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Mutilated

Hands cut off in drugs feud



by Simon Firth

The body of a man has been found tortured and with his hands cut off at an isolated farmhouse in Cartagena.

The victim, thought to be Lithuanian, was murdered, police believe, as a message in a feud between rival drugs gangs.

Neighbours have told police the premises were used for growing marihuana.

The man's killers left his body tied to the wooden post of a garden pergola, wrapped partly in polythene and wearing only his underpants.

The grisly discovery was made by a police patrol who had been dispatched to the location after the alarm was raised by a truck driver.

He was said to have first noticed the body in the morning but assumed from a distance that the man was resting.

When he passed by the same location later that day he realised the man had not moved and alerted police. Officers found the man bloodied with multiple injuries to his body, and with his hands cut off.

Neighbours later told police that four men, thought to be from eastern Europe, had been living in the property for more than a year. They also said a fifth man was sometimes seen visiting them.

The men had been using the isolated premises, off the road between El Castillojo and Los Simonetes, for the illegal cultivation of marihuana.

Occasionally the plants could be seen growing through a boundary fence, police were told.

The identity of the dead man has not yet been revealed.

The owner of the property is believed to be from Madrid.

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LOCAL NEWS

Traffic trauma

LOCAL POLICE in Cartagena have arrested two men after they were caught siphoning petrol from a number of parked cars in the Los Dolores neighbourhood. In a separate incident, a foreign

individual was detained for carrying a fake driving licence and false Belgian identity card. He was stopped by traffic police after committing a traffic violation in his high end vehicle.

Port in a storm

THE Alicante Port committee has issued a statement denouncing the lack of Port Police, with patrols reduced to a single officer or not taking place at all. The committee believes that the security of the port cannot currently be guaranteed, describing the situation as unsustainable. The statement also laments the lack of specific training given to officers posted to the port.

DNA doo-doo

CREVILLEN Council has announced that DNA testing will be used to identify dog owners who do not pick up their pets' waste. A genetic record will be created for

each dog in the municipality and these will be entered into a database, allowing the authorities to impose penalties for excrement left in public areas.

Name calling

SANTA POLA is to rename two sport facilities and one of its streets. The Salinetes football stadium will be named after Andres Baile Medina 'El Monsa,' the Els Xiprerets leisure centre will be renamed Lara Gonzalez Ortega and Avenida de Granada will become Avenida Jesus Astondoa Santa Maria.

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Gone with the wind and the rain

THE Valencian community is facing yet another clear-up operation due to bad weather, after strong winds lashed the region, bringing rain and hail.

Trees were uprooted and walls and roofs tumbled, while many public parks and gardens were temporarily closed.

In Benitachell, a 50-year-old man was wounded after a wooden advertising board crashed into his stomach after flying through the air, injuring several others.

Further down the coast, homes and businesses in Alicante City centre were left without internet after a particularly strong blast of air pulled up exposed cables in an area where two buildings are being demolished.

All in the line of duty

TWO Local Police officers from Pilar de la Horadada were injured in the line of duty. They were carrying out a normal patrol in the Pinar de Campoverde urbanisation when they spotted a suspicious car parked near a local supermarket.

Several individuals then ran out of the shop and took flight at great speed. As they attempted to leave the car park they rammed the front of the police car before heading to the Orihuela Costa where they crashed, but managed to escape on foot.

Damaged goods

THE president of Alicante Provincial Council, Cesar Sanchez, paid a visit to Callosa d'en Sarria to assess agricultural damage caused by the recent rain and snow storms. His first call was the town hall, where he met mayor Josep Saval plus various members of the farming community.

Fields and access roads dedicated to cultivating loquat were the worst affected, and Sanchez reassured the gathered throng that the provincial council will do all it can to coordinate

Dirty caller arrested

A MAN has been arrested for coercing and harassing women with more than 13,500 sexual calls.

The 44-year-old was arrested in Elda by National Police for making the calls in which he moaned, gasped and panted in a sexual way. He made the calls through a hidden number and a telephone line that was in the name of a deceased person, making it increasingly difficult for police to trace him.

The investigation was launched last July after an un-

derage girl reported she had received more than 400 calls in two weeks in which she only heard moans and panting.

Brushed off

RESIDENTS of Babilonia Beach in Guardamar del Segura are up in arms over news that the Valencian government will not release the funds needed to carry out desperately needed improvements to their beleaguered homes until July 2018. The houses are currently in a precarious position, with seawater lap-

ping at their doors, and were pummelled during the recent storms, which caused considerable damage.

Trio tripped

THE Guardia Civil has detained three Moroccan men aged between 18 and 20 for allegedly committing a dozen burglaries in Santomera, Murcia.

The investigation was opened in November 2016 after police noticed a pattern emerging from a string of break-ins.

He was arrested for a crime of stalking as police deemed his calls undermined the freedom and security of the victims.

SPANISH FACTS OF LIFE...3

Views differ greatly over whether the Spanish are more loving than the Brits. But rest assured on Valentine's Day next Tuesday millions of locals and expats will be revealing their love to special ones.

Viva el amor!

ALTHOUGH not a traditional fiesta, St Valentine's Day is known as San Valentin in Spain, and is celebrated the same way as in the UK. Many Spaniards are convinced that it was only created to boost consumerism, though, and have dubbed Valentine's Day as the Dia de El Corte Ingles (El Corte Ingles Day) in a sarcastic reference to the famous department store.

Certain Spanish regions also celebrate their love on different days of the year. In Valencia, for example, October 9 is the most romantic day, when the Day of the Valencian Community coincides with the Day of Saint Dionysius, the patron saint of lovers. It is customary for



Diada de Sant Jordi, Barcelona.

men to gift their loved one a Mocadora, consisting of marzipan sweets handcrafted by local confectioners and wrapped in a silk scarf.

In Catalonia, couples celebrate their love on April 23, St George's Day, known locally as La Diada de Sant Jordi. Men present their sweetheart with a red rose while receiving a book in return, and a myriad of stalls selling the symbolic items spring up across the region.

Latin lovers

LATIN countries dominate the ranking of the most romantic nationalities in the world, with Spain coming in fourth behind the sensual samba of Brazil, the ooh la la of France, and the legendary passion of Europe's most convincing Casanovas, Italy.

The UK does not make the current top 10, which also features Argentina, the Lebanon, United States, Sweden, Ireland and India.

A recent history

THE Anglo-Saxon tradition of giving flowers, sweets or other gifts to a loved one was introduced to Spain in 1948 by Jose 'Pepin' Fernandez Rodriguez,



GIFT GIVING: Was introduced to Spain in 1948.

founder of department store chain Galerías Preciados.

His idea was promoted in a provocative article by journalist Cesar Gonzalez-Ruano, and Galerías Preciados followed this up with a Valentine's Day-themed advert in the newspaper ABC.

This was accompanied by text praising "a pleasure of the spirit, a way to distinguish who we appreciate and, ultimately, a feeling of culture."

The campaign continued in the weeks leading up to February 14, calling on the wealthy to enjoy 'the social elegance of a gift,' the rest is history.

In particular, all the houses targeted were in Santomera, and the objects stolen tended to consist of small tools and motorbikes.

Skimming the surface

THE national environmental ministry has dispatched its Limpiamar to the stricken Mar Menor lagoon in order to collect floating waste and liquid effluent. The specialised vessel will operate for 40 hours per week and will be based at the Los Nietos marina in Cartagena. The Limpiamar is designed to clean relatively shallow waters close to ports, beaches and coastlines.

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Postscript to ponder

13,000

The number of active fishing vessels in Spain, forming the third largest fleet in the EU. Around 50 per cent of these are based in Galicia, with 19 per cent in Andalusia.

Virtually abducted

POLICE managed to stop a father from Zaragoza paying €10,000 to a criminal gang in Chile who falsely told him his son had been kidnapped. They said virtual kidnappings will start with a phone call to the anxious relative who may even hear a third party pretending to be the victim and to have been hurt by the gang.

The kidnappers usually demand immediate payment and victims are often chosen at random with the gang acting aggressively to provoke an emotional reaction. Spain's National Police say telltale signs can be a hidden or concealed telephone number or one beginning with +56, the STD for Chile from where many of these calls have originated.

Murder accused

A NIGHTCLUB janitor accused of shooting dead a man in the Portuguese city of Coimbra has been found hiding in a shelter for the homeless in Galicia.

Spanish police with their Portuguese counterparts swooped on the hostel in Vigo and arrested the man using a European Arrest Warrant.

Doctors held in false limb scam

DOCTORS are among 22 people arrested in Cadiz accused of defrauding more than €250,000 from the Andalusian Health Service. They face charges of embezzlement, fraud and falsifying documents. Police said false claims for prosthetic limbs and other items were made

and the equipment often sold on at inflated prices. Many people went without their limbs because of the scam, according to police, who say it operated from 2012 to 2014. Those arrested include a number of medical staff from the Puerto Real and Puerta del Mar de Cadiz Hospitals.



Postcard from ITUREN



ITUREN is a town and tiny municipality in northern Spain in the Pyrenees. It's made up of four small hamlets, one of them, also called Ituren, had just 518 inhabitants in 2012.

That's not a lot by any stretch of the imagination. But once a year it leaps to the top of any index measuring the oddest of local customs. Remember Morris dancers? Men with bells, ribbons and pigs' bladders? Well, this lot knock them into a cocked hat. On the first Monday and Tuesday of February its men and boys take part in a procession through the locality dressed in sheepskins and conical hats with ribbons, while carrying whips. But that's not all. Giant cowbells are strapped to their backs.

And as they progress they are confronted by other villagers dressed as witches and demons who must scatter as they walk through. The ceremony, not surprisingly, has a lot to do with good and evil, light and darkness and so on. You may think it's just quaint or done only for the tourists. But some researchers evidently think it could be one of the oldest carnival events in the whole of Europe. It's certainly one of the strangest....

Train crash

RELATIVES of 81 people killed in a high-speed train crash in Spain have received the backing of a high-level group of MEPs. The Spanish inquiry into the 2013 crash in Santiago de Compostela was not independent, they said. Around 150 people were also injured in the accident. The MEPs said a fresh inquiry should be ordered.

Heroin gang

TWENTY-NINE people have been arrested in the Spanish cities of Madrid, Pontevedra and Ourense as police cracked down on a gang responsible for heroin trafficking in Galicia. Officers found a laboratory where a high-grade drug was mixed before being sold on the streets.

The heroin had come largely from the Balkans, Turkey and the Netherlands, police said. Among those arrested was a Spaniard who will be transferred to prison to serve a 14 year sentence and a Madrid surgeon who hid the drugs when it arrived in Spain.

Bowing out

A BULLFIGHTER'S final departure if it comes in the ring can make national headlines. But the latest sad statistic is the death of a timber salesman from the Wirral in England's north-west who fell in love with the sport and became known as El Niño. Peter Jones fought several times in the summer of 2001 after attending a festival in Salamanca. He finished his short-lived career without serious injury and remained deeply committed to the sport. His death at age 49 was revealed by colleagues at his local golf club.

Birthdays

• Sandy Lyle, Golfer, February 9, 59

Scottish professional golfer who won the Open Championship in 1985 and became the first British golfer to wear the green jacket after winning the Masters in 1988. He also played in the European team at the Ryder Cup five times.

• Holly Willoughby, TV Presenter, February 10, 36

Popular co-host of the ITV show This Morning along with Phillip Schofield. She also presents other shows including Surprise Surprise, Play to the Whistle and Meet the Parents as well as being a regular team captain on Celebrity Juice.

• Burt Reynolds, Actor, February 11, 81

American actor most famous for the classic comedy films Smokey and the Bandit. Other films he has starred in include Boogie Nights, The Longest Yard, The Dukes of Hazzard and Heat. Twice married he and second wife Loni Anderson adopted a son.

• Robbie Williams, Singer, February 13, 43

Shot to fame as one of the five members of boy band Take That until he left in 1995 to launch his solo career. So far in his successful solo career he has released 19 albums, six of which are among the biggest-selling albums in the UK. The 1.6 million tickets for his Close Encounters Tour sold out in just one day.

• Angel Di Maria, Footballer, February 14, 29

Argentinian winger/attacking midfielder who currently plays for Paris Saint-Germain. He has also played for Real Madrid and in 2014 signed for Manchester United for a record-breaking £59.7 million. Capped 80 times for his country he scored the winning goal that won Argentina the Olympic gold medal in 2008.

• Jane Seymour, Actress, February 15, 66

British actress who starred in the American TV series Dr Quinn, Medicine Woman. Has appeared in films Somewhere in Time, East of Eden and Bond film Live and Let Die. She has won two Golden Globe Awards, an Emmy and has a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

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Youth choice

TWENTY-FIVE school children from four schools took over the Torre Vieja Town Hall plenary session putting to the vote 12 motions they thought would improve the city.

Foreign flora

MORE than 5,000 people visited the Viveralia plant and gardening event at the IFA exhibition centre in Alicante. Of these, 26 per cent were international visitors, showing its importance in the global market this year.

Norwegian fugitive found

A NORWEGIAN fugitive has been arrested in Torre Vieja.

A European arrest warrant was issued for the 27-year-old who fled his home country after being charged by police with a crime of raping a youngster under the age of 12.

It is claimed he was assaulting his victim for around a year after gaining the trust of the girl's parents.

Taking advantage of the relationship he had with the family he spent time alone with the girl, repeatedly abusing her throughout 2014 and 2015.

After fleeing Norway, an international search was launched. It was believed he could be residing on the Costa Blanca where his mother lives. Police found him hiding at his mother's home in Torre Vieja.

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Malcolm has been marketing the Copper Heelers in Spain for more than five years now, and he has satisfied customers spreading the word about their change of life since using them. One lady from Las Siesta wrote to Malcolm only last week to say: "I have suffered for 10 years with the agony of arthritis, but since I have bought the Copper Heelers and worn them, my arthritis has improved in only five days!" This miracle insole has brought joy to many who have been restricted with movement in the past.

For more information on the Copper Heelers, please visit the website at www.copperheeler.es or call Malcolm on 966 763 770.

**COASTAL PROTECTION: Prevents urban development.**

Pavitel Plan pelted

THE Ecologists in Action environmental group has announced it supports Valencia's Regional 'Pativel' Plan to protect the coast, but argues it has left out several important areas.

In a statement it said the plan was necessary to protect what remains of undeveloped coastline adding that the urbanisation of the coastal area since 1970 has caused serious damage to natural areas and their associated species, wetlands, landscape, agriculture and the marine environment. But the group believe "the Coastal Act and the land laws have come too late or have been lax and ineffective to protect the coastline."

The Pativel Plan aims to conserve and recognise the value of the region's coastline. It has marked out

6,500 hectares all within 1,000m from the coastline and in this area the plan prohibits certain activities. It prevents urban development although does allow for certain exceptions like golf courses and small sea-facing hotels.

It also identifies different soil types among which are those of greatest environmental, landscape and territorial values and second line areas of the coast that can support sports uses, golf courses and camp sites.

However, Ecologists in Action said the plan does not go far enough and many important zones had been missed. It wants an extension to include protection for local areas such as La Cala Lo Ferri, the dunes of Guardamar, La Mata lagoons, Cabo Santa Pola and the Aguamarga dunes.

OUR VIEW

Sapphire anniversary

MANY people look to retire at the age of 65 but Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II at the age of 90 has served an incredible 65 years as monarch which is now a record from any British ruler although amazingly she is only the 43rd longest reigning monarch of all time.

King Sobhuza of Swaziland who was born in the 19th century and lived until 1982 served an amazing 82 years and 254 days but looking at 20th century European dynasties, Her Majesty actually faces no competition.

Quite understandably, she is cutting back on her public duties and it must be remembered that Prince Philip is now closing in on his 96th birthday, so it is clearly important that the royal couple take care of each other's health as they draw nearer to their platinum (70th) wedding anniversary in November of this year.

There is no question the couple have enjoyed a life of privilege but equally, they (or more correctly the Queen) have been incredible ambassadors for Britain and have been in the public eye for so very long.

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NEWS EXTRA**Back cleaning**

A CLEANER who claims he was dismissed due to his diabetes, has been reinstated by the concessionaire of the cleaning service in Alicante. He was one of two employees dismissed for taking medical leave according to reports.

Footie field

MAYOR of Alicante, Gabriel Echavarri, officially opened the new artificial grass football field of the Salesianos school in the city.

Dangerous balconies

PROTECTIVE fences have been installed in camino del Rodalet del Barrio Santa Isabel in San Vicente del Raspeig to prevent pedestrians using the pavement as a number of balconies above are in danger of collapsing.

Concerns voiced at Brexit blueprint debate in Brussels

A COSTA BLANCA vicar and a leading churchman had the chance to voice concerns about the British government's plans for Brexit at a top level meeting in Brussels.

Father Richard Seabrook, Chaplain for the Costa Blanca South and Andrew Johnson, Warden for Costa Blanca North, were representing the Church of England here in Spain.

They were among 17 volunteer delegates joined by Bishop Robert at a meeting facilitated by the Anglican church's Diocese in Europe and the UK Ambassador to Belgium, Alison Rose, using a video conference link to the embassy in Brussels for Lord George Bridges, a Minister in the UK government's Brexit Department, who was able to hear and respond to concerns.

Major concerns centred on future health provision abroad and in the UK, pensions affected by the lower rate of exchange for sterling, clergy recruitment and the problems of families with dual nationality.

The Venerable Richard Seabrook



from Torrevieja spoke of a deep fear about the future among older church members in Spain and France. He said this was already affecting peoples' emo-

tional and mental health.

"Up until now people have received excellent medical treatment under the Spanish healthcare system" he said. "But

are having to make personal choices now, based on other decisions which have yet to be made. They already face uncertainty because the value of their pensions are reduced by 20 per cent because of the fall in the pound's value since Brexit, their homes are worth less because of the state of the property market and they are worried that if they sell and return to Britain they may not be able to afford a home there."

Andrew Johnson, from Calpe asked if the rights of elderly people returning to Britain for economic and health reasons would mean they would be allowed full access to the NHS, for which most had already paid contributions.

Lord Bridges and the Ambassador assured of the Prime Minister's wish to settle the issue of reciprocal rights for UK nationals quickly after Article 50 is triggered.

After two hours airing the issues, participants said they felt their concerns had been heard but were saddened to have to return to their congregations with very few definitive answers.

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CONSUL MEETING: Talking about Brexit in Playa Flamenca.

Consul meets with expats

BRITISH consul, Sarah-Jane Morris, addressed a full meeting room at the Playa Flamenca Town Hall to talk to British expats about Brexit.

As part of the Consul's pledge to keep people as informed as possible about the Brexit developments, the consulate team have been attending numerous meetings addressing residents, businesses and local groups since the referendum vote last summer: "It is important to tell you what

we do know and what we don't know" said the Consul whilst admitting that unfortunately there is still many things they don't know.

She explained that since the referendum vote, they have been crunching the numbers to work out exactly how many Brits are living in Spain as she urged people to ensure they are registered on the padron to give them an accurate vision to present back to London. These numbers will be crucial when

the negotiations begin to best represent the needs of British nationals living in Spain. Currently figures show around 250,000 British people on the padron in Spain and around 108,000 British nationals are receiving their pensions in Spain.

However there was uproar in the town hall building by some when the padron was mentioned with many criticising the local workings of the Orihuela government team, claiming they are being denied access to getting on the padron.

Some claimed despite having all the necessary paperwork they are still being told by the town hall team that they can't go on the padron. Councillor for Foreign Residents, Sofia Alvarez, who was also in attendance, assured this wasn't the case and pledged to look into individual cases, overseen by the Consul.

In talking about healthcare and pensions, again nothing has yet been confirmed about where people will stand and what the situation will be after Brexit, but Sarah-Jane Morris stressed that the consulate team in Alicante and Madrid were on hand to answer any questions and dispel any rumours as they worked to represent the British nationals in Spain.

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No excuses for benefit fraud

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A BRITON who lived in Mazarron, in southwest Spain, and claimed that being penniless and homeless had left him no choice but to make a fraudulent claim for benefit has been handed two suspended prison sentences and ordered to repay in full the wrongfully claimed cash.

The 69-year-old, Michael Dugdale from Preston, failed to declare that he owned 50 per cent of a property in Mazarron, Murcia when making a claim for Pension Credit in 2007. An important detail which he again omitted on a review claim form three years later, in 2010.

Thanks to an anonymous tip-off via the Benefit

Fraud Hotline, DWP fraud teams based in the UK and Spain launched an investigation into his claim to uncover the truth.

Despite initially denying any wrongdoing, Dugdale was finally forced to admit to the fraud when presented with the Spanish property documents clearly showing that he owned 50 per cent of the Spanish property with his ex-partner.

Dugdale stated that his dire economic situation on his return to the UK from Spain in 2007 had left him no choice but to make a bogus claim for a benefit he knew he was not entitled to.

He pleaded guilty at Preston Crown Court to two charges of benefit fraud totalling over £35,000 and was given two eight month

suspended prison sentences for each charge and ordered to repay the stolen funds in full or face imprisonment.

Income-related benefits such as Pension Credit or Income Support cannot be claimed if you live outside of the UK. And if you do live in the UK and make a claim, you must declare any property you own abroad as well as any in the UK. Not doing so is considered to be a criminal offence.

If you suspect someone of committing benefit fraud, call the Benefit Fraud Hotline in Spain on 900 554 440. Lines are open 8am to 4pm, Monday to Friday, and all calls are free and confidential. Alternatively you can report benefit fraud online at www.gov.uk/report-benefit-fraud.



Preston Crown Court.

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Airport misses the train

By Linda Hall

THE national government's €495 million bounty for Spain's local trains overlooked three vital Alicante City projects. The biggest disappointment was the hoped-for rail link between the city and the airport. This was first discussed seven years ago but the project does not enter into Ministry of Public Works plans.

The airport, Spain's fifth-largest, handles 12.3 million passengers a year and space was provided for a railway station when the new terminal opened five years ago.

Armando Ortuño, an urban planning expert and Alicante University lecturer, maintained that the airport is the worst-connected on Spain's Mediterranean coast. The Alicante-Murcia line is only one kilometre away and the €50 million cost of a

NO RAIL LINK: Between the airport and Alicante City.



branch from the IFA fair complex would be offset by a potential seven million passengers each year.

Modernising the Alicante City-Murcia line which serves 3.6 million passengers each year remains on the back burner. This is one of the few lines in Spain that has missed out on electrification and its diesel trains serve a metropolitan area that is one of the country's most-populated.

The Alicante City to Villena shuttle, promised long before the AVE high speed train arrived in 2013, was another Ministry omission.

Two civic groups, Elche Piensa and Iniciativas Ciudadanas platform (PIC) based in Alicante called on the Ministry to rethink its plans for the airport. They also asked for local trains to use the AVE station now under construction in Elche and improved rail links for the Alicante-Elche-Crevillente area.



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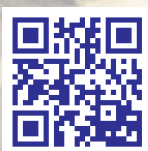


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It's a dog's life

By Linda Hall

MORE than 100 people gathered in Alicante City's Plaza de Luceros, demanding a ban on hunting with dogs.

Organised by the 'No hunting with dogs' platform, it was also attended by Pacma and other animal protection societies as well as dog owners accompanied by their greyhounds and hunting dogs. Also present was the city's Animal Protection councillor Marisol Moreno.

"Greyhounds and other dogs used for hunting live in dreadful conditions and they

are taught to be violent. When they are no longer of use they are killed and they die awful deaths," one of the protesters said.

More demonstrations are planned, the next scheduled for the Explanada at 12 noon on March 12, calling for tougher sentences for ill-treating animals.



HUNTING DOGS: Taught to be violent and killed when no longer of use.

La Zenia shocked by gas explosion

AN elderly woman is recovering after suffering serious burns to her face in a gas explosion at her home on the Orihuela Costa.

The explosion occurred at around 9.30pm at her house in Carretera Villamartin in La Zenia. The explosion caused significant material damage within the 84-year-old's home and caused glass to

break and smash in neighbouring properties.

Local residents rushed to the scene with fire extinguishers, including a Local Police officer from Madrid. As emergency crews arrived, the woman was found lying unconscious in the kitchen. She was taken to Torrevieja Hospital with severe burns to her face and neck.

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- 3) in any of the 3 sectors, you did not previously have to declare that you had assets to the value of 50,000€, if you NOW (2014 YEAR) do have assets to the value of, or exceeding 50,000€.

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Elderly man forced into dark for weeks

A MAN who has been living for 15 days without electricity, has had his power put back on after news of his financial struggles spread.

The 83-year-old had been in the dark for more than two weeks and confessed he was living alone and with little resources.

The elderly resident of the Virgen del Carmen area of Alicante City, had accumulated a debt with the power company of €1,500 that he was not aware of. It is reported that a previous carer who had been helping him had not been paying the electricity bill and had been keeping the money.

However, the electricity company said

there had not been a contract since 2013 and so he was not in the system and the supply was ended due to non-payment of the outstanding debt. They have now contacted Alicante Town Hall asking for him to be included in the list of vulnerable clients and the city has pledged to take care of the debt and will assess if he needs more home help.

It was another carer who raised the alarm after finding him struggling and sleeping with three blankets to try and stay warm. She had brought him a flash light and a cane to help him move around the house and reported he was very happy to be back in the light.

THE company reforming the hotel in Arenales announced that it was 'practically unviable' to continue the project.

It had encountered continual obstacles in its attempts to transform the frontline building into a four-star tourist complex, Princesol said.

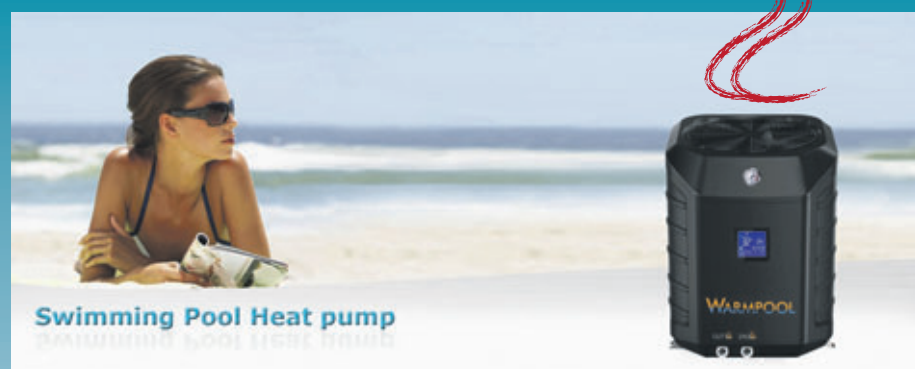
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Blame game

in Madrid and its Costas, its coastline protection department, were responsible for the delays and holdups, maintained Elche Council's spokeswoman Patricia Macia.

Two months ago, Elche's mayor Carlos Gonzalez had asked for a meeting with Costas without having obtained a reply. "We call Costas every 10 days to remind them," Macia said.

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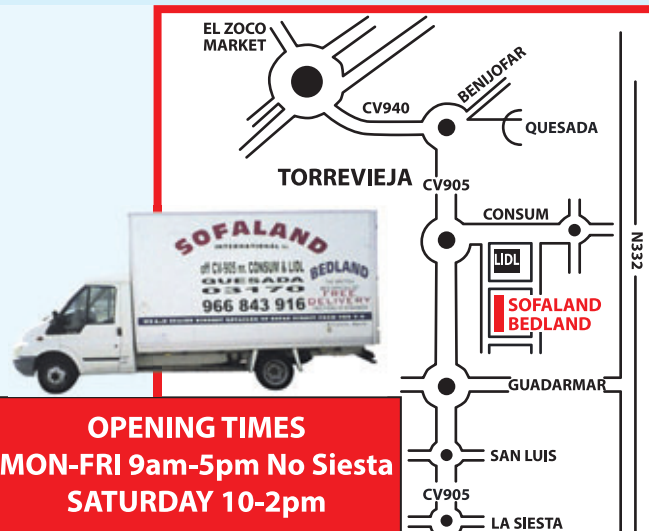
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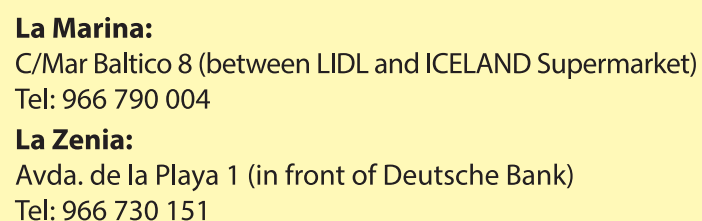


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Tasha Lynch appeal fund

THE Paul Cunningham Nurses (PCN) Charity has been attending to the nursing care of a very brave and positive young lady, Tasha Lynch, for the past four months.

Tasha, sadly at the age of 23, is suffering two very rare viruses, Myasthenia Gravis and Transverse Myelitis.

With Myasthenia Gravis, the immune system blocks the communication between nerves and the muscles. Both these incurable diseases damage the autoimmune system causing it to attack healthy tissue. In simple terms the nerves are not telling the muscles what to do.

This then can lead to issues with mobility, eating, swallowing breathing and speaking. Tasha is currently being fed through a tube and also has a tracheostomy which allows her to breath.

Tasha has these long-term

illnesses, and has now been discharged from the hospital and will require a far more prolonged and specialist nursing care than is normally required with other patients.

“Tasha, sadly at the age of 23, is suffering two very rare viruses, Myasthenia Gravis and Transverse Myelitis.

The charity does not normally deal with long-term care. With this in mind it is appealing to the general public to help raise much needed funds to enable PCN to continue with Tasha's particular nursing costs.

The charity has added the Tasha Appeal collection tins within its shops in Quesada,

La Marina, Playa Flamenca and Almoradi. It will also be holding events in Tasha's name to help raise some extra funding, which is required urgently.

Should you wish to donate to this very special lady, please drop by to one the shops. Or telephone the office on 966 790 363 to make your donation, or organise an event.

PCN has already prepared two special events for the Tasha appeal. The first will be a Paul Cunningham Event at The Club, Quesada on February 18 with Abba Elite and will have the Tasha Appeal collection tins available for all who wish to donate. Should you wish to reserve a seat for this event, please telephone the Club on 966 717 028.

The second event organised will be a charity fun quiz night on March 28 at MJ's Bar and Restaurant,

Quesada at 7.30pm. Ticket price will be €7.50 and will include a one-course dinner.

There will also be a raffle during the evening and all

monies raised will be for the Tasha Appeal Fund. For more information call 865 665 231.

PCN would like to thank

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Two die in separate accidents in one day

ALICANTE Province suffered two fatalities in one day in two separate car accidents.

The first accident occurred on the A-70 in Alicante. A 43-year-old woman died when two cars collided head on at the height of the Madrid exit. Fire crews rescued the woman who was trapped in her car but she later died in hospital. The driver of the other vehicle, a Kia Sportage suffered minor injuries.

A few hours later and another collision

occurred between an Audi and a Peugeot in Cox. Again, fire crews were in attendance to release the driver of one of the vehicles, but the 47-year-old man passed away. The driver of the second vehicle was taken to the Vega Baja hospital with slight injuries.

The accident happened in the town just 100m from a supermarket in an area where it is possible, although not allowed, to travel at high speeds and speed is being considered the possible cause of the accident.



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By Linda Hall

THE government was urged to impose a tax on department stores and big shops to subsidise public transport.

This suggestion, included in what is now known as the Alicante Declaration, came from the Atuc association, which represents the city's urban transport operators.

Speaking during a national

Every little helps

symposium held recently in Alicante City, Atuc president Miguel Ruiz called for a Finance Law with new taxes for an 'outdated and untenable' system.

A levy on the department stores and big shops that benefit from customers who use

public transport would provide a stable source of funds, he said.

So too would one-off contributions aimed at promoting sustainable transport during large cultural and sporting events attended by thousands, Ruiz proposed.

Pair jailed over waste plant body

TWO of the three men accused of the murder of a man whose dismembered body was discovered in a waste recycling plant in Elche, have been remanded in custody as investigations continue.

The body of the victim, a Spanish citizen, aged around 60 years, was found last September by a worker at the recycling plant in Elche.

It is believed he was killed at his home and dismembered and mutilated before being thrown in to a rubbish bin in Torrevieja which then arrived at the waste plant in Elche. It was here that an operator discov-

ered a head on September 1, 2016 which led to an intensive search which then found legs and intestines.

One of the detainees, a Spanish national, has an extensive criminal history. The other two are Colombians, arrested as alleged 'collaborators and accomplices' according to the High Court of Valencia, although one of the men has not yet been brought to justice.

The victim lived on Orihuela Costa but owned several parking lots in Torrevieja, and it is believed that a dispute over these could have played a part in his death with the crime motivated by money.

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Murcia is the region where these pesticides are most used and the third most affected by the loss of pollinators, according to data collected by the environmental organisation.

Greenpeace experts have witnessed the "great mortality of bees this year" particularly around the Mazarron area with the AARM asking the regional authorities to act "urgently" and prohibit the use of pes-

ticides during this flowering period.

The AARM said these products are like "atomic bombs" that not only kill crop pests, but also bees which are the main allies of farmers acting as wild pollinators.

A report prepared by Greenpeace warns that Murcia agriculture is the third most threatened in Spain due to the loss of pol-

linators.

Carlos Zafra from AARM acknowledges that the problem is "worrisome" because it affects a "fundamental link in the food chain."

The organisation has called for a peaceful concentration in front of the Ministry of Water, Agriculture and Environment of Murcia on February 16, to highlight the problem and their concerns.

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Britain beyond Brexit



BREXIT PAGE

By John Smith

THE British Ambassador to Madrid, Simon Manley, visited Marbella on Friday February 3 as a guest of the British Chamber of Commerce in Spain (BCC) to present his view on the topic 'Britain beyond Brexit.'

A packed room at the Marbella Country Club listened to representatives of the BCC, and Marbella Mayor Bernal before Mr Manley rose to give his address.

As was to be expected, he was not in a position to give any concrete information concerning the British government's negotiating position nor could he confirm the future of expatriates in Spain, but he was very upbeat and confident in his expectations and explanations.

He commenced by saying that the government had made it clear it intends to respect the will of the people, as the majority had voted to leave the

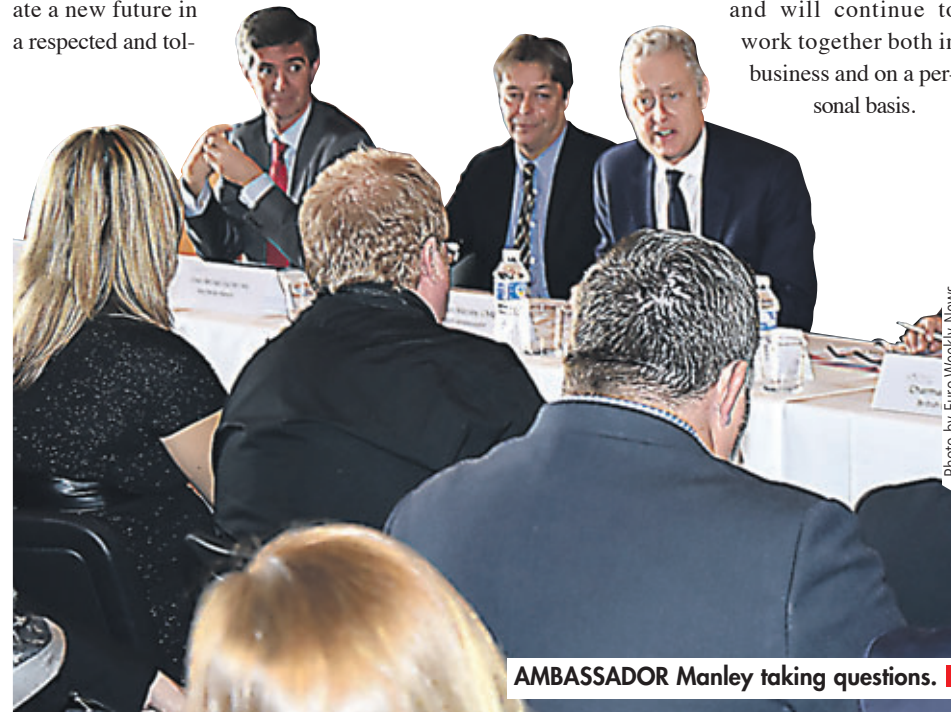
European Union and now that the initial White Paper giving the government the right to invoke Article 50 has been passed, the next step will be to obtain a final vote from the Houses of Commons and Lords.

The next two years are important to all Britons and whilst we have to face change, this is the chance to create a new future in a respected and tol-

erant Global Britain.

The Ambassador acknowledged that negotiations will be difficult as we are all sailing in uncharted waters and we need to remember that any negotiation will have to take into account not just what we want, but what the rest of EU wants as well.

We share the same values and will continue to work together both in business and on a personal basis.



AMBASSADOR Manley taking questions. |

Photo by Euro Weekly News

Free trade is important and it is worth reflecting on the fact that Britain has done much to help the creation of Spain in the past, both through investment, industrialisation and as allies during a number of wars in the 19th century in particular.

One thing that the British government is committed to is to settle the situation of expatriates and the EU as quickly as possible, as it understands how worrying this lack of knowledge can be.

With 18 million tourists from the UK spending €16 billion a year in Spain, coupled with British purchases which show a €10 billion imbalance in favour of Spain, there is no question that Britain is an incredibly important market and trading partner, especially as it has such a large population of expatriates as well.

According to Mr Manley, capitalism is about the share of wealth and neither country needs new trade barriers to make relationships difficult and with British companies investing €66 billion in Spain and employing 250,000 people, there is every reason to expect Spain to want to negotiate a decent agreement.

The government understands that many people felt let down when they were unable to vote in the referendum, but that is changing for future general elections and the Embassy and its consulates around Spain are reporting feedback from expats to the government which will help to inform negotiations.

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In deep waters

By Linda Hall

THE Partido Popular's president and secretary general in Torrevieja rejected the council's 2017 budget, alleging 'irregularities.'

Eduardo Dolon and Joaquín Albaladejo described the budget as "totally fictitious and clearly detrimental to Torrevieja."

They were drawing attention to the Aquopolis water park and suspected defects in the town hall's agreement to extend its contract for occupying municipal land by another 15 years.

"The town hall that continually bewails its lack of staff is the same one that managed in 28 days to resolve the details of the most important patrimonial contract ever signed by extending a non-extendable contract," Dolon declared.

Albaladejo also wanted to know the whereabouts of the €2 million investment promised in May last year: "They don't appear anywhere on the contract," he complained.

CHEESED OFF:
Eduardo Dolon.



Three months without vital care

DEPENDENCY care services have been missing in San Miguel de Salinas for more than three months.

The social worker who performed the service is off sick and the work has not been covered, a situation denounced by the San Miguel Arcangel Neighbourhood Association.

The association has approached the councillor

for Social Services demanding the immediate restoration of the service that is "of vital importance for the quality of life, mainly of the elderly and their families."

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SALT LAKE: Releasing the water in three different spots will prevent a concentration of salt.

Fresh water dilutes salt lake

By Linda Hall

APPROXIMATELY 3.6 million cubic metres of excess water must be removed from Torrevieja's salt lake.

The water has a salt content of 170 grammes per litre and the operation must be completed without harming the marine environment, particularly the meadows of Posidonia or Ocean Grass.

Seawater contains 30 grammes per litre and the residue from the desalina-

tion plant contains 70, hence the need to protect the local ecosystem.

The 3.6 million cubic litres are only a fraction of the 11 hectometres of fresh water that entered the 1,400-hectare lagoon during torrential rain in December and January, said the salt processing company, Salins du Midi.

Unless excess water is removed their annual production of 700,000 tons will be affected, the company explained.

They already have permission to evacuate one million cubic metres via the

canal linking the lagoon in Torrevieja with La Mata's and are currently discussing ways of removing the remainder with the Generalitat.

The company hopes for permission to release the excess water through the Acequion into Torrevieja bay and via the desalination plant's outlets as well as the canal that channels off agricultural irrigation water to the Ferris area.

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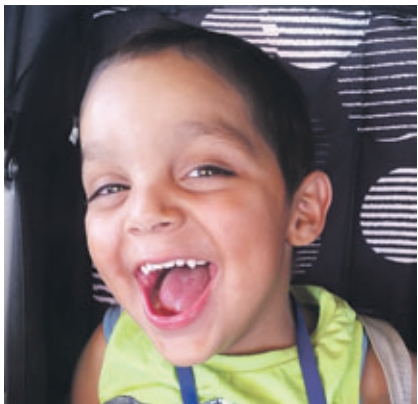
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Former Real Madrid footballer supports Leo

FORMER Real Madrid defender and Spanish youth team player, Leo Bermejo, is the latest celebrity to support the fight against cancer of his four-year-old namesake, Leo 'the lion' Bermejo.

As well as sharing the player's name, young Leo loves football and his favourite team also happens to be Real Madrid.

Bermejo, the player, a tough left-back in the 90's, shared a tweet posted by the *Euro Weekly News* asking him to help the youngster in his fight against cancer.

The tweet said: 'Could you RT (retweet) to help a young football fan like yourself? His favourite team is Real Madrid!'



Leo Bermejo (left) with striker Sergio Leon.

“His favourite team is Real Madrid.”

Thanks for a fighting

By Simon Firth

LITTLE Leo Bermejo is made of the right stuff. He cannot talk but he is a happy, energetic four-year-old who just a day ago underwent a long operation at Merseyside's famous Alder Hey Hospital.

The surgeons' task was to cut away the tumours in young Leo's brain that have hampered every step of a life that has barely started.

As his mother Karen says, Leo is a fighter. "He is so happy and when you see him he is playing and laughing. He does everything."

But the tumours Leo is battling are caused by a rare cancer that mostly attacks children, boys in particular and often those under four.

And when they grow they grow very fast. This is why this brave youngster can't speak because they have already damaged that part of his brain.

But Leo, who has fought back after one major operation now faces his toughest battle of all.

Once the Alder Hey surgeons have done their work, there is no more that can be done for him anywhere in the UK. Conventional radiotherapy would be too damaging to his young brain.

His only hope, and the option that offers him the chance of ridding himself of the tumours once and for all, is a treatment called proton therapy.

And the specialist unit which has worked on SPNET tumours before, is in the US, in the Mid-

SPNET tumours and tr

THE cancer that is attacking Leo goes by the acronym SPNET. Its victims are children, often boys, and those under four years of age.

The characteristic is that the tumours grow and grow fast. They are located in the cere-

brum, the part of the brain that governs Leo's speech, his emotions, his voluntary muscular movements and even his ability to reason and solve problems.

SPNET tumours are extremely malignant. After Leo's first operation in Pamplona, the



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western state of Oklahoma.

"It's Leo's best chance," says Karen. "Proton beam therapy is his only remaining option."

"Oklahoma is the best possible place for this kind of treatment so I have to do everything I can to get him there."

US specialist Dr Andrew Chang has already been in touch with Alder Hey and is waiting for Leo to recover sufficient strength to make the trip to the US.

"With proton therapy," says Karen "Leo can still progress. He will have the chance to learn again, to move his right side and regain some speech."

"And he won't have the problems that will affect his organs in the future."

"This is Leo's last hope for a

life and we have to take it."

The other hurdle that the family need to cross, with the help of an army of supporters from Spain, the UK and in some cases, far flung parts of the world, is the money. And that is where you, our readers and advertisers, come in.

To pay for his stay and the several bouts of treatment he needs, team Leo - that's mum, dad Jose and sister Sofia, along with their family friends and his supporters like every one of us - they need to raise €175,000.

The plight of this little boy, who will not give up, has touched the hearts of thousands. When *Euro Weekly News* found out we began featuring the plight of this brave family in our papers and on the web.

Along with advertisers who have so generously answered the call, the total on Leo's gofundme page is climbing inexorably towards the €175,000 total.

But we still have some way to go. And that is where you come in. If you can help Leo get the treatment that could mean the gift of life, then all the details are on these pages. Together we can get Leo the treatment he so deserves. Any donation, big or small, will make a huge difference.

Remember, you can use Leo's bank account if you want him to receive every bit of your donation or visit www.gofundme.com/leothelion3.

reating them with proton therapy

signs that they were re-emerging took just nine weeks. And they do not stay in the same place. Once the tumours have been removed, conventional radiation on a young brain is damaging. So for Leo the answer is proton therapy. At high

energies, the positively charged protons can destroy cancer cells without being so damaging to Leo's body.

The treatment allows the surgeon greater control when delivering the right dose. There are thought to be less than 40

such specialist units in the world and there is nowhere in the UK with such a facility.

One of the few such treatment centres is in Oklahoma where you, our readers and advertisers, are helping to send Leo!



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Answering the call for little Leo

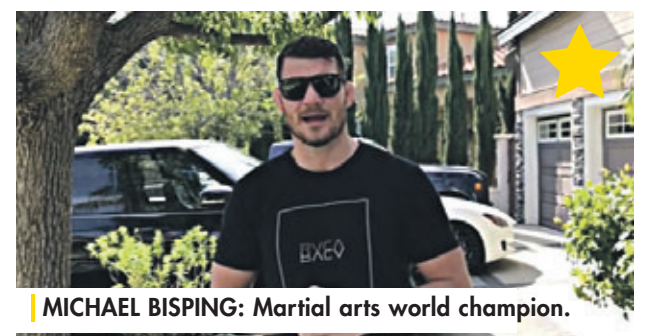
HUNDREDS of you have been answering the call to help Leo win this fight against such an aggressive cancer.

Leo's mum Karen told *EWN*: "I do not even know what to say, except thank you, to each and every one of you, whether it was by donating, helping me manage things to take the weight off, delivering tins, posters, publishing Leo's story, sharing his page, tweeting... every single thing, big or small, has made this happen."

She added: "I feel so much stronger with all of this support behind our family."

Celebrities have been helping out, many of them retweeting to keep Leo's profile as high as possible.

Comedian Keith Lemmon, boy band 911 and mixed martial arts world champion Michael Bisping are just a few of those getting involved. Closer to



MICHAEL BISPING: Martial arts world champion.

home, everyone has been pulling the stops out.

Here's just a few who deserve a thank you:

Spectrum FM, a massive €1,000; all the staff at *Euro Weekly News*, another €1,000; Peter and all his team at Currencies Direct, another huge €1,000; Jackie Butcher's 'lion' walkabout which raised €443; the lovely girls at Bugbusters; the gorgeous and generous Jan at Telitec; the wonderful Steve and Sharon at Spanish Property Choice; Ian and the dynamic

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EWN Exclusive

British Ambassador Manley speaks to E

By John Smith

THE British Ambassador to Spain, Simon Manley holds an incredibly important position now that Britain intends to leave the European Union as he represents the UK in one of its most important European trading partners and whilst in Malaga on Friday February 3 granted *Euro Weekly News* an exclusive interview.

Mr Manley spent the day travelling between Madrid, Malaga and Marbella firstly to visit the English Cemetery and then to discuss Brexit at a special event organised by the British Chamber of Commerce in Spain.

He is often mentioned in the media but generally articles concentrate on what he is say-

ing today and in this interview, he agreed to give more of an insight to the man himself and his history prior to his appointment as well as his current role.

He entered service with the Foreign and Commonwealth Office in King Charles Street, London in 1990 and has worked his way through the service with two postings to the Embassy in Brussels, one to the British Consulate in New York, two periods of secondment to the European Union and most recently a return to London where he was Director of European Affairs and Head of Counter Terrorism in the FCO.

Whilst one might assume that the role of counter terrorism would sit with the Police and Security Services, the Foreign Office also has to

have a very close involvement in such matters especially when British citizens suffered as happened in both Bali and Mumbai.

In the days when the government would simply pick a new Ambassador to post overseas, many were the times when the 'old boy network' came into play, but for several years the majority of such posts have been advertised as new jobs and candidates appointed on merit.

This was the case with Simon Manley who had to spend four months in a language laboratory to ensure that his Spanish was completely up to date.

Spain is one of the most important positions in the diplomatic service worldwide, with more consulates than any other

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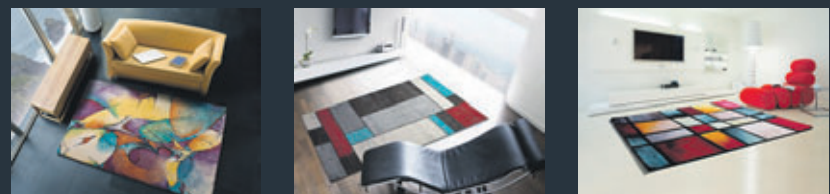
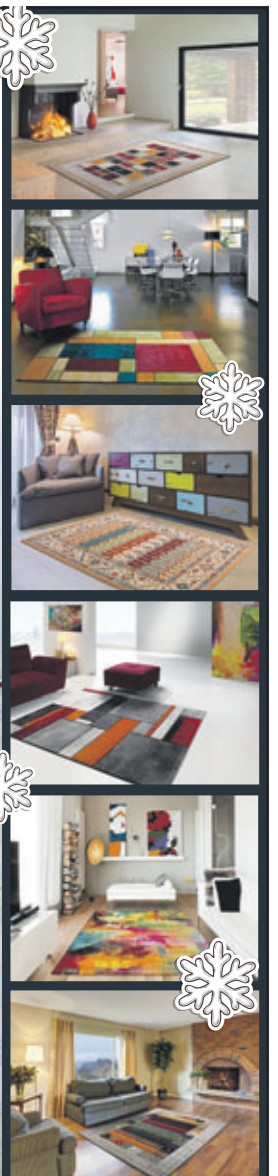
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country because of the size of the expatriate population and the enormous amount of trade which occurs between our two countries.

His role is just not just a commercial one nor indeed as an observer of expatriate and tourist needs, as a lot of this is dealt with at ground level with the consulates, but because of his background he has close relationships with the Spanish government over matters of security and there is also considerable co-operation in matters of criminality.

Putting words into his mouth, a general conversation confirmed that it is a little frustrating for him to be unable to give any guaranteed information concerning Brexit and how it will affect



SIMON MANLEY at St George's Church, Malaga.

Britons in Spain as until negotiations are completed no one knows what the results will be, although it is government policy to try to have the case of expatriates agreed at the earliest opportunity.

Part of his role is to try to

explain to the government and civil servants in the UK, the hopes, expectations and fears of those British passport holders living in Spain and the need for their wishes to be incorporated into any Brexit negotiations.

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Cancer day rocks the boulevard



CANCER DAY: The young dancers from Totally Dance lit up the stage at Zenia Boulevard.

THE sun shone down on World Cancer Day at Zenia Boulevard as the constant stream of visitors and spectators at the shopping centre helped to raise €1,784.16.

The event was organised by Maria Wilson and the Pink Ladies and Pink Panthers fundraising team with the men and women on hand throughout the day collecting donations

and making bookings for cancer screenings. All money raised will go to the AECC's cancer research and screening programmes.

Maria Wilson wished to thank the management team at Zenia Boulevard for the generous donation of the iris plants and for letting them, yet again, take over the shopping centre. Maria Wilson presented them

with a certificate recognising their efforts and support. Taking to the stage, she said since they have been hosting events at Zenia Boulevard since 2013, with three major events taking place each year, a total of €25,000 has been raised for the AECC cancer charity.

Maria also thanked all of the performers who gave up their time, as well as the volunteers.

Where's our cash?

TORREVIEJA councilors demonstrated outside the town hall in protest at losing them €450,951 in Cooperation Fund cash.

They blamed the Alicante Diputacion for its refusal to participate in the regional government's Fondo de Cooperacion.

"Torrevieja, like many other municipalities in the province is asserting its claim to the fair funding to which the Generalitat is committed," said the local mayor Jose Manuel Dolon who belongs to the Los Verdes party.

"This is not frivolous," Dolon continued. "This is a request for commitment from the Diputacion. It cannot continue to be run like a country estate, a political instrument with public sector jobs for the boys."



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Collaborating to make a difference

REPRESENTATIVES of two El Campello Groups recently visited the Special Education College Lo Morant in Alicante which provides a very diverse educational offering for upwards of 50 students with learning difficulties aged 16-21 from across the municipality.

Karen Lelieveld, treasurer, and Bill Mullaney, vice president, representing Bilingue El Campello and Roger Hough, acting president of U3A El Campello, found the visit uplifting and stimulating as they were shown around the classrooms, gardens and other facilities and met some of the smiling enthusiastic pupils going about their classes.

They were received by the director of the college, Luisa Cremades, the chief of studies, Jaime Ramirez Gosálvez, and



LO MORANT: Cheques totalled just over €700.

the specialist teacher in therapeutic education, Ana M^a Cruañes Morte, who explained more about the work of the school and the challenges they face, challenges which are far outweighed by the rewards.

Bilingue El Campello (www.bilinguecampello.weebly.com) had joined forces with the U3A Campello group (u3acampellosanjuan.weebly.com) to produce a calendar

for 2017. The production costs were paid for by donations from a dozen local businesses including restaurants, shops and others. These were then sold within the groups raising funds for a worthy cause, in this case the very worthy Lo Morant College.

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THIS year will be the 13th year that the Paso of Jesus in the Garden of Olives (Cofradia de Nuestro Padre Jesús en la Oración del Huerto de los Olivos) has been carried through the streets of Torrevieja during Holy Week by the International Cofradia.

To carry the Paso effectively International Cofradia require about 100 men, each year needing to recruit approximately 20 new members to replace those who for one reason or another are unable to take part.

This is a fantastic opportunity to participate in one of the most important events in the local Spanish cultural and religious calendar. Those who have carried the Paso in previous processions will testify to the fact that it is a unique experience and one everyone will remember for the rest of their lives. You do not have to be super fit to take part; most of the members are retired and certainly not in the 'first flush of youth.'

It is particularly important this year that International Cofradia recruits more new members than they traditionally have because they are anticipating losing quite a few of their existing team. If they are unable to assemble around 100 people they will be forced to push the



THE PASO: Requires about 100 men to carry it.

Paso during the processions rather than carrying it and that would be a great disappointment, not just to International Cofradia but also to the many thousands of people who line the streets to watch the processions.

If you are interested in taking part please contact David McLachan on 865 661 937 who can provide further details or go along to the first official meeting of the International Cofradia which will be held on Thursday March 2. This is principally for registration of existing and new members.

The group will then meet each Thursday on March 9, March 16, March 23, March 30 and again on April 6 when the

Paso will be taken down to be parked behind the Inmaculada Church in the centre of Torrevieja ready for the Easter processions during Semana Santa.

The meetings will be held at the Semana Santa Museum on the outskirts of Torrevieja starting at 7.30pm. The subscription fee for membership has been kept at €35.

If you are an existing member please make sure you attend the first meeting and if you have not already done so, why not bring along a friend to become part of this unique group of people. Existing members who are not taking part this year should bring their uniform to the first meeting or contact Paul Mutter on 671 218 285.

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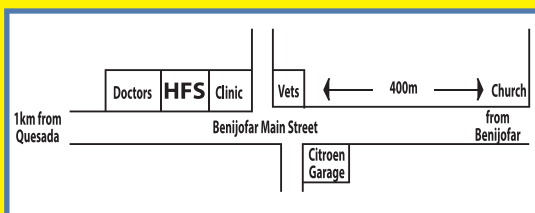


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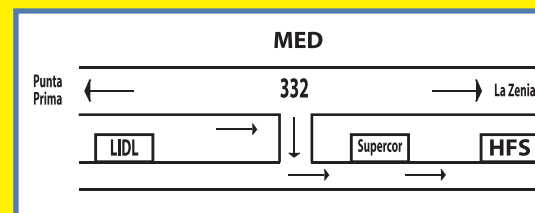
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CHORALE CHOIR: The church was packed with music lovers.

Music in a Quiet Place

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The church was packed with music lovers who were treated to a wonderful selection of singing and music, with a short period of 'quiet' in the middle for thought and contemplation. Campoverde Church is

looking forward to many more musical events during 2017 which will be publicised on their Facebook page www.facebook.com/campoverdechurh.

For more information contact Maggie Dew at maggieruthdew@hotmail.com.

Almoradi Scrabble Club

MEMBERS were pleased to see some new faces at the January meeting of the Almoradi Scrabble Club and to try out the new boards purchased from the donations received in December.

Four delighted members received certificates for reaching their individual goals. Mari-

on had the highest score for the afternoon and Sandra won the bonus word relating to 'weather.'

The next meeting will be on February 28 beginning at 3.30pm. New members will be made most welcome. For further details please contact Christine Watkins on 684 437 698.



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US firm invests in Spain

By John Smith

THE success of Grand Theft Auto, one of the best-selling computer games of all time which was created by a team of two Scotsmen and an Englishman saw their company Rock Star Games become a subsidiary of Take-Two Interactive which has an annual turnover of €2.2 billion.

Now Take-Two, the Nasdaq listed company has announced that it will be taking over Spain's privately owned Social Point which produces games for mobile phones and tablets and will be paying €163 million with

€231 million

is the total amount that Take-Two Interactive will be paying to take over Spanish company Social Point.

the balance in Take-Two shares.

Horacio Martos and Andrés Bou co-founded Social Point in Barcelona 2008. The company has gone on to become one of the world's leading developers of online social games.

Since Social Point's inception, Horacio and Andrés have remained faithful to their original vision of connecting players through social gaming, and providing the most enjoyable, immersive playing experience. Prior to

founding Social Point, they qualified at the same universities before working as computer analysts and consultants in the tech sector.

One of their games, Dragon City has become extremely popular and some 50 per cent of all downloads and revenue comes from the USA which is why the company appealed to Take-Two, especially as it has 50 million followers worldwide.

This is a major step into the mobile gaming world for the American company as it looks to continue its growth and market domination.

Bartering in Asturias

THANKS to the decline of the coal mining industry in the autonomous community of Asturias in northern Spain, unemployment rocketed with few opportunities for the younger generation unless they moved to larger and more prosperous areas.

Those who have remained however have looked to the past and are producing various food and drink products in the traditional ways and have developed a form of bartering which allows them to move their products on, even if finances are strained.

There is even an online bartering community known as Rastru which allows members to offer their goods in exchange for those that they need.

Quote of the Week

If you mop the floor, or you're the managing director, a nice pat on the head goes down well occasionally. Just as a kick up the backside is required sometimes." The late Sir Ken Morrison founder of the supermarket chain.



Phones used for Olympic medals



Photo Credit: Richard Sandoval flickr

OLYMPIC MEDALS: Some of the winners.

AN idea originally raised last year has been turned into reality as the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Committee has announced that its medals will be made from metals obtained from the recycling of old and obsolete mobile phones.

They expect to need to produce 5,000 gold, silver and bronze medals and with a need for two tons of metal to allow this, they hope to obtain as much scrap material as possible, especially as Japan does not have

large deposits of minerals and metals.

Anxious to show that it is committed to sustainable production, the committee hopes to reduce costs by collecting these old phones from offices and stores starting in April of this year.

One saving already in place is that the gold medals are no longer made from gold, but are silver which is gold plated as silver costs around €16 per troy ounce, whilst gold costs €1,100 per troy ounce.

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Discovery channels

AFTER some fairly robust rounds of negotiation, Sky and Discovery channel have reached an agreement so that the 12 channels which include Eurosport and TLC will continue to be screened by the satellite broadcaster.

Inflation up

THE Spanish National Institute of Statistics has revealed that inflation in January 2017 was 3 per cent, which is up from 1.6 per cent in the previous month and was caused mainly by the increase in the cost of electricity and fuel oil.

Mercadona expansion

IN anticipation of the opening of its first stores in Portugal, supermarket chain Mercadona has announced that it will first build what it refers to as an innovative centre in Matosinhos within the next six months to allow it to study the local market.

Insider trading investigation

AFTER announcing the German and London Stock Exchanges were considering a merger, financial investigators flagged up the fact Deutsche Boerse CEO Carsten Kengeter purchased stock in the Boerse to the value of €4.5 million prior to the

announcement. This now means German prosecutors are investigating Herr Kengeter on suspicion of insider trading although he and the Boerse insist he was simply exercising a right to purchase the shares before the merger had been discussed.

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3i Group PLC	696.50	1.85	0.27	42.92
Admiral Group PLC	1841.00	6.00	0.33	59.99
Anglo American PLC	1342.50	10.00	0.75	305.62
Antofagasta PLC	815.00	1.50	0.18	204.88
Ashtead Group PLC	1614.00	-8.63	-0.53	79.71
Associated British Foods PLC	2395.50	-11.00	-0.46	67.92
AstraZeneca PLC	4372.50	14.50	0.33	346.49
Aviva PLC	494.60	1.53	0.31	473.74
Babcock International Gr	888.00	0.00	0.00	28.16
BAE Systems PLC	587.25	3.58	0.61	504.08
Barclays PLC	230.85	2.00	0.87	6,139.69
Barratt Developments PLC	496.80	-4.50	-0.90	400.39
BHP Billiton PLC	1404.25	6.50	0.47	564.18
BP PLC	479.00	0.40	0.08	1,228.09
British American Tobacco PLC	4977.00	14.50	0.29	218.42
British Land Co PLC	586.75	1.00	0.17	147.15
BT Group PLC	306.78	-0.51	-0.17	1,034.85
Bunzl PLC	2127.50	-2.00	-0.09	14.69
Burberry Group PLC	1642.50	1.00	0.06	62.68
Capita PLC	484.00	-2.20	-0.45	488.46
Carnival PLC	4282.00	-7.00	-0.16	17.98
Centrica PLC	225.70	-1.10	-0.49	1,661.99
Coca-Cola HBC AG	1791.50	-3.00	-0.17	21.05
Compass Group PLC	1437.50	-6.00	-0.42	190.49
ConvaTec Group PLC	247.75	0.29	0.12	53.77
CRH PLC	2836.00	-13.00	-0.46	93.35
Croda International PLC	3347.00	-12.00	-0.36	14.43
DCC PLC	6352.50	-65.00	-1.01	11.53
Diageo PLC	2211.25	-1.50	-0.07	237.75
Direct Line Insurance Gr	354.20	-2.30	-0.65	171.16
Dixons Carphone PLC	299.75	-4.90	-1.61	526.25
easylet PLC	932.00	-7.00	-0.74	264.45
Experian PLC	1556.50	1.00	0.06	62.41
Fresnillo PLC	1486.00	17.00	1.16	93.53
GKN PLC	345.00	-2.10	-0.61	143.80
GlaxoSmithKline PLC	1552.25	5.00	0.32	380.96
Glencore PLC	312.65	3.15	1.02	3,071.32
Hammerson PLC	550.25	0.00	0.00	88.61
Hargreaves Lansdown PLC	1373.00	-7.00	-0.51	66.88
Hikma Pharmaceuticals PLC	1922.50	-6.00	-0.31	31.17
HSBC Holdings PLC	684.30	-0.90	-0.13	1,687.70
Imperial Brands PLC	3766.50	29.00	0.78	150.66
Informa PLC	656.75	-4.50	-0.68	99.12
InterContinental Hotels Gr	3748.50	8.00	0.21	19.15
International Consolidated	478.20	-6.30	-1.30	448.31
Intertek Group PLC	3457.00	0.00	0.00	9.53
Intu Properties PLC	268.10	-0.60	-0.22	96.89
ITV PLC	204.20	-1.40	-0.68	975.79
Johnson Matthey PLC	3161.50	-21.00	-0.66	36.08
Kingfisher PLC	337.65	-1.00	-0.30	224.20

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Land Securities Group PLC	1000.50	-3.00	-0.30	50.68
Legal & General Group PLC	237.60	-0.50	-0.21	750.67
Lloyds Banking Group PLC	66.33	0.46	0.70	18,805.60
London Stock Exchange Gr	3188.00	-11.00	-0.34	14.69
Marks & Spencer Group PLC	336.20	-3.90	-1.15	436.76
Mediclinic International PLC	797.00	8.50	1.08	101.23
Merlin Entertainments PLC	479.80	-1.70	-0.35	94.26
Micro Focus International PLC	2239.00	0.00	0.00	27.31
Mondi PLC	1760.50	-6.00	-0.34	75.38
Morrison (Wm) Supermarkets	239.55	-1.00	-0.42	1,060.36
National Grid PLC	933.15	5.06	0.55	307.71
Next PLC	3864.00	-22.00	-0.57	19.49
Old Mutual PLC	209.30	-0.10	-0.05	124.93
Paddy Power Betfair PLC	8535.00	0.00	0.00	3.61
Pearson PLC	643.75	0.50	0.08	326.89
Persimmon PLC	1956.50	-15.00	-0.76	72.65
Provident Financial PLC	2659.50	2.00	0.08	27.94
Prudential PLC	1600.00	-0.50	-0.03	383.17
Randgold Resources Ltd	7120.00	265.00	3.86	144.37
Reckitt Benckiser Group PLC	7067.00	-61.00	-0.86	148.49
RELX PLC	1448.50	6.00	0.42	181.75
Rio Tinto PLC	3412.00	22.00	0.65	379.47
Rolls-Royce Holdings PLC	667.75	-3.00	-0.45	438.93
Royal Bank of Scotland Gr	226.60	-1.90	-0.83	2,826.62
Royal Dutch Shell PLC	2280.25	-5.00	-0.22	301.73
Royal Mail PLC	407.70	-1.60	-0.39	151.97
RSA Insurance Group PLC	580.75	1.00	0.17	104.11
Sage Group (The) PLC	630.50	0.50	0.08	164.40
Sainsbury (J) PLC	262.50	-2.30	-0.87	508.60
Schroders PLC	2954.50	-3.00	-0.10	15.89
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Sky PLC	1005.50	1.00	0.10	449.06
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Smiths Group PLC	1510.50	2.00	0.13	37.43
Smurfit Kappa Group PLC	2133.00	-10.00	-0.47	7.70
SSE PLC	1487.50	7.00	0.47	133.50
Standard Chartered PLC	806.50	4.90	0.61	1,241.54
Standard Life PLC	353.90	-2.30	-0.65	104.85
St James's Place PLC	1074.50	-6.00	-0.56	47.71
Taylor Wimpey PLC	170.75	-1.85	-1.07	1,328.79
Tesco PLC	196.40	-0.90	-0.46	2,049.68
TUI AG	1188.50	9.00	0.76	76.40
Unilever PLC	3276.50	8.00	0.24	179.25
United Utilities Group PLC	914.75	1.00	0.11	75.91
Vodafone Group PLC	193.38	-0.70	-0.36	3,566.16
Whitbread PLC	3954.50	-14.00	-0.35	17.29
Wolseley PLC	4950.00	-10.00	-0.20	14.84
Worldpay Group PLC	280.60	-1.90	-0.67	403.79
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3M	175.04	0.49%	0.86	104M
AMERICAN EXPRESS	78.04	2.00%	1.53	70M
APPLE	129.08	0.43%	0.55	676M
BOEING CO	162.4	0.09%	0.14	100M
CATERPILLAR	93.28	-0.52%	-0.49	54M
CHEVRON	113.57	1.21%	1.36	214M
CISCO SYSTEMS	31.32	0.45%	0.14	157M
COCA-COLA	41.54	0.34%	0.14	179M
DU PONT(EI) DE NMR	76.43	0.34%	0.26	65M
EXXON MOBIL	83.54	0.11%	0.09	346M
GENERAL ELECTRIC	29.7	0.07%	0.02	262M
GOLDMAN SACHS	240.95	4.57%	10.54	95M
HOME DEPOT	137.98	0.75%	1.03	167M
IBM	175.82	0.71%	1.24	167M
INTEL CORP	36.52	-0.44%	-0.16	172M
J.P.MORGAN CHASE	87.18	3.06%	2.59	311M
JOHNSON & JOHNSON	113.64	0.06%	0.07	308M
MC DONALD'S CORP	124.24	0.83%	1.02	101M
MERCK AND CO. NEW	64.29	0.17%	0.11	176M
MICROSOFT	63.68	0.81%	0.51	491M
NIKE	52.36	-0.83%	-0.44	69M
PFIZER	32.09	1.13%	0.36	194M
PROCTER AND GAMBLE	87.41	-0.40%	-0.35	224M
TRAVELERS CIES	117.78	0.13%	0.15	32M
UNITED TECHNOLOGIE	109.65	1.19%	1.29	90M
UNITEDHEALTH GROUP	161.87	0.69%	1.11	153M
VERIZON COMMS	48.58	0.62%	0.3	197M
VISA	86.08	4.59%	3.78	160M
WAL-MART STORES	66.5	-0.30%	-0.2	204M
WALT DISNEY CO	110.3	-0.28%	-0.31	174M

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CLOSING PRICES FEBRUARY 06

COMPANY	PRICE	CHANGE NET / %
Most Advanced		
Esperion Therapeutics, Inc.	\$ 16.44	3.72 ▲ 29.25%
The Medicines Company	\$ 45.96	7.96 ▲ 20.95%
Collectors Universe, Inc.	\$ 24.92	4.13 ▲ 19.87%
Paylocity Holding Corporation	\$ 34.98	5.06 ▲ 16.91%
Orexigen Therapeutics, Inc.	\$ 4.10	0.56 ▲ 15.82%
Fortinet, Inc.	\$ 37.72	4.54 ▲ 13.68%
Pixelworks, Inc.	\$ 3.55	0.41 ▲ 13.06%
Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc.	\$ 8.40	0.95 ▲ 12.75%
LEAP THERAPEUTICS, INC.	\$ 6.79	0.76 ▲ 12.60%
Tabula Rasa HealthCare, Inc.	\$ 16.14	1.72 ▲ 11.93%
Flex Pharma, Inc.	\$ 4.46	0.46 ▲ 11.50%
Most Declined		
Pulmatrix, Inc.	\$ 3.86	1.24 ▼ 24.31%
Vanguard Natural Resources LLC	\$ 2.75	0.72 ▼ 20.75%
Pernix Therapeutics Holdings, Inc.	\$ 2.44	0.54 ▼ 18.12%
Aceto Corporation	\$ 15.67	3.20 ▼ 16.96%
Vanguard Natural Resources LLC	\$ 2.96	0.59 ▼ 16.62%
FireEye, Inc.	\$ 10.93	2.04 ▼ 15.73%
Kirkland's, Inc.	\$ 11.60	1.99 ▼ 14.64%
Vanguard Natural Resources LLC	\$ 3.04	0.50 ▼ 14.12%
athenahealth, Inc.	\$ 108.90	17.74 ▼ 14.01%
Neos Therapeutics, Inc.	\$ 5.05	0.75 ▼ 12.93%
GoPro, Inc.	\$ 9.58	1.39 ▼ 12.67%

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Bank of England rethinks forecasts

By John Smith

THOSE who predicted that the UK economy would not be adversely affected by the Brexit decision were dealt a blow by the Bank of England which gave a very gloomy forecast immediately following the referendum decision.

“The Bank expects the economy to sustain reasonable growth over the next three years.”

Now just over six months later, the situation is definitely reversed with the Bank having to completely review its growth forecast upwards yet again to a figure of 2 per cent for 2017 which is only marginally lower than the forecast in May 2016 when it was assumed that Britain would remain in the EU.

The Bank had previously said that following the referendum result, its actions had done a great deal to stave off a possible disaster and now suggests that higher internal spending by



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BANK OF ENGLAND: The Monetary Policy committee.

the government as revealed in the Chancellor's last budget review has helped to make the figures look better than expected.

Looking further forward the Bank also expects the economy to sustain reasonable growth over the next three years thanks to a stronger than ex-

pected world economy, cheaper credit options and a decision by the British public to reduce savings as borrowing is cheaper.

These revelations therefore accounted for the fact that there was no hike in the interest rates which continue at a low of 0.25 per cent, al-

though many analysts expect this to be increased sooner rather than later.

Wages have not increased according to expectations so that any cut in unemployment is currently unlikely to see an increase in inflation which is still at an acceptable level, but this is subject to the pound recovering

further against the dollar and euro and with the expectation that consumer spending will begin to tail off.

Should inflation begin to increase above acceptable levels then there is little doubt that a speedy increase in the base rate will be implemented.

In many ways these announcements come as something of an embarrassment for both the Bank of England and Governor Mark Carney who recently indicated that he would not leave his post until Brexit has been completed.

If the government and industry cannot rely upon forecasts from the most influential of financial institutions in the UK, then the economy itself could be damaged, especially at a time when Britain is trying to negotiate itself out of the EU and into new trade deals with countries worldwide.

Now that approval has been given in Parliament for the government to proceed to invoke Article 50, the next step will be to review the contents of the White Paper covering the government's overall strategy for Brexit and market reaction to that may well give a strong pointer to how accurate these latest forecasts may be.

Saving their bacon

AFTER reports that due to the appalling weather in parts of Spain there would be a shortage of a number of vegetables and fruit in British supermarkets, news is now coming in of a bacon shortage in the USA.

There may well be a sudden surge in downloads of the video game Aporkalypse - Pigs of Doom, but there has been something of an online panic as Twitter users worry about the latest news from the US Department of Agriculture that reserves of frozen pork bellies had fallen significantly.

It appears that despite President Trump's fear that the country is being swamped by Muslims, that sales of pork bellies from which American Bacon is mainly produced have risen considerably.

America has been experimenting with bacon recently and the advent of bacon cheesecake, ice cream, smoothies, cupcakes, doughnuts and popcorn coupled with the introduction of all-day breakfasts by major chains has meant that most fresh pork meat has been sold rather than frozen and put into storage.

According to the Department of Agriculture report, stocks have dropped from 22 million kilos to just over eight million kilos in a year which has triggered some fear about prices and scarcity of tasty porcine comestible.



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BACON SHORTAGE: This little piggy went to market.

Whilst it is possible that Danish producers will be looking to increase their production, representatives of American pig councils have acted swiftly to advise that the number of pigs in America is greater than ever, although there may be some short term price increases,

On a more serious note, any shortage

which results in price rises must be considered counter-productive and in Zambia several years ago, there were a number of deaths when one particular type of maize was in short supply and many people refused to consume an alternative and different coloured maize which was supplied as aid by the US Government.

A different fashion connection

NOW that Sports Direct seems to have ridden out the tide of negative publicity about its treatment of staff, owner Mike Ashley is reported to have gained control over an 11 per cent stake in fashion chain French Connection.

It would appear that he now has access to 10.7 million shares in the company which may be ripe for a takeover by using an unusual form of investment known as a 'contract for difference' which gives him a very strong position to either benefit from a sale to a third party or if he wishes to make an offer himself.

The bulk of his new shareholding came from asset managers Schroders and it is known that Sports Direct which owns a number of clothing brands such as Lonsdale and Everlast offers a number of French Connection items in its stores.

The main shareholder of French Connection with 42 per cent is founder Stephen Marks, but he has been under considerable pressure from a consortium of business shareholders as the company has been making consistent losses for the last five years.

The introduction of Mike Ashley could mean that French Connection could well be ripe for a significant change in its fortunes in the not too distant future.

Sala Group presents new CEO

THE prestigious hospitality company Sala Group has announced ambitious expansion plans and the appointment of a new CEO.

The expansion will include further beach clubs and a possible strategic alliance with a prominent global hospitality group, taking the company into the next phase of its very ambitious growth plans.

“Sala Group currently operates six locations worldwide.

The new CEO, Federico González, took up the position on February 6. He holds a law and economics degree from Deusto University in Bilbao and an MBA from INSEAD business school in France.

He brings his extensive corporate experience to the group, having worked previously for Audi UK, among others, as well as his broad experience as an entrepreneur and property developer.



Photo Credit: Sala Group.

FEDERICO GONZÁLEZ: Brings extensive corporate experience to the group.

Commenting on his appointment he said, “I’m honoured to have been chosen for this very exciting opportunity. This is a group that has achieved unparalleled success since its foundation. To be offered the chance to lead our 300 employees to greater success is a challenge I am greatly looking forward to.”

Steve Hampson who has been CEO since 2012 commented, “Fede is an excellent fit for our business, his local and international experience will prove invaluable as the group formalises our expansion plans for 2017/18.”

Hampson will remain with the business as a director focusing on International and Strategic Affairs.

Sala Group currently operates six locations worldwide, with a pipeline of proposed projects for 2018. It has gained acknowledgement as one of the premier hospitality groups in Spain and Europe.

Bla Bla Car says ha ha

A COMPANY which was founded in France and has offices around the world, Bla Bla Car has just fought off a claim made in court by the Spanish Confederation for Bus Transport (Confibus) which asserted that it was improperly acting as a transport company.

It argued that car sharing of this type was helping to depress the market for bus and coach journeys and therefore should be banned in Spain.

Bla Bla Car, however denied it was a transport company but simply a social network that brings together drivers and passengers who wish to share the cost of their journey and it makes a charge for the introduction.

The matter was heard before a Madrid court which ruled those drivers using Bla Bla Car are not employees of that company, nor are they in the main professional drivers touting their business for hire and reward.

In addition, it ruled they were not looking to make a profit from the journey but were simply sharing the costs incurred.

Confibus does have the right of appeal against this service and city councils who feel that this business undermines their local bus services could also decide to take action against the company in the future.

Losing mental capacity whilst living abroad

by Stone King

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MANY UK expatriates living in Spain own properties in the UK and have pensions and investments in the UK. They rely on their UK assets to maintain their lifestyles (and those of their families) in Spain. If they can no longer manage their affairs in the UK due to a loss of mental capacity, it can cause many difficulties.

“You can choose a person or people, who you trust, to act for you when you are no longer able.

The best way to avoid the legal and practical difficulties that can occur with the loss of mental capacity is to plan for it in advance by drawing up a document called a ‘Lasting Power of Attorney’ (‘LPA’).



An LPA must be made while you have full mental capacity.

What is an LPA?

An LPA is a legal document that enables you to appoint one or more attor-

neys to act for you when you are no longer able to act for yourself.

Your attorney can be a professional,

such as a solicitor or a family member or friend.

There are two types of LPA: ‘Health and Welfare’ or ‘Property and Financial Affairs’

An LPA must be made while you have full mental capacity. It is therefore important to make one while you are in good health.

Why should you get an LPA?

You can choose a person or people, who you trust, to act for you when you are no longer able.

If you lose your mental capacity and do not have an LPA, then your family (or the authorities) will have no choice but to make an application to the Court of Protection to appoint a ‘deputy’ to look after your affairs, which can be time consuming and costly.

Will my LPA be recognised in Spain?

Unfortunately there is no international type of LPA which is guaranteed to work in both the UK and Spain.

The advice we give to our clients at Stone King, is that if you have assets in both Spain and the UK, your only safe option is to appoint attorneys in both jurisdictions.

If you would like to discuss LPAs contact Charlotte Macdonald or Dan Harris at Stone King LLP by email international@stoneking.co.uk or by telephone on +44 (0)1225 337599.



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It's a big and nasty world out there folks

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OTHERS THINK IT**



CAN'T quite believe I'm doing Trump again this week but the man is such wonderful column fodder, I find him almost impossible to resist.

At least the court order, reversing his blanket ban on travellers from seven Muslim countries proved one thing. That no man, even the president of the United States, is in fact an island.

Hopefully the overruling by the federal judge, finally convinced the naïve whingers ('one dangerous finger hovering over the red button' etc) that there are a considerable number of factors involved before decisions of this magnitude can be implemented, even in a retaliatory mode. Dr Strangelove he ain't!

Although Russia may be a little more blatant, and somewhat less subtle, I also agree with Trump that, if the situation calls for it, most countries are very capable and do most certainly engage in assassinations, including the UK.

“ It's a big nasty world out there, and we just may need big and nasty people to make sure we survive in it.”

To my mind there is no doubt that Stephen Ward, who featured in the Christine Keeler/Mandy Rice scandal of the 60's was topped, before he could blow the whistle on one or two characters (highly rumoured to be royalty) being participants in the sex

orgies involved. I am also convinced that the tragic Dr Kelly was murdered on orders from the government, prior to revealing the lies and false information concerned in the weapons of destruction issues that ultimately led us into the war on Iraq.

James Bond and his licence to kill appointment is actually not far from the truth. I think the assassins of the CIA and British secret service, are far more lethal and mercenary than the romantic 007 ever was.

So full marks to PDT for once again speaking out. However shocking his statements may seem,

my message to the so-called patriots, who think their countries are whiter than white and couldn't possibly be involved in such unacceptable practices, I say get a life.

It's a big nasty world out there, and we just may need big and nasty people to make sure we survive in it.

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JAMES BOND: His licence to kill is not far from the truth.



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He then turned professional and earned a living in northern working men's clubs. It was through the London Weekend Television series Search For a Star in 1981 that Longthorne was first launched onto the British televiewing public as a singer and impressionist and his success on the show led to appearances at the London Palladium and a month-long season at London's Talk of the Town.

The following year Longthorne received the Variety Club's award for most promising artiste. In 1985 he was invited to headline a season at the Drury Lane Theatre in Chicago, Illinois. He made a further breakthrough on British television in 1987, starring in Live From The Palladium and Des O'Connor Tonight.

Longthorne also released three platinum albums for Telstar, The Joe Longthorne Songbook, Especially for You and the Joe Longthorne Christmas Album.

It was around the time of his appearance at the Royal Variety Performance in 1989 that he was diagnosed with lymphoma. After responding to treatment Longthorne embarked on a tour of Australia and appeared on The Mike Walsh Show.

Longthorne continued performing into the early 1990s with sell-out performances at the Royal Albert Hall, the Sydney Opera House and the London Palladium. His music videos Live in Concert and A Man and His Music were steady sellers in the 1990s but financial problems from past mismanagement led him to bankruptcy in the latter part of the decade.

His illness degenerated into leukaemia and he underwent a bone marrow transplant. In 2006 Longthorne performed again at the London Palladium and in 2007 the Variety Club awarded him their Lifetime Achievement Award, which placed him amongst past recipients such as Frank Sin-

tra, Judy Garland, Ella Fitzgerald, Wayne Dobson, Freddie Parrot Faced Davies and Gary Wilmotts. In August 2009, Longthorne appeared in a tribute show to Don Black at the London Palladium. He currently lives in his adopted hometown of Blackpool.

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10:00pm	Death in Paradise
11:00pm	BBC News at Ten
11:30pm	BBC London News
11:45pm	Question Time
12:45am	This Week
1:30am	Weather for the Week Ahead
1:35am	BBC News

BBC TWO

7:00am	Flog It! Trade Secrets
7:30am	Wanted Down Under Revisited
8:15am	Royal Recipes
9:00am	An Island Parish
9:30am	Great British Railway Journeys
10:00am	Victoria Derbyshire
12:00pm	BBC Newsroom Live
1:00pm	The Daily Politics
2:00pm	Cash in the Attic
2:25pm	Beat the Brain
2:55pm	Landward at the Royal Highland Show
3:25pm	Italy Unpacked
4:25pm	Tropic of Capricorn
5:25pm	A Place to Call Home
6:15pm	Flog It!
7:00pm	Eggheads
7:30pm	Great American Railroad Journeys
8:00pm	Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is
9:00pm	The Great Pottery Throw Down
10:00pm	After Brexit: The Battle for Europe
11:00pm	Match of the Day
11:30pm	Newsnight
12:15am	SAS: Rogue Warriors
1:15am	Panorama
1:45am	Spy in the Wild

BBC FOUR

8:00pm	100 Days
8:30pm	Top of the Pops
9:00pm	Britain's Ancient Capital: Secrets of Orkney
10:00pm	British History's Biggest Fibs with Lucy Worsley
11:00pm	Love and Betrayal in India
12:00am	The Nazis: A Warning From History
12:50am	Attenborough and the Giant Egg <i>David Attenborough returns to the island of Madagascar on a very personal quest.</i>
1:50am	Top of the Pops
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CHANNEL 4

7:00am	Countdown
7:45am	King of Queens
8:10am	King of Queens
8:35am	King of Queens
9:00am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:30am	Everybody Loves Raymond
10:00am	Frasier
10:30am	Frasier
11:00am	Frasier
11:30am	Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA
12:30pm	Four in a Bed
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4:00pm	A New Life in the Sun
5:00pm	A Place in the Sun
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7:00pm	The Simpsons
7:30pm	Hollyoaks
8:00pm	Channel 4 News
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10:00pm	Escape to the Wild
11:00pm	Parenting for Idiots
12:05am	60 Days in Jail
1:00am	Britain's Greatest Hoaxer
1:55am	Ramsay's Hotel Hell

CHANNEL 5

9:15am	Wissper
9:25am	Peppa Pig
9:50am	Toot the Tiny Tugboat
10:00am	Toby's Travelling Circus
10:15am	The Wright Stuff
12:15pm	Cowboy Builders and Bodge Jobs
1:10pm	5 News Lunchtime
1:15pm	Police Interceptors: Smash and Grab Special
2:15pm	Home and Away
2:45pm	Neighbours
3:15pm	NCIS
4:15pm	The Vanished Family: Aurora Teagarden Mystery 4
6:00pm	5 News at 5
6:30pm	Neighbours
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7:30pm	5 News Tonight
8:00pm	Loch Lomond: A Year in the Wild
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8:00am	Hollyoaks
8:30am	Coach Trip
9:00am	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
9:30am	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
10:00am	Rules of Engagement
10:30am	Rules of Engagement
11:00am	Baby Daddy
11:30am	Baby Daddy
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6:00pm	Rugby Super League
7:00pm	Super League Final Gold
7:45pm	Super League Final Highlights 2016
8:00pm	Rugby League
11:30pm	Premier League Match Pack
12:00am	La Liga Show
12:30am	Football's Greatest
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7:00am	Good Morning Britain
9:30am	Lorraine
10:25am	The Jeremy Kyle Show
11:30am	This Morning
1:30pm	Loose Women
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2:55pm	ITV News London
3:00pm	Judge Rinder
4:00pm	James Martin's French Adventure
5:00pm	Tipping Point
6:00pm	The Chase
7:00pm	ITV News London
7:30pm	ITV Evening News
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9:00pm	Emmerdale
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1:10am	Jackpot247
4:00am	Tonight
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7:00am	You've Been Framed!
7:25am	Who's Doing the Dishes?
8:15am	The Ellen DeGeneres Show
9:00am	Emmerdale
9:30am	Coronation Street
10:00am	You've Been Framed!
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11:25am	Scorpion
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10:00pm	Release the Hounds
11:00pm	Family Guy
11:30pm	Family Guy
12:00am	Family Guy
12:30am	American Dad!

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7:00am	In Loving Memory
7:25am	Heartbeat
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10:00pm	Britain's Busiest Airport - Heathrow
11:00pm	Lewis
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7:00am	World Cup Top Goalscorers
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9:25am	Quincy, M.E.
10:30am	The Professionals
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2:30am	The Saint <i>Sixties adventure series about suave freelance troubleshooter Simon Templar.</i>
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10:00pm	Furious 7
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5:25pm	Dope
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10:20am	Just Jim
11:55am	The Trust
1:45pm	The Cell
3:35pm	Goat
5:25pm	Jenny's Wedding
7:15pm	Mojave <i>A troubled Hollywood star retreats to the desert and has a run-in with a homicidal drifter.</i>
9:00pm	The Trust
10:45pm	The Culling
12:15am	The Cell
2:00am	The Culling <i>Five college friends battle supernatural forces at a remote farmhouse after a chance encounter with a strange little girl.</i>
3:30am	Our Little Sister
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2:40pm	Cricket Gold
2:50pm	Cricket Gold
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3:30pm	Cricket Classics
4:00pm	Cricket
5:00pm	Football's Greatest
5:30pm	Football's Greatest
6:00pm	Cricket Classics
6:30pm	Barclays Premier League World
7:00pm	Darts Gold
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9:30pm	Room 101
10:00pm	Not Going Out
10:30pm	Tracey Ullman's Show
11:00pm	BBC News at Ten
11:25pm	BBC London News
11:35pm	The Graham Norton Show
12:25am	Uncle

BBC TWO

7:00am	Flog It! Trade Secrets
7:30am	Wanted Down Under Revisited
8:15am	Royal Recipes
9:00am	School Swap
10:00am	Victoria Derbyshire
12:00pm	BBC Newsroom Live
1:00pm	The Daily Politics
2:00pm	Cash in the Attic
2:25pm	Beat the Brain
2:55pm	Landward
3:25pm	Italy Unpacked
4:25pm	Tropic of Capricorn
5:25pm	A Place to Call Home
6:15pm	Flog It!
7:00pm	Eggheads
7:30pm	Great American Railroad Journeys
8:00pm	Big Dreams Small Spaces
9:00pm	Mastermind
9:30pm	Only Connect
10:00pm	Birds of Paradise
11:00pm	QI
11:30pm	Newsnight
12:05am	Further Back in Time for Dinner
1:05am	Francis Bacon: A Brush with Violence
2:25am	The Cult Next Door

BBC FOUR

8:00pm	World News Today <i>The latest national and international news, exploring the day's events from a global perspective.</i>
8:30pm	Top of the Pops <i>Tony Blackburn and Gary Davies present the weekly chart show, first broadcast on 17th March 1983.</i>
9:00pm	The Good Old Days <i>Leonard Sachs chairs the old-time music hall programme, first broadcast on 17th January 1978.</i>
10:00pm	Arena
11:00pm	Girl in a Band: Tales From the Rock 'N' Roll Front Line
12:00am	Girls in Bands at the BBC
1:00am	Top of the Pops
1:30am	Arena
2:30am	Girl in a Band: Tales From the Rock 'N' Roll Front Line

CHANNEL 4

7:00am	Countdown
7:45am	King of Queens
8:10am	King of Queens
8:35am	King of Queens
9:00am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:30am	Everybody Loves Raymond
10:00am	Frasier
10:30am	Frasier
11:30am	Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA
12:30pm	Four in a Bed
1:00pm	Channel 4 News
1:05pm	Four in a Bed
3:10pm	Countdown
4:00pm	A New Life in the Sun
5:00pm	A Place in the Sun
6:00pm	Come Dine with Me
7:00pm	The Simpsons
7:30pm	Hollyoaks
8:00pm	Channel 4 News
9:00pm	Jamie and Jimmy's Friday Night Feast
10:00pm	8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown
11:00pm	The Last Leg
12:05am	The Fake News Show
12:40am	First Dates Hotel

CHANNEL 5

9:00am	Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom
9:15am	Wissper
9:25am	Peppa Pig
9:50am	Toot the Tiny Tugboat
10:00am	Toby's Travelling Circus
10:15am	The Wright Stuff
12:15pm	Cowboy Builders and Bodge Jobs
1:10pm	5 News Lunchtime
1:15pm	Benefit House: Me and My 26 Kids
2:15pm	Home and Away
2:45pm	Neighbours
3:20pm	NCIS
4:20pm	A Teacher's Obsession
6:00pm	5 News at 5
6:30pm	Neighbours
7:00pm	Home and Away
7:30pm	5 News Tonight
8:00pm	Loch Lomond: A Year in the Wild
9:00pm	Celebrity Carry on Barging
10:00pm	Cruising with Jane McDonald
11:00pm	When Live TV Goes Horribly Wrong
1:00am	Super Casino

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7:00am	Rude(Ish) Tube Shorts
7:10am	Made in Chelsea
8:00am	Hollyoaks
8:30am	Coach Trip
9:00am	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
9:30am	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
10:00am	Rules of Engagement
11:00am	Baby Daddy
11:30am	Baby Daddy
12:00pm	Charmed
1:00pm	Charmed
2:00pm	How I Met Your Mother
2:30pm	How I Met Your Mother
3:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
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4:30pm	Baby Daddy
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8:30pm	Coach Trip
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10:00pm	This Means War
12:00am	The Big Bang Theory
12:30am	The Big Bang Theory
1:00am	Tattoo Fixers

sky SPORTS 1

9:30am	Premier League Legends
10:00am	One2eleven
11:00am	Barclays Premier League World
11:30am	Premier League Matchpack
12:00pm	Football's Greatest
1:00pm	One2eleven
2:00pm	Barclays Premier League World
2:30pm	Premier League Matchpack
3:00pm	Premier League Legends
4:00pm	One2eleven
5:00pm	Premier League Legends
6:00pm	Premier League Matchpack
6:30pm	Barclays Premier League World
7:00pm	The Fantasy Football Club
8:00pm	Football
11:15pm	Barclays Premier League Preview
11:45pm	The Fantasy Football Club
12:45am	Barclays Premier League Preview

itv

7:00am	Good Morning Britain
9:30am	Lorraine
10:25am	The Jeremy Kyle Show
11:30am	This Morning
1:30pm	Loose Women
2:30pm	ITV Lunchtime News
2:55pm	ITV News London
3:00pm	Judge Rinder
4:00pm	James Martin's French Adventure
5:00pm	Tipping Point
6:00pm	The Chase
7:00pm	ITV News London
7:30pm	ITV Evening News
8:00pm	Emmerdale
8:30pm	Coronation Street
9:00pm	The Cruise
9:30pm	Coronation Street
10:00pm	Piers Morgan's Life Stories
11:00pm	ITV News at Ten and Weather
11:30pm	ITV News London
11:40pm	Fishing Impossible
12:10am	The Wine Show
1:10am	Jackpot247
4:00am	Freeze Out
4:50am	ITV Nightscreen

itv2

7:00am	You've Been Framed! Gold
7:25am	Who's Doing the Dishes?
8:15am	The Ellen DeGeneres Show
9:00am	Emmerdale
10:00am	You've Been Framed! Gold
10:35am	Psych
11:25am	Scorpion
12:25pm	Who's Doing the Dishes?
1:25pm	Emmerdale
2:30pm	You've Been Framed! Gold
3:00pm	The Ellen DeGeneres Show
3:50pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show
6:00pm	Judge Rinder
7:00pm	You've Been Framed! Gold
8:00pm	Totally You've Been Framed!
9:00pm	Two and a Half Men
9:30pm	Two and a Half Men
10:00pm	Run, Fat Boy, Run
12:00am	Family Guy
12:30am	Family Guy

itv3

7:00am	In Loving Memory
7:25am	Heartbeat
8:25am	Where the Heart is
9:30am	The Royal
10:35am	Judge Judy
11:00am	Judge Judy
11:30am	Judge Judy
11:55am	Inspector Morse
2:05pm	Heartbeat
3:05pm	The Royal
4:10pm	Where the Heart is
5:20pm	In Loving Memory
5:50pm	Rising Damp
6:20pm	On the Buses
6:55pm	Heartbeat
7:55pm	Murder, She Wrote
9:00pm	Doc Martin
10:00pm	Agatha Christie's Marple
12:00am	Blue Murder
1:30am	Captain Corelli's Mandolin
2:30am	FYI Daily
2:35am	Captain Corelli's Mandolin
3:40am	Inspector Morse
5:30am	Rory Bremner's Great British Views

itv4

7:00am	Sporting Funnies
7:10am	Gunsmoke
8:15am	The Saint
9:20am	Quincy, M.E.
10:25am	The Professionals
11:25am	Ironsides
12:35pm	Gunsmoke
1:45pm	Snooker
6:15pm	Storage Wars Texas
6:50pm	Storage Wars Texas
7:15pm	Storage Wars Texas
7:45pm	Snooker
12:15am	Above the Law
1:15am	FYI Daily
1:20am	Above the Law
2:15am	The Saint
2:25am	Tommy Cooper <i>Comedy and magic from comedian Tommy Cooper. Guests include horror film superstar Vincent Price.</i>
3:55am	ITV4 Nightscreen
4:00am	Teleshopping <i>Shopping from home.</i>

sky CINEMA ACTION & ADVENTURE

10:50am	Marvel's Avengers Assemble
1:15pm	Mission: Impossible - Rogue Nation
3:30pm	Deadpool
5:30pm	Spy
7:35pm	Marvel's Avengers Assemble
10:00pm	Mission: Impossible - Rogue Nation
12:15am	Deadpool
2:10am	Spy

sky CINEMA COMEDY

7:50am	Big Hero 6 Special
8:20am	Hot Shots!
9:55am	Hot Shots! Part Deux
11:30am	Me Him Her
1:15pm	Raising Helen
3:20pm	Sisters
5:20pm	The Devil Wears Prada
7:15pm	Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story
9:00pm	Magic Mike XXL
11:00pm	Sisters
1:00am	The Night Before
2:50am	Search Party

sky CINEMA PREMIERE

7:00am	Mojave
8:40am	Jenny's Wedding
10:20am	The Trust
12:05pm	The Cell
1:55pm	Goat
3:45pm	Friend Request
5:30pm	Jenny's Wedding
7:15pm	The Trust
9:00pm	Friend Request
10:45pm	The Cell
12:30am	The Culling <i>Five college friends battle supernatural forces at a remote farmhouse after a chance encounter with a strange little girl.</i>
2:00am	Mojave <i>A troubled Hollywood star retreats to the desert and has a run-in with a homicidal drifter.</i>
3:40am	Our Little Sister

sky SPORTS 2

7:00am	Cricket
1:00pm	Cricket's Greatest
1:30pm	Cricket's Greatest
2:00pm	Sporting Greats
2:30pm	Boxing Gold
3:00pm	Cricket
4:00pm	Sky Sports Years
5:00pm	Cricket's Greatest
5:30pm	Cricket's Greatest
6:00pm	Cricket
7:00pm	Time of Our Lives
8:00pm	Super League Gold
8:15pm	Super League Gold
8:30pm	Rugby League
11:30pm	Super League Gold
11:45pm	Super League Gold
12:00am	Cricket
1:00am	Super League Highlights
1:15am	Super League Gold
1:30am	Cricket
2:30am	Super League Highlights
2:45am	Super League Gold
3:00am	Cricket
4:00am	Cricket
5:00am	Cricket

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LEGALLY SPEAKING

Clamping down on repeat offenders

AS part of the series, we answer some common driving questions and keep you updated on the latest driving and road news kindly provided by members of the Guardia Civil based in Torrevieja, Costa Blanca, who set up the N332 website and Facebook page to help break down barriers.



OURENSE: The DGT has seized vehicles from repeat road safety offenders.

A TOTAL of 22 vehicles have been seized in Ourense, in Galicia, north western Spain.

The DGT took the vehicles from repeat road safety offenders. Although seemingly extreme, the action was taken on account of the severity of the repeat offences. The public prosecutor said each of the owners would have potentially had their vehicles seized for accumulating at least three consecutive convictions in a two year period for various crimes, such as drink and drug driving, or driving without a valid licence.

Of the vehicles seized, 19 have been scrapped. The remaining three are being

held as evidence on account of continued investigations being carried out.

The Guardia Civil arrested 362 people in Ourense in 2016, all for serious offences against road safety. The majority were related to alcohol with 204 drivers arrested for driving whilst over the alcohol limit.

As well as clamping down on offenders, it is hoped it will enhance road safety for users. Last year, across the Spanish road network system, there were 1,038 fatal incidents in which 1,160 people lost their lives. A further 5,067 people needed hospital treatment as a result of a traffic accident.

For more news and articles visit www.n332.es or search N332 on Facebook.

Can he get it in Minutes?

Q. At the last AGM of our Community, in the discussion at the end of the meeting, I brought up an issue about a member of the Committee, who has hired a family member to work on the maintenance. I feel that this is incorrect. After some comments, the sense of the meeting was that the

problem was minor, but the President said he would look into it. No vote was taken. I wanted this situation to be written into the Minutes book, but the President refused. Can he do this?

S D (Costa del Sol)

A. Yes, he can. By law, the official Minutes book of the AGM must record the members who attended, either in person or by proxy, and the decisions taken as a result of

David Searl
You and the Law
in Spain

the voting, with a list of those who voted in favour

and those against. Only those members who are recorded as voting against a proposal can later challenge it in court. Other details of discussions or points of view are optional.

Send your questions for David Searl through lawyers Ubeda-Retana & Associates in Fuengirola at Ask@lawtaxspain.com, or call 952 667 090.

Befuddled by English language

Mike Senker

In my opinion

Views of a Grumpy Old Man



COMPUTERS are now such an integral part of everyday life you can't imagine being without them but they can also be annoying so and sos when they decide to go wrong. Well not even when they go wrong, just when they do not do what you want them to do.

I have an iPhone and use iCloud to store my photos and other bits and they are meant to automatically download to my PC which is quite new and runs on Windows 10. This means that I should have all my photos available on all my devices ... except I haven't because, for some reason, they won't show up on my PC. I've tried everything. I've installed the latest updates of everything.

I then checked on the internet and it told me to uninstall everything and do this, that and the other but still it doesn't work. I got in touch with Apple and they said it was a Windows problem and guess what Microsoft said? Yup, spot on, they said it's an Apple problem. So after all that I am no better off.

I've probably spent a month trying to sort it out (not all day everyday) but I've basically given up on it because, to be honest, I can't be arsed anymore.

The English language befuddles me sometimes. For instance, what's the difference between a serviette and a napkin? They are both the same aren't they? The dictionary says they are, so why have two words for the same thing? And, of course, a napkin is also what we put babies in. How about afters, dessert, pudding, sweet? Is it a class thing? I have 'afters' and the snotty cow that lives over the road has dessert? Just wondering...

I often get grumpy with restaurants as you know. I make no apology for it as they continue to do the most stupid things to wind me up. One of my favourite places closes in November and reopens again in February so we popped in for something to eat. When I looked at the menu the prices on quite a few items had gone up. Now, of course you are wondering, how would you know?

You wouldn't remember the prices of stuff on a menu and you are quite right I don't. In fact, I didn't have a clue what the prices were except instead of having new menus printed in their break, the idiots just tippexed out the old price and wrote the new one in. Seriously, how dumb is that? I would never have known but now I've got the hump, not because the price has gone up, but because of their laziness in disguising their increases.

I will be on Talk Radio Europe Friday 10 at 11.30am having a bit of a Trump grump. Listen, call in or email mikesenker@gmail.com.



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<div>11:00am</div> <div>Saturday Kitchen Live</div>		<div>9:10am</div> <div>The Lavendar Hill Mob</div>		<div></div> <div><i>After 25 years, wildlife cameraman Colin Stafford-Johnson revisits a gang of crested black macaques on the paradise Indonesian island of Sulawesi, the only place they can be found in the world</i></div>		<div>7:45am</div> <div>King of Queens</div>		<div>9:40am</div> <div>Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom</div>		<div>7:20am</div> <div>Rude(Ish) Tube</div>		<div>7:15am</div> <div>Football Gold</div>	
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10:00am	The Andrew Marr Show
11:00am	The Big Questions
12:00pm	Sunday Politics
1:15pm	Bargain Hunt
2:00pm	BBC News
2:10pm	Weather for the Week Ahead
2:15pm	Spy in the Wild
3:15pm	Six Nations Rugby Union
6:00pm	Songs of Praise
6:35pm	BBC News
6:50pm	Regional News
6:55pm	Weather
7:00pm	The Big Painting Challenge
8:00pm	Countryfile Winter Special
9:00pm	Call the Midwife
10:00pm	British Academy Film Awards 2017
12:00am	BBC News
12:20am	Regional News
12:25am	Weather
12:30am	American High School
1:10am	Celebrity Apprentice USA
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BBC TWO

7:00am	A to Z of TV Gardening
7:45am	Big Dreams Small Spaces
8:45am	An Island Parish
9:15am	The Edible Garden
9:45am	Countryfile
10:45am	Saturday Kitchen
	Best Bites
12:15pm	Nigel Slater's Dish of the Day
12:45pm	Nigelissima
1:15pm	MOTD2 Extra
2:00pm	Nitro Athletics
3:00pm	The Winslow Boy
4:40pm	Money for Nothing
5:10pm	Flog It!
6:00pm	Ski Sunday
6:45pm	Catch Me If You Can
9:00pm	Dragons' Den
10:00pm	Special Forces - Ultimate Hell Week
11:00pm	Match of the Day 2
12:00am	Live at the Apollo
12:45am	Women's Six Nations Highlights
1:15am	All Good Things
2:50am	Question Time
3:50am	Holby City
4:50am	This is BBC Two

BBC FOUR

8:00pm	Wagner's Ring Cycle - Das Rheingold
10:35pm	James May at the Edge of Space <i>James May always wanted to be an astronaut. Now, 40 years after the first Apollo landings, he gets a chance to fly to the edge of space in a U2 spy plane.</i>
11:05pm	The Sky at Night <i>A look at the world of astronomy.</i>
11:35pm	The Horizon Guide to Space Shuttles
12:35am	British History's Biggest Fibs with Lucy Worsley
1:35am	Michael Grade's History of the Pantomime Dame
2:35am	Len Goodman's Big Band Bonanza
3:35am	Horizon <i>For centuries we have dreamt of reaching the centre of the Earth.</i>

CHANNEL 4

7:15am	King of Queens
7:40am	King of Queens
8:05am	Everybody Loves Raymond
8:35am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:00am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:30am	Frasier
10:00am	Frasier
10:30am	Sunday Brunch
1:30pm	The Simpsons
2:00pm	The Simpsons
2:30pm	George Clarke's Amazing Spaces
3:35pm	A Place in the Sun
4:40pm	Location, Location, Location
5:45pm	Channel 4 News
6:15pm	Mrs. Doubtfire
8:30pm	The Jump
10:00pm	Homeland
11:05pm	8 Out of 10 Cats
12:00am	Does Countdown
1:50am	How to Get Fit Fast
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3:35am	Hoarder SOS
4:25am	Building the Dream
5:15am	Phil: Secret Agent Down Under

CHANNEL 5

8:15am	Pip Ahoy!
8:30am	Little Princess
8:45am	Paw Patrol
9:00am	Blaze and the Monster Machines
9:30am	Noddy in Toyland
9:45am	Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom
9:55am	Shimmer and Shine
10:25am	Peppa Pig
10:30am	Peppa Pig
10:35am	Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom
10:45am	Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles
11:20am	Football on 5
12:20pm	Football on 5
1:00pm	The Hotel Inspector
1:55pm	Seabiscuit
4:30pm	Alvin and the Chipmunks
6:15pm	Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs 2
8:00pm	Magic Makes You Laugh Out Loud
8:55pm	5 News Weekend
9:00pm	TV's 50 Greatest Magic Tricks
11:35pm	When Magic Goes Horribly Wrong
2:15am	Super Casino

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7:20am	How I Met Your Mother
7:40am	How I Met Your Mother
8:05am	Melissa and Joey
8:35am	Melissa and Joey
9:00am	Baby Daddy
9:30am	Baby Daddy
9:55am	The Goldbergs
10:25am	Hollyoaks Omnibus
12:55pm	Coach Trip
1:30pm	Coach Trip
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5:05pm	The Big Bang Theory
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7:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
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8:00pm	Men in Black
10:00pm	Marvel's Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D.
11:00pm	Your Highness
1:00am	Tattoo Fixers
2:05am	The Inbetweeners
2:40am	The Inbetweeners
3:15am	Gogglebox

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7:00am	Football
7:30am	Football
8:00am	Football
8:30am	Football
9:00am	Football
9:30am	Football
10:00am	The Sunday Supplement
11:30am	Goals on Sunday
1:30pm	Live Nissan Super Sunday
4:30pm	Live Nissan Super Sunday
8:00pm	EFL Goals
8:30pm	Spanish Football Gold
8:40pm	Football
10:40pm	Spanish Football Gold
10:50pm	Spanish Football Gold
11:00pm	Pl Match Highlights
11:30pm	Pl Match Highlights
12:00am	Scottish Cup Football
12:30am	Goals on Sunday
1:30am	Pl Match Highlights
2:00am	Pl Match Highlights
2:30am	Scottish Cup Football
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9:45am	Teen Titans Go!
10:05am	Adventure Time
10:25am	ITV News
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11:00am	Peston on Sunday
12:00pm	Gino's Italian
	Escape: Hidden Italy
12:30pm	Chopping Block
1:25pm	ITV News and Weather
1:35pm	Poirot: Murder on the Orient Express
4:00pm	All Star Family Fortunes
4:45pm	Ninja Warrior UK
5:45pm	The Voice UK
7:05pm	Regional News and Weather
7:15pm	ITV News and Weather
7:30pm	Dance Dance Dance
9:00pm	Lion Country: Night and Day
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7:00am	You've Been Framed!
7:25am	Emmerdale Omnibus
10:10am	Coronation Street Omnibus
12:40pm	The Voice UK
2:00pm	Zawesome
2:05pm	Guidance
2:40pm	Fame High
3:00pm	Third Wheel
3:15pm	Third Wheel
3:30pm	La Story
3:50pm	The Princess Diaries 2: Royal Engagement
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6:10pm	The Haunted Mansion
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8:00pm	Coyote Ugly
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9:05pm	Coyote Ugly
10:00pm	Ibiza Weekender
11:00pm	Family Guy
11:30pm	Family Guy
12:00am	Family Guy
12:30am	American Dad!
1:00am	American Dad!

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7:00am	On the Buses
7:25am	Heartbeat
8:30am	Heartbeat
9:35am	Murder, She Wrote
10:35am	Murder, She Wrote
11:40am	Sherlock Holmes
1:55pm	Columbo
3:55pm	Carry on Matron
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5:00pm	Carry on Matron
5:45pm	Wycliffe
7:00pm	Midsomer Murders
9:00pm	This Time Next Year
10:00pm	Tonight at the London Palladium
11:00pm	Birds of a Feather <i>Birds of a Feather features two sisters Sharon & Tracey.</i>
11:30pm	Joanna Lumley: The Search for Noah's Ark
1:05am	A Touch of Frost
2:55am	A Touch of Frost
4:40am	May the Best House Win
5:30am	May the Best House Win

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7:00am	I Want That Car
8:00am	Rugby Sevens World Series Highlights
8:30am	The Professionals
9:35am	Ironsides
10:40am	Quincy, M.E. <i>Another case for LA County's sleuthing chief coroner.</i>
11:45am	The Saint <i>Drama series about the adventures of suave troubleshooter Simon Templar.</i>
12:45pm	Shed and Buried
1:45pm	Snooker <i>Coverage and reaction from the latest Snooker event taking place.</i>
6:15pm	Storage Wars
6:40pm	The Snooker Mavericks
7:45pm	Snooker <i>Coverage and reaction from the latest Snooker event taking place.</i>
12:15am	Out for Justice
1:15am	FYI Daily

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3:20pm	Charlie's Angels
5:10pm	Charlie's Angels: Full Throttle
7:00pm	The Huntsman: Winter's War
9:00pm	Captain America: Civil War
11:30pm	The Matrix
1:50am	Die Hard 4.0
4:10am	King Arthur

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7:40am	The Man
9:10am	The Naked Gun 3 1/3: The Final Insult
10:40am	The House Bunny
12:25pm	Sister Act
2:15pm	Dad's Army
4:00pm	Get Hard
5:45pm	Welcome to Me
7:20pm	Paul Blart: Mall Cop 2
9:00pm	Dad's Army
10:45pm	The Hangover
12:30am	Top Five
2:20am	Balls of Fury

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7:00am	Mojave
8:40am	Jenny's Wedding
10:25am	The Cell
12:10pm	The Angry Birds Movie
1:55pm	Miracles From Heaven
3:55pm	Friend Request
5:35pm	The Trust
7:15pm	The Angry Birds Movie
9:00pm	Miracles From Heaven
11:00pm	Friend Request
12:45am	Mojave <i>A troubled Hollywood star retreats to the desert and has a run-in with a homicidal drifter.</i>
2:35am	The Culling <i>Five college friends battle supernatural forces at a remote farmhouse after a chance encounter with a strange little girl.</i>
4:10am	The Cell

sky SPORTS 2

7:00am	Cricket
1:00pm	Live Scottish Cup
3:30pm	Sporting Triumphs
3:45pm	Sporting Triumphs
4:00pm	Spanish Football Gold <i>A chance to relive some of La Liga's best moments.</i>
4:10pm	Football <i>Leganes host Sporting Gijon at the Estadio Municipal de Butarque in La Liga.</i>
6:10pm	Spanish Football Gold
6:25pm	Football
8:30pm	Cricket
9:30pm	Cricket's Greatest
10:00pm	Cricket
11:00pm	Sporting Triumphs
11:15pm	Sporting Triumphs
11:30pm	Sporting Triumphs
11:45pm	Sporting Triumphs
12:00am	Cricket
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Trump's state visits will fit in nicely

Nora Johnson
Breaking Views

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DONALD TRUMP has provoked massive hysteria recently, particularly concerning his proposed state visit. However, as Brexit Britain prepares to launch itself back into the big wide world of global commerce, isn't it time to take a more pragmatic view - just as we did with the state visits of the leaders of China and Saudi Arabia?

And as for Her Majesty who has been asked over the decades to host tyrants, dictators and despots such as Presidents Mobuto (Zaire) and Ceausescu (Romania), she'll take a brash billionaire from New York effortlessly in her stride.

However, one question remains for the future: what happens when Trump's burnt through all his political capital and his frustration

about his isolation starts to show? Will he accept the limitations of his position, or go down a slippery, more authoritarian slope?

And if he does, should the UK condone it by pretending nothing's happened?

The answer to that surely lies in his campaign. When the Republican Party 'ditched' him, he just turned on them and kept going, seemingly incapable of backing down.

On this side of the pond, someone else who seems unlikely to back down is the former Portuguese police chief, Goncalo Amaral, who falsely accused Kate and Gerry McCann of covering up their daughter's death.

With Portugal's Supreme Court throwing out their libel case against him, Amaral could now sue them for extensive damages.

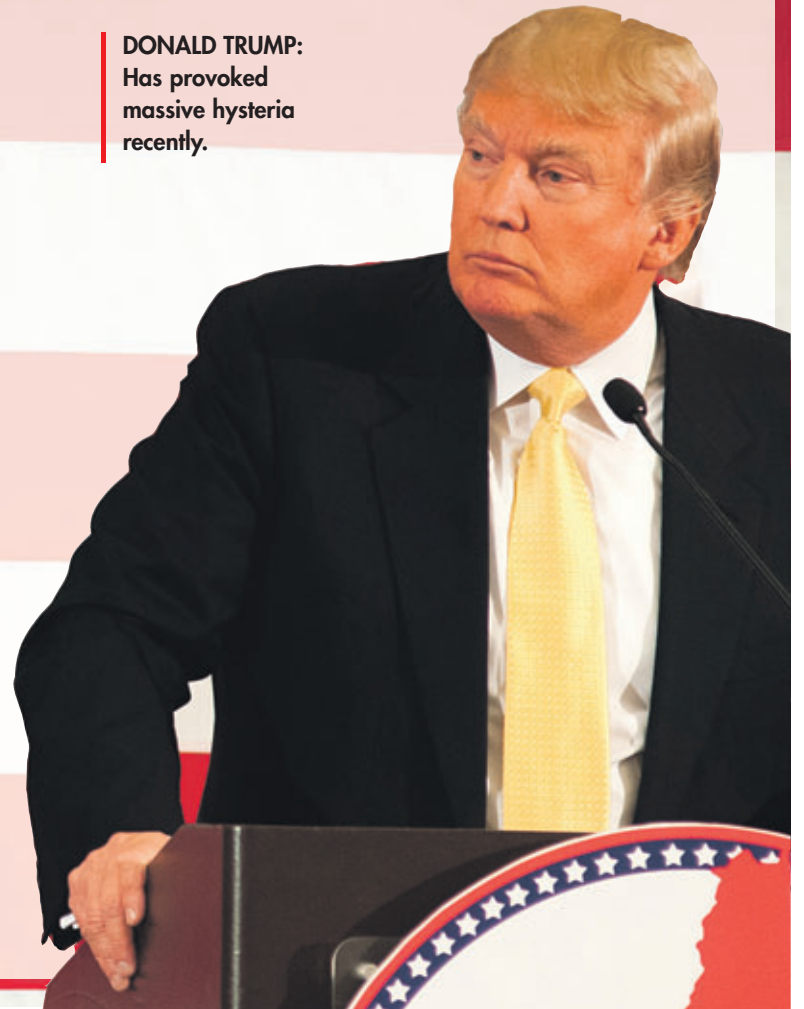
Nonetheless, it seems we are no nearer to discovering the truth about Madeleine. Just as in my latest crime thriller, *No Way Back*, (as you know, all profits to Costa

del Sol Cudeca cancer charity), a Kate McCann-like figure is so obsessed with closure and peace of mind in her unending search for the truth about her own missing daughter she'd maybe contemplate blackmail, even murder. Whatever the outcome, Kate McCann surely needs closure, too. Whether she finds it only time will tell. Who knows what the future holds...

And, finally, to return to Trump-land on foretelling the future, one former news anchor who appeared on Sky News during US election night coverage declared: "I couldn't foresee this result." Her name? Krystal Ball.

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BBC one

11:00am	Homes Under the Hammer
12:00pm	Wanted Down Under Revisited
12:45pm	Oxford Street Revealed
1:15pm	Bargain Hunt
2:00pm	BBC News
2:30pm	Regional News
2:45pm	Doctors
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4:45pm	The Farmers' Country Showdown
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6:15pm	Pointless
7:00pm	BBC News
7:30pm	Regional News
8:00pm	The One Show
8:30pm	Inside Out
9:00pm	EastEnders
9:30pm	Behind Bars
10:00pm	New Tricks
11:00pm	BBC News
11:30pm	Regional News
11:40pm	Weather
11:45pm	Have I Got Old News for You
12:30am	The Graham Norton Show

BBC TWO

7:00am	My Life in Books
7:30am	Wanted Down Under Revisited
8:15am	Royal Recipes
9:00am	Great Interior Design Challenge
10:00am	Victoria Derbyshire
12:00pm	BBC Newsroom Live
2:00pm	Women's Six Nations Highlights
2:30pm	Beat the Brain
3:00pm	Landward
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5:20pm	A Place to Call Home
6:15pm	Flog It!
7:00pm	Eggheads
7:30pm	Great American Railroad Journeys
8:00pm	Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is
9:00pm	University Challenge
9:30pm	An Island Parish
10:00pm	SAS: Rogue Warriors
11:00pm	Cradle to Grave
11:30pm	Newsnight
12:10am	Weather
12:15am	Hospital
1:15am	Sicily: The Wonder of the Mediterranean

BBC FOUR

8:00pm	100 Days
8:30pm	Reel History of Britain
9:00pm	The Big Painting Challenge <i>Entertainment series searching nationwide for the best amateur artist in Britain.</i>
10:00pm	Art of France
11:00pm	The Girl From Ipanema: Brazil, Bossa Nova and the Beach
12:00am	Order and Disorder with Jim Al-Khalili
1:00am	James Clerk Maxwell: The Man Who Changed the Modern World
2:00am	The Secret Life of Rockpools
3:00am	The Girl From Ipanema: Brazil, Bossa Nova and the Beach
4:00am	Art of France

CHANNEL 4

7:00am	Countdown
7:45am	King of Queens
8:10am	King of Queens
8:35am	King of Queens
9:00am	Everybody Loves Raymond
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10:05am	Frasier
10:35am	Frasier
11:05am	Undercover Boss USA
12:00pm	Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA
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1:05pm	A New Life in the Sun
2:05pm	Find it, Fix it, Flog it
3:10pm	Countdown
4:00pm	Fifteen to One
5:00pm	A Place in the Sun
6:00pm	Come Dine with Me
7:00pm	The Simpsons
7:30pm	Hollyoaks
8:00pm	Channel 4 News
9:00pm	Dispatches Title
9:30pm	Food Unwrapped
10:00pm	First Dates
11:00pm	The Wedding Day
12:05am	My Millionaire Dads and Me

CHANNEL 5

8:30am	Milkshake Monkey
8:35am	Noddy: Toyland Detective
8:50am	Paw Patrol
9:00am	Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom
9:15am	Digby Dragon
9:30am	Peppa Pig
9:50am	Wissper
10:00am	Toot the Tiny Tugboat
10:15am	The Wright Stuff
12:15pm	GP's: Behind Closed Doors
1:10pm	5 News Lunchtime
1:15pm	Info Not Available
2:15pm	Home and Away
2:45pm	Neighbours
3:15pm	NCIS
4:15pm	False Pretences
6:00pm	5 News at 5
6:30pm	Neighbours
7:00pm	Home and Away
7:30pm	5 News Tonight
8:00pm	World Rally Championship 2017
9:00pm	Winter Road Rescue
10:00pm	The Railways That Built Britain, with Chris Tarrant
11:00pm	Hannibal
1:30am	Info Not Available

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7:00am	Rude(Ish) Tube Shorts
7:10am	Made in Chelsea
8:00am	Hollyoaks
8:30am	Coach Trip
9:00am	Rude(Ish) Tube
9:30am	Rude(Ish) Tube
10:00am	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
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7:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
8:00pm	Hollyoaks
8:30pm	Coach Trip
9:00pm	Knight and Day
11:00pm	Celebs Go Dating
12:05am	First Dates Abroad
1:10am	The Big Bang Theory

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7:00am	Football Gold
7:15am	Football Gold
7:30am	Football Gold
7:45am	Football Gold
8:00am	WWE Raw
9:00am	Goals on Sunday
10:00am	PI Match Highlights
10:30am	PI Match Highlights
11:00am	Football's Greatest
11:30am	Football's Greatest
12:00pm	The Premier League Years
2:00pm	PI Match Highlights
2:30pm	PI Match Highlights
3:00pm	Scottish Cup Football
3:30pm	Premier League Legends
4:00pm	One2eleven
4:15pm	One2eleven
4:30pm	One2eleven
4:45pm	One2eleven
5:00pm	PI Match Highlights
5:30pm	PI Match Highlights
6:00pm	Scottish Cup Football
6:30pm	Premier League Gold
6:40pm	Premier League Gold
6:50pm	Premier League Gold
7:00pm	Scottish Cup Football
7:30pm	Soccer AM: The Best Bits 2016/17
8:00pm	Football
12:00am	Scottish Cup Football

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7:00am	Good Morning Britain
9:30am	Lorraine
10:25am	The Jeremy Kyle Show
11:30am	This Morning
1:30pm	Loose Women
2:30pm	ITV Lunchtime News
2:55pm	Regional News and Weather
3:00pm	Judge Rinder
4:00pm	James Martin's French Adventure
5:00pm	Tipping Point
6:00pm	The Chase
7:00pm	Regional News and Weather
7:30pm	ITV Evening News
8:00pm	Emmerdale
8:30pm	Coronation Street
9:00pm	The Martin Lewis Money Show
9:30pm	Coronation Street
10:00pm	The Halcyon
11:00pm	ITV News at Ten and Weather
11:30pm	Regional News and Weather
11:40pm	Peston on Sunday
12:40am	Through the Keyhole

itv2

7:00am	You've Been Framed!
7:25am	Who's Doing the Dishes?
8:15am	The Ellen DeGeneres Show
9:00am	Emmerdale
9:30am	Coronation Street
10:00am	Coronation Street
10:35am	Psych
11:25am	Scorpion
12:25pm	Who's Doing the Dishes?
1:25pm	Emmerdale
1:55pm	Coronation Street
2:30pm	Coronation Street
3:00pm	The Ellen DeGeneres Show
3:50pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show
4:55pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show
6:00pm	Judge Rinder
7:00pm	You've Been Framed!
9:00pm	Two and a Half Men
10:00pm	Family Guy
10:30pm	The Great Indoors
11:00pm	American Dad!
11:30pm	American Dad!
12:00am	Family Guy
12:30am	Family Guy

itv3

7:00am	In Loving Memory
7:25am	Heartbeat
8:30am	Where the Heart is
9:35am	The Royal
10:35am	Judge Judy
11:05am	Judge Judy
11:30am	Judge Judy
11:55am	Inspector Morse
2:10pm	Heartbeat
4:10pm	Where the Heart is
5:20pm	In Loving Memory
5:55pm	Rising Damp
6:20pm	On the Buses
6:55pm	Heartbeat
8:00pm	Murder, She Wrote
9:00pm	Doc Martin
10:00pm	Long Lost Family
11:00pm	The Bletchley Circle <i>Series based on a group of four former Bletchley Park code breakers.</i>
12:00am	Prime Suspect 1
2:15am	The Knock
3:10am	ITV3 Nightscreen <i>Text-based information service.</i>
3:30am	Teleshopping

itv4

7:00am	Gunsmoke
7:55am	The Saint
8:50am	Quincy, M.E.
9:50am	The Professionals
10:50am	Ironsides
11:55am	Gunsmoke
1:00pm	Storage Wars Texas
1:30pm	Storage Wars Texas
1:55pm	Storage Wars
2:25pm	Storage Wars
2:50pm	Quincy, M.E.
3:55pm	Ironsides
4:55pm	The Professionals
6:00pm	The Saint
7:00pm	Storage Wars Texas
7:35pm	Storage Wars Texas
8:00pm	Rugby
9:00pm	Parking Wars
10:00pm	Exit Wounds
11:00pm	FYI Daily
11:05pm	Exit Wounds
12:05am	Bundesliga
1:05am	Rugby
2:05am	The Professionals
3:05am	The Saint
4:00am	Teleshopping <i>Shopping from home.</i>

sky CINEMA ACTION & ADVENTURE

7:00am	Wild Wild West
8:50am	Serenity
10:55am	Swordfish
12:40pm	Avengers: Age of Ultron
3:05pm	Tracers
4:45pm	Self/Less
6:45pm	Enemy of the State
9:00pm	Avengers: Age of Ultron
11:25pm	Rambo
1:00am	Twister

sky CINEMA COMEDY

8:00am	Spud
9:50am	Working Girl
11:50am	Nine Months
1:40pm	The Intern
3:45pm	Grimsby
5:15pm	Police Academy
7:00pm	The Devil Wears Prada
9:00pm	The Intern
11:05pm	Grimsby
12:35am	Brüno
2:05am	Team America: World Police
3:50am	Stage Fright

sky CINEMA PREMIERE

7:00am	Jenny's Wedding
8:40am	Miracles From Heaven
10:35am	The Angry Birds Movie
12:20pm	The Cell
2:05pm	Mojave
3:45pm	The Landlord
5:20pm	Miracles From Heaven
7:20pm	Friend Request
9:00pm	The Angry Birds Movie
10:50pm	The Landlord <i>A landlord buys a tenement house and plans to throw the tenants out and build a new house for himself.</i>
12:30am	Friend Request
2:10am	Jenny's Wedding <i>After deciding to tie the knot with her long-term lesbian partner, a woman must finally open up to her conservative parents.</i>
3:50am	The Cell

sky SPORTS 2

7:00am	Cricket
1:00pm	Scottish Cup Football
1:30pm	Sporting Triumphs
1:45pm	Sporting Triumphs
2:00pm	Cricket's Greatest
2:30pm	Cricket's Greatest
3:00pm	Cricket
4:00pm	Cricket's Greatest
4:30pm	Scottish Cup Football
5:00pm	Cricket's Greatest
5:30pm	Cricket's Greatest
6:00pm	Sporting Greats
6:30pm	Cricket
7:30pm	Live Rotterdam 500 Tennis
11:30pm	Super League Fulltime 2017
12:00am	Cricket
1:00am	Super League Fulltime 2017
1:30am	Super League Gold
1:45am	Super League Gold
2:00am	Cricket
3:00am	Sporting Rivalries
3:30am	Sporting Rivalries
4:00am	Cricket
5:00am	Cricket's Greatest
5:30am	Cricket's Greatest

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10:15am	Countryfile Winter Diaries
11:00am	Homes Under the Hammer
12:00pm	Wanted Down Under Revisited
12:45pm	Oxford Street Revealed
1:15pm	Bargain Hunt
2:00pm	BBC News
2:30pm	Regional News
2:45pm	Doctors
3:15pm	Father Brown
4:00pm	Escape to the Country
4:45pm	The Farmers' Country Showdown
5:30pm	Antiques Road Trip
6:15pm	Pointless
7:00pm	BBC News
7:30pm	Regional News
8:00pm	The One Show
8:30pm	EastEnders
9:00pm	Holby City
10:00pm	The Moorside
11:00pm	BBC News
11:30pm	Regional News
11:40pm	Weather
11:45pm	Pretty Woman
1:40am	Weather for the Week Ahead

BBC TWO

7:30am	Wanted Down Under Revisited
8:15am	The Farmers' Country Showdown
9:00am	Great British Menu
10:00am	Victoria Derbyshire
12:00pm	BBC Newsroom Live
2:00pm	Coast
2:15pm	Super League Show
3:00pm	Landward
3:30pm	Italy Unpacked
4:30pm	The Blue Planet
5:20pm	A Place to Call Home
6:15pm	Flog It!
7:00pm	Eggheads
7:30pm	Great American Railroad Journeys
8:00pm	Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is
9:00pm	Further Back in Time for Dinner
10:00pm	Andrew Marr, My Brain and Me
11:00pm	Mock the Week
11:30pm	Newsnight
12:10am	Weather
12:15am	Special Forces - Ultimate Hell Week
1:15am	SAS: Rogue Warriors
2:15am	Our Dancing Town

BBC FOUR

8:00pm	100 Days
8:30pm	Weird Nature, Marvellous Motion
9:00pm	Planet Earth II
10:00pm	Life of a Mountain: A Year on Blencathra
11:00pm	After Brexit: The Battle for Europe
12:00am	D-Day: The Last Heroes
<i>Two-part series in which historian Dan Snow examines how meticulous planning, espionage and the analysis of millions of three-dimensional aerial photographs helped the Allied Forces gain a foothold in northern France.</i>	
1:00am	Swim the Channel
2:00am	Bought with Love: The Secret History of British Art Collections
3:00am	Beautiful Thing: A Passion for Porcelain
4:00am	Planet Earth II

CHANNEL 4

7:45am	King of Queens
9:00am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:35am	Everybody Loves Raymond
10:05am	Frasier
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12:00pm	Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA
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5:00pm	A Place in the Sun
6:00pm	Come Dine with Me
7:00pm	The Simpsons
7:30pm	Hollyoaks
8:00pm	Channel 4 News
9:00pm	Super Slimmers: What Really Happened Next
10:00pm	24 Hours in A and E
11:00pm	The Great British Skinny Dip
12:05am	This is Us1
1:00am	My Granny the Escort

CHANNEL 5

8:35am	Noddy: Toyland Detective
8:50am	Paw Patrol
9:00am	Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom
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2:45pm	Neighbours
3:15pm	NCIS: Los Angeles
4:15pm	Family Secrets
6:00pm	5 News at 5
6:30pm	Neighbours
7:00pm	Home and Away
7:30pm	5 News Tonight
8:00pm	Winter Road Rescue
9:00pm	Inside Windsor Castle
10:00pm	Secrets of the National Trust with Alan Titchmarsh
11:00pm	Celebrity Carry on Barging
12:00am	Extraordinary People

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7:00am	Rude(ish) Tube Shorts
7:10am	Made in Chelsea
8:00am	Hollyoaks
8:30am	Coach Trip
9:00am	Rude(ish) Tube
9:30am	Rude(ish) Tube
10:00am	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
10:30am	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
11:00am	Rules of Engagement
11:30am	Rules of Engagement
12:00pm	Charmed
1:00pm	Charmed
2:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
2:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
3:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
3:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
4:00pm	Baby Daddy
4:30pm	Baby Daddy
5:00pm	How I Met Your Mother
6:00pm	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
6:30pm	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
7:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
7:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
8:00pm	Hollyoaks
8:30pm	Coach Trip
9:00pm	The Goldbergs
10:00pm	Tattoo Fixers
11:00pm	Valentine's Special
12:05am	Celebs Go Dating
12:05am	The Big Bang Theory

sky SPORTS 1

7:00am	Football: Gold
7:15am	Football: Gold
7:30am	Football: Gold
7:45am	Football: Gold
8:00am	WWE SmackDown!
9:00am	Mnf Pre-Game Show
10:00am	Mnf: Highlights
10:30am	Soccer AM: The Best Bits 2016/17
11:00am	Premier League Gold
11:20am	Premier League Gold
11:40am	Premier League Gold
12:00pm	Football
4:00pm	One2eleven
4:30pm	One2eleven
5:00pm	Mnf Pre-Game Show
6:00pm	Mnf: Highlights
6:30pm	Premier League Gold
6:40pm	Premier League Gold
6:50pm	Premier League Gold
7:00pm	Premier League Review
8:00pm	Scottish Football Round Up
8:15pm	Football: Gold
8:30pm	Gillette Soccer Special
11:00pm	La Liga World
11:30pm	Premier League Gold
11:50pm	Premier League Gold
12:00am	Premier League Review

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9:30am	Lorraine
10:25am	The Jeremy Kyle Show
11:30am	This Morning
1:30pm	Loose Women
2:30pm	ITV Lunchtime News
2:55pm	Regional News and Weather
3:00pm	Judge Rinder
4:00pm	James Martin's French Adventure
5:00pm	Tipping Point
6:00pm	The Chase
7:00pm	Regional News and Weather
7:30pm	ITV Evening News
8:00pm	Emmerdale
8:30pm	Save Money
9:00pm	Tales From the Coast with Robson Green
10:00pm	Secret Life of Dogs
11:00pm	ITV News at Ten and Weather
11:30pm	Regional News and Weather
11:40pm	The Chase
12:40am	The Investigator: A British Crime Story

itv2

7:00am	You've Been Framed!
7:25am	Who's Doing the Dishes?
8:15am	The Ellen DeGeneres Show
9:00am	Emmerdale
9:30am	Coronation Street
10:00am	Coronation Street
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3:50pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show
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6:00pm	Judge Rinder
7:00pm	You've Been Framed!
7:30pm	You've Been Framed!
9:00pm	Two and a Half Men
9:30pm	Two and a Half Men
10:00pm	Hell's Kitchen
11:00pm	Celebrity Juice
11:50pm	Family Guy
12:20am	Family Guy

itv3

7:00am	In Loving Memory
7:25am	Heartbeat
8:30am	Where the Heart is
9:30am	The Royal
10:30am	Judge Judy
11:00am	Judge Judy
11:30am	Judge Judy
11:55am	Inspector Morse
2:10pm	Heartbeat
3:10pm	The Royal
4:10pm	Where the Heart is
5:20pm	In Loving Memory
5:55pm	Rising Damp
6:20pm	On the Buses
<i>This bold, bawdy and brash sitcom hit British screens in 1969.</i>	
6:55pm	Heartbeat
<i>Drama, set in the North Yorkshire moors in the 1960's.</i>	
8:00pm	Murder, She Wrote
<i>Drama series about a sleuthing writer who solves murder mysteries.</i>	
9:00pm	Midsomer Murders
11:00pm	Wycliffe
12:05am	Prime Suspect 1

itv4

7:00am	Gunsmoke
7:55am	The Saint
8:50am	Quincy, M.E.
9:50am	The Professionals
10:50am	Ironsides
11:55am	Gunsmoke
1:00pm	Storage Wars Texas
1:30pm	Storage Wars Texas
1:55pm	Storage Wars
2:25pm	The Car Chasers
2:55pm	Hogan's Heroes
3:30pm	Hogan's Heroes
4:00pm	Ironsides
5:00pm	The Professionals
6:00pm	The Saint
7:05pm	Storage Wars Texas
7:35pm	Storage Wars Texas
8:00pm	Pawn Stars
8:30pm	Pawn Stars
9:00pm	The Chase: Celebrity Special
10:00pm	Benidorm
11:00pm	Out for Justice
12:00am	FYI Daily
12:05am	Out for Justice
12:55am	Last Man Standing
1:55am	FYI Daily
2:00am	Last Man Standing
3:00am	The Saint
3:50am	ITV4 Nightscreen

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8:00am	Independence Day
10:30am	I Am Wrath
12:05pm	Run All Night
2:05pm	Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice
4:40pm	Dante's Peak
6:30pm	Independence Day
9:00pm	Run All Night
11:00pm	Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice
1:35am	Road House
3:30am	The Salvation

sky CINEMA COMEDY

10:15am	Billy Madison
11:50am	Dude, Where's My Car?
1:20pm	Whiskey Tango Foxtrot
3:20pm	Me, Myself and Irene
5:20pm	Daddy's Home
7:05pm	Rock the Kasbah
9:00pm	Whiskey Tango Foxtrot
11:00pm	Daddy's Home
12:45am	Blazing Saddles
2:30am	Stir Crazy

sky CINEMA PREMIERE

7:00am	The Landlord
8:45am	Everest: Special
<i>The likes of Jake Gyllenhaal, Keira Knightley and Josh Brolin talk about disaster epic Everest.</i>	
9:15am	The Angry Birds Movie
11:05am	Anything for Love
12:50pm	The Top Ten Show 2017
1:10pm	Friend Request
2:55pm	Miracles From Heaven
5:00pm	The Lego Batman Movie: Special
5:30pm	The Angry Birds Movie
7:15pm	Anything for Love
9:00pm	Friend Request
10:45pm	Miracles From Heaven
12:40am	Jenny's Wedding
2:25am	The Cell
4:15am	The Landlord

sky SPORTS 2

7:00am	Cricket Classics
8:00am	Time of Our Lives
9:00am	Super League Fulltime 2017
9:30am	Super League Gold
9:45am	Super League Gold
10:00am	Cricket's Greatest
10:30am	Cricket's Greatest
11:00am	Live Rotterdam 500 Tennis
5:00pm	Cricket's Greatest
5:30pm	Cricket's Greatest
6:00pm	Sporting Greats
6:30pm	Sporting Greats
7:00pm	Super League Fulltime 2017
7:30pm	Live Rotterdam 500 Tennis
11:30pm	Super League Fulltime 2017
12:00am	Ashes Best Days
2:00am	Cricket World Cup Classics
3:00am	Sporting Rivalries
4:00am	Cricket Classics
5:00am	Cricket's Greatest
5:30am	Cricket's Greatest
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BBC one

7:00am	Breakfast
10:15am	Countryfile Winter Diaries
11:00am	Homes Under the Hammer
12:00pm	Wanted Down Under Revisited
12:45pm	Oxford Street Revealed
1:15pm	Bargain Hunt
2:00pm	BBC News
2:30pm	Regional News
2:45pm	Doctors
3:15pm	Father Brown
4:00pm	Escape to the Country
4:45pm	The Farmers' Country Showdown
5:30pm	Antiques Road Trip
6:15pm	Pointless
7:00pm	BBC News
7:30pm	Regional News
8:00pm	The One Show
9:00pm	Who Do You Think You Are?
10:00pm	The Real Marigold Hotel
11:00pm	BBC News
11:30pm	Regional News
11:40pm	Weather
11:45pm	A Question of Sport
12:15am	Film 2017

BBC TWO

7:00am	My Life in Books
7:30am	Wanted Down Under Revisited
8:15am	The Farmers' Country Showdown
9:00am	World's Most Extraordinary Homes
10:00am	Victoria Derbyshire
12:00pm	BBC Newsroom Live
2:00pm	Countryfile
2:25pm	Beat the Brain
2:55pm	Landward
3:25pm	Wild Shepherdess with Kate Humble
4:25pm	The Blue Planet
5:25pm	A Place to Call Home
6:15pm	Flog It!
7:00pm	Eggheads
7:30pm	Great American Railroad Journeys
8:00pm	Hairy Bikers Chicken and Egg
9:00pm	Trust Me, I'm a Doctor
10:00pm	Hospital
11:00pm	Common Sense
11:30pm	Newsnight
12:10am	Weather
12:15am	Dragons' Den
1:15am	George III - The Genius of The Mad King

BBC FOUR

8:00pm	100 Days
8:30pm	Reel History of Britain
9:00pm	Capability Brown's Unfinished Garden
10:00pm	Roots
11:35pm	Wild China
12:35am	The Truth About Meteors <i>Scientific Documentary</i>
1:35am	Archaeology: A Secret History <i>Scientific Documentary</i>
2:35am	Treasures of Ancient Egypt <i>Scientific Documentary</i>
3:35am	Wild China <i>Wild China explores the natural history of one of the world's most mysterious and diverse countries by looking at some its remotest reaches and most visually stunning scenery.</i>

CHANNEL 4

7:00am	Countdown
7:45am	King of Queens
8:10am	King of Queens
8:35am	King of Queens
9:00am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:35am	Everybody Loves Raymond
10:05am	Frasier
10:35am	Frasier
11:05am	Undercover Boss USA
12:00pm	Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA
1:00pm	Channel 4 News
1:05pm	A New Life in the Sun
2:05pm	Find it, Fix it, Flog it
3:10pm	Countdown
4:00pm	Fifteen to One
5:00pm	A Place in the Sun
6:00pm	Come Dine with Me
7:00pm	The Simpsons
7:30pm	Hollyoaks
8:00pm	Channel 4 News
9:00pm	Location, Location, Location
10:00pm	No Offence
11:00pm	Four Rooms with Sarah Beeny
12:05am	The Mega Brothel
1:10am	Walking the Nile

CHANNEL 5

7:55am	Little Princess
8:05am	Fireman Sam
8:20am	Thomas and Friends
8:30am	Milkshake Monkey
8:35am	Noddy: Toyland Detective
8:50am	Paw Patrol
9:00am	Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom
9:15am	Digby Dragon
9:30am	Peppa Pig
9:40am	Peppa Pig
9:50am	Wissper
10:00am	Toot the Tiny Tugboat
10:15am	The Wright Stuff
12:15pm	GP's: Behind Closed Doors
1:10pm	5 News Lunchtime
1:15pm	Info Not Available
2:15pm	Home and Away
2:45pm	Neighbours
3:15pm	NCIS
4:15pm	Killer Collector
6:00pm	5 News at 5
6:30pm	Neighbours
7:00pm	Home and Away
7:30pm	5 News Tonight
8:00pm	A New Life in Oz
9:00pm	GP's: Behind Closed Doors
10:00pm	Climbing the Property Ladder
11:00pm	Extraordinary People

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7:00am	Rude(ish) Tube Shorts
7:10am	Made in Chelsea
8:00am	Hollyoaks
8:30am	Coach Trip
9:00am	Rude(ish) Tube
9:30am	Rude(ish) Tube
10:00am	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
10:30am	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
11:00am	Rules of Engagement
11:30am	Rules of Engagement
12:00pm	Charmed
1:00pm	Charmed
2:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
2:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
3:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
3:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
4:00pm	Baby Daddy
4:30pm	Baby Daddy
5:00pm	How I Met Your Mother
5:30pm	How I Met Your Mother
6:00pm	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
6:30pm	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
7:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
7:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
8:00pm	Hollyoaks
8:30pm	Coach Trip
9:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
9:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
10:00pm	Timeless
11:00pm	Celebs Go Dating

sky SPORTS 1

7:00am	Football Gold
7:15am	Football Gold <i>A chance to relive some classic matches from English football's top flight.</i>
7:30am	Football Gold
7:45am	Football Gold
8:00am	WWE Experience
9:00am	Premier League Legends
9:30am	Premier League Legends
10:00am	One2eleven
11:00am	Live Rotterdam 500 Tennis
5:00pm	Football's Greatest
5:30pm	Football's Greatest
6:00pm	Football's Greatest Teams
6:30pm	Football's Greatest Teams
7:00pm	Premier League Legends
7:30pm	Live Rotterdam 500 Tennis
11:30pm	Barclays Premier League World
12:00am	Premier League 100 Club
12:30am	Barclays Premier League World

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7:00am	Good Morning Britain
9:30am	Lorraine
10:25am	The Jeremy Kyle Show
11:30am	This Morning
1:30pm	Loose Women
2:30pm	ITV Lunchtime News
2:55pm	Regional News and Weather <i>Up to the minute regional news and weather updates.</i>
3:00pm	Judge Rinder
4:00pm	James Martin's French Adventure
5:00pm	Tipping Point
6:00pm	The Chase
7:00pm	Regional News and Weather
7:30pm	ITV Evening News
8:00pm	Emmerdale
8:30pm	Coronation Street
9:00pm	Midsomer Murders
11:00pm	ITV News at Ten and Weather
11:30pm	Regional News and Weather
11:40pm	UEFA Champions League Highlights
12:40am	It's Not Rocket Science

itv2

7:00am	You've Been Framed!
7:25am	Who's Doing the Dishes?
8:15am	The Ellen DeGeneres Show
9:00am	Emmerdale
9:30am	The Cube
10:35am	Psych
11:25am	Scorpion
12:25pm	Who's Doing the Dishes?
1:25pm	Emmerdale
1:55pm	You've Been Framed!
3:00pm	The Ellen DeGeneres Show
3:50pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show
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6:00pm	Judge Rinder
7:00pm	You've Been Framed!
7:30pm	You've Been Framed!
8:00pm	You've Been Framed!
8:30pm	You've Been Framed!
9:00pm	Two and a Half Men
9:30pm	Two and a Half Men
10:00pm	Through the Keyhole
11:00pm	Plebs
11:30pm	Family Guy
12:00am	Family Guy
12:30am	American Dad!
1:00am	American Dad!
1:30am	Two and a Half Men

itv3

7:00am	In Loving Memory
7:25am	Heartbeat
8:25am	Where the Heart is
9:30am	The Royal
10:30am	Judge Judy
11:00am	Judge Judy
11:30am	Judge Judy
11:55am	Inspector Morse
2:10pm	Heartbeat
3:10pm	The Royal
4:10pm	Where the Heart is
5:20pm	In Loving Memory
5:55pm	Rising Damp
6:20pm	On the Buses
6:55pm	Heartbeat
8:00pm	Murder, She Wrote
9:00pm	Paul O'Grady: For The Love of Dogs
9:30pm	Paul O'Grady: For The Love of Dogs
10:00pm	ITV3 60' Factual TBA
11:00pm	Wycliffe
12:05am	Prime Suspect 2
2:15am	The Knock
3:10am	ITV3 Nightscreen <i>Text-based information service.</i>
3:30am	Teleshopping <i>Innovative, value-for-money products brought directly to you at home.</i>

itv4

7:00am	Gunsmoke
7:55am	The Saint
8:45am	Hogan's Heroes
9:20am	Hogan's Heroes
9:50am	The Professionals
10:50am	Ironsides
11:55am	Gunsmoke
1:00pm	Storage Wars Texas
1:30pm	Storage Wars Texas
1:55pm	Pawn Stars
2:25pm	Pawn Stars
2:50pm	Hogan's Heroes
3:25pm	Hogan's Heroes
3:55pm	Ironsides
5:00pm	The Professionals
6:00pm	The Saint
7:05pm	Storage Wars Texas
7:35pm	Storage Wars Texas
8:00pm	Pawn Stars
8:30pm	Pawn Stars
9:00pm	River Monsters
10:00pm	Heroes and Villains: Caught on Camera
11:00pm	Above the Law
12:00am	FYI Daily
12:05am	Above the Law
1:05am	Sports Life Stories
2:05am	The Wine Show
3:10am	The Professionals
4:00am	Teleshopping <i>Shopping from home.</i>

sky CINEMA ACTION & ADVENTURE

7:10am	Cellular
8:50am	AVP: Alien vs. Predator
10:45am	Extraction
12:20pm	Star Wars: Episode VII - The Force Awakens
2:40pm	Tomorrowland
4:50pm	The Mummy
6:55pm	Everest
9:00pm	Star Wars: Episode VII - The Force Awakens
11:25pm	Precious Cargo

sky CINEMA COMEDY

8:50am	Spud 3: Learning to Fly
10:25am	Galaxy Quest
12:15pm	Sister Act
2:05pm	Hot Shots!
3:40pm	Big Daddy
5:20pm	Ride Along 2
7:10pm	Starsky and Hutch
9:00pm	Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story
10:45pm	Ride Along 2
12:35am	Office Space
2:15am	Krampus
4:00am	Life

sky CINEMA PREMIERE

8:40am	Mojave <i>A troubled Hollywood star retreats to the desert and has a run-in with a homicidal drifter.</i>
10:20am	Friend Request
12:05pm	The Angry Birds Movie
1:50pm	Miracles From Heaven
3:50pm	Anything for Love
5:35pm	The Landlord
7:15pm	The Angry Birds Movie
9:00pm	Friend Request
10:45pm	Up for Love
12:35am	Miracles From Heaven
2:35am	The Landlord
4:20am	The Culling <i>Five college friends battle supernatural forces at a remote farmhouse after a chance encounter with a strange little girl. Dark horror-thriller.</i>

sky SPORTS 2

9:00am	Sky Sports Years
10:00am	Cricket's Greatest
10:30am	Cricket's Greatest
11:00am	Time of Our Lives
12:00pm	The Premier League Years
2:00pm	Football's Greatest
2:30pm	Football's Greatest
3:00pm	Premier League Legends
3:30pm	Premier League Legends
4:00pm	One2eleven
4:15pm	One2eleven
4:30pm	One2eleven
4:45pm	One2eleven
5:00pm	Cricket's Greatest
5:30pm	Cricket's Greatest
6:00pm	Sporting Greats
6:30pm	Sporting Greats
7:00pm	Sporting Triumphs
7:15pm	Sporting Triumphs
7:30pm	Cricket Gold
7:40pm	Cricket Gold
7:50pm	Cricket Gold
8:00pm	Barclays Premier League World
8:30pm	Boxing Gold
8:45pm	Boxing Gold
9:00pm	Boxing
11:00pm	Boxing Gold
11:15pm	Boxing Gold
11:30pm	Cricket Gold

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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

		31	15	28	22
26	5	6	4	3	
31	7	1	9	6	8
12	3	9		8	5
11	9	2		5	2
22	2	8	5	3	4
21	5	6	8	2	

MADDOCKS' VIEW ON LIFE'CAN THE TRUMP PEN CONTINUE TO BE MIGHTIER
THAN THE SWORD?'**Nonagram**

How many English words of four letters or more can you make from the nine letters in our Nonagram puzzle? Each letter may be used only once (unless the letter appears twice). Each word MUST CONTAIN THE CENTRE LETTER (in this case R) and there must be AT LEAST ONE NINE LETTER WORD. Plurals, vulgarities or proper nouns are not allowed.

**TARGET:**

• Average: 9 • Good: 12

• Very good: 18 • Excellent: 23

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Saturday February 4

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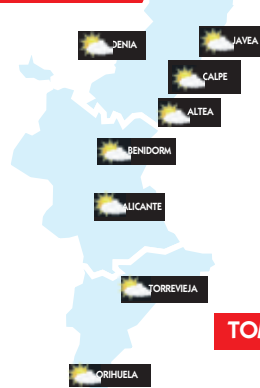
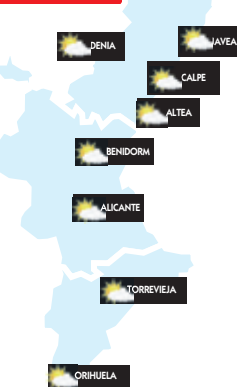
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**LA PRIMITIVA**

Saturday February 4

**EL GORDO DE LA PRIMITIVA**

Sunday February 5

**Costa Blanca****weather****TODAY****TOMORROW****SATURDAY****Alicante**

TODAY: MAX 15, MIN 8 - C

Fri - 15 10 C
 Sat - 15 11 Sh
 Sun - 17 12 C
 Mon - 17 10 C
 Tues - 17 10 C
 Wed - 16 10 C

Bilbao

TODAY: MAX 14, MIN 5 - C

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 Sat - 13 5 C
 Sun - 15 8 C
 Mon - 15 8 C
 Tues - 15 7 C
 Wed - 15 7 CI

Almeria

TODAY: MAX 17, MIN 9 - Cl

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 Wed - 17 11 C

Madrid

TODAY: MAX 11, MIN 0 - C

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 Tues - 13 4 C
 Wed - 13 5 C

Barcelona

TODAY: MAX 13, MIN 4 - S

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 Mon - 14 12 Sh
 Tues - 12 10 Sh
 Wed - 13 9 Sh

Malaga

TODAY: MAX 17, MIN 11 - Cl

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 Sat - 15 12 C
 Sun - 18 12 Sh
 Mon - 17 10 Sh
 Tues - 18 9 C
 Wed - 19 9 C

Benidorm

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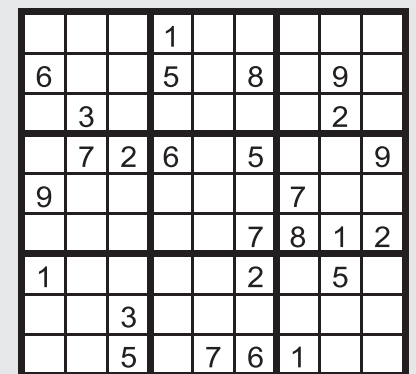
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 Mon - 17 10 C
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 Wed - 16 8 C

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Sudoku

Fill the grid so that every row, every column and every 3X3 box contains the digits 1-9. There's no maths involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

**LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION**

1	3	2	9	8	5	7	4	6
8	5	6	4	3	7	1	9	2
7	9	4	1	6	2	5	8	3
9	2	1	5	7	8	3	6	4
5	7	3	6	2	4	8	1	9
4	6	8	3	9	1	2	7	5
3	8	9	2	1	6	4	5	7
6	1	5	7	4	3	9	2	8
2	4	7	8	5	9	6	3	1

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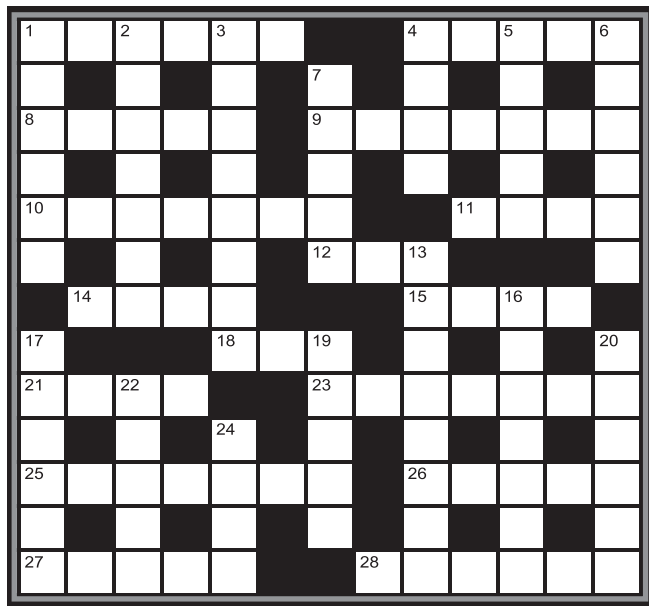
Cryptic

Across

- 1 Work is about, employ a partner (6)
4 Endures ultimate on Saturday (5)
8 College head is impolite and vulgar (5)
9 Fuming, angered, confused (7)
10 Voter changes role, etc (7)
11 Carry On comedian facing Egghead (4)
12 Cossack's hidden purse (3)
14 You'll get this eye infection in the first year of school (4)
15 A lair in an Arabian seaport (4)
18 She's an official prosecutor in the States (3)
21 Tom's initial request for a job (4)
23 Outflow from newly formed lake takes time (7)
25 Telling off could start a beating (7)
26 Fruit begins another pleasant picnic, let's eat (5)
27 Go through the letters for something charming (5)
28 Tom Daley possibly having little time to entertain (6)

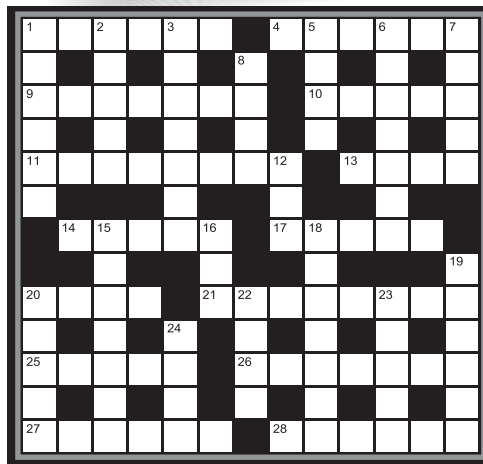
Down

- 1 Arcane religious order embraces returning queen (6)
2 Let up on nouveau rich (7)
3 Mixed paste around small plant (8)
4 Old stringed instrument from hilly region (4)
5 A letter for Socrates (5)
6 Doctor should end nude's rash (6)
7 Accepts big furry beasts (5)
13 Squid generating a calm air (8)
16 Model, a former girlfriend, has sufficient (7)
17 Fastens twigs (6)



- 19 Side with gal in trouble (5)
20 Give in about fast time (6)
22 Turbulent times for pound (5)
24 A herb that makes many sick (4)

Quick



Across

- 1 Culmination (6)
4 Detachment used for security (6)
9 Regard highly (7)
10 Yellow citrus fruit (5)
11 Irritating (8)
13 Prejudice (4)
14 Latin American music (5)
17 Worthless material that is to be disposed of (5)
20 Make docile (4)
21 Showing reason or sound judgment (8)
25 Circular stringed instrument (5)
26 Person working in the service of another (7)
27 Capable of being farmed productively (6)
28 Rely upon (6)

Down

- 1 Cattle pen (6)
2 Norwegian playwright (5)
3 Madagascan lemurs (3-4)
5 Friendly state (4)
6 Leftovers (7)
7 Connections (5)
8 Astonish (4)
12 Acquired (3)
15 Colourless gas (7)
16 Donkey (3)
18 Hold back (7)
19 Tried and proven to be useful or correct (6)
20 Shin bone (5)
22 Posing no difficulty (4)
23 Courageous (5)
24 Neither warm nor very cold (4)

CRYPTIC

Across:

- 1 Ailed, 4 Hamper, 9 Gadwall,
10 Panic, 11 Reed, 12 Spanner,
13 Cot, 14 Ammo, 16 Stem,
18 Sue, 20 Illicit, 21 Urge,
24 Spire, 25 Leisure, 26 Diesel,
27 Sheet.

Down:

- 1 Angers, 2 Lodge, 3 Drab,
5 Appraise, 6 Penance, 7 Record,
8 Blast, 13 Concrete, 15 Malaise,
17 Missed, 18 Still, 19 Resent,
22 Rouse, 23 Bias.

QUICK

Across:

- 1 Plenty, 4 Cover, 8 Recur,
9 Regular, 10 Stories, 11 Pail,
12 Ski, 14 Peru, 15 Nick, 18 Sob,
21 Afar, 23 Outrage, 25 Impress,
26 Alike, 27 Guess, 28 Permit.

Down:

- 1 Peruse, 2 Endorse, 3 Terminus,
4 Cage, 5 Villa, 6 Rarely, 7 Cross,
13 Initiate, 16 Cranium,
17 Daring, 19 Boost, 20 Detect,
22 Ample, 24 Fees.

ENGLISH-SPANISH

Across:

- 1 Lifeboat, 7 Dress, 8 Piece,
9 Lombrices, 11 Viaje, 12 Italy,
14 Painless.

Down:

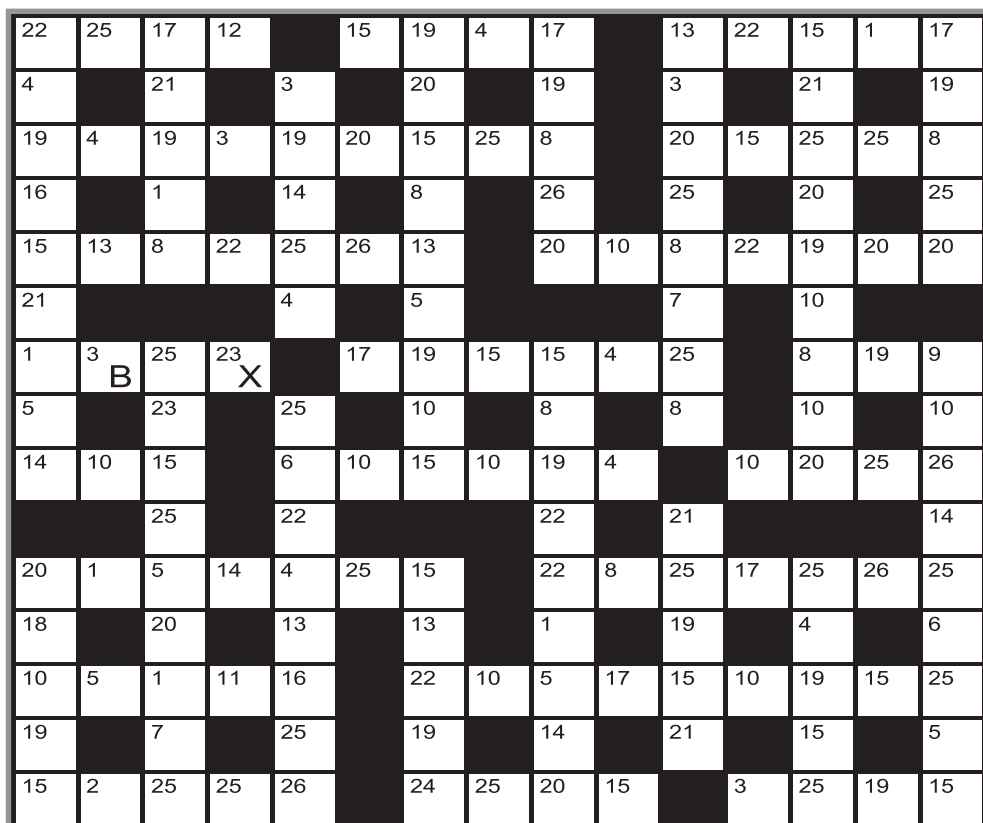
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CODE BREAKER

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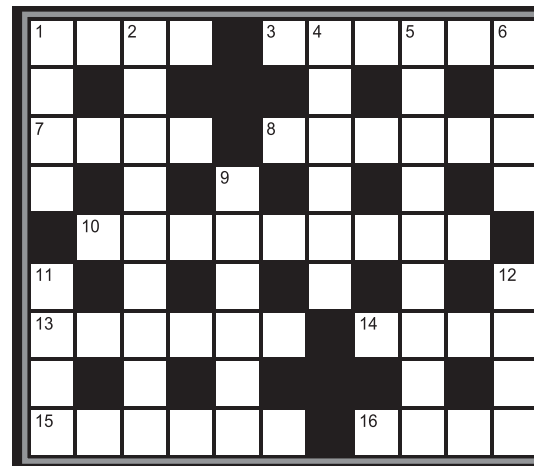
Each number in the Code Breaker grid represents a different letter of the alphabet. In this week's puzzle, 3 represents B and 23 represents X, so fill in B every time the figure 3 appears and X every time the figure 23 appears. Now, using your knowledge of the English language, work out which letters should go in the missing squares. As you discover the letters, fill in other squares with the same number in the main grid and the control grid.



1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
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English - Spanish

The clues are mixed, some clues are in Spanish and some are in English.



Across

- 1 Boot (4)
3 Spark (from fire, electricity) (6)
7 Envolver (con papel) (4)
8 Places (6)
10 Teléfono (9)
13 To jump (leap) (6)

Down

- 14 Sabio (acción, decisión) (4)
15 Raffle (draw) (6)
16 Remover (sopa) (4)
1 Tazón (cuenco) (4)
2 Viajero (9)
4 Altura (de edificio,

techo, persona) (6)

- 5 Científico (9)
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Hospitals make mistakes as well

MY wife died early last year after being treated with chemo at a Spanish hospital.

My wife was very well before the last treatment, she was strong and apart from the breast cancer very healthy. On the day of her treatment I sat with her, she was well. The following day she was gardening, cleaning, cooking and she was well. The next day my wife got ill, was taken to hospital, when I was allowed in the medico said there was no point going to her bed as she was dead.

He said they had done their best to save her but the chemo was too strong for her heart, he asked me if I wished to see her body and that is all he said. I was told I could collect the body at any time and to get an undertaker.

There was no inquest, my wife at her family's request was sent to the UK for burial. I am very concerned as the chemo should not have been so strong, a mistake was made and there should have been an inquest as my wife died very suddenly. Killed, I believe, by the medication.

I know whatever I say will never bring my wife back, but I write this letter to inform others that a hospital that can kill without any comeback is very frightening: the hospital can be very cavalier in their treatment and not worry about the results. In the UK with all its faults if a person dies suddenly there is always an inquest, but here there seems to be no concern.

Stephen (Almeria)

No sympathy

I FEAR the Palma Airport taxi drivers are on the road to nowhere with their protests over the planned new bus routes to tourist resorts.

As a dad who frequently travels from the UK with a family of five, and is fleeced for two taxis as a result, I have little sympathy with the drivers. Not when they trouser the thick end of £100 for two taxis to Magaluf one way. Not when some of them bid skywards of €300,000 for a Calvia taxi plate this summer - a record I'm told.

I applaud the extra choice people will now have as to how to get to their holiday destination. Taxi drivers would be far better served exploring ways of meeting the needs of their everyday punters - rather than robbing them.

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TRAINING PROGRAMME: Is needed to inform cyclists how to behave on the roads.

Cyclists have to abide by the rules

“IT appears that Mojacar wants to promote cyclist groups for winter training. Not a bad idea for the local economy, but there needs to be a training programme for these cyclists and a set of rules published for them on how to behave on the local roads.

The groups do not obey some of the basic rules of the road: give way at roundabouts, overtake on the left, keep to the speed limit, give way at pedestrian crossings.

Last season I saw in Garrucha an elderly gentleman stranded in the middle of a crossing whilst a group of 30+ passed behind and in front of him and only inches away.

Yes, let them train here, but they should also respect other road users especially whilst on the town's roads. I asked a local cycling tour guide why groups disregarded the rules. His answer was a Gallic shrug.

Stan Black

Top of that wishlist is having taxis and private hire cars that seat more than four persons. Of course, the real fun and games will start when the super consumer-friendly Uber hit Mallorca. I - and many of your readers I suspect - can't wait,

Richard Chew (Calvia and Yorkshire)

Just jealous

AN article recently stated motorhome users avoid campsite fees by wild camping along coastal areas. The article referred to Aguilas and San Juan.

What the critics fail to comprehend is we motorhomers contribute to the local economy by patronising supermarkets, restaurants, bars, and fuel stations etc., all along the Spanish coast. This also contributes to Spanish taxes!

When we need to empty and refill our services, we pay small fees at the

local service stations. The majority of us are considerate by not parking in front of local residences. We dispose of our refuse at the dedicated collection points, clean-up our pet faeces, and generally leave the areas as we find them. We enjoy the freedom that our vehicles allow us.

Campsites are congested, expensive, and do not obey health and safety regulations, to name a few! Perhaps the people that object to our presence are jealous of our way of life, they are certainly NOT local businesses.

Yes there are the Coastal laws that do not allow camping on the playas. However, if we do not erect awnings, or put out tables and chairs, we are not breaking camping regulations. Many towns and villages all over Spain provide free facilities to encourage motorhomes to stay in their area.

I own a motorhome and live locally. My pleasure is exploring different provinces all over Spain. I also spend

many weekends in my vehicle, along the local coastal areas with our friends. If you have a valid complaint, I suggest you call the local authorities so they can deal with the culprits, not print biased objections!!

Dave (Turre)

Anti-Mr T

DON'T be fooled. Trump is a long long way from being squeaky clean. I have dug very deeply in to his past and there are so many things in there that lead me to believe he is no better than the Clintons.

He has had dealings with organised crime in the past and more recently many people are still wondering why a rape case against him was so suddenly dropped. Of course Trump denies everything. But as a notorious lady once said several years ago about a certain prominent member of the gov-

ernment accused of an indiscretion, "Well he would wouldn't he?"

Vivienne Pimm

Pro-Mr T

WE should be thankful to those who gave the hacked emails to Wikileaks, otherwise the general public would have had no idea about the extent of the corruption and the dubious donations to the Clintons. The Clinton Foundation even accepted \$25 million from the terrorist funding Saudis.

There was the Whitewater property investigation during which Vince Foster mysteriously died before he could help with enquiries, etc etc. CNN even rigged the debate in Hilary's favour.

No doubt these revelations contributed to her loss, though of course the Russians are blamed! At least with Trump what you see is what you get and he could even avert WW3.

Robert Segal (Palma, Mallorca)

Do we care?

OH how I love reading the Letters page in the EWN every week. RJ Dworakowski lamented like a modern day Mr Chips about incorrect grammar in a speech from Theresa May. Very commendable, but do we care about pronouns after prepositions, whatever they are? No!!

The content is the key and making the point understood surely. No doubt he will be berating me about this little piece. Don't bother sir. Secondary Modern was my final college of knowledge.

Then there's another letter from (Mr Name Withheld) telling us all to stand up and be counted. Embrace it he says. Stand high enough and it will now make a difference. OK Mr Name Withheld. I'll show you mine if you will show me yours!!

Philip (San Fulgencio)

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A lovely smile is so important that dating website match.com found that nearly 60 per cent of men said the most attractive feature in a woman is a beautiful smile, with 71 per cent of women saying nice teeth is the most important feature in a man. So, it's such a shame that so many adults are unhappy with their stained, crooked or missing teeth.

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DOCTORS SURGERY: Many people have fears of a physical examination.

Are you scared of going to the doctors?

DO you put off that trip to the doctor for fear of bad news? If you do, it seems you are not alone. A report suggests that a third of us delay appointments with middle-aged men being the worse culprits.

Women in general are more likely to attend screenings

and seek medical help, with men more likely to suffer symptoms for longer.

The report by 2020 health said many had fears of the physical examination and the hospital and medical environment and around a third of those questioned avoided the doctors because

they had a fear of finding out they may have serious illnesses such as cancer.

Researchers said smokers, heavy drinkers and those who are overweight, were less likely to want to hear bad news about their health and feared they would be told to change their lifestyle.



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Why especially do self-employed people often suffer?

In addition to the professional qualifications, the difficulties to independent work are to be found above all in psychological resilience and self-organisation. In contrast to an employee, the self-employed often does not have financial security, predictability of working time and structure of the work. Unfortunately, the successful handling of these uncertainties is often not given. In particular, non-regulated working hours (especially in the restaurant business), no weekend or holiday, easily end in a burnout.

What can be done?

The support options are diverse and are individually tailored. One of them is working more intensely psychologically on dealing with anxieties

Seek help if...

- ... your professional activity worries you also in the actual leisure time.
- ... you have anxiety issues or panic attacks (dizziness, tension, headaches, sleeping problems, heart problems etc.).
- ... you need alcohol or medication to switch off in the evening.
- ... you are having problems in partnership and/or family.
- ... you hardly meet friends or have hobbies due to professional overload.

and worries. Helpful exercises and instructions that bring success do exist. Others suffer more from the unstructured nature of their activities and therefore need coaching to improve their self-management etc.

Also, interactions between anxiety and uncertainty on the one hand, and poor self-management on the other, easily end in a vicious circle. Therefore, a holistic approach is necessary to cover all these aspects. Here, new "tools" are learned, the use of which will be helpful in many professional and private situations.

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More cancer cases

THE number of cancer cases in Spain has increased more than expected.

The latest figures show 247,771 new cases were recorded in 2015, with 148,827 of these in men.

Released to mark World Cancer Day, the Spanish Society of Medical Oncology (SEOM) said the increase can be attributed to the ageing population with more people living longer. Smoking, alcohol, obesity and physical inactivity were also leading to a more unhealthy nation and an increased risk of cancer.

A rise in the cases

of viral infections such as Hepatitis C and Papillomavirus, can also be factors in increasing cancer cases.

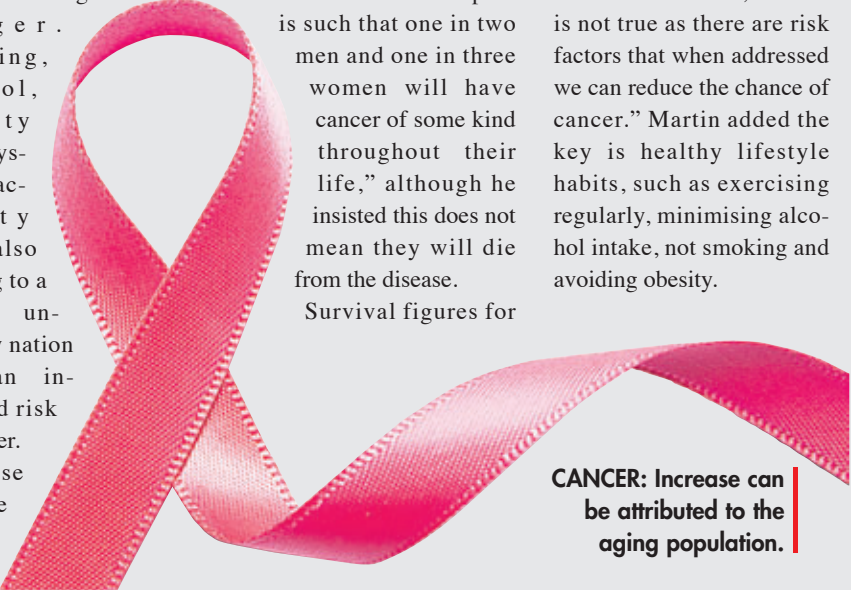
The most diagnosed types of cancer in 2015, including both sexes, were colorectal (41,441 cases), prostate (33,370), lung (28,347), breast (27,747) and bladder (21,093).

Miguel Martin, president of the SEOM, said: "The current situation in Spain is such that one in two men and one in three women will have cancer of some kind throughout their life," although he insisted this does not mean they will die from the disease.

Survival figures for

cancer patients (an average of 53 per cent five years after diagnosis) have also improved, although thanks to great medical improvements in treating some tumours, the survival rates are even higher, such as in breast cancer.

The specialist said one third of cancers could be prevented: "Some people think that cancer is random and it is inevitable, but this is not true as there are risk factors that when addressed we can reduce the chance of cancer." Martin added the key is healthy lifestyle habits, such as exercising regularly, minimising alcohol intake, not smoking and avoiding obesity.



CANCER: Increase can be attributed to the aging population.



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Louise said she will never forget that day and has remained committed to helping EHCRC as much as she can and has even roped in international designer Joseph Ribkoff to support them. Looking Good's most popular designer brand has continually supported events hosted by the boutique over the years to help support the charity and this year have gone one step further. The Canadian designer has donated 20 garments for the store to sell, with all the proceeds going to EHCRC.

They have all been priced at €149 even though some retail at €300, giving customers the chance to grab a real bargain, as well as helping a worthwhile cause.

Joe Belloc, Spain's Sales Director for Joseph Ribkoff has even accompanied Louise to the Rescue Centre to personally see first hand the work they do in rescuing and caring for the numerous horses and donkeys. After seeing their daily struggles he felt compelled

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to help: "It is amazing for an international company to bother about a local charity," said Louise who will get the chance to personally thank Mr Ribkoff himself in June as she travels to Montreal in Canada to help celebrate the

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Joseph Ribkoff was one of the original designers to grace the windows of Looking Good in La Zenia when it first opened 15 years ago and their love affair has continued ever since.

Louise said she, and her many customers, love his designs for women of all ages and size. Louise uses her years of experience knowing her customers to personally select the new season lines from Joseph Ribkoff and as the boutique continues to be the designer's biggest presence in Spain, they regularly receive test pieces to see how customers respond to them.

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IT seems there is an app for everything nowadays, particularly relating to your health from checking your blood pressure, to predicting the best times to try and conceive. But what if an app on your phone could warn you if you were about to get ill?

Well this could soon become a reality as scientists in America are working on a smart device that can warn you up to half a day in advance gathering information from wearable health trackers which monitor heart rate and body temperature.

The team at California's Stanford University is working on the app, and have tested the theory on 43 volunteers who wore a smart watch for up to 11 months.

Analysing the data they found that as people start to become ill their heart



rate and skin temperature went up and their blood oxygen levels dropped. By using this information it can give the user a first warning that something isn't quite right.

By getting this heads up people could plan better and prevent aggravating the illness and hopefully have a quicker recovery.

The app could also be used to track the health of the elderly or those with chronic illnesses, such as diabetes and act as a warning system for carers or family members.

The scientists are confident the app will be on the market within the next few years.

NEW APP: Could be used to track the health of the elderly.

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Hip pain



SPECIALIST: Doctor Luis Perez Belmonte.

THIS week we've asked the doctor about hip pain, a common problem for many especially in the colder months.

-What are the most common causes of hip pain?

There are many things which can cause hip pain. The most common is osteoarthritis of the hip, when the components of the joints like bones and tendons degenerate over time. Other common causes are infections or injuries.

-Are there any specific exercises to help prevent or improve the pain?

There are different exercise routines which can help to control the pain and stop it from progressing. Yoga and pilates exercises and certain exercises in the swimming pool, especially low impact ones, can help a lot.

-Many elderly people seem to suffer from hip pain. Is it something which we will all suffer in the end, in other words, is there no way to avoid it?

Over time deterioration

of the hips is inevitable and osteoarthritis is bound to appear. This appearance can, however, be delayed or the severity reduced with certain rehabilitation exercises and by avoiding being overweight and following a balanced diet.

-How can hip pain be cured, is there any medication?

Pain-killers, anti-inflammatory medication and muscle relaxers can be used to help keep the pain under control. Physiotherapy is also vital to help control the symptoms.

-Will surgery be necessary in the end?

Sometimes and with the pass of time the damage produced is so severe and causes so many symptoms, especially pain and mobility limitations, that surgical intervention is required. This often consists of implanting a prosthesis.

If you have any questions for Dr Perez Belmonte, please send them to:
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Nursing crisis hits the UK

THE NHS in the UK is reporting a staff shortage with some 24,000 nursing vacancies currently available across the country.

“The number of nurses moving to the UK has fallen.

It comes as the number of European nurses moving to the UK to work has fallen by more than 90 per cent since the Brexit vote in June

last year. The Royal College of Nursing said it relied on EU nurses and was calling for guarantees that EU nationals within the NHS can remain working in Britain after Brexit.

At the end of last year, plans were also announced by the government that posts will be filled with some 2,000 apprentice nurses as part of a new nursing scheme that will see young people combine on the job training with studying for a degree.



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Hospital Quirónsalud Torrevieja offers complimentary 2nd opinion consultations

THE Unit for Oncology at the Hospital Quirónsalud Torrevieja will attend patients who request a consultation for a multidisciplinary and personalised second opinion free of charge from February 6-10.

This initiative takes place within the framework of the events promoted in the hospital on the occasion to mark World Cancer Day, held every year on February 4 under the auspices of the World Health Organisation and within the Plan of Prevention Quirónsalud Torrevieja 2017.

For this initiative, a contact telephone number has been specially activated (+34 966 92 57 33) to which all persons interested in requesting this complimentary consultation can call. The patient must provide all the available documentation - analysis, markers and explorations - to obtain the maximum usefulness from a



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visit, from which a diagnostic report will be issued.

The director of the Oncology Platform at the Hospital Quirónsalud Torrevieja, Dr Antonio Brugarolas, stressed that "if patients at the limit of their therapeutic possibilities are treated in a multidisciplinary and personalised organisation

their success rate is increased by 25 per cent. This situation is considered infrequent in traditional oncology (less than 10 per cent of the cases) "because it is a very complex task that surpasses the knowledge of a specialty and can only be approached with the help of the different specialists."

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THEATRE: Regular trips stimulate the brain more.

Theatre trips could prevent dementia

ENJOYING activities such as going to the theatre could help prevent dementia.

Scientists claim that engaging activities help cut the risk of mental decline as they stimulate the brain more, helping to protect against and prevent mild cognitive impairment

(MCI) which is the stage between decline from aging and dementia. Symptoms include becoming forgetful, repeating yourself and problems with reasoning and problem-solving.


The new study followed almost 2,000 adults over the age of 70 who

were cognitively normal at the start and were monitored until they showed signs of developing MCI.


During this time their activities and hobbies were analysed and it was found that regular theatre goes developed MCI symptoms later in life.

Meanwhile, another study has reported that women's brains start going downhill in their 50's and not in their 60's as previously thought.

The findings were based on a study that followed more than 2,000 healthy women in their 40's, for 10 years.



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Which carnival celebration...?

THE famous Aguilas Carnival, which has been declared as a 'National Tourist Interest' takes place this month.

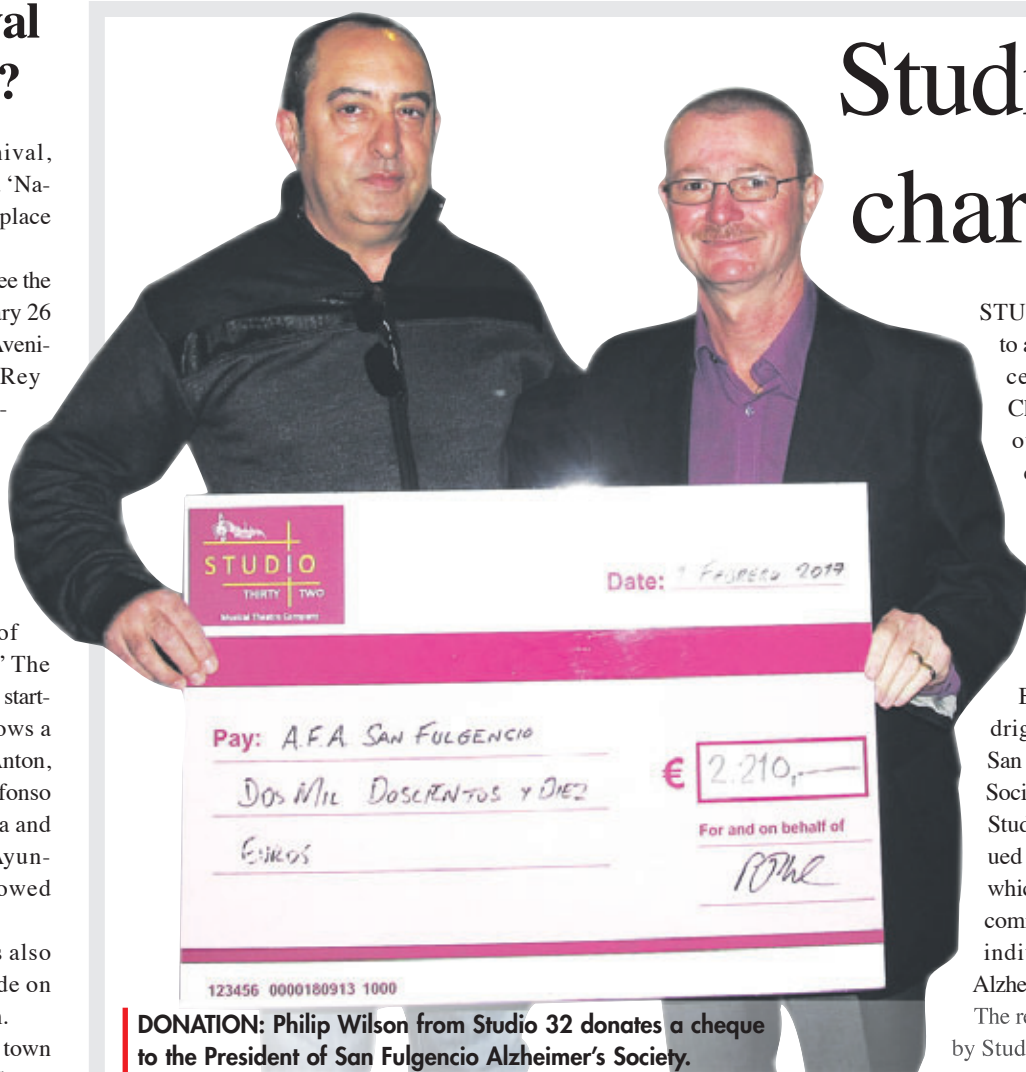
There are three chances to see the parades, the first is on February 26 at 6pm, taking a route along Avenida Juan Carlos I and Calle Rey Carlos III. The next is on February 28 at 6pm and then on March 4 at 6pm. After the March 4 parade there will be a grand fireworks display.

Cartagena's carnival celebrations have also been recognised and named as being of 'Regional Tourist Interest.' The main parade is on February 25 starting at 6pm. The parade follows a route from Alameda de San Anton, Plaza de España, Paseo de Alfonso XIII, along Puerta de Murcia and finishing in the Plaza del Ayuntamiento. This will be followed with a carnival party at 10pm.

Guardamar del Segura is also hosting their carnival parade on February 25 starting at 7.30pm.

For details, visit your local town hall or Tourist Information Office.

Studio 32's record charity donation



DONATION: Philip Wilson from Studio 32 donates a cheque to the President of San Fulgencio Alzheimer's Society.

STUDIO 32 are delighted to announce that their recent production of 'A Christmas Carol' raised over €3,500 for local charities.

Studio 32's chairman Philip Wilson is pictured at San Fulgencio Town Hall presenting a cheque for €2,210 to Benjamin Villena Rodriguez, President of the San Fulgencio Alzheimer's Society. Benjamin thanked Studio 32 for their continued support of the charity, which provides help in the community to families and individuals dealing with Alzheimer's.

The rest of the money raised by Studio 32 is being divided

between the theatre, Caritas and the music school of San Fulgencio.

Chairman Philip said: "Studio32 was set up four years ago to bring high quality full-scale musical theatre to the Costa Blanca, and through doing so enable us to support local charities. Everyone in the company worked extremely hard to make this show a great success and I'm very proud of them all. As a result, in the last year we've raised over €7,500 and we will continue to support AFA San Fulgencio and local good causes in the coming year."

So what's next for this talented theatre company? They have just announced their summer show is going to be 'Mack and Mabel'.

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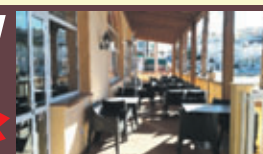
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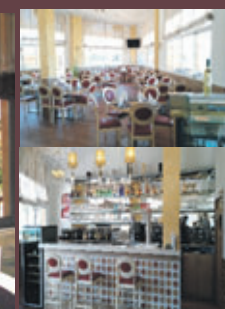
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Now in his 50th year, Chef Guan has 35 years' experience in cooking Asian food, 21 as head chef, initially in Xia Men, China, then Hong Kong where he catered for the expat (mainly British) community.

As a consequence he knows the requirement of the British-Irish and North European palate. He moved to Las Palmas, Gran Canaria some 12 years ago, where the clientele was mainly British and North European tourists. Along the way he was awarded the Chef de-excellence London China Town 2012, so his knowledge of what you the customer requires is extensive. Chef Guan will be supported by three additional Chefs, all of whom meet his standard of excellence.

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You can have your say

ORIHUELA has announced that the Murals of San Isidro cultural event will take place from March 31 to April 2.

The Department of Culture is already planning this year's programme to include conferences, exhibitions, music and theatre as well as remembering the work of Orihuela's famous poet Miguel Hernandez.

Free buses from the coast and districts will also be put in place to allow everyone to enjoy the street celebrations.

Councillor for Culture, Mar Ezcurra, also explained the council has created an informal working table to organise the activities that make up the programme of the three days, and "this is open to new additions and proposals" welcoming residents to email their suggestions of what they would like to see at the event to Murallesanisidro@aytoorihuela.es.

Orihuela has also confirmed the date of the new edition of the Night of the Museum, will be on May 12 from 8pm to 2am with events and live music.

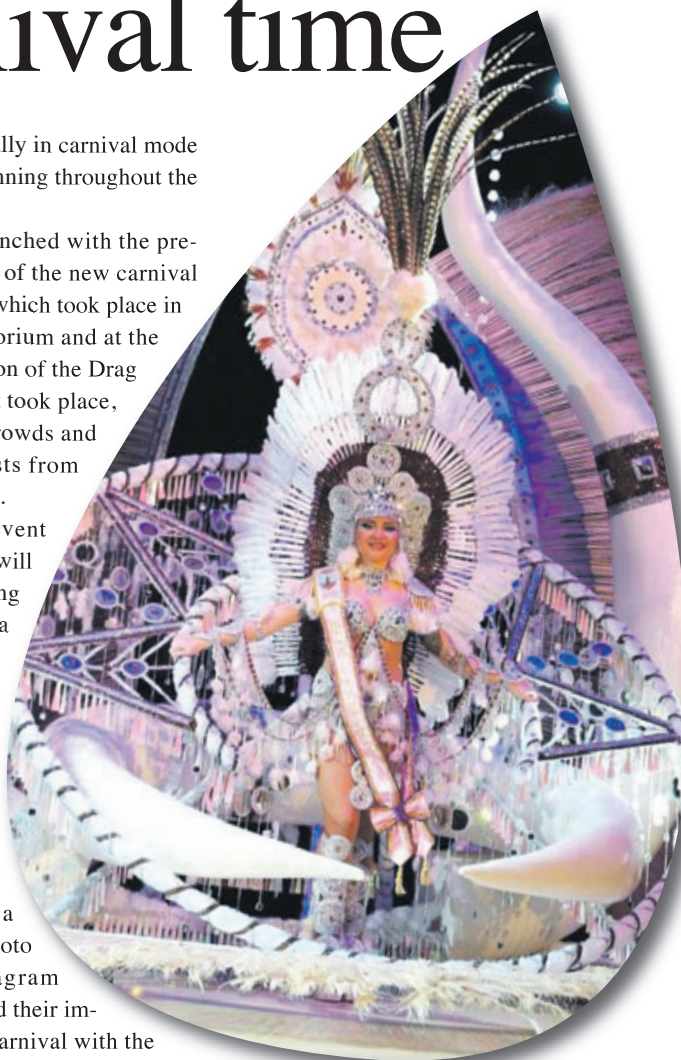
Carnival time

TORREVIEJA is officially in carnival mode with the celebrations running throughout the month of February.

The carnival was launched with the presentation and crowning of the new carnival queens and their maids which took place in the International Auditorium and at the weekend the ninth edition of the Drag Queen National Contest took place, once again attracting crowds and visitors with drag artists from around Spain taking part.

The carnival dance event dedicated to the elderly will be on February 16 leaving from the Plaza de Maria Asuncion at 4pm, going along Calle Ramon Gallud and finishing in Calle Orihuela. The main night time parade is on February 25 and follows the same route leaving at 10pm

Once again Torrevieja Town Hall will run a photo competition on Instagram inviting people to upload their images taken during the Carnival with the hashtag #carnavaltorrevieja2017. Prizes for the best photos include a tablet, go pro camera and a digital photo frame.



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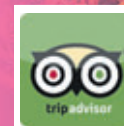
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Residents just keep on giving

RESIDENTS of Urbanisation La Marina are doing it again as they rally round to help raise funds for much-loved resident Karen Turner.

Karen has recently been

diagnosed with a rare form of cancer, Malignant Fibrous Mesotheliom. She has already had two operations to remove tumours from her stomach and bladder, but now another 10 tumours are growing. With local doctors struggling to treat her, she looked at options to be on a clinical trial in Madrid, but is now about to undergo an immense amount of treatment in Valencia to remove the 10 tumours. During this time, Karen and her husband Darren will have to make several trips to Valencia and remain for several nights at a time at their own expense.

In order to try to assist both Karen and Darren to get through this stressful and emotional time, local residents have come together to help raise funds to cover these expenses during treatment. As a result, a charity fun night

was held at the Hillside Bar. As guests were entertained with quizzes, bingo, heads and tails, a raffle and auction, all proceeds from the night went to the fund and thanks to the generosity of all those who attended, €1,678 was raised on the night. This amount was given to Karen's husband Darren at the end of the night as sadly Karen was too ill to attend.

Around €10,000 is hoped to be raised and donations can be made online via the Just Giving website at www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/denise-friend-for-karen.

It comes months after neighbours in La Marina rallied around another local resident Natasha Lynch, who has three life changing illnesses after contracting meningitis and is now disabled and blind in one eye.



KAREN TURNER: Money is being raised to help support her during specialist cancer treatment.

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THANKS to the client that contacted me a couple of weeks ago.

A year or so ago he came to Spain to buy a restaurant/pub. He succeeded in buying a relatively well-established premises and has run it (under management) with some success, but is not happy with the way things are now going. Having been open since the beginning of last year he has reached stagnation and wanted my help to revitalise the operation if possible.

We sat down to discuss where he felt that things were going wrong. Most clients come back with the same answer, "We need more clients!" Often that is not the main problem. Costs are normally the base problems of most businesses. Overstaffing, wrong type of staff, no control over food and beverage costs/sales.

The problem with opening a business without knowledge can be dangerous. Even if you have some experience in the industry in your home country, you soon find out it is different in a foreign country.

After all you need an Indian scout in Indian country!!

We started with his figures. I asked him if he was making money and he said yes. But a closer look showed me that this was not the case.

Without doing a full stock take I did a guestimate based on purchases and sales and a rough idea of stock-in-hand. It showed that sale of food had cost 45 per cent. Ideally it should be around 35 per cent or lower. Wine sales were good, but again with his prices he should have been making 75- 80 per cent. The bar was much the same.

Analysing these figures would help to understand where the losses were.



CULINARY DIRECTION: The choice of menu and chef is inseparable.

Kitchen management was the first area to look at. The Chef was not passionate about what he was doing. Therefore he had no care for his product. His costings were wrong and his wastage too high.

Instead of utilising his ingredients he would throw away items that could make money in the right hands. One of the problems was that the owner, while not having any kitchen experience, enforced a

menu that he thought was commercially viable, on to the Chef who had a lot more to offer and had explained to his boss that the food he was being made to serve had little artistic content, very high costs and little room to increase on profitability.

I had decided that the problems were not all down to bad kitchen management - although this certainly needs looking at - but more a lack of culinary direction.

We are at this moment in deep discussion on how to improve the quality and performance of this operation and I will keep you informed on our progress every week in this column.

• **WHILE** I can see what London's Mayor, Sadiq Khan, is trying to do by imposing a 'bed tax' on the Capital's hotels, I tend to agree with Ufi Ibrahim, the Chief

“There is no love sincerer than the love of food.”
George Bernard Shaw

Executive of the British Hospitality Association, that a bed tax in London would be an "absolute folly" and said that it would add additional costs for tourists, as well as harm already hard-pressed hospitality and tourism businesses, making it even harder for them to compete with overseas operators. Already one of the most expensive cities in the world, London could lose even more of its competitiveness.

• **ON THE OTHER SIDE** of the coin, there is a restaurant in Madrid that really lives up to its' name. The Robin Hood. Its mission is simple - to charge the rich and feed the poor. Paying customers at breakfast and lunch foot the bill for the restaurant to serve dinner to homeless people, free of charge! The restaurant opened in early December, and is run by an 80-year-old Catholic priest, Ángel García Rodríguez, whom everyone knows simply as 'Padre Ángel.'

Outside, there's a sign listing the house rules: Patrons are allowed to sing as they please, as long as it doesn't disturb other customers. They can use the free wi-fi and borrow a cell phone if they need to make a call. They're free to bring their own food and order only drinks, if they prefer. Or they can take over the kitchen for a birthday party or other special celebration.

You see there are still a few good people in this world!!

• **ON THAT NOTE** I will bid you farewell until next week and should aspiring restaurateurs need some help or advice, please do not hesitate to contact me. A toast to Good Food, Good Wine and Good Friends.

FOR MY WINE spot this week, I'm travelling further than the Ribera and Rioja wine producing areas. How many of you were aware that India produces wines?

Viticulture was believed to have been introduced to India by Persian traders some time in the fourth millennium BC. Historians believe that these early plantings were used mostly for a style of grape juice rather than the production of an alcoholic beverage. Some religious text mentions at least one alcoholic drink that may have been wine related - Sura - which seems to have been a type of rice wine that was fermented with honey. The first known mention of grape-based wines was in the late fourth century BC.

The modern wine market in India is small; annual per capita consumption of wine in the country is a mere nine millilitres, approximately 1/8000th that of France. Winemaking has existed throughout most of India's history but was particularly encouraged during the time of the Portuguese and British colonisation of the subcontinent. The end of the 19th century saw the phylloxera louse take its toll on the Indian wine industry followed by religious and public opinion moving towards the prohibition of alcohol. Following the country's independence from the British Empire, the Constitution of India declared one of the government's aims was the total prohibition of alcohol.

Several states went dry and the government encouraged vineyards to convert to table grape and raisin production. In the 1980s and 1990s, a revival in the Indian wine industry took

TASTING NOTES: A big brooding boisterous red, the kind that makes steaks melt. The fruit is present but sits beneath the oak which imparts rich chocolate-coffee-toasty primary notes. With a name like Chêne (French for oak) one wouldn't expect anything else.

place as international influences and the growing middle class increased, so increasing demand for the beverage. By the turn of the 21st century, demand was increasing at a rate of 20-30 per cent a year. The city of Nashik in

the state of Maharashtra geographically in the middle of the country, is called the 'Wine Capital of India.'

The wine producing areas tend to be in the middle to the south of the continent although the Punjab and Kashmir in the north, are quite prolific producers. India produces Sparkling wines, Whites and of course Reds. While there are locally grown grapes, the majority of the reds are Cabernet Sauvignon, Malbec and Shiraz. There is a wine maker who makes white wines from red grapes, one of only three producers in the world who do this.

“Would Ghandi have approved?”

Grover-Zampa
Chêne.

The picture is of one of India's top red wines. Most of them need decanting as they can pack a punch.



Garry Waite is a well-known foodie and restaurateur as well as a Hospitality Management Consultant. If you are contemplating setting up an operation in Spain, or indeed having problems with an existing project contact him on garrywaite@euroweeklynews.com.

Property heaven for investors

By Matthew Elliott

FOR the seventh year in a

row, Hong Kong has been declared the least affordable city in the world when it comes to

buying a property. An apartment in the skyscraper city costs more than 18 times the annual income of an average household.

That shocking statistic has actually improved since 2015 when a flat would cost 19 times a salary, but the relationship between income and property prices remains the worst in the world.

The findings were published after an extensive survey of over 400 cities by Demographia. They followed World Bank data and terminology. The economic organisation considers a place where property prices are over 5.1 times the average salary to be 'severely unaffordable.'

Hong Kong has some of the most expensive apartments to be found in Asia, given its prime location near China, but free from the strict regula-



HONG KONG: Has been declared the least affordable city in the world when it comes to buying a property.

tions of the People's Republic. There is vast wealth but also millions of people who pay more than 50 per cent of their income to live in tiny toilet sized capsules on a

rooftop paying over €400 per month.

Hong Kong is way ahead of the competition in the disparity games, Sydney is a distant but nonetheless concerning

second. The Australian city has prices 12 times the average annual income, just ahead of Vancouver where the ratio is 11.8. Hell for inhabitants, but heaven for investors.



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Home in the sun

BRITISH-Spanish television show 'Sun, Sea and Selling Houses' will soon be coming to Channel Four. There will be 20 episodes following the fortunes of British families who have moved to Spain and become involved in the real estate business.

Filming finished in September 2016 in Almeria and Alicante and the finished product will be shown on daytime TV on Channel Four. The show focuses not only on the everyday adventures of the real estate business in Spain but also on the families themselves, their ups and downs and personal journeys.

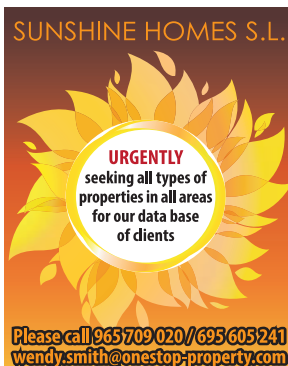
Following such a tumultuous year in the UK the show will surely be watched by millions of curious eyes. Spanish property portals have already clocked up record numbers of inquiries into property from British buyers.

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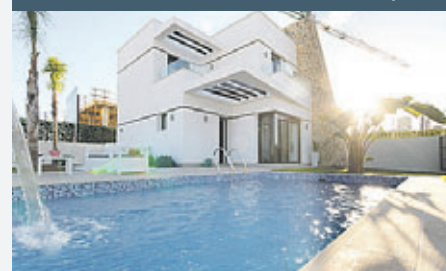
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Advertising feature

Neater Heater stops cold winters spoiling your dream

NINE years ago two British expats, Richard and Tony, were looking for affordable heating when they stumbled, accidentally, on a brand of Norwegian convector heater that couldn't be bought in Spain.

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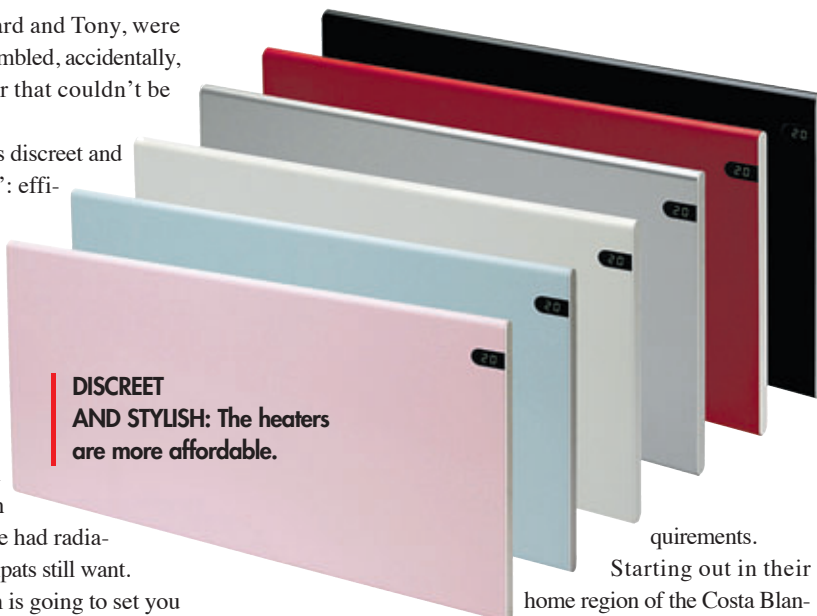
Recognising a huge gap in the market that these attractive affordable heaters would fill, Richard and Tony established Neater Heater which has been heating the Casas and Apartments of shivering expats ever since then.

"We all come out to Spain for the good weather and lifestyle," says Tony "yet everyone is caught out by the cold winter nights in their spectacularly non-insulated Spanish homes. We all come from the UK where we had radiators and fires, and that is what most British expats still want.

A decent oil or gas central heating system is going to set you back thousands of euros just to install it, so most people opt for unhealthy gas estufas, or electric heaters. The problem with most electric heaters, is that the cheap ones are always expensive to run, and ugly, whereas any decent ones always cost a fortune to install.

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**DISCREET
AND STYLISH:** The heaters
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An ornamental tree with fruit

By Graeme Tyrrell

IF you want an attractive ornamental tree that also provides fruit, you may consider growing a loquat tree. Loquats are a handsome tree with well-struc-

tured branching easily maintained with minimal pruning.

The large thick leathery feather shaped glossy leaves are attractive all year round. They flower in autumn under the right conditions and the fruit

forms over winter.

I have several different varieties growing for the fresh loquat fruit that ripens in spring. Spring is a time when few other fresh fruits are available off the tree. Different varieties ripen a

little earlier and later allowing the harvest season to be extended. They are hardy when established, needing minimal watering in summer and provide a heavenly scent throughout the garden in autumn.

They are not usually a large tree, tending to be three to five metres high at maturity with an equal spread but they can grow to 10 metres in good soil conditions. They grow well in natural soils with some compost added and mixed into the surface soil at planting time.

In colder climates the tree is grown as an ornamental species. It will not flower without hot summers and the fruit fails if the frost bites them, but the tree is hardy. In the warmer Mediterranean climate they will flower and produce delicious fruit. The small white flowers are heavily perfumed.

They flower prolifically in autumn, displayed in bunches in a grape like fashion. This gave rise to their botanical name Eriobotrya which refers in Greek to the woolly grape cluster appearance of the flower



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FRESH FRUIT: Harvesting the Loquats.

panicles forming in groups.

The yellow to orange coloured fruit individually resemble an apricot. They grow in bunches however usually ripen progressively rather than all at one time. Different varieties have varying characteristics in colour, size and taste, but in general they have a smooth skin with delicious flesh surrounded by a very large seed or multiple seeds in the centre.

There is an art to eating them. The easiest way is to pull or cut off the stem and squeeze the other end so the inner fruit pops out without the skin. It takes practice and juicy varieties can be messy for beginners but handy to learn if you have a big harvest.

The fruit tastes like a scented tropical flavour. There are various recipes for using the fruit that have been developed in China, India and Japan where it has been popular for centuries. It can be used in pie recipes, as jam or jelly, for sweet sauces, chutneys, and even to make fruity wine and liqueurs.

The leaves are used in herbal medicine for various health benefits taken as a tea and much research has been done on their healing properties.

Trees are readily available in Spain and are known as nisperos. They are a well-accepted exotic fruit popular in the Mediterranean region and they grace many country homes and urban landscapes in Spain.

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Carol has many years of veterinary care working with her local vet in the UK as well as running her livery business, and this has led Mountain View Cat Hotel to developing a positive reputation for being able to care for elderly cats or cats with specialist care needs or needing medication.

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Dog Marleys want reggae

A NEW study carried out in Scotland by the SPCA and the University of Glasgow has revealed that reggae and soft rock are the preferred sounds of dogs in shelters.

Heart monitors were used on shelter dogs to keep track of their stress levels while different musical genres, including Motown, pop, soft rock, classical and reggae were piped through the kennels.

Although in a similar way to humans the results showed that different dogs preferred different musical styles, hinting that hounds have their own tastes for more than just lamb chops, reggae came top of the list

for reducing stress levels.

Professor Nell Evans said: "Overall, the response to different genres was mixed highlighting the possibility that our canine friends have their own individual preferences. That being said, reggae and soft rock showed the highest positive changes in behaviour."

Following the study, the SPCA is planning to install sound systems in its kennels.

As Evans pointed out, this will help dogs cope better with the stress of institutionalisation.

SOFT ROCK: The preferred sounds for dogs in kennels.



Scooby, Thomas and Jason are moving to Denmark

AFTER spending much of their lives near Adra in Spain, Scooby, Thomas and Jason are moving with their homeowners to spend more time in Denmark on the Western coast. The three pure white German Shepherds - Scooby aged eight years, Thomas aged four years, Jason aged three years - are some of the domestic pets of a Danish couple who live partly in Spain.

Last year the dogs met Bragi, one of our experienced housesitters and after spending two months with him caring for them at the Spanish villa they became very fond of him. This year when owner Maggie decided to move them to Denmark as their more permanent home she wanted them to be cared for by an experienced sitter. She was happy that Bragi one of the HouseSitMatch housesitters was available to



Scooby, Thomas and Jason.

care for the dogs while she travelled abroad. Having a familiar housesitter at home with them, meant that she could relax in the knowledge they were with an experienced petsitter who knows them well. Bragi loves the dogs, and tells me they are real characters each one - "They're great fun to care for!" he said.

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World's favourite cars

By Matthew Elliott

THE world's most popular cars in 2016 have been revealed. Despised by Jeremy Clarkson, the Toyota Camry took 10th spot with more than 660,000 registrations last year. It was bested by Japanese rival the Honda Civic which sold some 668,000 new cars courtesy of rave reviews.

The Volkswagen Po-

lo and Toyota RAV4 both clocked up more than 700,000 new registrations across the world. The Golf saw almost a million registrations while Ford managed around 1.6 million with the F-Series and Focus combined.

Toyota's Corolla shifted almost 1.3 million new cars, making it the most popular model in

the world. The Japanese firm counts three of the top 10 most popular cars as its own.

Interestingly at the same time Volkswagen has officially overtaken Toyota as the world's biggest car manufacturer. The Germans produced a staggering 10.3 million units in 2016,

over 100,000 more than Toyota. VW has benefited from a strong ad campaign in China where the fall out from the emissions scandal has had very little impact.

MOST POPULAR: The Toyota Corolla.



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'Drivers' will be able to work on their laptops or make calls while the car uses 3D maps, sensors, and GPS to navigate its way to the capital. The XC-90 will come at a steep price and a similar trial is already underway in Gothenburg.

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Costa de Almería

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

• Following last weekend's opening Six Nations Rugby Union wins by England (19-16 v France), Scotland (27-22 v Ireland) and Wales 33-7 v Italy), the second round of matches feature Italy v Ireland and Wales v England on Saturday, followed 24 hours later by France v Scotland... all live on TV.

• Moving to the other code of rugby, and the 2017 Super League starts tonight with St Helens v Leeds Rhinos followed tomorrow by Castleford-Leigh and Widnes-Huddersfield with Salford-Wigan and Catalan Dragons-Warrington playing on Saturday.

• Meanwhile, the former Hull FC player and Hull KR chairman and coach, Colin Hutton, has died aged 90.

• Saturday's PL football matches include Arsenal (4th) versus Hull City

(18th), recent conquerors of Liverpool (5th) who play Spurs (2nd) and Burnley versus leaders and in-form Chelsea, who comfortably beat the Gunners last Saturday to go 10 points clear at the top of the table.

• On Sunday, it's Bournemouth, whose last game ended in a 6-3 defeat at Everton, against Manchester City (4th) who beat Swansea 2-1 last Sunday with a 92nd Jesus goal. Relegation-threatened Crystal Palace (19th) visit Stoke, Sunderland (bottom), who walloped hapless Crystal Palace 4-0 at Selhurst Park in their last game, meet Southampton and Swansea (17th) take on struggling Leicester who were out-

played when losing 3-0 to Manchester United last Sunday.

• In the Championship tomorrow night, Sheffield Wednesday (6th) play Birmingham, followed on Saturday by Brighton (2nd) v Burton Albion, Wolves v leaders Newcastle, Derby v Bristol City, Leeds (4th) v Cardiff, QPR v Huddersfield (5th) and Reading (3rd) v Barnsley.

• It's Peterborough v Sheffield United (top) and Scunthorpe (2nd) v Shrewsbury in FL2; there's a Devon derby in FL2 involving Plymouth (2nd) and Exeter and north of the border, Celtic play Inverness CT, Hearts meet holders Hibs and Morton take on Rangers

in 5th round Scottish Cup-ties.

• Here in La Liga, Real Madrid (top by a point) visit Osasuna and Alaves welcome Barcelona (2nd) on Saturday, and Sevilla (3rd) go to Las Palmas on Sunday.

• And don't forget that the first legs of eight Champions League quarter-final ties take place on February 14/15, with 16 first leg encounters in the round of 32 in the Europa League next Thursday.

• Two golf tournaments start today - the AT/T-Pro-am at Pebble Beach and the Maybank Championship in Kuala Lumpur.

• Tomorrow, the first round of tennis's Federation Cup gets underway at venues all over the world while on Monday four WTT tour events commence in Argentina, Holland (Rotterdam), USA (Memphis/Ten-

nessee) and Qatar (Doha).

• And the Swedish motor rally also begins tomorrow morning in Varmland

FACT FILE:

• The Williams sisters, queens of the tennis courts, are now close to winning (banking) an incredible £100m in combined career prize money. Following her recent Australian victory, Serena has earned £67m while Venus has collected £29m.

• Of the 6,675 international cricket matches ever played, only New Zealand (who lost eight batsmen for five runs v Australia in a 1946 Test, have scored fewer runs for the loss of that many wickets than England's recent collapse in India when eight players dismissed for just eight runs in the final T20 encounter last week. Back in 1979, England lost eight wickets for 11 runs against the West Indies.

• Gianfranco Zola has finally celebrated his first win as Birmingham City's manager... 1-0 over Fulham.

• Napoli have recorded their biggest-ever Serie 'A' away win... 7-1 at Bologna.

• Celtic are 27 points clear of Aberdeen at the top of the SPL (67-43); Inverness CT are bottom with

just 18. The biggest points-margin by a championship winning team is 31, achieved by PSG in France last season. Celtic won the SPL in 2013-14 by 28 points.

• Cameroon beat Egypt 2-1 in the final of last Sunday's African Cup of Nations.

• GB's tennis team beat Canada 3-2 by default in the first round of the Davis Cup in Ottawa after the host player Denis Shapovalov smashed a ball into the face of the umpire when two sets and a break down in the deciding game against Kyle Edmund. Next up for GB is a match against France.

• A crowd of 72,000 (with millions more watching on TV) saw the New England Patriots storm back from a 25-point deficit to beat Atlanta Falcons 34-28 to win the Super Bowl for a fifth time in Houston, Texas.

• Spain's Sergio Garcia won the Dubai Golf classic – his first major prize in three years.

• And finally manager Jose Mourinho says "Manchester United deserved to win every game they've drawn this season." Reply: They would have done if they'd scored more goals than their opponents!

FIRST MATCH WIN: For England in the Rugby Six Nations.



SCOTLAND v IRELAND: Stuart Hogg's second try.

DID YOU KNOW?

Spain (16 wins, 11 defeats) and Italy (12/15) share the record for appearing in most European/Champions League Cup finals: 1956-2016.

Update on SMGS

SMGS'S first visit to Las Ramblas for some time found 38 members and two guests taking part in a stableford competition on a course that members seem to either love or hate.

Extremely difficult pin positions and teeing off from some whites, as well as the usual Las Ramblas timber encounters, led to some very average scoring. Only six members beat 29 points, with the stand-out score of the day going to John Aitchison (40).

One match was held in SMGS's 2017 doubles match play competition, Mike Jordan and Mike Inns beating Phil de Lacy and Keith Stevenson four and three.

Results:

Bronze category: 5th Kyree Skarsmoen (24 on CB), 4th Chris Hamblett (24 on CB), 3rd Brian Butler (28), 2nd Norman Padmore (34), and 1st Norman McBride (35).

Silver category: 5th Mike Jordan (29 on CB), 4th Karen Simpson (29 on CB), 3rd Russell Bailey (35), 2nd Ken Flaherty (36) and 1st John Aitchison (40).

Gold category: 5th Bjorn Pettersson (27), 4th John Osborne (28 on CB), 3rd Tony Smale (28 on CB), 2nd Steve Higgins (29), and 1st Barry Roehrig (35).



DIFFICULT COURSE: Led to some very average scoring.

The Abacus was won Paul Cobain.

Nearest the pins on the par 3's (open to all): Alan Williams (6), Ken Flaherty (10 and 14) and Karen Simpson (12).

The best front nine was won by Alan MacDonald (18) and the best back nine by Glen Rapley (15).

Best guest prize was won by Keven Mitchel with a sound 31 points.

Our thanks go to the staff at Las Ramblas golf course.

Keep up to date with all SMGS matters by logging on to www.smgs.org or simply give Theo Boelhouwer a call on 694 494 824 to find out more about the society and its weekly golf get-togethers. Next Wednesday the society will be at El Valle.

Los Nietos Golf Society

THE Los Nietos Golf Society February monthly medal was recently played at La Serena.

The course was in excellent condition and the group of 22 players were blessed with good weather. With prizes prizes for the overall winner, longest drive, nearest the pin and handicap categories results were as follows:

Overall winner: Brian Smith 40 pts (16)

Longest drive: Iian Furness (12)

0-20 hdcp: Mick Lockley (17)

21-36 hdcp: Steve Ingledow (32)

Nearest The Pin: Tony Hayman, Alan Mc Nicoll, Vic Beatie.

After the golf the group returned to El Frailie to enjoy a social evening.

The next venue is El Valley on March 1. Anyone wishing to learn more about upcoming events should contact Iian at casabromley@hotmail.com.

Medal haul for swimmers

THIS year Palma de Mallorca was the venue for the Spanish Masters Open Winter Swimming Championship. The event saw a record number of participants last weekend as 1,424 masters swimmers descended upon the Olympic Municipal Pool in Palma.

A total of 166 swimming clubs presented swimmers of all ages from 21 to 91, in 40 different races. Local swimming club, Club Natacion Elche had four swimmers in the competition and together they won seven medals; five golds, one silver and one bronze.

Beth Altabas won gold in the 400m (70+ category), 800m, 200m, 100m and 50m freestyle events. Vicki Connolly won bronze in the 800m freestyle (50+ category) and Javier Sanchez won silver in the 50m breaststroke event in the 30-34yrs category.

Despite having only four swimmers representing the club it ranked 68th overall out of 166 clubs.

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