

MEN (AND A GIRL) AND A BOAT ON THE LIFFEY

FOR A RAFT



MOVIE ROLE: Singer Pink

TANKS A LOT PINK

POP chick Pink could be about to launch her movie career as violent comic book heroine Tank Girl.

The sexy star is among the frontrunners with movie bosses to play the character in a new movie adaptation of the cult comic.

"The producers are working on a script and are already looking for a strong female lead," reveals a movie insider.

"Pink is an exciting prospect and her character lends itself to this new version of Tank Girl."

It really depends on whether she has the acting talent to play the lead in what is aimed to be a blockbuster franchise.



HAVING A LAUGH: The three lads standing on the weir thought it was funny; getting ready for the off (centre); and (right) it's a jungle out there as Geraldine gets going



GUIDED TOUR: Our Geraldine got to experience a view of Dublin not seen by too many of city dwellers

unfortunate golfer off his shot. As we yelled "Fore!" he looked a bit putt-out.

We forgot all about racing the team - especially when we came across a nest of ducklings in the reeds.

Round another corner we spotted big heron, standing on a bank close to two fishermen - guess who got the fish.

Still, I got a bit worried when I saw a big bird circling overhead. We might have looked like a shipwreck waiting to happen, but I hoped he recognised a bunch of legal eagles and a tabloid vulture when he saw one.

But the only creatures likely to take a bite out of us were the midges, who swarmed around the banks.

And I got a real buzz out of paddling under the Westlink



WHOOAAA! Going over the weir was squeaky bum time

Bridge as the rush-hour traffic rumbled overhead.

We were impressed by how clean the Liffey was - apart from the odd bag of rubbish, a shopping trolley and some beer cans lying on the river bed. The water was gin-clear in places.

Warren let us take turns to steer the boat. But we made sure he was steering when we came up to our second weir, the Anna Liffey. It was a gradual slope, but looked even scarier than the first because it ended in a right-angle bend.

This time we found it easier to get over the edge. Our boat pitched a bit as it slid down, but we all managed to hang on.

But the real trouble started when we reached the end - and got stuck in a pool. As the angry white water bombarded us from

below the dinghy, it was like being in a giant Jacuzzi - on a bathmat!

As we struggled to free ourselves, our rivals rowed close - and squirted us with a water-gun!

Luckily we had our own water-gun on board and retaliated. After soaking our rivals, we seized our chance to get ahead.

Spray

We let them catch up with us at the next weir - so we could spray them again.

All too soon our trip down the Liffey was over. In two hours I had seen a different side to Dublin.

And, as we Dubs say, it was Bleedin' Rapid.

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