



AIRPLANE READ OF THE MONTH

BUTT Book (Taschen, \$29.95. www.taschen.com) is a compendium of the best of the first five years of the pale pink periodical out of Amsterdam that has become a queer contemporary version of Warhol-era *Interview*. The conversational mix of raunch, intellect, artsiness, and silliness is just about perfect, and the dirty pictures are all kinds of hot (which means they're not just your standard shiny hairless beauty boys). Editors Jop Van Bennekom and Gert Jonkers are friendly devils who—despite recent attention from the Tate Modern and a fan base that includes Michael Stipe, Bruce Benderson, Edmund White, and other big gay names—have somehow remained unjaded and have not sold out; as *BUTT* makes clear, they've got an unflappably Dutch sense of self-possession, humility, and drollness.