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Girls night out. From left: Emma Feline, Ministry's Michelle, Kelly and Femme Fatale

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Decks In The City

By Emma Feline

The sexy UK garage DJ and her monthly exploits

Thank goodness the January sales are done and dusted, I normally end up buying something I never wear because it's such a bargain and it would be rude not to. This year I banned myself from this kind of purchase, especially as I've discovered Total Package. This is a mobile service for those of us with a hectic work and social life. They have a team of stylists, hairdressers, nail technicians and fashion designers who come to preen, pamper and make you look like a million bucks. Perfect for your wedding day, a big night out or whenever you need to look your very best. So as a 2004 treat Tense and Total Package are giving you the chance to win a complete makeover including hair, make-up, nails and designer gams. We'll also throw in a pair of tickets to go to their fashion show on Tuesday February 17 at Sway in Holborn, London, which will feature six up-and-coming cutting edge designers. I'll be DJing at the aftershow party alongside DJ Blondie (Sony Street Team), Kier (House FM) & JR (Prestigious Entertainment)

To enter the competition just email 'I'm a winner: Total Package Comp' to tensemag@aol.com For more info about Total Package email cctotalpackage@hotmail.com

I know most people think that being a DJ is a really glamorous occupation. Some of you think we sleep all day, do a bit of shopping, maybe a radio show and then party all week-

end. "Yeah it must be a hard life, flying round the world playing music you love and getting paid for it!" are the kind of comments I hear all the time from my office slave friends!

I admit there are some amazing high points, but as with any job there are ups and downs. For example, last month I went to Thessaloniki in Greece with Miss Jooles, to play for a really swanky club called the Olympion Colonial. On arrival the promoter checked us into a wicked hotel, conveniently located opposite one of the best shoe shops in the city. Now this is what I call 'perks of the job'. Anyway, there wasn't much time so we quickly got ready and went straight out to dinner before going to the club. No sooner had my thoughts wondered to shoes, the promoter informed us that our return flight had been cancelled due to an airline strike, and we would have to go home straight after our sets. GUTTED! NO sleep and NO shoes, just straight to the airport to catch a 6am flight to Milan. Yes, it sounds glam, but in reality we sat in an Italian airport for about four hours. By the time we got home I was looking and feeling anything but a glamour puss, more like something the cat dragged in.

When there's travelling involved it can be hard work but New Year's Eve at Smooove was anything but. By midnight the place was heaving and there where still major queues to get in. Juicy sets from Da Firin' Squad, Master

Stepz, Femme Fatale and Sementex kept everyone bubbling all night and when Heartless Crew stepped up, girls started screaming out for Fonti, (well he is known as Fonti - the gal dem want!). I'll be DJing once a month for Smooove this year. For more event info contact mhunter@ministryofsound.com

Also fresh for 2004 is my change of show on Choice 107.1FM (if you're not in London you can get it by locking onto www.choicefm.com) It's now Mondays midnight 'til 3am which is much better for me, now I can DJ on Wednesdays! Last month I covered daytime shows for Stepz and Dave VJ, which was pretty hectic, big up MC Wrighty for helping me out. One tune that keeps getting feedback from listeners is from a new UK artist called Chanelle. Her catchy lyrics and melody in Art Of Conversation have an Aaliyah and Timberland kind of feel, and I predict is one to watch out for in 2004.

**Well that's about it from me this month 'Til next time
Feline x**

Feline's hot five - March '04

Chanelle - *Art Of Conversation* (Good Music)

Brandy - *Turn It Up* (Atlantic)

Kelis Ft. Nas - *In Public* (Virgin)

Gemma Fox feat. Rodney P - *Messy* (Polydor)

Delinquant - *The Record* (dubplate)