7 NOVEMBER

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Trad Session Locke Bar, 6pm and 8pm.

Bad Eggs Smyth's Bar, 9pm.

Elbow Rooms Mickey Martins, 9pm.

The Window Seats Cobblestone Joe's, 9pm.

THURSDAY **8 NOVEMBER**

Trad Session Locke Bar, 6pm and 8pm.

Comedy at Dolan's Dolan's Upstairs, 7,30pm, £10.

Girlhand Bourke's 9pm.

Going Underground

Wicked Chicken, free before 11pm, €5 after.

Trad Music O'Connells Annacotty, 9.30pm.

Trad Session Bobby Byrne's, 9,30pm.

Tokin Whiteboy Dr John's, 10pm.

SATURDAY TO NOVEMBER

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I Flizabeth Belltable, 8pm, €17,50,

The Rvan Sisters UCH, 8pm, €15.

The Prophets O'Connell's Bar. 9pm.

Peter Curtin Dr John's, 10pm.

SUNDAY TI NOVEMBER

Trad Session Locke Bar, 6pm and 8pm.

Joe Power UCH, 8pm, €25.

MONDAY 12 NOVEMBER

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Trad Session Locke Bar, 6pm and 8pm.

Blue Monday Wicked Chicken, 9pm. 65 after 11pm.

Seamus Martin Mickey Martins, 9pm.

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O Emperor (with support from The Hard Ground)

Unstairs @ Dolan's, Friday, November 9 @ 8pm. Tickets €10

Alan Owens

ECLECTIC Waterford rockers O Emperor continue their return to the Irish music scene with a gig in Dolan's this Friday night.

The band, who released one of the Irish albums of

the year in 2010's highly acclaimed Hither Thither, have been off the radar of late. spending most of the last 12 months recording material for their new album to be released next spring.

Just back from European tour, the Waterford five-piece are set for a string of dates on these shores, including a return to Dolan's on Friday to mark the recent release of double A-side single Electric Tongues/Erman Gou.

The singles mark something of a departure for the band, who have echoes of

Radiohead, Grizzly Bear and Midlake, fusing two distinct styles, Krautrock in the form of Electric Tongues and the more introspective, stripped down Erman Gou, fizzing with synths and sombre quitars.

Support at the gig comes from The Hard Ground.

Protobaby win regional finals of Play on the Day

POPULAR local rockers Protobaby beat off some impressive competition to win the West & Mid-West finals of the Guinness Arthur's Day -Play on The Day competition last Friday night in Dolan's.

The rocking quartet pipped Animal Beats, Paddy Dennehy & The Red Herring and Strange Boats to take the regional winners' prize package - an impressive haul - and now go on to to

battle it out in Whelan's in Dublin at the National Final on November 21, A single release and thousands of euro of equipment are up for grabs for the eventual winner.

Protobaby, who are in the midst of a UK and Irish tour in support of the Frank and Walters, have already won a 2FM in-studio session and Hot Press coverage. See www.protobaby.com.

Comedians to get Fresh at the Belfable

THE Rubberbandits are among a top line-up of comedians banding together to support Limerick's annual Fresh Film Festival.

The plastic-bag wearing rappers join Pat Shortt, Barry Murphy, The Hairy Bowsies (Joe Rooney and Paul Woodfull) and the Choke Comedy improv troupe in combining to perform the one-off gig to celebrate the work of Fresh, which has been supporting young filmmakers for 15 years. The gig takes place in the Belltable

on Wednesday, November 14. Also, Kevin McAleer plays the Belltable this Friday night, www.belltable.ie.

The Window Seats swing by

TOP Northern Irish alt-rockers The Window Seats are in Limerick for a gig in Cobblestone Joe's this Wednesday night. Securing the Belfast indie rockers for Cobblestone's Wednesday Night Live series is something of a coup for the fledgling night, given the rockers also play Cork's Crane Lane and Whelan's in Dublin.

Kilfenora Céilí Band set for Lime Tree concert

THE renowned Kilfenora Céilí Band make their debut appearance in the Lime Tree Theatre in Mary I this month - their first full concert in Limerick in many

First formed in the late 1800's, the Kilfenora continue to thrive and prosper, leading the way in delivering stunning performances to audiences all over the world

and come to Limerick on foot of sell-out performances at the Cork Opera House and the National Concert Hall.

Joining the Irish trad outfit for the November 18 concert are dancer Michael Donnellan, the West Clare Set Dancers and the singersongwriter Don Stiffe.

See www.limetreetheatre. ie for full details and bookings.

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