

THERE will be an incredible atmosphere around the country at 7.45pm Sunday June 10. The Republic of Ireland will kick-off against Croatia in their first European championship game since 1988.

The Republic of Ireland met Croatia twice. In 1999 they beat us 1-0. In 1998 we beat them 2-0. We have the better form coming into the championships with no losses in our last five games.

You can completely immerse yourself in this special occasion for Irish football at either of three top sport supporting venues across the city. The Hi-Way Bar in Dooradoyle; Russells Select Bar on Father Russell Road; and the re-opened Still House in the city's pedestrianised Thomas Street.

The experienced management and staff of each

venue will host a spectacular Bar-B-Q for this memorable occasion. Carlsberg Beer might agree that probably the best location to watch the European Championship is at any of these pubs.

Carlsberg and the team at Hi-Way, Russells and Still House will team up to provide hungry fans with food from the Bar-B-Q and a pint of chilled Carlsberg.

Every match in this year's European Championships will be shown on the impressive display of large TV screens that each pub provides. You will not miss any of the action. Finger food will be provided for customers during each game of the championship.

The Republic of Ireland's next group game will be against Spain at 5pm June 14. Ireland are back in action against Italy at 745pm June 18.

Acoustra to release The Living Years



LIMERICK folk/rockers Acoustra will release a new single this month. The song is a cover version of Mike and the Mechanics 80's classic 'The Living Years'. It was recorded live by the band in Dolan's recently by "honorary fifth member" Kieran O'Loughlin. Kieran comes home from his base in Stockholm to record with Acoustra as often as he can and he recorded this particular version featuring accordion, acoustic guitar and

plano played as live in the Dock Road venue.

Acoustra's rendition of 'The Living Years' single has received, "a great response at live performances and should prove to be very popular on radio too", according to Acoustra's percussionist Brian. It is being officially released for Father's Day which falls keeping with the song's

The single will be available on iTunes and CD Baby at live shows

and other outlets from June 17. Acoustra will launch the single which includes an original song titled 'Never Old' as an extra track "on the B-Side" at a few gigs 'throughout the Munster region including a stop off at Paddy Frawley's on Thomas Street on Thursday June 14.

In the meantime you can catch Acoustra this weekend at AuBars on Friday June 8, South Court Hotel on Saturday June 9 and Phil Flannery's Bar on Sunday June 10.



WHILE producers/promoters Macronite have one eye firmly on the upcoming BUMP! electronic music festival happening in the city on the last weekend of June, the crew are going back to the old school at the weekend with Phil Source as guest on the decks this Saturday June 9.

Drum 'n' Bass heavyweight Phil Source (aka Phil Aslett) was part of production duo Source Direct with Jim Baker in the 90's. Source Direct originated back in 1992 as Sounds of Life when Phil was 16.

From the beginning his productions received support from such D'n'B luminaries as Grooverider, Fabio, Peshay, Doc Scott and LTJ Bukem.

Numerous releases on Goldie's Metalheadz imprint, LTJ Bukem's Good Looking Records and James Lavelle's Mo Wax label set Phil up to be

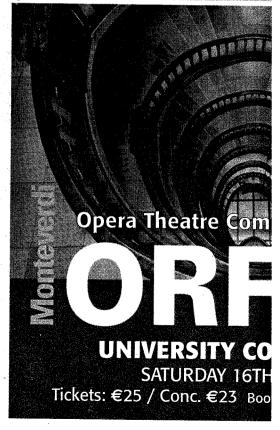
Top-up on TA

FOLLOWING its self-out run in February, TAN is back, TAN is a homegrown show written and performed by Wildebeest's own Marie Boylan and Ann Blake (Choke Comedy and The Brad Pitt Light Orchestra) and directed by Myles Breen.

Audience members get to join Aisling and Siobhan, two Limerick girls, as they get ready for a night on the town. Putting on their make-up, discussing the 'lads', ordering the taxi, straightening the hair, then backcombing the hair, drinking the vodka, eyeing-up the Munster team, bitching about their other friends and applying that all important fake tan.

The show runs at 8pm nightly from Thursday June 7 except for Sunday June 10 where it is at the earlier 6.30pm as Ireland will be playing Croatia and "the girls on to Listowel and Shannon before the summer and the

The production promises to give an "amusing while s when girls are getting ready for a night out. On its first overheard commenting that he, "learned more about we of Sex and the City". Tan plays at The Loft Venue, Locket



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