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Undergown as always has brings the F.U.H, or if it's camper than camp hardly you're after a fun on down for Barbie Le Bout and Lofusanda Cor warming up for my infamous Cakeabash! Or if you're a big burlry "gentlemen" remember Bear Night is the first Fri of each month! AIXM has a great line up of DJs spinning their shuffles, whilst you shake your tuf-Fas from Thu-Sun - if you want to shake your thing at the weekend you really are spoilt for choice! Lacy Rain's Intoxicating Tea Party is going from strength to strength, lots of the performers like Alice Roble and Joanna Worons, definitely worth a visit, look her up at St Jude's!

I did forget to mention last month that we saw the closing down of Gay Men's Health in Glasgow, it's a loss to our community and I would like to take a moment to thank all the staff and volunteers, some of whom are dear friends for all their hard work and dedication over the years! So until our next issue (when Xmas songs are permitted) have fun, be safe and get yours!

The Virginia Gallery (downstairs in Luke and Jack) had a very thought provoking exhibition on this month. If you'd rather soak in some art rather than chase an eye out for upcoming showcases, its worth a visit! If you're looking for a quiet drink and you can't walk all the way to John Street, why not stop into The Gallery for a quick one. If you're really dedicated then you can travel all the way to the Waterloo for some fun with paper, May and Chin Treiff! The powerhouse Barbara Boyland is on every Sat in Merchant Pride too!

The first weekend of Dec in pretty busy for Cheerz Bar too with the fabulous Miss Cherry Bakewell and lube, doms, lube, leaflets and red ribbons, also on 23rd Nov GMH will be hosting a red party at Cheerz Bar and Club where they will be handing out condoms, lube, leaflets and red ribbons - make an effort and come dressed in red. On Sun 30th, Cheerz remains red and will host a live cabaret show with the fabulous Miss Cherry Bakewell and Scarlet Diamante from 6pm.

On World AIDS Day itself GMH will be out with the mobile information bus at Moray College in Elgin from 11am and in Aberdeen they will be out and about at ASDA, Beach Boulevard from samgarm and RGU Gardens from 2pm, 3pm to 5pm to promote services, hand out condoms, lube, leaflets and red ribbons. In the evening there will be a bingo night hosted by Deepy from GMH at Cheerz Bar from 9pm, where there will also been an opportunity to buy a candle to remember your loved one around due to HIV and AIDS. There will also be large Red Ribbons drawn in chalk around the Kingdom's iconic buildings, lighting up red for the occasion but if anyone sees any on the cut, get sharing on twitter #AIDS day2cot. The sexual health team is also re-minding all you information at GMH and Chez.

World AIDS Day takes place every year on 1st Dec and is a day of reflection on and awareness of HIV and AIDS across the globe. This year the team at GMH have a whole weekend of events across the region to raise awareness of HIV and general sexual health with the following events taking place. Sat 29th Nov GMH will be in罹障 from 11am and in Aberdeen they will be out and about at ASDA Beach Boulevard from samgarm and RGU Gardens from 2pm, 3pm to 5pm to promote services, hand out condoms, lube, leaflets and red ribbons.

There were fun and games at the recent GagYXmas Monsters Ball hosted by GAYDY at Brodie's Bar, Kirkcaldy. A big well done to the two people that dressed up for the occasion. I think we were expecting a few more than that, which meant there were loads of free shots flying around, and by the state of the me next day I'm guessing I had one too many. So the parts of the night I can remember were pretty good. As always DJ@CalBruce had the cheesy songs pumping and the usual little party game to keep everyone in jovial sprits. For all the latest gossip like them at www.facebook.com/gaydy

The girls at Fife Inbetweeners are keeping busy arranging all their social activities. The girls literally organise too much to put in here but there's everything from social nights to trips to the theatre, pool comps to weekends away. If any ladles or ladettes want more info on them, drop Caz a wee email b.shtml@kinternet.com Fife also have events planned for this year's World AIDS Day on Sat Dec. NHS Sexual Health Fife is holding two community events to raise awareness, celebrate life and commemorate love. The first is an Awareness and Information day from 1-5pm at Fife City, St Bryce Place, Kirkcaldy. Sexual Health Fife, Waverley Care and Terence Higgins Trust Scotland will be handing out condoms, lube, doms and loads of information. If anyone is around then make sure to pop in and grab some freebies. Then from 6pm there will be a Community Gathering at St Peter Church, Townsend Place, Kirkcaldy. It's free entry and there will be refreshments, speakers and some live music too. There are no details as of yet of any of the Kingdom's iconic buildings, lighting up red for the occasion but if anyone sees any on the cut, get sharing on twitter #AIDS day2cot.

And finally to end, Going Out by Fife are making haste with their launch, launch night will be on 13th Feb next year so a bit late, I will keep you up to date with all their info and have 6, but in the meantime you can join them on facebook www.facebook.com/goingoutfife Well that's all the gossip from the Kingdom this month, if anyone has any for next month's tweet me @jusjays
Arts for artsake...

Brett Herriot

Supreme Falsettoes

Imagine if Priscilla, Queen of the Deser was... I’ll sprinkle it with the disco classics of the last 40 years and you’ll get Viva La Diva – the true story of the Supreme Falsettoes and their journey. The story focuses on a group of drag Queens and the highs and lows of their career – live songs, audience participation, hilarious Australian cheeky costumes and change moves every time. It’s packed, tucked and stuffed full of entertainment. The setting is executed perfectly with its drag queens in their silver shaking outfits, huge disco ball and huge shimmering curtains all framed by the beautiful decadent decor to pay this production more like the Ritz than the pits – go and see it got a standing ovation yourself.

Tiger Strode

Performance viewed at the Edinburgh Festival Theatre. Tour continues.
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In the city. The culmination of this listing continues from page 6 has been established with the intention of providing a format for information, contact LGTB expert, which is sung mostly onasonal songs, popular music, Community led Gramian wide project for gay and bisexual men.

London. E1W 1LB.

Telephone Support Service:

HIV & sexual health
10 Union Street, Edinburgh. EH1 24.

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L G B T  topics, offers one to one advocacy service provides a full service for gay men (See Leger's Aged Care, 40 Commercial Street, Edinburgh. 40.

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HIGHLAND RAINBOW YOUTH

A union oriented group of young people aged 11-18. The Rainbow Youth Group meets every Tuesday, 7-9pm.

OUTDOORS

RED CAR (the Rainbow the Equality Men's Group meets every Thursday, 7-9pm.

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Real Ale and free mixtures in a wide range of sausages, and Fish and Chips.

RESIDENTIAL EVENTS

COTTAGE MEETING

Community meeting

Cottage and the Meeting Hall, Lochearnhead. 27th March 1994. 12pm. The Meeting Hall, Lochearnhead.

YOUTH MATERIAL

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How to protect your partner from losing the house?

1. Do you know how to make sure your partner won’t be thrown out of the house if you die?
2. Do you think a Cohabitation Agreement might help you?
3. Have you considered making a Power of Attorney to have someone look after your affairs if you’re not able?
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