

Tom Jones turns 70



■ **1940:** Born June 7 in Pontypridd, Wales, as **Thomas John Woodward**

■ **1964:** Signed by **Decca** label due to efforts of manager **Gordon Mills**

■ **1965:** Single **It's Not Unusual** tops UK chart and hits U.S. top 10. Wins Grammy as Best New Artist

■ **1967:** Begins long-running stint in Las Vegas, driving female audiences wild with overtly sexy routines

■ **1987:** Revives career with switch to fresh material including **A Boy From Nowhere** and cover version of **Kiss**

■ **1999:** Album **Reload** sells over four million copies worldwide

■ **2006:** Knighted for services to music

■ **2010:** New album, **Praise And Blame**, out in July, plays 14 shows in Las Vegas in August