choreographer Neil and her new bevy of backup beauties who already get on like family (the good kind – not the dysfunctional kind we left behind.)

Two fresh-faced newbies, Daniel Hope and Francis Foreman, mustered try-outs and made their stage debut to the rush and roar of the hens and cocks heaving for a glimpse.

"We've had the most incredible experience!" crowed the future West End stars. "The auditions! The rehearsals! The show! – all of it has been light-hearted, fun and La Voix is simply great to work with!" The crowd certainly agreed and resident DJs Demon and Paul Short kept the party going in both club rooms, living up to what GM Jimmy Smith described as "a small club with an Ibiza feel. La Voix adds so much to that."

But why 13 muscleboy backup dancers? (hell, why not 1300?!) La Voix explained: "Depending on the size of the venue, I want to make sure I have enough on hand who are dancers first and muscle cuties second." (Always a good idea.) "Besides, I like 13. The last person who had 12 backup men was Jesus and look what the crowds did to him!"

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cabaret

by Jason Reid

JUDGE DRAG!

Jason and Baga Chipz

Bette Rinse, Jason and Rose Garden

Returning for its tenth year, Drag Idol gets underway in a few weeks' time with a spectacular launch party. This year's competition takes in venues from the whole length of the land, and will occupy almost three months of the cabaret calendar. Having produced the likes of Tanya Hyde, Baga Chipz, Son ofa Tutu, La Voix and Martha D'Arthur, who have all carved out successful careers after winning, it is, without doubt, the unrivalled cabaret talent search in the UK. This week our very own cabaret reporter, Jason Reid, who has acted as a judge for the last four years, and is often referred to as 'head judge' by organiser Titti La Camp, shares some tips on how to impress the most esteemed of judging panels...

"For me, being a judge is about using the knowledge and experience I've attained from working with and watching different genres of cabaret artists over the years. I always try to keep an open mind, be fair, and give constructive feedback. You have huge responsibility, but thankfully, with that, comes the satisfaction of seeing the artists you have nurtured develop and grow.

"There are no hard and fast rules for winning. But there are elements, both practical and technical, that the panel will look out for. The first place to start is with your **PLANNING AND PREPARATION**. Rehearse until you are sick to death of hearing the song/doing the routine. By the time your heat comes around you should be 100% confident with your spot. Trust me, if you rock up with some half-arsed routine that has had no thought or creativity injected into it, the judges will know. If the venue you're going to be competing at is new to you, then go along one evening to watch someone perform there. Get a feel of the vibe, the clientele and the dimensions of the stage.

Experiment constantly with your **MAKE UP AND COSTUME**. Get a friend to give opinions, too. Fresh eyes are always great. Remember you're on a stage, so dress for it; you should stand out from everyone.

If used correctly **SOCIAL MEDIA** is the most powerful promotional tool you can ever have (and it's free). On the run up to your heat, drum up support amongst your friends, create an event and plug it a couple of times a week. Don't over promote. This will have the reverse effect. Try to keep your artist profile as professional as possible and separate from your civilian profile. You're creating a brand. You don't want to tarnish that.

Throughout the competition you'll hear the word 'unique' banded around a lot. While this is important, you should always stay true to yourself and your art. Making a good **IMPACT** on the audience is essential. So, quite simply: aim to entertain, capture the audience/judges' attention instantly, and look to keep that engagement for the full ten minutes. This sounds like a short amount of time. But it can be an eternity if it all goes tits up.

On the **NIGHT OF YOUR HEAT** check everything before leaving home. Getting to a venue and finding you have a heel missing from your drag bag is going to instantly get your night off on the wrong foot. Do not expect the sound engineer at the venue to play your tracks from an iPhone either. Always try to have them on discs if you can.

When you hit that stage, do it with **CONFIDENCE** (even if you are crapping yourself inside). It's only natural to feel nervous. Some of the most seasoned performers suffer from stage fright. Try to channel that energy into the performance. Never perform solely to the judges. If you isolate the crowd, they'll soon get bored. If you **MAKE A MISTAKE**, smile and move on. Never stop! This will kill your flow and nerves will take over. If you feel like your 'banter' is going badly, move on to a song or another part of your act. Remember, you want to keep the audience engaged. Have a contingency plan for such eventualities.

Always take on board and respect the **JUDGES' FEEDBACK**. They are there to support you and share their cabaret knowledge.

Finally, something that I regularly say from behind the judges' table, is **ALWAYS HAVE FUN**! If you're having fun then the chances are this energy will rub off on the audience.

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BY PATRICK CASH

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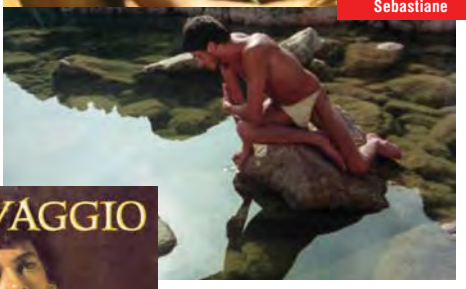

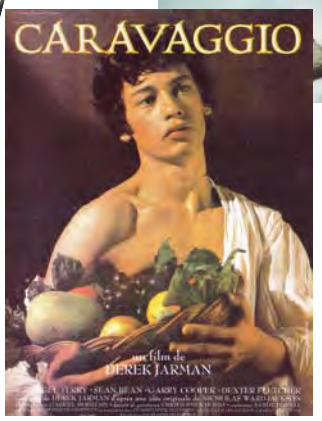

In The Shadow of the Sun

JARMAN ON THE ROCKS

DEREK JARMAN is often cited as one of the most influential gay filmmakers of the twentieth century. As the 'Queer Pagan Punk' BFI film festival celebrating his canon draws to a close, we analyse Jarman's legacy to the gay community today from a fresh perspective.

I knew the name Derek Jarman, but was never intimately acquainted with his work. Being born in 1987, I only properly came out to the scene about five years ago when Jarman wasn't a topical name to be dropped in either artistic or gay circles. However, from film-obsessed friends and regular research into gay cultural history, it was inevitable that I'd at least feel some of his influence upon the peripheries of queer knowledge.

When the BFI recently held its 'Queer Punk Pagan' festival of his work, coming to an end this week, it provided an opportunity to delve deeper into the Jarman conception. Jarman was diagnosed with HIV in 1986, when it was still a death sentence, and came to public prominence by his decision to speak out about living and working with the virus. According to William Fowler of the BFI, from 1987 onwards 'a powerful message of resistance unites his output.'

Jarman was making films with an explicitly homosexual message in a time when Section 28 banned 'the promotion of homosexuality' in schools. He was quoted in 1988 as saying his films 'would definitely be there to promote homosexuality from now on'. These included *Caravaggio* (1986), a fictionalised retelling of the famous painter's life, funded by the BFI and distributed by Channel 4.

My first explicit experience of Jarman's films came in the form of his experimental 1974 piece 'In The Shadow of the Sun'. With no linear narrative, and the only coherent structure being shadowy figures weaving in and out of a flickering yellow screen to disconnected noises of burning, it's hardly the kind of entertainment you'd throw on for a casual Grindr date. And, I've got to admit, at some points during the fifty minute-length screening I was asking myself: 'What the hell am I doing here on a Friday night?'

> "It's hardly the kind of entertainment you'd throw on for a casual Grindr date"

However, the auditorium was sold out, with a varied mix of people both old and young and not all seemed hopelessly lost to pretensions of elitist intellectualism. The appeal seemed to stem, in part, from discovering how the early Jarman experiment might have shaped his later, more accessible oeuvre. But for someone who had no experience of the later work either, eventually the experience became immersive in its own right and provoking of questions through its sparse symbolism – why did that boy on the bike just cycle on the screen? How does that relate to the artistry's wider tie to society, or, given its eponymous grandeur, to the universe itself?

Grandiose questions, perhaps, but Jarman himself was something of a grandiose figure. Not only taking on the anti-homosexual establishment of the 80s, he spoke out against the Falklands War and even capitalism itself. The recent 'Pandemonium' exhibition of his life and work at the Somerset House documented how he cohesively united a kaleidoscopic array of artists and creative people around him by his powerful personality.

When I interviewed accomplished British fine artist Matthew Stradling recently, he told the story of how Derek Jarman was the first person to buy his artwork; when Stradling was a fresh-faced twenty-one-year-old just out of St Martin's. 'How much do you want for this one?' barked Jarman, picking out a small red devil. 'Uh, £100?' ventured Stradling, who had never sold an art work in his life yet. 'I'll give you £200,' said Jarman, handing him the cash. Little touches such as this enjoyable anecdote flesh out Jarman 'the Great Artist' as a man aware of, and willing to support, the new talent of the next generation.

Of greatest direct interest to gay readers might be films such as *Sebastiane* (1976), which tells the tale of the martyr St Sebastian through heavily homo-eroticised imagery. All the dialogue is in Latin, but maybe this decision in itself is a comment upon expression; the expression of homosexuality as a visible concept but stifled by a language that is dead. In addition to his canon of filmmaking, Jarman also directed exceptional pop videos for The Smiths and Pet Shop Boys.

Jarman died in 1994 of AIDS-related illness. His legacy is told, and lives on, through the language of his films – a language we owe him much for, especially for not allowing it to be suppressed by others in his life.

'Will You Dance With Me' is screened at the BFI Flare on 22nd march. London LGBT festival, www.bfi.org.uk/flare

SCREEN TEST

BY JACK LEGER

IN THE WORKS

Justin Timberlake will star in a remake of 1980 hit The Idolmaker, about an iconic music promoter. It's directed by **Craig Brewer**, who recently remade Footloose • And for the new Jungle Book movie, **Idris Elba** will play the tiger Shere Khan using performance-capture technology. Grrr!

FILM OF THE WEEK

G.B.F. (15)
This witty gay spin on Mean Girls centres on the first guy (the hugely likeable Michael Willett) to come out at his high school, which makes him every girl's hotly desired Gay Best Friend. But he just wants to be a normal guy. Colourfully silly and very funny, the film also has unusually strong subtext about sexuality and tolerance. Plus fabulous supporting roles for Megan Mullally and Natasha Lyonne.

DVD OF THE WEEK

QUERELLE (18)
Rainer Werner Fassbinder's final film in 1982 changed both gay culture and the language of cinema. It stars Brad Davis as a sailor who, after killing a fellow seaman, goes into hiding in a brothel where he gives in to his gay sexual desires with dark abandon. Based on the Jean Genet novel, the sailor milieu is a twisted variation on Pierre et Gilles: a sexy, surreal freak-out. (ArtificialEye)

BOYS BEHIND BARS

In the gritty British drama **STARRED UP**, Jack O'Connell plays a teen moved into an adult prison where he meets his father (Ben Mendelsohn) and a tenacious counsellor (Rupert Friend). Awash in prison-movie clichés, but the acting is breathtaking.

EURO-TREATS

The biopic **YVES SAINT LAURENT** traces the gay designer's life with considerable style, understandably. The drama feels cold, but it's worth a look for Pierre Niney's sexy-geek performance • From Italy, **SALVO** is an arty, sensuous mob thriller about a hitman hiding a blind woman he should have killed. Slow and atmospheric.

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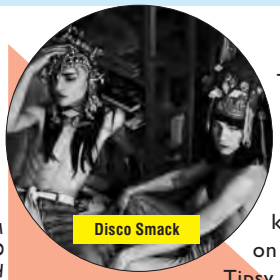
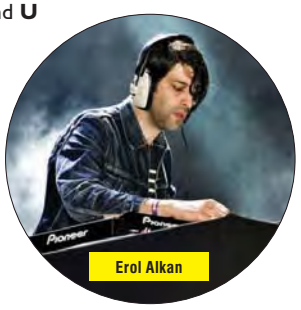

Disco Smack

There's so much going on this weekend I don't know where to start, but start I will... **Disco Smack** kicks off my weekend on Friday 21st at Tipsy, *(20 Stoke Newington Road, Dalston, N16 7XN)*. Disco Smack is **Josh Quinton** and **Andy Bradin** who as lovers of all things disco are building a fabulous reputation: they look good, they sound good and are throwing one of the best parties in London. On the DJ line up **Pam Hogg**, **Jeffrey Hinton** and myself are joining the boys. Hosted by the ever gorgeous 'hostess from hell' **Angel Rose**, 9 'til late, see you up there.

Up the road, **Banjee Boy Realness** returns to Dalston Superstore *(117 Kingsland High Street, Dalston, E8 2PB)* on Friday 21st with special guest and legend **Smokin' Jo**, plus residents **Josh Caffe** and **Capracara**. On Saturday 22nd Dalston Superstore continues its musical tirade with **Classic Music Company x Superstore**. Guest DJs **Luke Solomon** and **Frances Inferno Orchestra** take over the basement, and upstairs there's **Hifi Sean** and **Hushpuppy**. Make a weekend of it, why not, with **The T Club is Two!** on Sunday 23rd also at Dalston Superstore. Lots of fun and glamour they tell me, with performances from **Adam All** and **Apple Derrieres**, a screening and a jam-packed DJ agenda from **Cheekyhalf**, **Rufus & Bambi**, **Julian Petrovosky** and **Love Injection**.

Luke Solomon

If you're over in South London on Saturday 22nd then why not join **Erol Alkan** for a **Bugged Out!** special at Area, *(67 Albert Embankment, Vauxhall, Se1 7TP)*. Joining Erol will be **Emperor Machine**, **Matt Walsh** and **U** from **Man Make Music**. 10pm 'til 5am so you could go after a trip to **Duckie**, one of our favourite haunts, with **Amy Lamé** and music from **The Readers Wifes**.


Erol Alkan

Back down at **East Bloc** *(217 City Road, Shoreditch, EC1V 1JN)* it's the turn of **TheMenWhoFell2Earth** to take over on Saturday 22nd. Special guests **The Lovely Jonjo** (Hot Boy Dancing Spot), **Chris Camplin** from Gay Little Brother, **Ollywood** and **Debbie** does Room 2 with TheMenWhoFell2Earth themselves.

Looking ahead to Thursday 27th cabaret artists **Bourgeois & Maurice** host their last Thursday of the month night **Shindig** at the **Ace Hotel**, *(100 Shoreditch High Street, E1 6JQ)*. Bringing us a mix of performance and music with **Scottee**, **Nathan Chalkwell**, **ladies Drum 'n' Bass League, Rachal Porter** and **Octavio.** Doors 8pm, show time 8.30pm, and on 'til 1am.

WHAT INDIE DID NEXT

BY PATRICK CASH

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'TOUCH' - SHURA

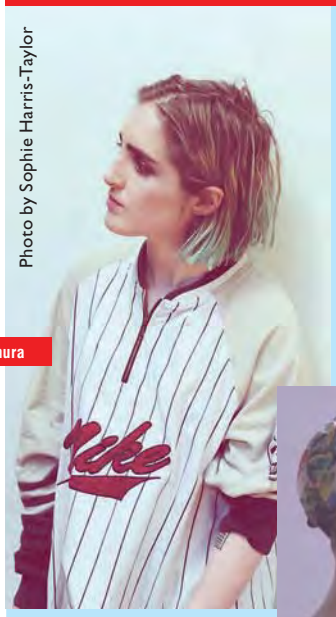
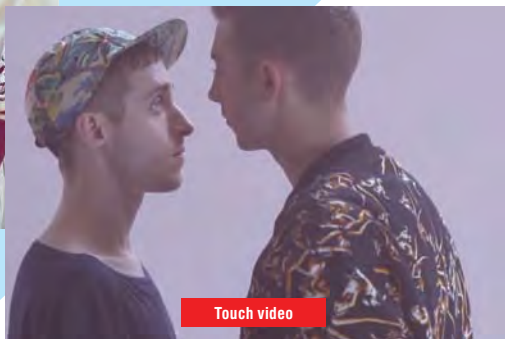


Photo by Sophie Harris-Taylor

Shura

Shura's 'Touch' stands in good stead to become one of the songs of the summer. An actress and nu-wave electro-soul singer, Shura has been recording and releasing her own music for a few years now and building up a devoted following in London and online. Previously collaborating with DJ Hiatus, she's now going it alone herself and the hypnotic beauty of 'Touch' perfectly suits the shining sun, cruising in cars with the windows down, or a gently cider-laced laze in the park on a responsibility-free Saturday afternoon.

Lyrically though, the deceptively simplistic words hold a deeper emotional tug. "There's a love between us but something's changed and I don't know why," Shura's breathy, enticing vocals murmur in the ear, "and all I want to do is go home with you, but I know I'm out of my mind." Anyone who's been in an awkward situation with an ex-lover or past flame, where you want to touch them but – for whatever reason – know you shouldn't, can appreciate the poignancy of this message.


Touch video

Supported by one of the most fantastic self-made videos we've had the pleasure of watching, featuring girls kissing boys and girls kissing girls and boys kissing boys, the appeal of 'Touch' is widespread and pan-sexualities. An up-close of an ultramarine eye opening is adroitly placed in the visual narrative to encompass a strange amount of feeling, and rarely has watching strangers kissing been made to seem so sexily sensual. Shura as an artist and music-maker seems all about pursuing the real emotional truth of life, and with 'Touch' she's pinned it to a tee. This deserves to be huge.

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THURSDAY 20TH MARCH

CLUBS & EVENTS

Dirrty at The Borderline, Manette Street, Soho, W1D 4JB. 11pm-3am. £5. Super-fun new weekly urban night playing R'n'B, hip-hop and filthy pop in the heart of Soho. TONIGHT: Guest DJ QBoy.

Babylon at Manbar, 79 Charing Cross Road, Soho, WC2H 0NE. 10pm-3.30am. FREE b4 11pm/£3 after. Deep house party at central London's hunky Manbar with regular top scene DJ guests.

G-A-Y Porn Idol – Kylie Special at Heaven, Villiers Street, WC2N 6NG. 11pm-4am. Discount wristbands from G-A-Y Bar. The biggest amateur strip contest in town is back! Win £100 on the night and maybe £1,000 in the Final. Plus, hot pop spun across the venue. To compete text 07789 553 868 or email info@g-a-y.co.uk TONIGHT: Kylie special as the bad boys strip off to the Antipodean princesses hits.

Vibe at Barcode, 69 Albert Embankment, Vauxhall, SE1 7TP. 11pm-4am. Weekly night of urban sounds from DJs Nastee and Robski, with PopVibe in the bar and the upstairs SexVibe cruise room.

G-A-Y Late at 5 Goslett Yard, off Charing Cross Road, WC2. 11pm-3am. Hot pop sounds get played out across the club, drink specials, cute guys and an almost unrivalled highly electric atmosphere. Open 7 days.

Ku Klub at Ku Bar Lisle Street, Leicester Square, WC2. 6pm-3am. FREE. The legendary Tasty Tim and guests spin the pop sounds and floor fillers.

Room Service at Miabella, 12-13 Greek Street, Soho, W1D 4DJ. 10pm-3am. Don't you dare miss this fiercely social, sexy club spot, playing edgy and upfront house. Expect hot gogo eye candy and hosted by fab scene faces. Get snapped by the legendary resident papper!

Ted's TV/TS Night at Ted's Place, 305a North End Road. 7pm-2am. £5. The night for fellas in frocks and their admirers.

BARS & CABARET

Metro Nights at West 5, Pope's Lane, South Ealing, W5 4NB. Open from 8pm. FREE. Ealing's hugely popular club, bar and cabaret spot. TONIGHT: Cabaret from Sandra.

Molly Moggs at 2 Old Compton Street, Soho, W1D 4TA. 8.30pm. FREE. Big laughs and song from Jeff Kristian.

VS at Circa, 62 Frith Street, Soho, W1. 4pm-1am. Munroe Bergdorf and Adam Turner get you warmed up for Room Service with some unrivalled Thursday night hotness!

Queerly Out Classic at Escape, 8-10 Brewer Street, Soho, W1F 0SU. 9pm-3am. Classic pop gay student night in the heart of Soho.

The Black Cap at 171 Camden High Street, NW1 7JY. 10pm-2am. £3. Party rocking Camden pub delivers premier cabaret and entertainment. TONIGHT: Meth Lab with special guest Bambi Blue.

Backing The Stars at Halfway 2 Heaven, 7 Duncannon Street, Charing Cross, WC2N 4JF. Long running popular central London cabaret pub with Kevin Walsh.

Vanity Von Glow's Cocktails in The Shufflewick Bar at The Black Cap, 171 Camden High Street, NW1 7JY. The popular Camden cabaret, pub and club hosts a new night of drag and drink. With special guest Silver Summers.

Rupert Street at 50 Rupert Street, Soho, W1D 6DR. From 8pm. Weekly dance session at the popular Soho bar. TONIGHT: DJ Rich B.

Comptons of Soho at 51-53 Old Compton Street, Soho, W1D 6HN. 12pm-midnight. One of Soho's best loved traditional gay pubs, always busy and always friendly and always fun.

Two Brewers, 114 Clapham High Street, SW4 7UJ. Bar open 4pm-2am. FREE b4 10pm, £3 after. Popular South London cabaret/club spot. TONIGHT: Cabaret from Martha D'Arthur.

FRIDAY 21ST MARCH

CLUBS & EVENTS

Tonker at Eagle London, 349 Kennington Lane, Vauxhall, SE11 5QY. 9pm-3am. FREE b4 10pm, £6 after. Big bear bar boozing, cruise and tunes has disco, house & soul, then sexier vibes to the early hours for hot daddies, bears, cubs and their admirers. TONIGHT:

Super Electric Party Machine at East Bloc, 217-219 City Road, EC1V 1JN. 10pm-6am. £5. The freshest, hottest talent playing the best new music with DJ Larry Tee and guests at this hot-ass East London basement club spot.

G-A-Y Camp Attack – Kylie Special at Heaven, Villiers Street, WC2N 6NG. 11pm-4am. FREE with wristband from G-A-Y Bar. Main Floor plays 70s, 80s, 90s, 00 & 01, Star Bar is 02 to present day, videos in the Pop Room. Musical theme sing-along in the Departure Lounge. TONIGHT: Espceially for you! Main floor plays 2003-present day Kylie, Star Bar is classic Kylie, concert footage in the Pop Room and Kylie karaoke in the DP Lounge with Mary Mac!

Nancy's + Banjee Boy Realness at Dalston Superstore, 117 Kingsland High St, E8 2PB. 9pm-3am. Free b4 11pm/£5 after. Weekly night of regular resident DJs spinnin' up a storm of top deck disco house and hot tracks to shack out to. TONIGHT: Banjee Boy Realness join the DS fun with guest DJ SMokin' Jo spinning the US house, garage and techno.

Spunk – Queen of the Door 'Hazel' Retirement Party at Manbar, 79 Charing Cross Road, Soho, WC2H 0NE. 5pm-3.30am. VIP Porn Award tickets £20, after-aparty tickets £10. DJs play commercial dance for a crowd of upferit blokes and butch boys 'til late. Resident DJs Amos, Little Rob and Brent Nicholls. TONIGHT: Hazel Haynes, who has worked more club doors than you've had cocks up yer bum, is set to retire. Pop along tonight to wish the wonderful lady well!

Therapy at The Shadow Lounge, 5 Brewer Street, Soho, W1F 0RF. 11.30pm-3am. The ultimate team of gay scene DJs rotates every Friday for your listening and dancing pleasure.

Ku Klub at Ku Bar Lisle Street at 30 Lisle Street, Leicester Square, WC2. 10pm-3am. FREE b4 11pm, £5 after. Pop perfection and hot floor fillers as Ku's hot 3 spin the tunes in its downstairs basement club spot.

G-A-Y Late at 5 Goslett Yard, off Charing Cross Road, WC2. 7.30pm-3am. Hot pop sounds, drink specials, cute guys and a pop perfect atmosphere.

Fitladz at Barcode, 69 Albert Embankment, Vauxhall, SE1 7TP. 10pm-8am. £8 members, £10 guests. The club session for horny lads with hot grooves from the DJs and an extended cruise space.

A:M (afterhours) at Fire, South Lambeth Road, SW8 1RT. 11pm-super late. £12. The original Saturday morning afterhours beast that continues to light up the weekend ahead of the rest churns out the turbocharged house sounds playing A:M classics from 2003-now. Room 2 spins present and future funky sounds.

m at Vogue Fabrics, 66 Stoke Newington Road, Dalston, N16 7XB. 10pm-3am. £5. Lou & Nova

Caligula UK at The Playroom, 52-54 Great Eastern Street, EC2A 3QR. 10.30pm-4am. Caligula, the city's fashionable party makers, return with

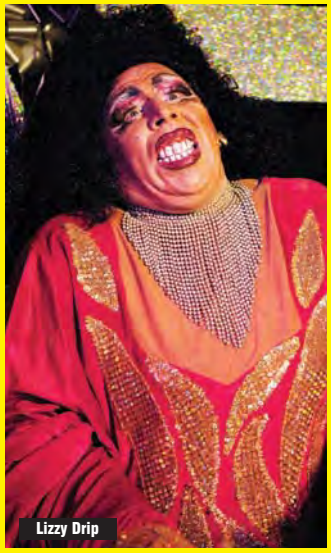
founders Leo Belicha and Jim Warboy and DJs Brigante and Robert Outch, and resident artist Fritz Helder of Azari & Ill.

Club Kali at The Dome, 1 Dartmouth Park Hill, Tufnell Park, NW5. 10.30pm-3am. £8/5 concession with ID. The world's largest and original Asian music LGBT club, blending South Asian sounds, where Bhangra meets house and Bollywood meets R'n'B.

BARS & CABARET

The Tavern's Got Talent at RVT, 372 Kennington Lane, Vauxhall, SE11 5HY. 7pm-12am. Doors 7pm, show 8pm. £5. Nine of London's most aspiring stars battle it out in front of a formidable panel of judges including Simon Le Vans, Titti la Camp and Stewart Who.

The Two Brewers at 114 Clapham High Street, SW4 7UJ. 5pm-4am. £5 after 10pm. London's legendary cabaret and club bar. TONIGHT: Cabaret from Lizzy Drip.


Lizzy Drip

BJ's White Swan at 556 Commercial Road, Limehouse, E14 7JD. 9pm-4am. FREE entry before 10.30pm/£5 after. Popular East London pub. TONIGHT: Cabaret from Cookie Monstar.

Club Delicious at West 5, South Ealing, Pope's Lane, W5 4NB. 9pm-late. Crazy fun times at West 5 with DJs and special acts on stage, come join in the party. TONIGHT: Cabaret from Miss Jason. DJ Steffan on the decks. Vanity Von Glow tickles the ivories.

Central Station at 37 Wharfdale Road, Kings Cross, N1 9SD. Open 'til 4am. FREE entry. Cabaret and DJs 'til late. TONIGHT: Cabaret from Nataylia Roni.

The Black Cap at 171 Camden High Street, NW1 7JY. 10pm-3am. £5 before 12am, £7 after. Party rocking Camden pub delivers premier cabaret and entertainment. TONIGHT: Deelicious!

Retox at The Bridge Bar at 8 Voltaire Road, Clapham, SW4 6DH. 5pm-2am. Clapham's latest addition invites you into its party hostel with DJs Kurt and Pete Spirko.

Friday Night Live with Myra Dubois at Halfway 2 Heaven, 7 Duncannon Street, Charing Cross, WC2N 4JF. 9pm-3am. The central London cabaret hot spot. TONIGHT: Special guest Miss Jason.

Comptons of Soho at 51-53 Old Compton Street, Soho, W1D 6HN. 12pm-2am. The grand dame of Soho. DJ Dave Young from 9pm.

Rupert Street at 50 Rupert Street, Soho, W1D 6DR. Soho's sexy bar is ready to shine again with weekly DJ sets to get you in the weekend mood! TONIGHT: Trade pre-party with The Sharp Boys.

Sauna Bar at 29 Endell Street, Covent Garden, WC2H 9BA. 11.30am-2am. £16. £5 off entry with QX advert. The only licensed gay sauna in the West End, open 'til super late every weekend.

Camp As Hits at The City of Quebec, 12 Old Quebec Street, Marble Arch, W1H 7AF. 10pm-3am. Venerable institution of the gay scene rocks out some pop classics for an evening of fun.

The Edge at 11 Soho Square, Soho, W1D 3QE. 12noon-3am. FREE b4 10.30pm. Four floors of fun! Top tunes from the DJs spinning top 40, pop, funky house and more.

Ku Bar Frith Street, 25 Frith Street, WC1D 5LB. Open 'til 3am. Ku Bar's little brother stretches across two floors for that perfect Soho warm-up drinking session and a little dance with downstairs DJs.

Kazbar at 50 Clapham High Street, SW4 7UL. 4pm-3am. Free. Funky Clapham bar with stylish swish. TONIGHT: DJ Mark Norton.

The Yard at 57 Rupert Street, Soho, W1D 7PL. Open till 12am. FREE. Renowned as one of Soho's most unique and popular destination venues, with a huge outdoor terrace.

The Duke of Wellington at 77 Wardour Street, Soho, W1D 6QA. Open till 12am. Free entry. Get ready for another great weekend by kicking things off at the venerable Duke with DJ Gordon John.

The Victoria at 186 Hoe Street, Walthamstow, E17. Open 'til 3am. Lively East End pub features karaoke every Friday!

Discipline at Circa, 62 Frith Street, Soho, W1D 3JN. 4pm-1am. Soho's intimate but packed-out bar/club spot watches Munroe Bergdorf and friends werq the floor!

SATURDAY 22ND MARCH

CLUBS & EVENTS

G-A-Y presents Kylie at Heaven, Villiers Street, WC2N 6NG. 10pm-5am. Discount wristbands available from G-A-Y Bar. The palace of pop and quite possibly the world's most famous gay club packs out this cavernous venue. TONIGHT: Kylie, the Queen of G-A-Y and one of the first ladies of Pop, returns to the stage at Heaven.

XXL - Bear at Pulse, 1 Invicta Plaza, South Bank, SE1 9UF. 10pm-7am. £8 members, £15 guests. £5 after 4am. 4 huge arenas, a mega cruise space and chill space. Plus, big tunes from resident DJs Christian M, Alex Logan, Joe Egg and Mark Ames. TONIGHT: The night for big blokes gets furry with XXL Bear.

TheMenWhoFell2Earth at East Bloc, 217 City Road, Shoreditch, EC1V 1JN. 10.30pm-6am. £6/10. The night that throws the quality of the music into the spotlight and keeps your feet firmly dancing all night long! Guest DJs The Lovely Jonjo and Chris Camplin in the main room. Female fronted pop with Debbie in Room 2. Plus, added Ollywood and Bother.

The Lovely Jonjo

The Gym meets Fitladz at Barcode, 69 Albert Embankment, Vauxhall, SE1 7TP. 10pm-super-late. Vauxhall's funked-up club destination features to mighty sporty parties under one roof raising venue. First, Belgium club The Gym brings the European flava to the event as London's very Own Fitladz delivers the spunky attitude (and cruise space!).

R18 at Eagle London, 349 Kennington Lane, SE11 5QY. 9pm-4am. FREE b4 10pm/£6 after. FREE in suitably sexy gear. The monthly cruise session that pulls in a stridently sexy and horny crowd of guys. Hosted by Mr Eagle Alfie Stone and porn partner Jack Empire. Music by Astroboy and Eduardo Hererra.

Classic Music Company X DSS at Dalston Superstore, 117 Kingsland High Street, E8 2PB. 9pm-3am. Free before 10pm, £5 after. Luke Solomon and the Classic Music Company are back at Dalston Superstore! Luke plays the laser basement with surprise special guest as upstairs its Hifi Sean and DJ Hushpuppy.

Ostgut Ton Nacht at Dance Tunnel, 95 Kingsland High Street, E8 2PB. 10pm-5am. Feel the Berlin beats at this new residency with Panorama Bar and Berghain resident Ryan Elliott joined by Classic Music Company alumni Dan Beaumont.

Hombre at Manbar, 79 Charing Cross Road, Soho, WC2H 0NE. 10pm-3.30am. FREE b4 11pm/£4 after. Manbar DJs play commercial dance for a crowd of upferit blokes and butch boys 'til late. With guest DJs plus pole dancing beauties. Official Beyond pre-party.

Sweatbox Foam Party at 1-2 Ramilies Street, Soho, W1F 7LN. 24 hours. £16. Unwind and release some tension after a stressy week with the all the fun of the foam at Sweatbox's original weekly party.

Riverside at The Riverside Tavern, 8 Canal Road, Strood, Kent, ME2 4DR. One of Kent's premier gay venues holds another big Saturday night bash.

Duckie at RVT, 372 Kennington Lane, Vauxhall, SE11 5HY. 9pm-2am. £6. Authentic London club/ entertainment nighter. Hosted by Amy Lamé, record players Readers Wifes.

Ku Klub at Ku Bar Lisle Street at 30 Lisle Street, Leicester Square, WC2. 10pm-3am. FREE b4 11pm, £5 after. £3 with wristband/membership. The party continues in Ku's basement club with hot pop and floor fillers from the DJs.

G-A-Y Late at 5 Goslett Yard, off Charing Cross Road, WC2. 11pm-3am. Hot pop sounds, drink specials, cute guys and a pop perfect atmosphere.

Inferno at The Shadow Lounge, 5 Brewer Street, Soho, W1F 0RF. 10pm-3am. Everything goes on Saturday nights when Andrew Elmore spins the greatest hits of the week and the hosts are at their cheekiest. Dancers, shot boys and hot boys all around, a 5 hour non-stop party!

Beyond (after-hours) at Area, Albert Embankment, Vauxhall, SE1 7TP. 3am (Sunday morning)–midday. Mammoth mash-up explodes across Area with big main floor upfront house and edgier sounds in the Chapel Bar.

BARS & CABARET

Saturday Market + Bears Downstairs at Halfway 2 Heaven, 7 Duncannon St, WC2N 4JF. Open 'til 3am. Rose Garden's Saturday Market from 4pm. Bears go down with the gruff guys and Justin Swift from 9pm with special guest Morag McDuff.

The Two Brewers at 114 Clapham High Street, SW4 7UJ. 5pm-4am. FREE b4 10pm, £7 after. Cabaret and

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Saturday Night Beaver at The Black Cap, 171 Camden High Street, NW1 7JY. 10pm-3am. £5. The legendary north London cabaret, club and pub.

The Old Ship at 17 Barnes Street, Limehouse, E14 7NW. 9pm-late. Local gay bar in East London's Limehouse. TONIGHT: Cabaret from

Rupert Street at 50 Rupert Street, Soho, W1D 6DR. Kick Saturday night off with sounds from the hottest DJs at this lively Soho bar. TONIGHT: DJ Little John.

Central Station at 37 Wharfdale Road, Kings Cross, N1 9SD. Open 'til 4am. FREE before 10pm. Cabaret then DJs 'til late. TONIGHT: Cabaret from Davina Sparkle.

The Victoria at 186 Hoe Street, Walthamstow, E17. Open 'til 3am. Free b4 9.30pm, £5 after. Lively East End pub that turns extra flamboyant on the weekends! TONIGHT: Cabaret from Tammy Twinkle.

Circa at 62 Frith Street, Soho, W1D 3JN. 4pm-1am. Soho's intimate but packed-out bar/club spot with the most amazing DJ booth in town!

The Edge at 11 Soho Square, Soho, W1D 3QE. 12noon-3am. FREE b4 10.30pm. Open super-late with DJs spinning upfront vocal house, with hot gogo dancers gyrating away as Felicia Van Cartier exudes fabulousness.

Ku Bar at Ku Bar Lisle Street, Chinatown, WC2H 7BA. 6pm-3am. One of London's hottest gay bars and clubs, with the hottest boys both behind the bar and in front of it, stretching over three floors.

Comptons of Soho at 51-53 Old Compton Street, Soho, W1D 6HN. 12pm-2am. The grand dame of Soho pulling in a more blokey crowd. DJ Jo Publik from 9pm.

The Big Saturday Night Out at Duke of Wellington, 77 Wardour Street, Soho, W1D 6QA. Open till 12am. Free. DJs on rotation each Saturday keep this happening pub fresh and party-central!

G-A-Y Bar at 30 Old Compton Street, Soho, W1D 4UR. Midday-Midnight. FREE. Soho's palace of pop with the hottest videos screened out across the venue, great drinks deals and discount entry wrist bands for G-A-Y @ Heaven.

Pick N Mix at The City of Quebec, 12 Old Quebec Street, Marble Arch, W1H 7AF. Top tunes and late night fun at the legendary gay boozer near Marble Arch.

Retox at The Bridge Bar at 8 Voltaire Road, Clapham, SW4 6DH. 5pm-2am. Clapham's latest addition invites you into its party hostel with DJs Kurt and Pete Spirko.

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Klub Klimax at West 5, South Ealing, Pope's Lane, W5 4NB. The popular West London club, bar and cabaret spot, with added Piano Lounge fun. TONIGHT: Entertainment from Jennie Castell. DJ Ian with Aurelia on piano.

SUNDAY 23RD MARCH

CLUBS & EVENTS

Horse Meat Disco at Eagle London, 349 Kennington Lane, Vauxhall, SE11 5QY. 8pm-4am. £6. The HMD gymkhana continues to shake Vauxhall down every week. Residents spin super-disco sounds with weekly guests.

Pure Disco Foundation at Kazbar, 50 Clapham High Street, SW4 7UL. 5pm-9pm. Clapham gets dancing every Sunday with this new weekly session hosted by UK soul house diva Angie Brown. Featuring DJ Edu Gantous.

Popbox at Barcode, 69 Albert Embankment, Vauxhall, SE1 7TP. 10pm-4am. A new dedicated pop and commercial music night from Jason Prince and Matt Unique with special guests spinning all things 80s, 90s, 00s, now and up to date remixes.

Sundays at the RVT at RVT, 372 Kennington Lane, SE11 5HY. 2pm-midnight. £8, £5 after 7.30pm. The afternoon/evening clubbing session slot playing huge dance anthems and commercial house. Plus, multi-media entertainment from Charlie Hides TV at 5.30pm. TONIGHT: Simon Le Vans Sunday special celebrating the great Mr Le Vans's birthday with Little Rob and Rob C.

BARS & CABARET

Halfway 2 Heaven at 7 Duncannon Street, Charing Cross, WC2N 4JF. Open 'til 11pm. Long running popular Central London cabaret pub. DJ David Robson from 3.30pm with CK Sunday, followed by Mrs Moore and Tanya Hyde.

Ku Bar Lisle Street at 30 Lisle Street, Leicester Square, WC2H 7BA. 10pm-midnight. FREE. Lady Lloyd's hit factory hits Ku Bar Lisle Street, with hot boys on the dancefloor, hot tunes in your ears and hot boys behind the bar!

The City of Quebec at 12 Old Quebec Street, Marble Arch, W1H 7AF. Legendary gay boozer near Marble Arch features weekly cabaret. TONIGHT: Cabaret from Dave Lynn (9pm).

The Old Ship at 17 Barnes Street, Limehouse, E14 7NW. 8pm-midnight. Free. Local gay bar in East London's Limehouse. TONIGHT: Cabaret from Drag With No Name.

Genre: Gay London Film Club at Manbar, 79 Charing Cross Road, Soho, WC2H 0NE. From 6pm. Free. Forget the maddening party scene and indulge in free weekly screenings of the best movies, plus an opportunity to meet like-minded guys. TONIGHT'S FILM: Chicago.

Cabaret Sundays at Riverside Tavern, 8 Canal Road, Kent, ME2 4DR. 9pm-12am. Free entry. Live cabaret every Sunday at Kent's finest Tavern, starting from 9pm. TONIGHT: Sandra.

StudiO at Circa, 62 Frith Street, Soho, W1D 3JN. 4pm-1am. Dusty O brings you the campest Sunday nighter on the block, a little sparkle to the heart of Soho!

West 5 at Pope's Lane, South Ealing, W5 4NB. Open from 8pm. FREE. Disco with Aaron from 10.30pm. Happy hour all night. TONIGHT: Cookie's Karaoke!

The Edge at 11 Soho Square, Soho, W1D 3QE. 3pm-11.30pm. Soho's multi-floored gay wonder, which every gay man of London needs to visit at least once!

Sunday Live: Cabaret at The Bridge Bar at 8 Voltaire Road, Clapham, SW4 6DH. On stage from 7pm. FREE. The new Sunday Live stage presents exceptional cabaret each week.

The Black Cap at 171 Camden High Street, NW1 7JY. 7pm-late. £5. The long-running cabaret, club and pub nestled in the heart of Camden. TONIGHT: Myra DuBois presents a 'Right Good Sunday'!

The Two Brewers at 114 Clapham High Street, SW4 7UJ. 4pm-2am. FREE b4 8pm, £3 after. South London's legendary cabaret, club and pub. TONIGHT: Cabaret from The Power of 3.

Ku Klub at Ku Bar Lisle Street, 30 Lisle Street, Leicester Square, WC2H 7BA. 10pm-11am. FREE. Lady Lloyd's hit factory hits Ku Bar Lisle Street, with hot boys on the dancefloor, hot tunes in your ears and hot boys behind the

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MONDAY 24TH MARCH

CLUBS & EVENTS

Popcorn – House Arrest at Heaven, Villiers Street, WC2N 6NG. 11pm-5.30am. £4 b4 1am, £5 after, £8 after 2am. FREE with wristbands from G-A-Y Bar b4 1am. Massive mixed mash-up with four rooms of top sounds, from upfront, progressive house to chart hits, via R&B tuneage. Perfect polysexual party to start the week as you mean to go on. TONIGHT: House Arrest with bangin' tunes from DJs Neroli, Paulo Moreno and Jamie Hammond.

Bear Trap with The Dream Bears at Manbar, 79 Charing Cross Road, Soho, WC2H 0NE. 9pm-3.30am. Entrance £3 before 11pm. Weekly beary Monday. Great drink specials with top tunes from Spanish resident DJ Gretta Gargola and hosted by Kurt Hoffman. TONIGHT: Dance troupe the DreamBears present another show-stopping cabaret turn!

Ku Klub at Ku Bar Lisle Street, 30 Lisle Street, WC2. 10pm-3am. FREE. DJs play the weekend out on a wave of hot pop.

G-A-Y Late at 5 Goslett Yard, of Charing Cross Road, WC2. 11pm-3am. Late night dancing spot for pure-pop enthusiasts doing the funky chickens.

The Big Bingo Show at RVT, 372 Kennington Lane, Vauxhall, SE11. Doors 7pm. Eyes down 8.30-10.30pm, party 'til midnight. Free entry, £1 per game. Timberlina hosts this madcap night of balls and booze. Hey Baylen plays the tunes.

Hard-Up Mondays at Sweatbox, 1-2 Ramilies Street, Soho, W1F 7LN. 24 hours. Under 25s FREE all day, £16 others. Finding Mondays hard to handle? Relieve the pressure with this specially discounted day for under 25s (ID required) at Soho's only gay sauna.

Desire at Union, 66 Albert Embankment, Vauxhall, SE1. 3am (Tuesday morning) – 11am. £5 before 5am with this listing. Progressive, tech, tribal, electro and deep house with DJs Steven Geller, Alan K, Bruno Nouer and Julia Nouer.

BARS & CABARET

The Old Ship at 17 Barnes Street, Limehouse, E14 7NW. Local gay bar in East London's Limehouse.

Rupert Street at 50 Rupert Street, Soho, W1D 6DR. The trendy Soho drinking spot celebrates Monday with Bar £2.50!

Eagle London, 349 Kennington Lane, Vauxhall, SE11 5QY. 9pm-2am. Free before 10pm, £3 after. The renowned Eagle Bar is now open seven days a week, come for an after-work tipple, a cheeky midweek night out with the boys or a night cap and cruise on your way home.

Man Health at Manbar, 79 Charing Cross Road, Soho, WC2H 0NE. 5pm-8.30pm. FREE. Sexual Health Clinic 56 Dean Street provide this free and confidential HIV and sexual health testing clinic.

Comptons of Soho at 51-53 Old Compton Street, Soho, W1D 6HN. 12pm-11.30pm. The real queen of Soho. Bar £2.50 on popular drinks from 5pm.

Backing The Stars at Halfway 2 Heaven, 7 Duncannon St. WC2. 7.30pm. Kevin Walsh gets the pub going with this karaoke weekly.

Karaoke at The City of Quebec, 12 Old Quebec Street, Marble Arch, W1H 7AF. Steve Tee hosts the singing fun at the famous gay boozer in Marble Arch.

Two Brewers at 114 Clapham High Street, SW4 7UJ. The landmark south London cabaret, bar and club. TONIGHT: Mrs Moore's weekly Monday cabaret session.

Give It Some Welly at Duke of Wellington, 77 Wardour Street, Soho, W1D 6QA. Open till 12am. Free. Drinks deals extravaganzas at the Duke with £2 selected drinks all day and DJ Hothouse Club.

TUESDAY 25TH MARCH

CLUBS & EVENTS

G-A-Y Late at 5 Goslett Yard, off Charing Cross Road, WC2. 11pm-3am. The weekend begins early or finishes late to a melodious mix of classic chart pop and current hits.

Queerly Pop at Escape, 8-10 Brewer Street, Soho, W1F 0SU. 9pm-3am. Free entry until 10.30pm, then £3 members/£4 with flyers/£5 others. Hosted by Lee Harris, presenting a night of pop music and karaoke entertainment.

BARS & CABARET

Retro Tuesday at Duke of Wellington, 77 Wardour Street, Soho, W1D 6QA. Open till 12am. Free. Nineties music plus old school games will rev up your Tuesday night.

Kazbar – Doggy Style at 50 Clapham High Street, SW4 7UL. 4pm-3am. Free. Don't leave Scooby at home! The Clapham bar invites all puppy lovers to bring their pooch to Kazbar and mingle with other doggies! Water bowls and treats provided.

Tiffaney Wells Double Thrill at The City of Quebec, 12 Old Quebec Street, Marble Arch, W1H 7AF. The legendary gay pub in the heart of London. Tiffaney Wells presents two shows at 9pm and 10pm.

Karaoke at Two Brewers, 114 Clapham High Street, SW4 7UJ. 5pm-2am. £3 b4 10pm, £4 after. Sing-along the mid-week blues with Kevin Walsh.

Eagle London, 349 Kennington Lane, Vauxhall, SE11 5QY. 9pm-2am. Free before 10pm, £3 after. The renowned Eagle Bar is now open seven days a week, come for an after-work tipple, a cheeky midweek night out with the boys or a night cap and cruise on your way home.

Mecca Rock and Roll Bingo at The Black Cap, 171 Camden High Street, NW1 7JY. Midday-Midnight. The long-running cabaret, club and pub nestled in the heart of Camden presents bonkers bingo.

Spotlight at Manbar, 79 Charing Cross Road, Soho, WC2H 0NE. 10pm-3.30am. FREE b4 11pm/£3 after. Topsie Redfern hosts the weekly talent contest (from 10pm) produced by Duncan Day.

Bette Rinse at Halfway 2 Heaven, 7 Duncannon Street, Charing Cross, WC2N 4JF. From 8.45pm. Join cabaret scene queen Bette Rinse for cabaret and fun at this landmark gay venue. Bette's only weekly residency!

Cookie Monstar at Molly Moggs, 2 Old Compton Street, Soho, W1D 4TA. 8.30pm. FREE. Song and sinful fun from Cookie.

WEDNESDAY 26TH MARCH

CLUBS & EVENTS

Spoken Word London at Vogue Fabrics, 66 Stoke Newington Road, N16 7XB. 7.30pm-11ish. Free. QX Assistant Editor Pat Cash presents an open mic night of poetry, performance, monologues, singing, rap, soliloquies and anything in-between. Open to all! Arrive b4 8pm to sign up for a spot.

XXL at Pulse, 1 Invicta Plaza, South Bank, SE1 9UF. 9pm-3am. Members free, others £3. Midweek, dance, booze and cruise at the world famous club for hunks, chunks, bears and admirers.

Foam Party at Sweatbox, 1-2 Ramilies Street, Soho, W1F 7LN. 24 hours. £16. If you can't make the weekend wet fun, why not head down tonight? Relieve the midweek stress! The foam flies at 7, 8 and 9pm.

Ku Klub at Ku Bar Lisle Street, 30 Lisle Street, WC2. 10pm-3am. FREE. The party continues 'til late in the Ku basement.

BARS & CABARET

Wednesday Naughties at Central Station, 37 Wharfdale Road, Kings Cross N1 9SD. 10pm. FREE. Excellent cabaret to fire up your Wednesday evenings. Hosted by Cookie Monstar.

Cookie Monstar

Sing-Along A Sound at Halfway II Heaven, 7 Duncannon Street, Charing Cross, WC2N 4JF. From 9pm. Martha D'Arthur hosts a sing-along session at Halfway's popular cabaret spot.

The Old Ship at 17 Barnes Street, Limehouse, E14 7NW. Quiz from 9.30pm. Local gay bar in East London's Limehouse.

Detained at Circa, 62 Frith Street, Soho, W1D 3JN. Open 'til 1am. Circa goes all-out with the dance, pop and R'n'B remixes every Wednesday. DJs Attack Attack Attack, Kingsley, Munroe Bergdorf and Kris Di Angelis on rotation.

Eagle London, 349 Kennington Lane, Vauxhall, SE11 5QY. 9pm-2am. Free before 10pm, £3 after. Come for an after-work tipple, a cheeky midweek night out with the boys or a night cap and cruise on your way home.

Record Box at Manbar, 79 Charing Cross Road, Soho, WC2H 0NE. 10pm-3.30am. FREE b4 11pm/£3 after. DJ Hifi Sean presents an eclectic mix of music with anthems, rare and special, B-side and other gems of musical delight. Hosted by Glendora.

Martha's Quiz at West 5, Pope's Lane, South Ealing, W5 4NB. Open from 8pm. FREE. Martha puts your brain in gear with her weekly quiz.

Comptons of Soho at 51-53 Old Compton Street, Soho, W1D 6HN. 12pm-11.30pm. Super social pub downstairs, more chilled club lounge upstairs with guest pianist tinkling the ivories.

Two Brewers at 114 Clapham High Street, SW4 7UJ. FREE b4 10pm, £3 after. South London's famous bar/club.

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The infamous Jack Hammer Club 'Kink Lad Party' returns on Saturday 22nd March! Dress as kinky as like, cruise or play, with free gloves and condoms plus shower facilities, slings and a play room. Plus bring your own alcohol!

SE5 Dungeon, 156 Wells Way, Camberwell, SE5 7SY. 10.30pm-4.30am. For tickets and membership visit: www.jackhammerclub.co.uk

THURSDAY 20TH MARCH

Vault: Cruise/Stripped at 139b-143 Whitfield Street, W1T 5EN. DAY CRUISE (1-7pm. £6). STRIPPED (7pm-1am. £7). Free drink, cloakroom and re-entry. Get nude and rude. Strictly naked, except footwear.

Eagle London Cruise at 349 Kennington Lane, Vauxhall, SE11 5QY. 9pm-2am. Members FREE, guests FREE b4 10pm, £3 after. Men-only cruise bar for blokes, bears, and their mates.

The Underground Club, 37 Wharfdale Road, Kings Cross, N1. PANTS (1-6pm) Underwear fun. SPANKZ (6pm-10pm) CP night for rougher, tougher play. Followed by COME TO DADDY (10pm-2am).

SexVibe at Barcode, 69 Albert Embankment, Vauxhall, SE1 7TP. 10pm-late. £5. Cruise session, dark room and horny house beats while Vibe and PopVibe spin urban and pop tunes downstairs.

FRIDAY 21ST MARCH

Fitladz at Barcode, 69 Albert Embankment, Vauxhall, SE1 7TP. 9pm-9am. £8 members, £10 guests. Get sexy at this cruise/club sesh! Horny lads, hot grooves, plus extended cruise space.

The Underground Club at Central Station, 37 Wharfdale Road, Kings Cross, N1. PANTS (1-6pm, £4 entry) Undies only! FEET ON FRIDAY (7pm-midnight) Foot fetish fun. PAUNCHY (midnight-4am) The club for big bellied men and those that admire them.

Cruise/Dark Room at Ted's Place, 305a North End Rd, W14. 7pm-midnight. £3. Dirty, sexy cruise night.

Vault: Cruise at 139b-143 Whitfield Street, W1T 5EN. DAY CRUISE (1-7pm. £6). NIGHT CRUISE (7pm-1am. £7). Free drink, cloakroom and re-entry. Horny cruise spot minute's from the West End.

The Backstreet at MA1 Backstreet, Wentworth Mews, Mile End, E3 4UA. 10pm-3am. FREE in tall boots, members free b4 10.45pm/£4 after, £7 others. Leather/rubber club spot.

SATURDAY 22ND MARCH

Kink Lad Party. See box out.

Pleasuredrome at Arch 124 Cornwall Road, Waterloo SE1 8XE. Open 24/7. £15, £12 under 25 with ID. FREE towel. Cruise all day and night with plenty of rooms to play. Licensed bar.

The Hoist at Arches 47b & 47c, South Lambeth Road, Vauxhall, SW8 1RH. BOYS & SIRS (2pm-7pm) Spanking/CP/punishment event. SBN AFTERDARK (Arch 1) Dresscode naked and live show.

Buff at MA1 Backstreet, Wentworth Mews, Mile End, E3 4UA. 6pm-10pm. £8 members/£9 guests (free drink/coat check). Naked, shorts or underwear.

The Backstreet at MA1 Backstreet, Wentworth Mews, Mile End, E3 4UA. 10pm-3am. Free members b4 10.45pm/£4 after, £7 others. Free all night in rubber.

The Underground Club at Central Station, 37 Wharfdale Road, Kings Cross, N1. PANTS (1-6pm, £4) Best undies for the boys. COLLARED (7pm-midnight) The friendly BDSM night.

Harder at Bar Berlin**,** Arch 47c, South Lambeth Road, SW8. 10pm-4am. Macho night of leather, rubber, skin, uniform, industrial, or just boots/jocks.

Vault: Cruise at 139b-143 Whitfield Street, W1T 5EN. DAY CRUISE (1pm-7pm. £6) NIGHT CRUISE (7pm-1am. £7). Free drink, cloakroom, re-entry. Dark corners, catch a dirty movie, indulge your carnal side.

SUNDAY 23RD MARCH

Chill Out at Ted's Place, 305a North End Road. 7pm-2am. £3 b4 10pm, £5 after. Mixed/gay crowd of cruisey guys.

Pleasuredrome at Arch 124 Cornwall Road, Waterloo SE1 8XE. Open 24/7. £15, £12 under 25 with ID. FREE towel. Cruise day and night, plenty of rooms to play. Licensed bar.

Buff at MA1 Backstreet, Wentworth Mews, Mile End, E3 4UA. 6pm-10pm. £8 members/£9 guests (free drink/coat check). Horny, naked cruise party. Stay on for after-party 'til late - arrive before 9.30pm! (Closed 1st Sunday of the month for Lycra night HERO'S)

The Hoist at Arches 47b & 47c, South Lambeth Road, Vauxhall, SW8 1RH. S.B.N. (2-7pm) Fully naked cruise club. N.B.N. vs S.E.X. (9pm-1am) Wear what you like, do who ya want.

Vault: Underwear/ Cruise at 139b-143 Whitfield Street, W1T 5EN. UNDERWEAR (1-7pm. £6). CRUISE (7pm-1am. £7). Free drink, cloakroom and re-entry. Just pants b4 7pm, then cruise 'til late.

S.O.P. at The Underground Club, Central Station, 37 Wharfdale Road, Kings Cross, N1. 1pm-midnight. £7. Yellow fun for waterworks fans.

MONDAY 24TH MARCH

Vault: Cruise/Stripped at Vault, 139b-143 Whitfield Street, W1T 5EN. CRUISE (1-7pm. £6). STRIPPED (7pm-1am. £7). Free drink, cloakroom and re-entry. Horny cruise session first before naked time (except footwear).

The Underground Club at Central Station, 37 Wharfdale Road, Kings Cross, N1. PANTS (1-6pm) BUTT NAKED (6pm-10pm) Strip down and get off with like-minded guys. HARD CRUZ (10pm-1am, free entry) Hard cruzing for horny guyz.

Pleasuredrome at Arch 124 Cornwall Road, Waterloo SE1 8XE. Open 24/7. £15, £12 under 25 with ID. FREE towel. Cruise day and night with plenty of rooms to play. Licensed bar.

Sportswear Cruise at Ted's Place, 305a North End Rd, W14. 7pm-midnight. £3. Football shorts freaks, Speedo lovers, basketball tops (and bottoms), rugby buggers and trackie sluts unite!

TUESDAY 25TH MARCH

Club CP at East Bloc, 217 City Road, Shoreditch, EC1V 1JN. 7-11pm. £6. For rough play, spanking and all things harsh. No membership. Judgement-free atmosphere.

Eagle London Cruise at 349 Kennington Lane, Vauxhall, SE11 5QY. 9pm-2am. Members FREE, guests FREE b4 10pm, £3 after. Men-only cruise bar for blokes, bears, and their mates.

Underwear/Naked at Ted's Place, 305s North End Rd, W14. 7pm-midnight. £4. Strictly underwear only.

Vault: Cruise at 139b-143 Whitfield Street, W1T 5EN. 1-7pm, £6. 7pm-1am. £7. Cruising session at this horny hot spot.

The Underground Club at Central Station, 37 Wharfdale Road, Kings Cross, N1. S.O.P. (6pm-1am) Yellow fun for waterworks fans.

WEDNESDAY 26TH MARCH

Buff at MA1 Backstreet, Wentworth Mews, Mile End, E3 4UA. 7pm-11pm. £8 members/£9 guests (free drink/coat check). Horny, naked cruise party. Heated outdoor 'naked' smokers terrace.

N.B.N. at The Hoist, 47b South Lambeth Road, Vauxhall, SW8. 9pm-1am. £8.50. If ya like to strip, but prefer to add some boots or a tasteful accessory rather than go full monty.

Vault: Cruise/ Underwear at 139b-143 Whitfield Street, W1T 5EN. DAY CRUISE (1-7pm. £6) Then UNDERWEAR (7pm-1am. £7) Free drink, cloakroom and re-entry. Get down to your underwear.

The Underground Club at Central Station, 37 Wharfdale Road, Kings Cross, N1. HARD CRUZ (10pm-1am).

Eagle London Cruise at 349 Kennington Lane, Vauxhall, SE11 5QY. 9pm-2am. Members FREE, guests FREE b4 10pm, £3 after. Men-only cruise bar for blokes, bears, and their mates.

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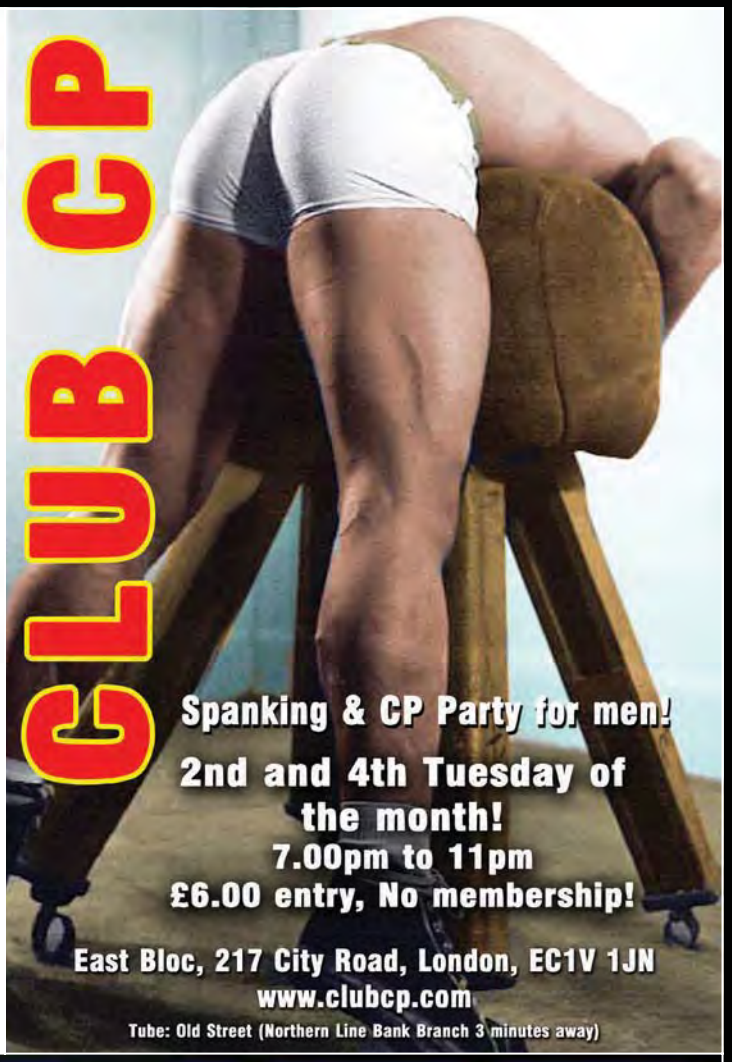

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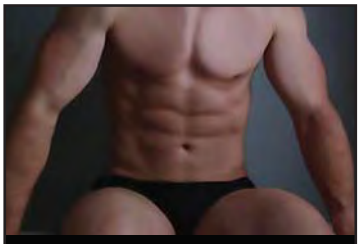

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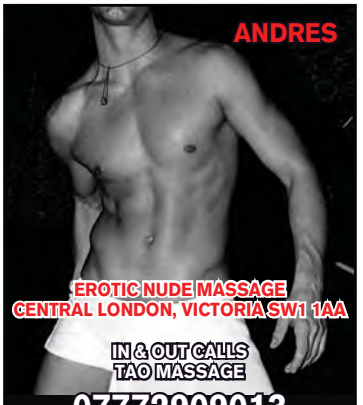

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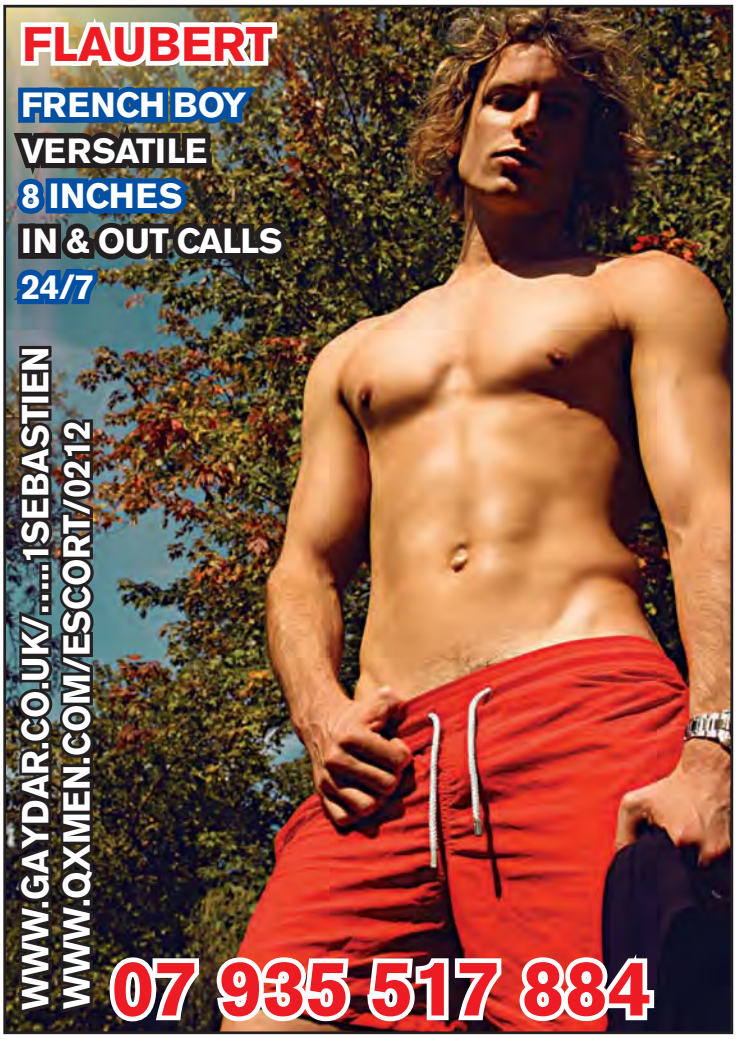

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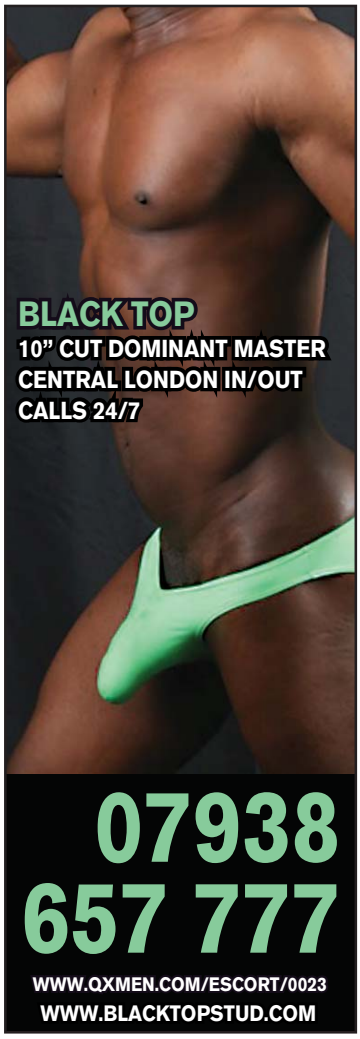

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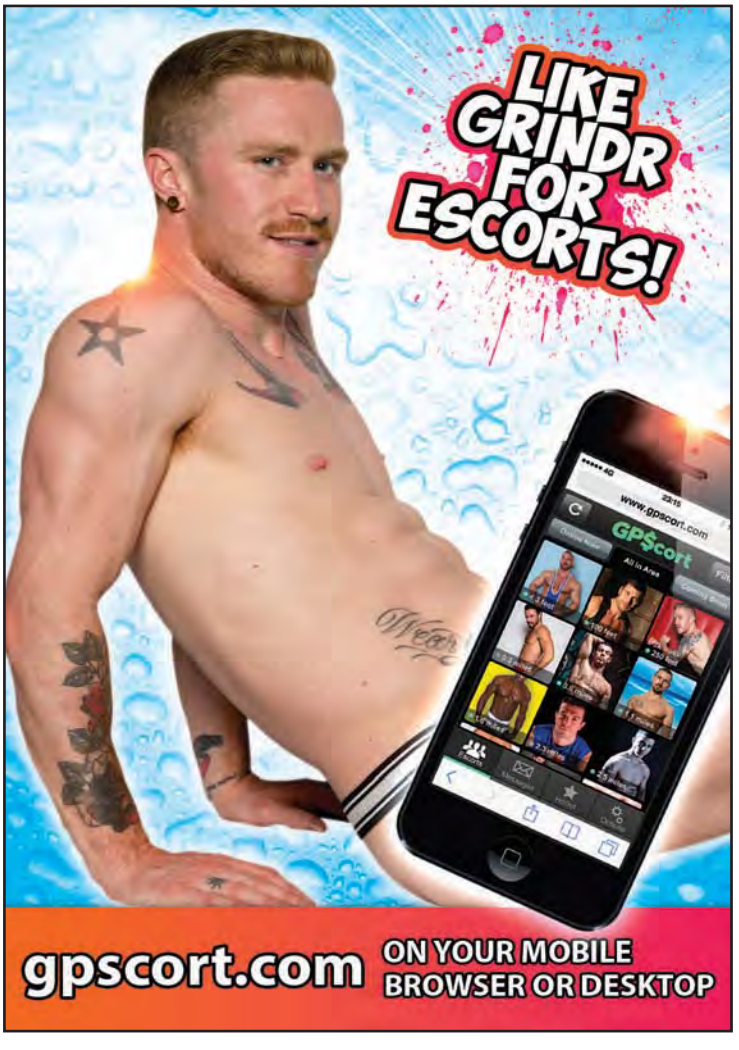

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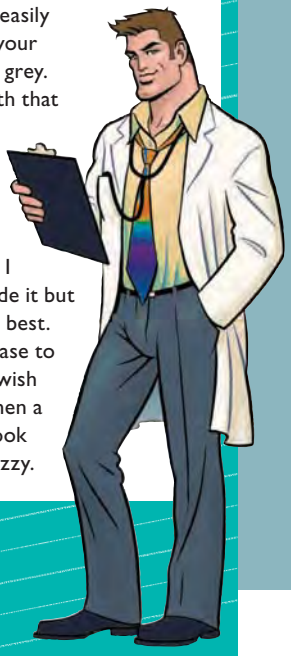
DR ALEX, GP

Hi Dr Alex
I'm 35 and greying much more than my friends and I just wonder why? I think it makes me look much older than I am and I'm just not ready to be a silver fox! Is there anything I can do to slow the greying? I have lots of friends who take Propecia to prevent hair loss (thankfully not a problem for me) but I wonder if this also would help to stop the hair ageing?
Thanks,
JJ

Hair goes 'grey' (actually white) when colour-producing cells stop producing pigment. Naturally occurring hydrogen peroxide can also build up in the hair, bleaching the colour out. Typically, white people start going grey in their mid-30s, Asians in their late 30s, and black people in their mid-40s. And half of all people have a significant amount of grey hair by the time they turn 50. So I wonder what is your background and the background of your friends you are comparing yourself to? If you are white and your friends are black then you are likely to see your hair lose colour well before theirs. Also a white person is only considered to be prematurely grey if hair turns grey by age 20 and a black man before the age 30, and so at 35 you're not greying early. Your hair colour is largely dictated by the genes you got from your parents, and so if they started to grey early then this is the reason you have too.

Greying is not a medical problem and research has shown that it is not linked to any health problems later in life. So, that's good news. But many guys do feel self-conscious of their grey hair especially in the youth obsessed gay world. So what are your options?

Propecia is a tablet to prevent hair loss and promote hair regrowth. Unfortunately it would not do anything to stop greying. And in fact there is no medicine that can help you. So your only real options are to hide it, camouflage it or embrace it. Hiding it means dying it. Many guys dye their facial hair, but head hair can be a little trickier. We have all seen some terrible dye jobs, so be careful! There is also the cost of this to bear in mind and the fact that once you start you may find it hard to stop. Camouflaging it can be a good option and can easily be done by wearing your hair short or asking your hairdresser to tone down and not remove the grey.



Or you can embrace it and challenge the myth that grey hair makes you old. At 35 you say you are too young to be a silver fox, but your natural hair colour usually complements your face more than a dye job and as a young developing silver fox you have something unique that will set you apart from the crowd. I say wear your hair colour with pride. Don't hide it but get some advice about how to make it look its best. That can involve using shampoos with a blue base to help prevent grey hair from developing a yellowish cast, and if you are wearing your hair longer then a hair straightener can help to make your hair look sleeker and shinier as grey hair tends to get frizzy.

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