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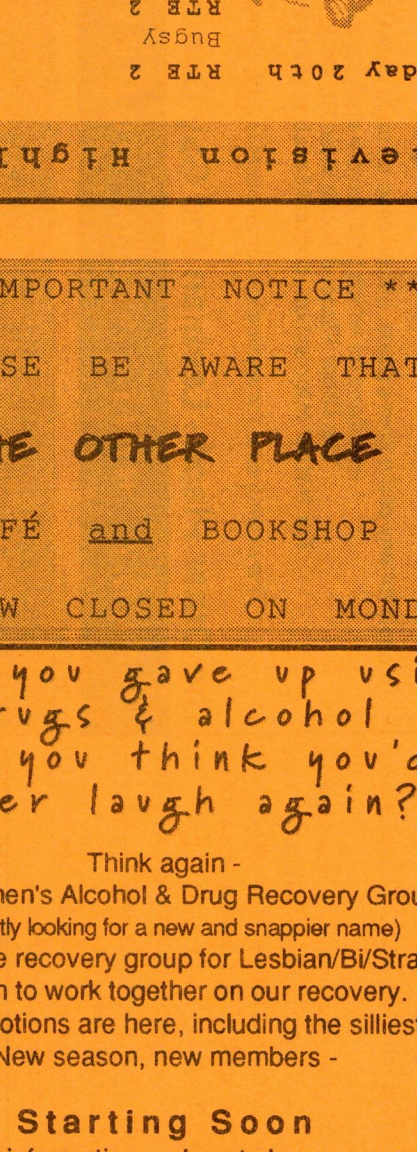


LISTINGS

Accommodation	Cafés	Services
Gay Owned:	The Other Side Café 8 South Main Street.	'Reach' Gay Group with Christian Outlook Reach (021) 319008 Tuesdays 7.30-9.30pm
Danny's 3 St John's Terrace, Upper John Street, Cork. (021) 503606	Bracken's, Paul Street.	'Living Sober' Alcoholics Anonymous Group presented by Gay Men Saturdays at 7pm at The Other Place (021) 271087
Amazonia, Coast Road, Fountainstown, Co. Cork. (021) 831113	**Nightlife**	
Mont Bretia Ardgole Skibbereen Co. Cork. (028) 33663	**Pubs:**	'Loafers' Douglas Street. Women Only Back Bar on Thursdays. (021) 311612	'Icebreakers' Meets 4pm 1st Saturday of the month Contact Gay Information
Leisure	Quay Co-Op, 24 Sullivan's Quay. (021) 317026	STD Clinic, Victoria Hospital. Appointments Only: Mon-Fri 9.00am -12.30pm (021) 966844
Grand Central Leisure Mardyke. Mon-Sun 10-11		
Housing	Café Paradiso, Lancaster Quay. (021) 277939 Every first Friday of the month at 8.30pm in The Other Place	Artists' Support Group for Lesbian/Bisexual Women.
Choices, 13 Washington Street. (021) 272727		
Declan's 85 Hanover House, South Main Street. (021) 272559	The Ivory Tower, Princes Street. (021) 274665	Married Gay Men Wednesday 7-9pm Saturday 3-5pm (021) 271087
Hairdressers	Prouby's Bistro, Crosses Green. (021) 316531	Cork AIDS Alliance/Cairde 16 Peter Street. (021) 275837
Blades, North Main Street. (021) 277500	Keltners, Paul Street. (021) 272868	Live and Let Live Group Ring Gay/Lesbian Line: (021) 271087
Vibes and Scribes, Bridge Street.		Lesbian Health Project, 8 South Main Street, (021) 278470
Bookshops	The Other Place' South Main Street. Women Only 1st Friday of the month.	AIDS Helpline Cork, Mon-Fri 10am-5pm (021) 276676
Collins, Carey's Lane.	**Restaurants**	Southern Gay Health Project, 8 South Main Street, (021) 278745
The Other Side, 8 South Main Street.	The Boxing Cat Grill, 4 Bridge Street. (021) 551635	
Disco:		Gay Information Cork, Wednesday 7-9pm Saturday 3-5pm (021) 271087
Kinlay House, Shandon, Cork (021) 508966		
York House, 3 York Street, Cork. (021) 501055	An Siol Brón 17 MacCurtain Street (021) 509169	Cork Lesbian Line, Thursday 8-10pm (021) 271087
Gay Friendly:		
Co. Cork. (028) 33663	(021) 311612	Meets 4pm 1st Saturday of the month Contact Gay Information

Television Highlights

Saturday 20th	RTE 2	21.00
	Bugsy	
	RTE 2	23.55
	Band of Gold	
	C4	20.00
	The Decision	
	C4	24.10
	Crapston Villas	
Sunday 21st	RTE 1	23.35
	Reputations	
	BBC 1	21.55
	French & Saunders	
Monday 22nd	RTE 2	23.20
	WaterRats	
	UTV	24.05
	Planet Rock Profiles	
Tuesday 23rd	RTE 2	24.00
	The Bishop's Wife	
	RTE 2	19.15
	Xena: Warrior Princess	
	RTE 2	20.40
	Friends	
	C4	16.55
	Rikki Lake	
Wednesday 24th	RTE 2	19.40
	Goldenger	
	RTE 2	22.25
	Absolutely Fabulous	
Friday 26th	BBC 2	21.30
	Shooting Stars	
	C4	19.55
	Music of the Millenium	
	C4	21.35
	Cybill	



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Ireland's Leading Feminist Magazine Goes Monthly

From October on the Belfast based unique feminist magazine Women's News is out on the shelves monthly. For over 14 years readers from all over Ireland, Europe and Overseas have enjoyed the provocative and controversial but also humourous magazine - packed with information women don't get anywhere else.

The first ever monthly issue will be available in every main newsagent of every town on this island and reveals insights in what you always wanted to know about President Mary Robinson. Award-winning writer Emma Donoghue and Medbh McGuckian are talking about key-events in their lives and the well-known actress Pauline Collins is giving an exclusive interview to Women's News. Not to forget all the news from the women's and lesbian scene on this island.

Major changes have been taking place since the start of 1997. The ten-strong team is in an even better position to offer women from all works of life a magazine that guarantees professionally researched articles that cover a diversity of issues pertinent to the Women's Movement while giving readers the opportunity to enjoy profiles from women who are taking their places as the movers and shakers in the worlds of politics and entertainment.

If you want to get your hands on this magazine which brightens up your life, get in contact: Women's News,
30 Donegal St.,
Belfast BT1 2GQ,
Tel: 01232 - 322823 Fax: 01232 - 237884

Editorial

Issue Twelve.

It was a major hassle getting the newsletter out this week. The staff kept disappearing at odd intervals. I suspect it was something to do with the news from the Vatican (see article inside).

Sad news on the Presidential front. Our favourite candidate, David Norris, hasn't been nominated. It's an all female race with not a dyke among them, or so rumour has it.

From the gay, lesbian and bisexual perspective, let's hope that Dana and Mary McAleese cancel one another out and Adi Roche gets to the Park to keep the flag flying for the mincrities of this country.

Many thanks to Colm and David here for their help over the last two weeks while Paul was taking a well-earned break.

Love,
Tony.

*** IMPORTANT NOTICE ***

PLEASE BE AWARE THAT

THE OTHER PLACE

CAFÉ and BOOKSHOP

ARE NOW CLOSED ON MONDAYS

When you gave up using drugs & alcohol did you think you'd never laugh again?

Think again -
The Women's Alcohol & Drug Recovery Group
(currently looking for a new and snappier name)
is an active recovery group for Lesbian/Bi/Straight women to work together on our recovery.
ALL emotions are here, including the silliest!
New season, new members -

Starting Soon

For more information on how to become a part of the best night out in town,
contact: **Liz** at

The Lesbian Health Project
in **The Other Place**
or ring 278470

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Anonymity will be respected, provided a contact number is supplied to us.
We reserve the right to edit such material.

They Know Where It's At

Recently while watching Top Thirty Hits, these four young women appeared like a vision on my T.V. screen. Since the Spice Girls have exploded on the charts, it has opened the flood gates for all the other young women who want chart success like 'All Saints'. They are sharp, practiced and professional. The new single is called 'I Know Where It's At' and is currently available in all music stores throughout Ireland.

By the way, I wouldn't throw any of them out of my bed for eating crisps - but then I don't think anyone would have time to do anything else with their mouth!!

The Fight Goes On

With the relatively safe atmosphere for gays in this country, it is sometimes easy to forget that our comrades are suffering in other countries.

The following are some extracts from Amnesty's Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Network's Report.

In **Texas** gay men are hunted down and shot like dogs.

In **Peru** lesbians are the target of violent police raids during which they suffer beatings and other abuses.

In **Columbia** death squad killings of so-called 'social undesirables' saw the murder of a reported 328 gay men between 1986 and 1990.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Who says Ireland isn't ready for a gay President - haven't we had one before?

NELLIE A.

Vatican Goes Soft on Wanking

Stunning news from Rome for those of us in the Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Community who are not in relationships (most of us!) and maybe even those who are in relationships. The Vatican has opted for a hands-off approach to masturbation in the latest edition of the Universal Cathecism: (I'm sure they will be thrilled on Alpha Centauri too!).

In the previous edition, the Cathecism acknowledged that certain factors should be taken into account when judging people who masturbate. ***"Affective immaturity, force of acquired habit, conditions of anxiety and other psychological or social factors"***, it said, could *"lessen or even attenuate moral responsibility"*.

Stand up the queer who doesn't qualify under one or all of the above grounds!

But the new version goes much further. It says these factors can attenuate, *"if not indeed reduce to the minimum"* the guilt and blame attaching to auto-eroticism.

Will we get a rebate on all the penances we were given in our youth for "beating our bishops?".

Wankers of the world let's all clap one hand for the Vatican.

Shakespeare Outed !

The forthcoming new edition Shakespeare's sonnets in the Arden series of schoolroom texts is to declare that most of the sonnets are about young men.

Editor, Katherine Duncan Jones argues that the cult of the 'Dark Lady' is a smokescreen designed to deflect attention from the real teaser; who was the beautiful youth who obsessed and inspired the poet to write his only collection of verse between 1590 and 1604.

If anyone finds out could they let us have his phone number please!

Anne Barton, Professor of English at Trinity College, Cambridge, says; "I don't accept that he was gay - I think he was bisexual, as both a writer and a person, who reacted equally to both men and women's sexuality".

Perhaps academics will now look at the text of the Bard's plays in a new light. Should the first lines of Hamlet's famous soliliquey read:

"To be or not to be out? That is the question"

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Vacancies

Administrator - 1 Vacancy

Office work and general administration - 2.5 days per week.
Office duties: Reception, accounts, wages, word processing/computer, photocopying, fax. Further training in office skills (computers etc.) will be provided.
Requirements: Basic office skills, ability to work with people in a busy workplace, able to work under pressure.

Bookshop - 1 Vacancy (2.5 days per week)

Duties: Day to day management of bookshop, ordering books, cataloging books, mail order, telephone enquiries, telephone administration, first point of contact.
Requirements: Some experience in a similar position desirable but not essential.

Newsletter Editor - 1 Vacancy

Duties: To write and source material with a gay interest for the weekly newsletter, **'sh..OUT!!'**. To work as part of the Editorial Team in the production of the Newsletter.
To distibute the letter to its usual outlets. To assist in sourcing advertising revenue when required.
Requirements: Knowledge of computers would be desirable, but on the job training will be provided.

Gay Men's Health Project - Project Worker - 1 Vacancy

Duties: Providing information on preventing HIV and AIDS related illnesses. Running workshops and events including information on AIDS and other Sexually Transmitted Diseases. Liason with other agencies. Some office duties.
Requirements: Ability to work with people and as part of a team. Experience of related areas would be good but not essential.

All applicants must be eligible for Community Employment.
The Other Place is an equal opportunities employer.

On the job training and further skills training will be provided for all the above posts.

To apply for any of the above posts, please send an up to date CV and covering letter, specifying for which post you are applying to:-
The Other Place, 8 South Main St. Cork.
For further information, contact Sarah at (021) 278470.

The closing date for application for all posts is 25th September 1997.

The Other Place - Lesbian and Gay Community Centre.

HANDY HINTS FOR HOMEY HOMOS

Hello Darlings,

Well, as Sandra said last week, we've been busy butterflies, socialising with all and sundry. As always looking incredibly à la mode, styly and superb. This week I'll be covering little tips and hints for getting ready for that big event with a limited time to create perfection. Sandra and I have already discussed our costume choice for the Fantasy Ball, which of course is top secret. The papers would pay a fortune for that particular piece of information. We've already had Rebecca Sandels from 'The Pink Paper' camping on our doorstep. As Sandra and I are perfect hosts, we invited the poor darling in for french toast and earl grey. Over breakfast, we broke it to her gently - no exclusives from us my dear. The element of shock and surprise is so important in making an entrance at any exclusive annual lesbian excursion.

I run on - sorry my delightful dykes - back to the task at hand - readying myself for a night on the tiles.

1. Nails - soak hands in bowls of hot water (not boiling water - remember burns are painful and unsightly), leave for 1-3 minutes. Remove and push those cuticles back with ease before application of Chanel nail polish.

2. Make-up - apply moisturiser, leave to soak in. Then sweep pressed powder over your entire face, including mouth and eyes. This helps to maintain that beautiful painted face for longer.

3. Hair - when setting that perfect 'do' just spray your favourite lacquer and walk into the mist. Of course, this does work better if your playmate can help by spraying for you.

4. Legs - if it's 30 denier leg wear you're putting on your shapely pins, then make sure you have some clear nail polish at hand to stop any ladders in their tracks.

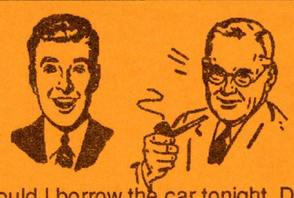
5. Decollatage - when wearing a plunging neckline, remember to dust your skin with the same powder as you used earlier on your face, otherwise you'll look like your head was sunbathing and the rest of your body wasn't - a definite fashion no-no.

Well, my darling dykes, as always I must depart with haste as my mail bag seems to be bulging with queries, which both Sandra and myself need to attend to.

Lipstick Kisses,
Lorraine
XXX

Barbie Mania Strikes Again

'I, Doll: The Unauthorized Biography of America's 11½" Sweetheart' directed by Tula Asselais was recently premiered in San Francisco. Sadly, I was not on the guest list, it must have been an oversight on their part, I'm sure of it. Guests for the evening dressed as Barbie - Vivisectionist Barbie, Mod Squad Barbie, Slut Barbie, and Trailer Trash Barbie were only some of the Barbies that attended. The film received critical acclaim and is available directly from Asselais. Hint, hint - that would be a marvelous Christmas pressie!!



"Could I borrow the car tonight, Dad?
I have a date with Roger!"
"Sure son! And here's ten quid"

Last Week's Teaser

Two Queens went into
The Other Side
Bookshop, and one bet the other £100 she couldn't buy 100 items for £100.

Video Tapes were £10, Magazines were £1, Condoms were 8 for £1

Calculate the equation with at least one of each item.

Solution

72 Condoms for £9
7 Videos for £70
21 Magazines for £21

Fantasy Ball '97

That time of the year has come around again. Last year was absolutely wild and wonderful and I'm sure this year will be the same, if not better. Rumour has it that Vienna Woods will be the venue again this year, and the date is 15th November. Both bits of news to be confirmed. Well, women, what can I say - plenty of notice to work on your costumes and sort out your accessories! I've heard some glamour puss ideas already. I think we could even name this the "Nearly Naked" year from what some women are planning - Something to look forward to!

INNUENDO FINALLY LAUNCHED

Finally, I got my hands on Ireland's answer to 'Gay Times'. It's glossy, it's newsy, it's colourful and its editorial is 99% geared towards gay men. I think I counted two or three lesbian pieces. The cover story on the front was on young men selling sex. I thought it was an informative article which thankfully lacked prejudice and discrimination. I wish 'Innuendo' luck and sincerely hope the lesbian content increases over the next few issues.

The One I Love

'You Might Need Somebody' was recently a massive Top Five Hit for Shola Ama. Her new release is called 'You're The One I Love', produced by the team that are responsible for the most popular swing beat sounds. She has an amazing vocal range and has that silky smoochy angle to her music.