

Nights GALWAY

Football Craze! TOM VAMOS



Which team do you support?
Liverpool.

When did you start supporting them?
I grew up in Liverpool.

Who is your favourite player of all time?
Ian Rush.

What is your favourite football memory?
European Cup final 2005.

The best goal you've ever seen?
Diego Maradona's pitch run against England.

The team you most dread to see your side facing?
Man Utd.

The team you love to hate?
Man Utd.

The last time you shed a tear when your side lost?
"Boys don't cry."

The most overrated player is...
Rio Ferdinand.

The worst football haircut belongs to...
Each and every one that Beckham's stylist advises him to get.

One thing you'd change about football if you could?
The money aspect is spoiling the game. It would be great if all club players had to come from the said club's town.

Ever been to a cup final?
No.

The Greatest - Pelé, Best, or Maradona?
Maradona.

Favourite football quote?
"I'd love it if we beat them! Love it!" - Kevin Keegan.

Tom is a guitarist and vocalist with Galway based Liverpool band Vamos. The band released its debut album on its own Dead Monkey Records in 2005. See the band live at The Cellar Bar on Thursday August 14 at 8pm.



Letrik presents Marcel Woods and John Gibbons @ GPO

BY CAITLIN O'HANLON

Dubbed "the most exciting clubbing brand in Ireland", Letrik presents Marcel Woods and John Gibbons at the GPO this Friday.

Hailing from the Netherlands, Marcel Woods (pictured) is a well known 'TechTrance' DJ who has rapidly been establishing himself as one of the frontrunners of the industry. His DJ sets, which are distributed over the internet, have helped to rapidly increase Woods' fame and his presence cannot be missed on the playlists of many of the world's top DJs. Yet this has not jaded the level-headed Dutchman who is still highly critical of his own work despite being named one of the top 250 DJs in the world.

Ireland native John Gibbons began his fast rise to DJ stardom by playing school discos and 21st birthdays. As the country's only Wet & Hard DJ, Gibbons is currently tagged as "Ireland's Hardest Working DJ" and hosts his own 'Club Educate', the world's only dedicated Wet & Hard radio show on Spin FM in Dublin. Gibbons also regularly appears on 2FM and other

high profile radio stations in the UK, Europe, and the United States. With gigs lined up all over the world in the coming months this is likely to be a rare opportunity to see one of the hottest young DJs

in the industry. Gibbons' debut release Engorred will be out soon on Flesh Records.

Tickets for the event are €23.30, doors open at 11pm.



OH MY GOD! It's The Dead Flags at De Burgo's

BY CAITLIN O'HANLON

When starting out in the music industry in this country it takes a lot to have Hot Press describe your band as good, but to have them describe your band as "irritatingly good" is like an official welcoming into the inner circle of the Irish music elite.

And that is exactly what happened to Sligo band The Dead Flags, who take the stage at De Burgo's this Wednesday night. Highly praised by everyone from the aforementioned Hot Press to 2FM and Phantom FM, the

band have spent the last 12 months touring on their own and as part of the 2FM 2MORO 20UR, garnering huge amounts of recognition for themselves from all sides of the country. And this was all before they even released their debut single.

August 8, better known as 08.08.08, saw the official launch of the band's first single 'O MY LOVE! O MY GOD!', described as "a perfect example of the spiky, alternative pop with which The Dead Flags have been thrilling audiences and critics alike all over the country this past year". And you might even

recognise it. The infectiously upbeat song has been getting constant airplay on Phantom FM and the Beat FM in the weeks leading up to its release.

But their music doesn't stop here. With tunes ranging from over-the-top, energetic pop to slow, melodic rock, it is easy to see that The Dead Flags are a band that like to please their audience (especially their extremely devoted fan base) whatever their musical tastes may be.

Produced by Karl Odum (the genius behind hit albums by Ham Sandwich, Mark Garry, and The Aftermath), and mastered by Kevin Metcalfe (yep, he's the one who worked with The White Stripes and Snow Patrol), 'O MY LOVE! O MY GOD' is undoubtedly a song of the summer making De Burgo's the place to be this Wednesday night.

'O MY LOVE! O MY GOD' was released on Friday and is available from all online music outlets and in stores nationwide.



For more information on The Dead Flags visit www.thedeadflags.com.

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