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WELCOME TO Utterly FABULOUS

Thank you so much for your wonderful response to the first edition of this magazine. From your letters and emails it is clear that you are all agreed that the new magazine is ... Utterly FABULOUS.

Your messages were truly motivating and have spurred us to increase the number of pages from 16 to 24 and to increase the size of our print run to the highest circulation of any mag in the TG world. We are increasing our endeavours to get support from main stream business who should be taking the transgender market more seriously. With this support we will be able to continue to provide a free ALL inclusive magazine that aims to support and promote ALL events and ALL opportunities on the TG scene throughout the UK.

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR CONTRIBUTORS who have supplied such terrific help, pictures and reviews. Through this magazine you are helping our community to mature and grow.

LOOKING FORWARD we know of plans for a tranny trip to Las Vegas and another to Paris by the community's leading movers and shakers. The Transfandago event (page 6) was such a success that it will become a regular September event. Martine Rose is adding a new event to the Repartee calendar (page 10).

CHECKOUT OUR NEW WAYOUT PRODUCTS after reading our Alternative Miss London photo spread (page 19) - with thanks to Georgina - and then order the new 7th WayOut 'home' video to watch the event again and again. Also in the WayOut shop you will see a new range of sexy fantasy story books direct from California and illustrated by my friend Tee Je.

THE NEW WAYOUT RESTAURANT (page 22) is fast getting a great reputation for the value, quality and choice of food. Where else in the world can you find a discrete dining opportunity uniquely catering to TGs and friends just a stones throw from your favourite Saturday night clubs? **Book now for your Christmas meal**

WORKING HARD AT IMAGE WORKS, Pan and her team have not only created yet another great cover and photo features but have also done it at the same time as the last exhausting throws of moving into the new Image Works palace, and all with a smile. This girl's good under pressure - she can keep the job. Congratulations to Pan and her elves - your new premises is fantastic and your customers are going to be stunned and amazed.

A NEW INTERNET SERVICE compliments Jodie's reviews of our new WayOut Restaurant (page 22) and the Transfandago event (page 6). Check out a short video of the charity event FREE at the first ever tranny television station on the internet. Jodie and Sarah Staar's new

website 'Trannylife' has a variety of video clips on a 'pay per view' basis including the entire journey of a transsexual girl who is currently undergoing the process of gender reassignment. Check out the FREE sample report on the Transfandago Charity event at www.trannylife.com.

TRANNNY IDOL Steffan announces (page 16) a fresh new that she will be joined on the first Wednesday of the month by talented singer Miss Dee Chanelle and her friends. This evening is called "Muse" @ The House of Drag.

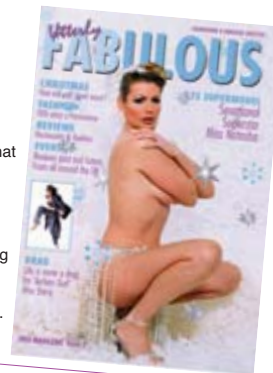
On the last Saturday of each month WayOut Star Search becomes "Drag Academy" with £150 prize to be split as the audience sees fit to dancers, singers and mime artists. Steffan will be offering an 'Academy Membership' with invites to appear in WayOut shows. We believes "Muse" and "Drag Academy" will be a spring board to more live shows at The WayOut Club. Who knows we may even create a tranny singing group and a tranny dance troupe - "Tranny Idols".

THANK YOU WAYOUT 'TRANSFANDANGO' TEAM. I am SO proud of the support that the WayOut girls gave to me, Steffan and Richard O'Brien. Sarah, Lena, Vanilla, Rossita were SO generous, professional, beautiful and talented as always. Enormous thanks also to my Lesley and Steffan's Kenny for all their help. You are all great friends and a joy to work with. My turn next year (Steffan's turn to cover the home base).

THIS YEAR HAS FLOWN BY. Before we blink it will be 2003 but looking back we have done SO much. What a special year we have had in 2002. May the New Year be as special for all of you. Bless you all, see you soon.

Vicky Lee XXX

More on all of these subjects
plus many other subjects
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"The team are to be congratulated UF is vibrant, fun, colourful ... It really made me sit up and take notice" GINA

"I just recieved my copy of Utterly FABULOUS and that is is exactly what it is - many congratulations" JEAN KATZ

"Brilliant ! Received my free issue today, what a nice surprise, its most impressive. Hope it goes from strength to strength" LEE

"Fantastic great pics and very informative keep up the good work - However no mention of where to get the cute stripping teddy bear" LISA
Your not the only one to spot that and to ask... the answer is The Gadget Shop - Vicky



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Photos by Kenny : top - Steffan, Sarah, Lena, Rossita, Vanilla and my Lesley
bottom - Steffan with Helen and Charmaine from Wellness Children's Charity

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PLACES TO GO IN THE UK

Nationwide Events

December 6th - 8th 2002 **Southern Girls Weekend**, Bournemouth. Contact Michelle on 01703 771798 www.mayflower-club.org.uk

February 2003 **Granfully Hotel 3 day event** ian56@excite.com

February 2003 **Le Big En**, 3 day event Manchester, Contact The Northern Concorde, P.O.Box 258 Manchester M60 1LN jennyb@northernconcord.org.uk

March 15th (13th 14th & 16th optional) 2003 **Spring Glitz Weekend**, Blackpool Contact Joyce or Angela on 01782 620930

March 2002 3 day event, **TV Bridal Weekend** - Bournemouth. Contact Danielle 01489 893451, Ddan282739@aol.com

April 2002 12th **Drag Olympics** at The WayOut Club enter 07778 157290 www.wayout-publishing.com

April 19th 2003 **The WayOut Club's 10th Birthday** www.wayout-publishing.com

April 3rd-7th 2003 **Edelweiss Belles**, North Wales Weekend, Colwyn Bay Contact Sam McLaren 01978 843087

April 2003 **Beaumont Swallow Weekend** Preston 2 - 4 day break Contact Janet Scott on 01582 732936

June 2003 **Kentisbury Revival Weekend** St Audries Bay holiday club 01984 32515

June 2003 **Hide & Sleek Spring Summer weekend** - Contact Lorraine 01592891344

May 2003 **The Tranny Guide Awards** at The WayOut Club 0208 363 0948 or www.wayoutonline.com

June 2003 **Ascot trip** arranged by 'The Boudoir' Jodie Lyn 0208 365 7755 www.theboudoironline.com

July 2003 **Inter-group Harmony Weekend** Scarborough Contact Martine Rose 01226 754252

July 2003 **Southampton Carnival** Contact, Michelle on 023 80771798

July 2003 **LGBT ... PRIDE London**

July 2003 **Northern Concorde Summer Party** - Contact The Northern Concorde, P.O.Box 258 Manchester M60 1LN

August 2003 **Southampton Transvestites Day** Contact, Michelle on 023 80771798

Sept 2003 **Kernow Girls weekend**, 2 days In Newquay Cornwall Contact Steph 01637 850454

Sept 27th 2003 **Transfandangoo Ball** with Richard O'Brien. Manchester Contact Charmaigne 0161 737 1203

October 2003 **Skin Two Rubber Ball** Tranny trip arranged by 'The Boudoir' Jodie Lyn 020 8365 7755

October 2003 **Colwyn Bay Autumn Weekend**, Contact Sam McLaren on 01978 843087

October 4th 2003 **Roses Crinoline Ball** at Kelham Hall, Newark, Nottinghamshire Contact Martine Rose 01226 754252

October 11th 2003 **Alternative Miss London** Competition at The WayOut Club www.wayout-publishing.com

October 2003 **TV Bridal Weekend** - Bournemouth. Contact Danielle 01489 893451, Ddan282739@aol.com

October 2003 **Miss TV Scotland** Weekend, Edinburgh Lorraine 01592 891344

November 2003 **Inter-group Harmony Weekend** 2 - 4 day Scarborough Contact Martine Rose 01226 754252

November 2003 **Conference Weekend Rotherham**, Contact Janet Scott on 01582 732936

November 2 - 3 day 2003 **Tinsel and Glitter** Weekend, Blackpool. Contact Joyce or Angela on 01782 620930

Our apologise to the organisers of Weston 2000. We mistakenly listed an address and an event from them in April 2003. They tell us that they are NOT running any further events.

PLEASE PLEASE update me with your changes and new events
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London Weekly

LIPSTICK at the Philbeach Hotel - EVERY Monday 'Lipstick' is an especially welcoming night for a very friendly way to start the week. The Philbeach is a gay hotel that is virtually taken over by trannies on Monday and Saturday but every night the hotel provides the opportunity to dine and jimmy welcomes you to the smart basement bar with cool patio and delightful garden. Anne's Dressing Service is on hand during the afternoon to prepare you for the night ahead. Philbeach Hotel Philbeach Gardens London SW5 www.philbeachhotel.freeserve.co.uk

WIGS @ THE WOOLWICH INFANT EVERY Tuesday TVs, TSS, CDs and admirers are welcomed at this friendly SE gay bar 8pm till 2am. Music is by their resident DJ Kevin Saint. Woolwich Infant 9 Plumstead Rd, Woolwich London SE18 7BZ

HOUSE OF DRAG - EVERY Wednesday Open 8pm to late (but doors shut at 12.30) for TGs, TSS, TVs, drag and their respectful admirers. The venue was formerly an elegant gentlemen's club. Hosted by Steffan, this is possibly the most sophisticated and yet relaxed opportunity in London. 3 Green St Mayfair London W1. Entry usually £5 members, £7 others **BUT** with this page - entry is **FREE** to those visitors that are cross-dressed and arrive before 11pm www.houseofdrag.com

TEDS - EVERY Thursday This is a very friendly little club that has been welcoming trannies for over 10 years with limited changing space. This is a good opportunity to meet others in a discreet and friendly atmosphere. 305a North End Rd W14 (yes it looks like a cab office) Thurs **ONLY** 7pm-Late. Entry £2 non members

SILICONE DOLLS last Friday of EVERY month. Open 8pm to late (but doors shut at 12.30) Steffan's monthly soiree at No 3 with sexy transsexual pole dancers attracts an interesting clientele and a few celebrities too. If you haven't tried this night slap your own wrists and get along. £8 members £10 others **BUT** with this page entry is just £5.00 to those visitors that are cross-dressed and arrive before 11pm. 3 Green St Mayfair London W1 www.houseofdrag.com

THE WAYOUT CLUB - EVERY Saturday The jewel in the crown of London's tranny opportunities. An amazingly diverse collection of boys, girls and inbetweens. A different show or event every week. WayOut DJs plus guest DJs play diva delights, uplifting dance chart hits and house. The club celebrates its 10th birthday in April 2003 after over 520 nights with a different show every week. The WayOut Club 9 Crosswall (off Minories) London EC3 (entry for trannies b4 11pm £5 includes a free drink) friends and admirers £8 - Entry after 11pm £10 (but £5 to members) open till 4am NO dress code www.thewayoutclub.com

NEW THE WAYOUT RESTAURANT - EVERY Saturday (but only on Saturday). An exclusive, beautiful, restaurant for TG people and their friends to start their Saturday night with a choice of set meals from the special 'WayOut' menu at just £18.65 for 3 courses with coffee or try the a la carte option. Open from 8pm hosted by Vicky Lee and Steffan. Easy discreet parking. 31 Lovat Lane (off Eastcheap) London EC3 www.thewayoutclub.com/restaurant.htm

STORMES - EVERY Saturday Andrea Hillaire hosts at the 'Black Horse', a gay pub with regular cabaret. Pictures of all of her visitors are posted on her web site each week. 9pm to 2am Black Horse 168, Mile End Road London E1 Entry £5.00 . www.stormes-london.com

NEW monthly TRANS-MISSION - 1st Saturday of each month, 9pm to 1am. Jasmine and Vicky Valentine, building on their DJing skills, launched their monthly club at the Barbican in June. 1-5 Long Lane, Barbican, London EC1A (just around the corner from Barbican tube station) Entry £5.00 www.trans-mission.org

STUNNERS currently shut but watch the web site for a new venue Late Late Private party club, for TVs-admirers & gay / swingers with fun rooms that leave nothing to the imagination. Take a very open mind. www.stunners.tv

CLUB ANGELIC look out for regular nights Check web site for up coming party nights www.clubangelic.co.uk

If you have a LONDON NIGHT on offer let us know for the next edition and our web site news

Gayle on behalf of the Mayflower Club sent us the following diary. If you live on the south coast or visit the south coast you have no excuse to miss out on a tranny night to suit YOU.

Mayflower South Coast



1st Wednesday each month - Kingsclere - Thames Valley - Chat evening, ideal for newcomers held in a village hall. Changing facilities. £3.



1st Thursday each month - Brighton - Harlequin Set up in August 2002 for straight, gay and TV/TS clientele with drinks at pub prices. Even the Ladies is marked 'Ladies, TV's/TS's'. Thursday night is Karaoke and disco until 2AM. £2.



1st Friday each month - Hordean Haven Hosted by Jane in her own house with refreshments and music for dancing. £10.



1st Saturday each month - Hayling Island - Yew Tree Great atmosphere, although mixed with public, are tranny friendly. Food at reasonable prices. In summer, it is frequented by holiday makers so we major on this pub in winter.



2nd Thursday each month - Lyndhurst Held in the cellar bar of an up-market hotel in the New Forest, with easy access to M27. Food is available. Occasionally, special events are held with food and cabaret included. Changing facilities. £2.

2nd Saturday each month - Chichester - The Bush It is a particularly friendly gay pub with dance floor in the centre of town. Free apart from drinks at pub prices.

3rd Thursday each month - Totton Disco Monthly disco held in a large club with excellent facilities. A huge buffet is provided. Changing facilities and drinks at pub prices. £7.

3rd Saturday each month - Kingsclere - Seahorses meet at same venue as Mayflower, with hot and cold sit-down meal. Your hostess Linda also organises Bournemouth weekends with Michelle. £5.

Last Friday each month - Southampton Ideal for that first step out of the closet hosted by Michelle. Special events are held. £2.

Other Southern meetings

3rd Wednesday each month - Cameo - Courtyard - TV Friendly Pubs and Clubs in the Southampton Area

The Edge (Club), The Magnus (Club), Bar Fusion (Club), The Honest Lawyer (Pub), Yew Tree, Hayling Island (Pub), The London (Pub), The Hampshire Ram (Pub), The Bush, Chichester (Pub)

For more details of all these activities and venues plus trips to London's clubs. Contact Michelle King - Tel: 023 8077 1798 web : www.mayflower-club-org.uk email: michelle@mayflower-club-org.uk email: annkin@tiscali.co.uk

Photos by Gayle from The Mayflower Club





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FABULOUSRichard O'Brien's
Transfandango EVENT REVIEW

Friday the 27th September 2002 was the date that myself and many of my gorgeous Boudettes were looking forward to. This was the date we were to pack up and leave London behind for a weekend of fun and glamour in Manchester at The Transfandango Weekend and we could not wait.

By Jodie Lynn

All of my team and clients were booked into The Palace Hotel where the ball was to take place the next evening. The hotel reception is impressive and slightly gothic which really suited the theme of the weekend to come. The hotel rooms were incredibly spacious and our bathroom was absolutely huge.

Saturday the 28th September started with a full English buffet which set us up nicely for the day. Then it was off to our room to prepare our contestant for The Drag Race at High Noon. Miss Nicola Smith, the most down to earth, undrag like tranny that you could ever meet allowed us to perform a drag makeover on her with a special race day drag outfit by the very talented Miss Sarah Lloyd. After a very fraught delay involving hotel elevators a taxi outside whisked us off to the shopping centre.

"The nicest thing about the Transfandango weekend was socialising in a totally non-threatening environment with a mixed crowd. There were TV's, TS's, Drag Queens, guys, girls and celebrities!! The worst part of the weekend was going home!! The other thing I found hard was going to work the next day and not being able to tell anyone why I had such a great weekend!!" NICOLA SMITH

The gurls had to carry their eggs on a giant spoon and complete an assault course hosted by Richard O'Brien himself. Rossita, (one of the WayOut Girls) whisked around the course in no time at all and went on to win the fastest around the course. Sadly our Nicola was too busy trying to be a lady and did not clock up a very fast time, but she did go on to win The Best Outfit and The Most Money Raised for Charity. We managed to raise nearly £500 from generous hearted Boudettes in recent months and in fact we raised a third of the total money raised for the entire race!! Nicola walked away with £100 fetish wear voucher and £400 voucher for a holiday with First Choice and of course we were all beaming from ear to ear. What a triumph for Nicola and The Boudoir!!

I will never forget this weekend as not only did we have yet another chance to glam up and show off, but we also bonded as a group of people who all have a shared passion and like to get together. Long Live The Boudettes and bring on the next Transfandango Ball!!! JAYNIE TRASH

So back at the hotel every single one of our eleven gurls was made up, styled and dressed and at the Champagne reception in the hotel bar, bang on time!! The three workers however just made it in time for the first course of the meal at the ball!!!



cheques from various people for the Bone Marrow Unit Appeal. Richard seemed to be particularly touched by a £7,000 cheque presented to him by the students from Manchester University who he had been working with to raise money. It was moments like that which made you realise what a thoroughly nice man Richard O'Brien is. To see someone of his talent and fame, so overwhelmed was lovely.

"What can I say...every minute was amazing. Being a part of such a lovely group of people who are so easy to get on with at such a classy and well-organised affair was sheer bliss!! Book me in for next year!!" REBECCA DAVIDS

The cabaret began with The WayOut Girls who performed in very brightly coloured costumes, Copacabana, Lady Marmalade and a Rocky Horror Medley. Maxine Barry who won Stars in their Eyes as Shirley Bassey was truly brilliant. Richard Straker also performed a set of songs ranging from Mr Bojangles right through to a Lionel Richie number. The highlight of the cabaret has to be when Richard O'Brien performed "The Time Warp" on his guitar and the whole room got up and did the dance... Just brilliant!!

By this time the our tables were absolutely jumping!! We were all having so much fun. The evening's entertainment ended with an Abba tribute band that belted out all the old favourites filling the dance floor.

The Transfandango Ball has to have been the best event that I have attended in my three years of working in the tranny community. Not just the Ball, but the whole weekend. From Friday to Sunday, myself, my team and all of The Boudettes laughed and smiled and thoroughly enjoyed every minute.

At the end of this amazing evening, we were all left very drunk, very happy and very glad that we had not only enjoyed one of the best weekends ever, but that we had raised money for kids that really need it - the icing on the cake. I can't wait to do it all again next year...apart from the lift episode!!

"I've been depressed ever since the ball. I just want to do it again every weekend. How will we ever top that Miss Lynn?" MELANIE WEXFORD

I would personally like to thank ALL the gurls that came with us to the Transfandango weekend. They were: Amanda Cloud, Beth, Debbie TV, Jaynie Trash, Kathy Tights, Melanie Wexford, Melissa, Nicola Smith, Rebecca Davids and Suzanne and my wonderful and hard-working team - Miss Tracie Ross and Miss Nas.

You can read a much longer version of this review on Jodie's website www.theboudoironline.com and you can watch a FREE short video report on her NEW pay-per-view internet television channel for trannies and admirers at www.tranny.tv





With thanks from Wallness Children's Charity for all the pictures. These are from Martine Rose (Repartee), Lesley (WayOut), Craig Davis (Ladywear) and many more are available in the 'time out' area at www.ladywear.com.

Richard O'Brien's
Transfandanglo

This event promised to be very special and it **SUCCEEDED** on two levels.

From the outset Richard O'Brien intended that this event not only help children who are suffering from cancer but also help transnies and those that love us to feel respect for ourselves. The event raised over £35,000 (the most successful single event the charity has enjoyed) and from the buzz that has gone around the country I know that those that attended know they were part of a ground breaking event.

The organising team have all agreed to repeat the event annually and the next one will be on the 27th Sept 2003 again midday at The Triangle followed by a Ball at the Palace Hotel Manchester.

The midday competition will be a "star search" style contest called High Camp @ High Noon. Eight individuals or groups will be chosen for the competition from audition video tapes or personal auditions at 'Churchills Manchester' or 'WayOut Club London' over the year preceding the event. All material must have the word 'high' in the title. The best act will perform at the ball and along with others will receive a great prize. It is never too soon to get your act together for the competition and your dress for the ball.

To contribute sponsorship or to offer prizes for the next event on Saturday 27th September 2003:-
Please contact Wallness Charity directly
call Charmaine Owen
administrator / fundraiser at
Wallness Children's Charity,
Reg Charity 518086

much more pictures, reviews and news at
www.wayout-publishing.com/transfandanglo.htm

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THEATRE REVIEW



The new wave of musical theatre that has hit the West End recently has been attracting alternative younger people and hippie chic urban / media fashionistas. The wave kicked off with musicals such as Rent, closely followed by the Pet Shop Boys' Closer To Heaven and now Taboo.

By **Angel Zsa-Tsar**

Taboo is a product of New Romantic writer Mark Davies and Eighties fashion and music icon Boy George. The name was derived from a nightclub that was once presided over by performance artist Leigh Bowery.

This musical skilfully weaves the bulk of the of the movements movers and shakers: Marilyn, Phillip Salon, Steve Strange, Leigh Bowery and Princess Julia and Boy George himself - with fictional characters Billy and Kim.

Billy is a wannabe, bi-curious photographer who falls in love with Kim, an aspiring designer who create costumes. These fictional elements are beautifully woven in with the real ones in an entertaining and educational way. The first half of Taboo glorifies the struggles and the heights of entertainment success and the second half illustrates the downward path of fame and fortune to drugs, loss of dignity and AIDS. However, it doesn't just leave you there, it concludes in India where Boy George and friends go to Bangalore in search of spiritual fulfilment and the meaning of life.

Taboo scores high points for portrayal of the characters. Euan Morton is Boy George's spitting image and sounds exactly like him. Gary Amers and Paul Baker are also great as Marilyn and Phillip Salon in their youth. The part of Leigh Bowery is considered the most vibrant role and over the year has been played by Matthew Lucas, Boy George, Mark Little and currently Julian Clary.

All these characters are superbly directed, choreographed and wardrobe. This musical is capable of living forever.

The first half really takes off when beautiful Marilyn in Razor heels 'sashays' into the scene singing a rock version of 'Genocide Peroxide', a Top 20 hit from Boy George's 'Cheapness and Beauty' album. Although some 80's hits such as Visage's 'Fade To Grey', Culture Club's 'Do You Really Want To Hurt Me' and 'Karma Karmeleon' are fused into the play, most of the songs are new, fresh and wittingly relevant displaying Boy George's song-writing skills.

The show benefits from being the first at 'The Venue', London's newest theatre, as one cannot help feel it was purpose built for Taboo.



Taboo is a "must see" musical with historical content to give us trannies a sense of our own history; with fashion tips and lipstick traces to linger over as well as juicy 80's lingo-banter to keep the nostalgia freaks happy. Go see it!

Daily @ The Venue
5 Leicester Place
(off Leicester Square)
Tickets from all usual outlets
or try Ticketmaster 020 7316 4709



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