



Martin Thomas burst on Dublin's club scene last summer with a night which set new trends in tacky puns, kitsch gimmicks and, best of all, songs with words (for your dancing pleasure). Strictly Fish packed clubbers into four rooms of fun at Powers Hotel until the birth of Strictly Handbag, The Kitchen's massive Monday offering. Playing eighties hits to a crowd of woolly jumpers, fashion victims, OAPs and drag queens, Handbag has become as well known for its groovy fliers as for its wiggly music policy, all of which are single handedly overseen by Mr Fish, a Trinity economics graduate with a remarkable wardrobe of pinstripe suiting. No shrinking violet himself, Thomas can always be seen around town, chatting to anyone who'll listen about the latest additions to his one nighter portfolio. Look out for the imminent return of Strictly Fish... Appearing soon at a select 'members only' venue near you.

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