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THE BRICK

“I can plug it into the car sound system and I can carry it round like a ‘tranny’ and it holds 250 albums!” enthused Theo who is a self confessed music addict with no signs of getting better. “You just record straight form the computer. Actually, the hardest bit is typing all the track names in so I get Sallie to do that, she’s a brick too.”

NICE IS NICE

It took just one visit to Nice and the bouyant waters of the Mediterranean to convert our roving astronomer from Francophobe to Francophile. Sources close to ten Brummelaar are shocked. “Qu’est-ce que c’est? We all thought he was traumatized at 11 and would never be able to Bosonova again.” Theo’s charming hosts Christian and Ainhoa tempted him with famous cafe’s and little markets brimming with cheese. The final round was won with Herbs du Provence and Theo was powerless. “We’ll be collaborating with the French at Chara, maybe I’ll have to go many more times. Only next time I better take Sallie if I know what’s good for me.”

DRAGON UPDATE

There is no dragon update. Our unfortunate heroes are all stuck in their alternate universes and do not have the power to get back to Thrax. “If only there were more of us we could pool all our power” moaned one poor player destined to churn endlessly in his hot tub until he is rescued by his party.

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CARDIGGI

Painting the bathroom and the kitchen floor was a highlight in the domestic duo’s calendar this year as it also culminated with a visit from the Cardiges family. “I hated that kitchen floor so much that we took the upcoming visit as a chance to change it. We didn’t think we could afford a new one so we painted the rotten thing.” smiled Cruise serenely. “Oooh, it’s the right color for the tiles.” said eagle eyed Robin, the mom pf the Cardiges quartet. “Oooh, we’re going play some blues” said Stanley, the crew’s dad. and thereafter some fine wailing was the overall tone of the event. “We thoroughly enjoyed Steve’s origami, Stan’s guitar picks, Robins hydrangea spotting and Nick’s chin rubbing.” said Sallie and Theo together.
The new and the crew

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Nick showing how tall he’ll be next week

Gautam worries about fire codes

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As a matter of fact I think I’ve got one now...

“A moment

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Wahini

Maui men

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Theo, left, in a fabulous cafe and Christian, right in an absolutely fabulous alley

Above and below, the house at Kula on Maui in Hawaii - sigh

Mandy: when only the best will do...