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N-332 claims more victims

Road to hell

By Linda Hall and Tahnee Wright

Traffic police are to launch a probe after two more cyclist deaths on the N-332 road brought the total to five since the turn of the year.

It comes after a drug-fuelled Dutch driver, 25, ploughed his BMW into a 32-year-old cyclist between Oliva and Denia on Sunday morning, killing him instantly.

The driver fled the scene but was stopped by the Guardia Civil in El Verger, testing positive for cocaine and marihuana before being jailed ahead of a court appearance.

DEATH TRAP: The N-332 is notorious.



Photo Credit Mundo Deportivo/Twitter

A second cyclist then lost his life just after 8pm on Monday after being mowed down on the same road between Villajoyosa and Benidorm.

He was not carrying documentation and has been described as between 60 and

70-years-old.

The incidents come just five weeks after a 28-year-old Spanish woman from Gandia, who was also under the influence of alcohol and drugs, killed three cyclists at kilometre 206 of the N-332.

Shark scares beachgoers

VALENCIA'S Playa de Cabanyal beach was closed when a two-metre shark was sighted close to the shore. It was first thought to be a blue shark, but experts believe it more likely to be a smooth hound shark 'disorientated' by unusual currents and rising temperatures; the beach was reopened after around 30 minutes when it headed out to deeper waters.



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NEWS EXTRA

Damp patches

FINESTRAT Town Hall began fumigating storm drains and other zones where tiger mosquitoes breed, also asking residents to help by preventing water from accumulating in and around flowerpots.

Strong tide

SEVEN people, including a Local Police officer, were rescued by life-guards last Friday on playa de la Fustera in Benissa when dragged out to sea by a strong tide.

Denia twins

DENIA recently signed a twinning agreement with the Russian city of Lobnya, near Moscow, with the agreement signed in Denia by Mayor Vicent Grimalt and Lobnya Mayor Evgenii Smyshliaev.

Fishermen all at sea

THREE men were rescued from the sea by the Guardia Civil last week after their boat sank 18 hours earlier.

The men were fishing approximately nine miles off the Cap de la Nau de Xabia at around 5.00pm last Wednesday when their seven-metre boat Ricardo Noveno began to fill with water.

"We didn't have time to take the life vests or flares" skipper Julian Pascual told the Spanish press of the moment the boat rose from its bow and went down.

In the short space of a few minutes, the men were stranded at sea, knowing that their families did not expect them home until much later and thus would not think to alert the emergency services.



RESCUED: After fishing boat sank.

"We collected all of the plastic we could from the wreck and held it to our bodies - knowing that if we were to spend many hours in the water, we'd have to fight

the cold," Pascual said.

The men were in the water for no less than 18 hours.

"Before it got dark, we saw five merchant ships and each time we cried for help, but they passed by," said Pascual. "Yes, we were very cold. Body temperature drops by one degree every hour you are in the water."

The men were rescued 20 miles from where their boat sank - the tide had dragged them past Gandia.

Landing with the Guardia Civil in the port of Moraira at around 2pm the next day, two of them were taken by ambulance straight to the Teulada Health Centre with hypothermia.

Charity loses out on oil

TWO men were arrested in Villajoyosa for stealing 600 kilos of used cooking oil from recycling points in Ibi.

A local charity that benefits from sales of the oil, which is later recycled for biofuel, reported that seven containers had been forced open and their contents stolen in two months.

The investigation led the Guardia Civil to the Villajoyosa men, aged 34 and 37. Guardia Civil sources later said that their enquiries were initially hindered because one of the alleged thieves had a licence to sell oil for recycling and sold several consignments without raising suspicions.

The charity later explained that although the thieves would have made little out of the sale, it would have been enough to help needy families for two months.

Numbers in the news

62 decibels is the official limit for music bars in Magaluf.

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Chinese takeaway

THE University of Foreign Studies in Beijing has opened a facility in Gandia, its only offices in Spain. The faculty is on the campus of the Universitat Politècnica de Valencia and will offer intensive courses in Chinese and will coordinate internships in both countries as well as promoting Chinese culture.

Profits docked

THE dockers' strike will bring losses to the textile industry based in Alcoy, El Comtat and Vall d'Albaida. The dockers do not plan a return to work until June 23 and ATEVAL, the Valencian Community Textiles Association, warned that the textile sector would be particularly affected during this period.

Murder mystery

AN Elche entrepreneur has been found dead and half-buried in Mozambique, Africa, in what was reportedly an organised hit. His daughter raised the alarm two days previously after reporting that her father had disappeared and their home attacked, before the victim's bank account was emptied using his credit card.

Snake bite

A GOOD Samaritan successfully rescued a 1.5m serpent from the middle of a busy road but was bitten on the hand for his trouble. The 40-year-old spotted the Montpellier snake in the road near his office in Valencia and was later taken to hospital for treatment.

Blazing squad

A WILDFIRE which broke out in Ondara last Monday reduced around 2,000 square metres of scrubland to ashes, after a local resident failed to extinguish a fire he had set himself. Two fire engines and 10 firefighters brought the blaze under control after a three-hour battle.

Swimming pool toddler dies

A TWO-YEAR-OLD who fell into a Campello swimming pool died later in hospital.

The child managed to slip through the fence between his own home and the house next door where, in circumstances still to be clarified, he fell into the swimming pool.

On discovering the body at the bottom of the pool, the

villa-owner called the emergency services. The child was first taken by private ambulance to Campello's health centre where medics succeeded in reviving him after 45-minutes.

He was taken to San Juan hospital but his condition was so serious that he was transferred to intensive care in Alicante General Hospital but died several hours later.

SPANISH FACTS OF LIFE... 16

From jumping through bonfires to hurling dead rats at fellow revellers, Spanish culture is awash with quirky traditions, none more so than El Salto del Colacho, the annual baby jumping festival which takes place this Sunday.

Look away, Mum!

HELD in the village of Castrillo de Murcia near Burgos in northern Spain, El Salto del Colacho most closely translates as the Devil's leap.

During the celebrations, babies born within the previous 12 months are laid on mattresses in the street before men dressed as the Devil in red and yellow costumes take turns to leap over them.

Normally taking place on the Sunday after the Catholic feast of Corpus Christi, baby jumping is a traditional practice dating back to the early 1600s.

The infants are placed in rows before the devils, who also sport grotesque face masks, make their way through the crowd, whipping bystanders before careering over the

helpless children.

As they do so, the babies are said to be blessed and cleansed of original sin before being sprinkled with rose petals and recovered by relieved parents.

Although it might seem dangerous, there are no reports of injuries or fatalities during the event, although it is frowned upon by the Catholic Church, with news reports in 2012 suggesting that Pope Benedict himself encouraged the Spanish clergy to distance themselves from it.



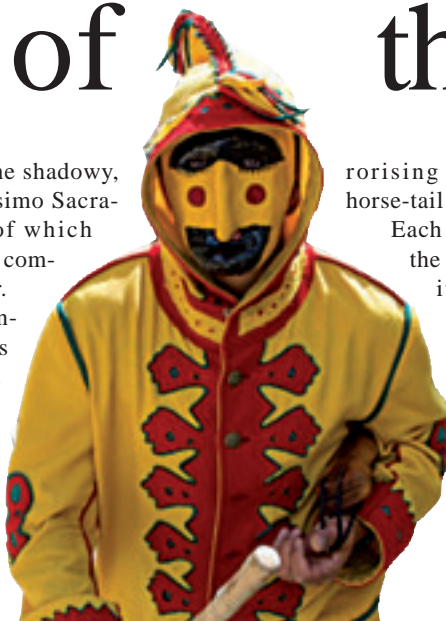
DEVIL: Jumps over the babies.

Speak of the devil

EL COLACHO is organised by the shadowy, black-clad Brotherhood of Santísimo Sacramento de Minerva, members of which dress up as both the devil and his companion the Atabalero, or drummer.

The devils clutch percussion instruments known as castanets while the top hat and tailcoated Atabaleros beat drums in unison as they run through the town's streets.

Festivities begin on the Wednesday preceding the event with daily processions during which the devils also chase cheeky adults and children, ter-



rorising and hitting them gently with horse-tail whips.

Each Devil is followed by two rows of the brotherhood and the group makes its way to the church, where an entrance ritual is performed.

All members remove their hats and bow in greeting as the Devil and Atabalero arrive, the former removing his mask before heading to the sanctuary where both remain during mass.

THE DEVIL: Clutches percussion instruments.

Beach death

A 71-YEAR-OLD Frenchman died after being pulled from the sea at Daimus, near Oliva, despite attempts by medical teams to revive him. The victim's wife raised the alarm, the couple were staying at a nearby camping site, and it is believed he suffered a heart attack.

Rabies recipe

ALFAZ Town Hall's Health depart-

ment's anti-rabies campaign begins today, June 15. Until June 30 five veterinary clinics will be vaccinating and deworming dogs, cats and ferrets at a cost of €16. To be eligible animals must be microchipped and owners should provide their pets' papers.

Drugged drivers

LAST year 466 of 1,064 drivers stopped by the Guardia Civil traffic police in Alicante Province tested positive for drugs.

Although fewer tests were carried out compared with 2015, the number of Alicante drivers who had taken drugs increased by 16 percentage points.

Sexist outrage

A SAN VICENTE campaign encouraging residents to patronise local shops backfired when it was condemned as sexist for showing three young, slim, elegant and perfectly coiffed women wearing vertiginously high heels.

It also breached the town hall's Municipal Equality Plan, the association complained.

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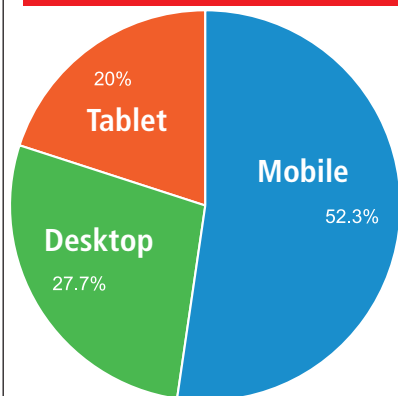
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- Spanish 'hero' missing after London terror attack – 1,771
- Family of Kirsty Maxwell launch desperate social media appeal – 1,510
- Norwegian man stung to death by bees in Mijas – 1,208
- 'Manspreading' banned on all public transport in Madrid – 1,208

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Top Social Media comments

Scotland and England fans clash in Magaluf - Sian Foster. How pathetic, let's just show the world how ignorant, stupid some Brits are. These people are nothing but yobs, are ignorant, ill educated etc etc, nothing new then! Embarrassed to be a Brit once again...
Spanish hero's body returned to Spain - Liz Shaw. God Bless you Ignacio. May you rest in peace as you skateboard amongst the clouds.
Sevilla sadist jailed for 39 years - Barbara Taylor. Not nearly enough, but the maximum sentence he'll serve will be 30 years, although he will probably get out much sooner than that. I hope he shares a cell with men who have daughters!
Britain goes to the polls - Shaun Van Wyk. Elmo would've made a strong contender.
'Manspreading' banned on public transport in Madrid - Grace O'Grady. Excellent, however refined people would never need to be told this, so basically this is education for dinosaurs and barbarians, no?

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In Finland, at the Wife Carrying World Championships, first prize is the wife's weight in beer.

Little bits on the side

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No clouds in sight

By Linda Hall

WORK has begun on a filtering plant for La Nucia's domestic water supply.

Although the water that reaches La Nucia from the Guadalest reservoir is purified it is not filtered and this will solve the recurring problem of cloudiness.

Twice this winter La Nucia residents were warned that the tap water was not fit for consumption after torrential rain and high winds stirred up sediment at the bottom of the Guadalest reservoir.

The plant is to be installed in the basement of the Municipal Store on the Alberca industrial estate and no construction costs will be involved. As the site is directly opposite the municipal pumping stations and general deposit, there will also be minimal expense connecting them to the filtering plant.

Work is expected to be completed within six months and the entire €1.3 million cost of the plant will be met by Aqualia, the company which distributes La Nucia's domestic water supply.

The installation is designed to treat water for a town with a population of 40,000, twice La Nucia's registered population, to ensure that it can cover future expansion.



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LUCY: Racy swimwear.

Model behaviour!

HE quit much-loved soap Coronation Street to pursue an acting career in London, and recently finished filming Bear Grylls' Celebrity Island in Panama.

But work appeared the furthest thing from 33-year-old Ryan Thomas' mind as he whipped up a storm at a pool party in

Magaluf, Mallorca alongside brother and Love Island star Scott, 28.

The pair knocked back vodka before accepting a chocolate cake for Ryan's birthday which he duly smashed into his sibling's face, much to the delight of the rapturous crowd.

Ryan reportedly became close to ex-

The Only Way Is Essex beauty Lucy Mecklenburgh, 25, while being tested to the limit on the Channel 4 survival show.

And the fitness fanatic was also in the Balearics this week as she shot a racy series of swimwear shots in Ibiza after being chosen as the face of V by Very High's summer collection.

Summer lovin'

HIS Barcelona team finished second in La Liga and was beaten in the Champions League quarter-finals.

But Argentinian superstar Lionel Messi, 29, clearly remains a winner in love after his stunning partner Antonella Rocuzzo, 29, put on a sizzling display aboard a luxury yacht in Ibiza.

The bronzed beauty topped up her tan after slipping into a tiny tanga-style bikini which accentuated her curvaceous figure.

The pair have been together for almost 10 years and are set to marry in their hometown of Rosario, Argentina, later this summer.

Their children Thiago, four, and Mateo, two, joined them on their aquatic adventure as did teammate Luis Suarez and his wife Sofia Balbi, plus Chelsea's Cesc Fabregas with girlfriend Daniella Semaan and their three children Lia, Leonardo and Capri.

But it was the gorgeous Antonella who stole the show as she relaxed on the side of the boat, dipping her toes into the crystal-clear Mediterranean water.

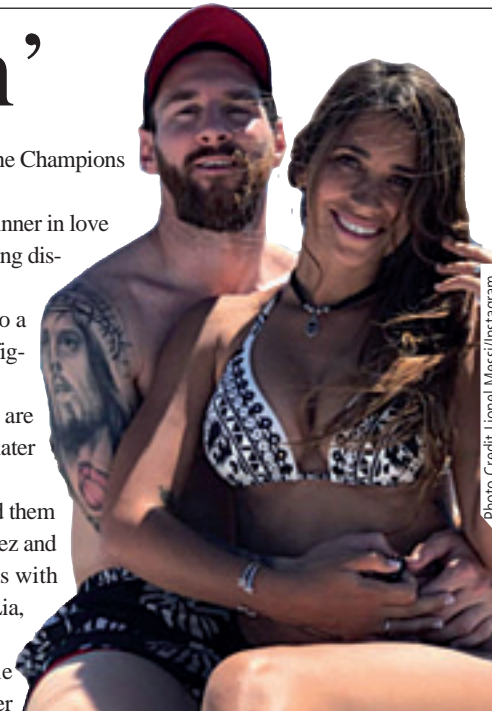


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LUCKY IN LOVE: Leo and Antonella in Ibiza.

Blue is the colour

SHE is the only Spanish actress to win an Oscar after bagging the Best Supporting Actress gong for her 2008 performance in Woody Allen's Vicky Cristina Barcelona.

And Penelope Cruz, 43, provided ample back-up to British-born American actress Lily Collins, 28, as the delectable duo filmed an advert for luxury cosmetics brand Lancome in Barcelona.

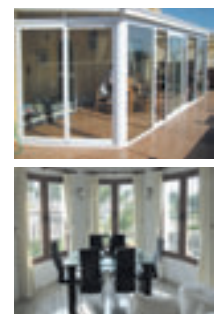
The Iberian icon was a picture in a figure-hugging navy dress while Lily, daughter of Genesis singer Phil Collins, smouldered in a matching navy sleeveless blouse and elegant trousers.

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Hippy stalls

A 'HIPPIY MARKET' will open along the Denia Marina promenade this summer. From June 23 until July 14, it can only be enjoyed at weekends but thereafter it will be open every day from 6.30pm.

More buses

THE number 38 bus between San Vicente and San Juan hospital will run every 90 minutes during July and August, with the first bus departing at 8am and the last at 9.30pm

Loving son

THE regional government decorated seven San Vicente policemen who responded to an emergency call from a 90-year-old man whose schizophrenic son threatened to kill him with a kitchen knife.

Staying put

THE Valencia Region's Justice department does not intend building a new Courthouse in Villena and will instead restore and rehabilitate the existing courts in Calle Sancho Medina.



Photo by Muchamiel town hall

MUCHAMIEL: Twee message for dog-owners.

Campaigning for clean pavements

By Linda Hall

MUCHAMIEL is going to considerable lengths to persuade dog-owners to clean up after their pets. Banners on lampposts, mass mailings and free pooper-scoopers combine in the town hall's latest three-phase campaign to prevent dogs from fouling pavements.

"Weewee destroys me" proclaimed the lamppost banners in the first phase, referring to the damage that dogs' urine causes to street furniture and the eventual cost to ratepayers.

The second phase, now underway, focuses on letters to all residents, explaining the purpose of the campaign, explained Services and Maintenance councillor Rafael Pastor.

In the third phase, the town hall is giving away 6,000 cardboard pooper scoopers. These will make the task of cleaning up after pets both physically and vi-

sually more pleasant, Pastor said.

It was important to get across a message of social responsibility and positive attitude, the councillor added: "Hygiene and cleanliness is a concern for us all."

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Hero had links to Alicante

THE Partido Popular on Alicante City Council proposed naming a street after Ignacio Echeverria.

The 39-year-old Spaniard died a hero in the Borough Market terrorist attack after he intervened when he saw a jihadist stabbing a woman. Unarmed Echeverria was stabbed in the back when he went to her defence.

"At a time when an absence of values means that anything goes, society needs heroes like Ignacio Echeverria," said PP spokesman Luis Barcala.

But there was another reason for naming an Alicante City street after the London-based lawyer who was born in Galicia but grew up in Madrid.

Echeverria was linked to the city because he was the great-great-grandson of Marta Barrie, a benefactress and a leading figure in 19th century Alicante.

The daughter of a British consul who owned much of the land that became Benalua neighbourhood, Marta Barrie was married to Clemente Miralles de Imperial who developed the area.

OUR VIEW

Surprise result raises questions

THERE is little doubt that the Conservative party was caught by surprise by the seemingly disastrous result of the General Election.

The powers behind the throne, the two advisors to Mrs May, Nick Timothy and Fiona Hill resigned almost immediately and now the Prime Minister appears to be trying to carry on as if nothing too untoward has happened.

Her cabinet remains broadly as it was prior to the election, although another Brexiteer Michael Gove returns as environment secretary and will be responsible for reviewing agricultural support following Britain's exit from the EU.

The loss of an overall majority will make it more difficult to enter Brexit negotiations when the EU knows that the prime minister has made a major error of judgement by getting the mood of the nation so wrong.

She said she would use the anticipated increased majority to strengthen her hand with Europe and instead has to keep power by putting together an unlikely and possibly unstable pact with the Democratic Unionist Party which has already caused negative comments from the Republic of Ireland.

Assuming she is not voted out as Tory leader, it is possible Mrs May will have to be a little less hard line in her negotiations with Brussels than she had originally hoped.

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You're paying how much for your QROPS??

By Sam Kelly, Managing Partner, Chorus Financial



Many of you will have read my article last week regarding financial advisors in Spain charging substantially more than the equivalent service in the UK. In just the last few days I have had several people come to my office to see if I can help them reduce the fees they're paying on their QROPS.

I saw a lady on Tuesday, we'll call her Sandra (as before, I've changed her name to protect her privacy). The first thing Sandra explained was that every few months her advisor would hand her another wad of pages covered in numbers, charts etc., bamboozle her with complex terminology, and she'd leave the appointment none the wiser as to why her QROPS hadn't grown over the last 4 years.

Well, finally she was sat in front of someone who would break it all down for her. The first thing I noticed was that she was paying over £1000 a year for the QROPS alone – this is more than double she would pay for a UK SIPP (a UK based, FCA regulated pension that would offer all the major benefits of a QROPS and that she could easily move to).

I also questioned the fees on the funds she had been moved into, which were between 1.5%-2% per year – this is 3 to 4 times more than I'd expect a client to pay for a top performing UK fund, yet she was paying this for pretty average performing funds that I'd never even heard off (and that's after 15 years of studying funds on a daily basis!).

In addition, she was paying another 1.5% per year in combined fees to her advisor and bond provider. When we broke it all down, her annual fees were over 4% of the total amount she had invested, and

I calculated that around 3% of this was going to her financial advisor each year, most of which was in hidden fees which would be illegal in the UK. I was astounded by the combined level of fees here, and it's safe to say, so was Sandra! The investment returns were barely covering her fees, which is why Sandra had seen no growth after 4 years.

My advice to Sandra was that we move her QROPS to a UK SIPP, which offers all the freedoms and flexibility she needs for less than half the price of a QROPS, and we would then rebalance her portfolio with FCA regulated funds, at a fraction of the cost of the offshore funds she had been recommended. This would bring her annual costs down to less than half of her existing arrangement, which will have a positive effect on the growth of her plan.

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More security for summer events

AS the holiday season approaches, police and the Guardia Civil are stepping up security in the Valencian Community.

This region, like the rest of Spain, has been on the

fourth of five possible anti-terrorist alert levels for some time but vigilance has intensified since the Manchester and Borough Market attacks.

"The seriousness of the

jihadist threat against our collective security persists," said an Interior Ministry circular sent to police stations and Guardia Civil posts throughout the country.

Even before the high season gets into full swing at the end of this month, a special watch will be kept during the Hogueras fire fiestas in Alicante City and other Costa Blanca towns.

Security will also be increased on the region's beaches on San Juan night - June 23 to 24 - when bonfires are traditionally lit on the beaches and young and old alike take a ritual swim or paddle in the sea.

An estimated 1,600 policemen will be on duty for the Alicante City bonfires and Interior Ministry sources revealed that town halls have received orders to remove litter bins and rubbish containers from streets and beaches so that explosives cannot be placed

in them.

This strategy was used during the Fallas celebrations last March and, as they were then, police vehicles will be strategically-parked to block access for heavy vehicles.

These same measures will apply to all massively-attended fiestas, concerts and other events this summer, particularly those in the Valencian Community's most-visited resorts.



Photo by Susana Alzamora

SUMMER RITUAL: Bonfires and bathing on Alicante's Postiguet beach.

NEWS EXTRA

Shelling out

THE national government will allow Campello Town Hall to spend €24.5 million of its €31.8 million budget surplus and Muchavista residents have urged improvements to services and infrastructure.

Equal status

GENERALITAT Tourism chief Francesc Colomer received an award from the Global Diversity Foundation in recognition of the regional government's support for the LGTB collective and equality in tourism.

Clear road

SAN JUAN'S Saturday market will move to Plaza de La Ordana owing to the demand for stalls and to facilitate access for ambulances or fire engines in an emergency.

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Flocks take on fire duties

SHEEP and goats are grazing the Font Roja national park to create natural fire-breaks.

Alcoy City Hall has come to an agreement with Eduardo Canto, an organic farmer from Ibi, whose livestock is keeping down weeds and grass.

The flock of merino-sureño crosses accompanied by some goats is tended by Agustin Valero, a shepherd from Granada with 34 years' experience.

That the flock earns its keep is demonstrated by the amount of hay that they eat. "Where we used 40 sacks before we now only need one," Canto said.

The animals return each night to a sheepfold near the

park's Sant Antoni zone and there are plans to gradually increase the present flock of 72 animals until there are 200.

"The number of calls we receive demonstrate that both scientists and ecologists are interested in the project," Alcoy's Environment councillor Jordi Martinez said. "We are preventing forest fires and at the same time reviving an occupation that has practically disappeared from the area."

The council hopes to extend the initiative to the city itself, Martinez revealed. "We are looking for ways to bring another flock so that they can keep down vegetation in the gullies and even the riverbed."



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Denia artist at the double

DAVID ESCARABAJAL ALCOYANO won first prize in the Concurso de Pintura Rapida Ciudad de Denia (translated to - 'quick painting contest'), held on

Calle Marques de Campo last Sunday.

Escarabajal, who also came first in last year's contest, took home the €700 cash prize.

In its fourth year, organised by the Department of Culture of the City Council of Denia and the Association of Artists of the High Navy ADAMA, this year's contest focused on the Old Town and the Marques de Campo, with participants having only seven and a half hours to create their masterpieces.

The judging panel - made up of councillor for Culture, Rafa Carrio, artist, painter and sculptor, Joan Castejon, painter, Vicente Perez Morales and President of ADAMA, Cenzano Javier Ruiz c awarded second prize (€400 cash) to Alberto Marquez and third prize (€200 cash) to Miguel Melado.

Jutta Kuenen was awarded the 'best local artist' prize, winning a trip to Formentera for two people and Fernando Segui was awarded the 'best artist of the region' prize, taking home a



WINNER: David Escarabajal Alcoyano won first prize.

collection of paintings to the value of €100.

Twenty-two participants took part in the contest, coming from as far as Al-

bacete, Bilbao and Murcia.

The five awarded works will be exhibited in the House of Culture of Denia from June 15 to 30.

NEWS EXTRA

Going walkies

IBI Town Hall, after asking local residents to nominate sites for a dogs-allowed park, received 10 proposals of which nine are viable according to the local Health department.

Cool idea

PINOSO Town Hall is offering a cash prize to the Alicante University catering student who creates the best ice-cream based on local grapes, almonds or the traditional cookies called perusas.

Root problem

RESPONDING to a request from the Guanyar party, Alcoy Council is seeking non-invasive substitutes for the plane trees whose roots are damaging pavements in the city streets.



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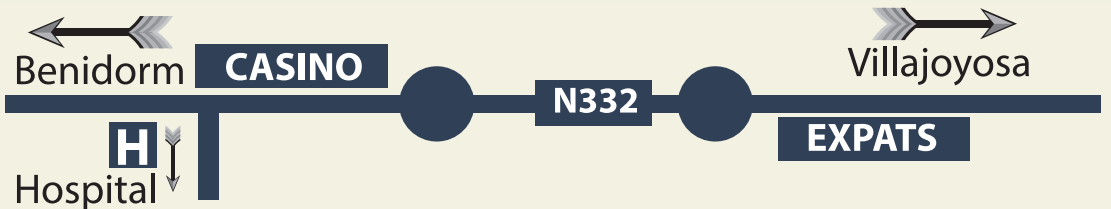
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Water innovation

Pioneering laboratory opens in Benidorm on the Costa Blanca



DINAPSIS: Pioneering water treatment centre opens in Benidorm.

IN a joint operation with Hidraqua, Benidorm has opened Spain's first Dinapsis treatment centre, dedicated to sustainable water management.

The centre, which opened last week has three separate areas, which manage water and sewage treatment for the city and surrounding areas.

The central hub, operated by water management partner, Hidraqua, deals with real time services of the water treatment centre, run from a state of the art control tower.

A second innovation space is dedicated to new technology, with an entrepreneurial ecosystem project, testing new ideas and practices.

The third space is designed to promote the city as a pioneer in sustainable water management, with showcases, workshops and lectures in water conservation open to the public for information and advice.

Benidorm is seen as a role model to other urban areas throughout Europe, as the town uses the same amount of water now as it used in 1975, despite a population four times greater.

At the opening ceremony attended by town mayor Toni Perez and Valencian Regional President Ximo Puig, Environment councillor José Ramón González de Zárate, said, "No other Spanish or European city manages it's water better than Benidorm."

Benidorm exhibition

TO commemorate the 60th anniversary of the Benidorm General Plan, an exhibition has opened in the town's Museum Boca Calvari.

A gallery of photos, paintings and drawings by architect Oscar Tusquets, who has recorded the town's development, will be showcased along with videos and lectures.

The exhibition, which arrives in the town from Barcelona and London, can be viewed at the gallery in calle Tomas Ortuna right through until August 13.

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FACT FINDERS: The delegation visit local museum exhibition.

North Korean architects on mission in Benidorm

A GROUP of 20 visiting architects accompanied North Korean Ambassador Kim Hyok Chol last weekend, on a fact finding mission to Benidorm.

The delegation, accompanied by Mayor Toni Perez, visited a local museum to view an exhibition charting the growth of the town on a

vertical model, before heading to Camping Villasol, to witness how tourism can be generated without the requirement to build high risk hotels.

They ended their visit with a trip to the Terra Mitica theme park, before leaving for their next stop in Portugal.

The trip was organised with the support of the United Nations World Tourism Organization (UNWTO), which is responsible for promoting responsible, sustainable and accessible tourism and included previous stops in Greece, France and Italy, plus Barcelona, Oropesa and Salou in Spain.



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Now the experts will try again,

this time using 2D electric tomography, said Town Planning councillor Maria Teresa Carbonell.

Another 1936-1939 air raid shelter in the Castell area probably collapsed long before the area was de-

veloped at the beginning of this century, archaeologists said.

Despite earlier reports that the shelter was obliterated to make way for the Esplanada no remains were found when building began, they

confirmed.

Another shelter at the Eloy Coloma school also eluded detection despite a GPR search and hopes are now pinned on using a different technique to locate the La Plaza refuge.

Giving it another go

NEWS EXTRA

Funds raised

CALLOSA Town Hall raised €685 for Anemona, the support group for women with breast cancer, at a poetry reading and music event in the Casa de la Musica.

Tough test

FRANCISCO JOSE MARTINEZ, a Petrer policeman, will join celebrity chef Chicote in television challenge *En forma en 70 dias* and try to get into shape in 10 weeks.

Multi-tasker

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Known as the Festival of Colours and the Festival of Love this represents the triumph of good, peace and love over evil.

The Alfaz run was not a competition and its principal objective was ensuring that everyone had fun and once the race was over, the day continued until evening with games, paella and music.

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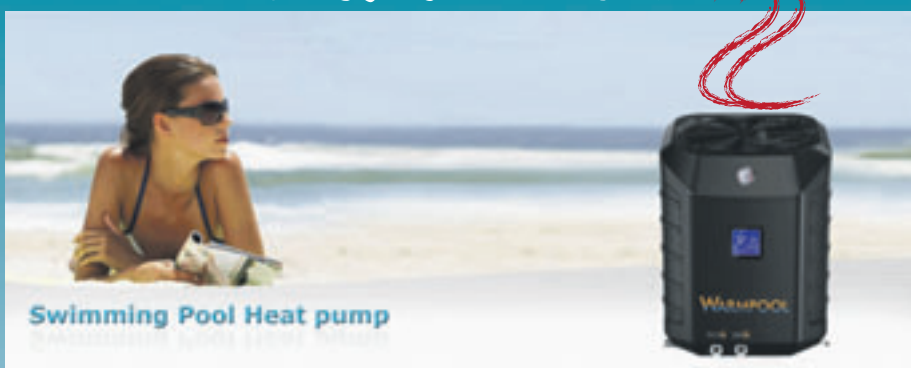
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AS they had hoped, archaeologists working in Montnegre located a water channel built by the Romans 2,000 years ago.

Experts from the Alicante Archaeological Museum (Marq) are tracing the Acequia de Los Enamorados which took water from the La Alcornia spring near Tibi.

Probably intended to deliver water to what is now Alicante City, the channel was hewn from the rock in some places and is one of the earliest examples of water infrastructure yet found in Alicante Province.

Four soundings have been made in Montnegre de Dalt and

Montnegre d'Enmig and this week's excavations will centre on the Roman water deposit in Muchamiel's Assut area, explained Anna Garcia Barrachina, the archaeologist in charge of the present campaign.

Prospections will continue in Montnegre, Jijona, Muchamiel and Alicante City for the remainder of this month as the archaeologists attempt to locate more sections of the channel.

Until now the Acequia de los Enamorados' few visible remains were located at the base of the Tibi reservoir, which was built between 1579 and 1594 and is the oldest functioning dam in Europe.

The results so far are promising, Garcia Barrachina said, as the remains are in better condition than was expected and the team has succeeded in excavating a subterranean section of the channel that crosses a 1.9-metre high gallery.

After clearing soil and vegetation that had accumulated over the centuries they also discovered some of the channel's original semi-circular moulding at the foot of the Tibi dam.

TIBI DAM: The Roman channel began at this point.



Ben Goetzinger

NEWS EXTRA

All the good stuff

ALTEA'S fruit and vegetable market held each Tuesday will have stalls with organic produce although traders must provide certificates confirming production and growing methods.

Tidying up

SAN JUAN'S Cleaning department is clearing weeds, vegetation and litter from municipally-owned plots of land to try to discourage vermin and also reduce the risk of fire as the summer temperatures rise.

Road death

AN 18-year-old fast food delivery boy was killed in Cullera (Valencia) by a French hit-and-run driver who tested positive for alcohol when police finally located and arrested him.

Easy option

AN average of seven people, the majority found guilty of gender-based violence, eluded jail each day in the Valencian Region by carrying out community work last year.

New door

THE Diputacion will provide 90 per cent of the €4,658 cost of a new sliding glass door for Callosa's municipal market while the town hall will make up the remainder.

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Bonsai**

BENIDORM LIONS CLUB, have donated a 600-year-old olive tree trimmed in bonsai style and a bench in the town hall gardens, to celebrate their 100-year anniversary.

Viva show

MORE than 1,500 children and their parents turned up to watch the Viva Mi Planet educational show in the Julio Iglesias Auditorio in Benidorm's Parc L'Aiguera last Saturday evening.

Vlogger visit

A PROMINENT French YouTube and Instagram vlogger, Lea Camilliera, 30, visited Benidorm recently as a guest of Visit Benidorm, relaying the experience to her half a million followers.

All over for another year

THE Selectividad entrance exams for Alicante Province's two universities have now ended.

"It all went off without any hitches," said Fernando Borrás, president of the Alicante tribunal.

This year La Nucia students were able for the first time to take the three days of exams on their own doorstep as these were held in the town's Auditorio del Mediterraneo and SEU university extension.

It was also the first time that students from Benidorm and Villajoyosa could sit the exams nearer to home in La Nucia.

The 321 students from 10 high schools receive their results tomorrow, Friday June 16.

Students needing resits, which are now held in early July and not September as in the past, will again be able to take these in La Nucia.

"We are very satisfied," Fernando Borrás said afterwards. "Coordination has



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been perfect and La Nucia was totally committed. All students sat their exams in

air-conditioned halls, which is very important at this time of the year.

"There was free parking for 400 cars and the parking spaces for coaches functioned

perfectly. It will be a pleasure to return to La Nucia in the future," Borrás declared.

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Sport for all

BENIDORM has opened a new multi-sport, soccer and basketball area next to the Antonio Lopez football pitches in the Rincon de Loix area of the town; providing locals with more opportunities for sport.

Cycle collides

A 24-YEAR-OLD cyclist was injured and transferred to hospital after a collision with a car at 6.30am, last Monday morning in the Valencian town of Betera.

Land moves

THE occupants of five apartments in La Cala de Benidorm, were forced to evacuate their homes for the weekend after water leaking from a neighbouring development caused a landslide.

Yacht clubs continue



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YACHT CLUBS: Many are located in town centres and will require integration.

THE Generalitat sought to allay regional yacht clubs' fears that their concessions would be terminated on June 19.

All can continue administrative activities for another three years, the regional government pledged. Clubs like Altea's Club Nautico, whose permits expired long ago will receive authorisations allowing them to function "while procedures are resolved" according to the Housing, Public Works and Territory department.

Of the 11 Valencia region yacht clubs that are functioning with expired concessions, eight are located on the Costa Blanca.

Carlos Domingo, the Generalitat's director general for Public works, Transport and Mobility reas-

sured each Club Nautico that it would be able to continue activities.

Domingo also announced that the Conselleria, equivalent to a Cabinet was working on the conditions for the new concessions.

"Some will be more complicated, especially those where we need to improve the interface between port and town," Domingo said.

Many ports are located on an urban seafront and these cases will require a joint project with the town hall to ensure that they are integrated in the municipality, the Director General added.

"Until port-seafront plans are produced the concessionary process cannot be completed," he explained.

Centre lacks the correct procedures

EIGHTEEN cases of TB were confirmed at the Monteolivete reception centre for young people in Valencia City.

Three of those who tested positive are minors at the centre and 15 are staff members.

Union representatives maintained that the outbreak could have been avoided, criticising the way it was handled.

When the first minor was diagnosed, the Monteolivete staff were put at risk by accompanying him night and day in his hospital room, UGT officials said.

The unions also drew attention to a similar outbreak last August at the Camp Santa Faz centre in Alicante

Province when 35 staff members were infected.

UGT officials went on to say that the Monteolivete cases were further examples of the "grave consequences of improvisation, absence of procedures and lack of preventative measures at the centre."

Before the TB outbreak, inspectors found that conditions and overcrowding there was so bad that the regional government ordered the immediate transfer of minors to other centres in Valencia province.

This procedure will now be delayed, as the young residents must be kept in isolation until all risk of contagion has passed.

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Who is supposed to lodge an income tax return in Spain?

If you are resident in Spain for 183 days or more, you are considered a Spanish Tax resident. As such, you are required to submit an annual Spanish resident tax return known as a 'Declaración de la Renta'.

Some people however have more complex personal situations and they spend their time between a few countries and / or have property or business interests in other countries. In these cases there are International Double Taxation Treaties stating where the person subject to the tax should declare their income for tax purposes.

When do I lodge my tax return in Spain?

This needs to be lodged between April and 31st June each year.

The tax year in Spain runs from January 1st – December 31st (for the year previous)

Are there any tax deductions for living in Spain?

Yes, some of the main deductions are:

- A personal tax-free allowance.
- Married couples allowance for joint declarations.
- Employment allowance.
 - Child tax allowance.
 - Deductions for private pension plans.
 - Taxation regime for income from annuity pensions.

Can I pay the tax in stage payments?

Yes. The first payment (60%) will be taken on the 30th of June if you pay it by direct debit. The second payment (40%) will be taken on the 1st of November.

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Thank you for your help.

Dear Sir,

Thank you for your query.

The first thing that you need to bear in mind is that although this is a Spanish Will, it is possible that the inheritance is governed by your father's national law, and therefore, it is possible that the consequences of the renunciation or the death of the executor must be determined by that law.

The second thing that people must bear in mind is that as per the Spanish Law, there is no legal requirement regarding the appointment of an executor on the Will, although in some occasions this can be very convenient. With regard to Spain, the laws are different to other countries, where normally an executor must be legally appointed on the Will.

Regarding the consequences of the renunciation or death of the executor, this is regulated on the Spanish Civil Code (CC, Real Decreto de 24 de julio de 1889), and we can confirm that:

If the executor passes away or renounces their duties as executor, during the Inheritance-Probate process, then the executorship will be terminated. As per the article 910 CC that states:

Article 910. Executorship shall terminate as a result of the death, impossibility, resignation or removal of the executor, and by expiration of the deadline provided by the testator, by the law and, as the case may be, by the interested parties. The judge must also agree with the removal.

In the case where there is no executor or

the executorship is terminated for any reason, including the renunciation of the executor or his death; the heirs are by law the ones that will be in charge of executing the testator's wishes, as per the article 911 CC.

Article 911. In the cases provided in the preceding article, and in the event that the executor has not accepted the position, *the heirs shall be in charge of executing the testator's intentions.*

Therefore, in your case, if the Spanish Law is applicable to this inheritance, if the executor renounces formally or passes away, the heirs appointed on the Will, will become the executors.

If you or someone you know has any legal issue regarding a Will or inheritance in Spain, **please contact us and we will help you.**

The information provided in this article is not intended to be legal advice, but merely conveys general information related to legal issues.

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Wincham would like to say a big thank you for everybody who

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FINESTRAT is one of the first Alicante Province municipalities to locate and map fire hydrants using Global Positioning (GPS).

Local mayor Juan Francisco Perez visited Carrer Alacant in the Bulevar district to see how the Marina Baja Fire Brigade and town hall joint project was progressing.

More than 150 hydrants have now been mapped in Finestrat town, La Cala, the Bulevar and outlying urbanisations. Thanks to an internet app, the Fire Brigade can immediately locate these hydrants which have been marked out with horizontal road signs.

Those in heavily populated areas as well as commercial and industrial zones like the Bulevar are also signposted vertically.

“We are pioneering both GPS and signposting,” Perez said. “We have taken a giant step in taking active protection measures against fire. On one hand the firemen’s response time can be reduced and on the other the app on their mobiles will indicate the closest hydrant.”

The town hall also took advantage



FIRE PREVENTION: Checking and signposting Finestrat hydrants.

Photo by Finestrat town hall

of the project by checking the hydrants and renewing those not in good condition. At the same time the diameter of hydrant valves in the Bulevar and shopping centre were widened to increase the flow.

“Fires in areas like these have special characteristics and need a greater

volume of water to extinguish them,” the mayor said.

A further six hydrants are planned for the Castell area. “Fire engines have problems accessing the streets in the Old Town so there will now be more points where pumper trucks can take on water and act more quickly.”

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NEWS EXTRA**Scandinavian visit**

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Pink festival

THE Benidorm Pink Weekend festival, held last week, raised €500 towards the Manchester Terror attack appeal, from the sale and release of pink balloons.

Tourist boost

VALENCIA International Airport saw a 14.5 per cent increase in passengers in May, compared to the same month last year, with the highest numbers coming from Italy.

Building up hopes

CALLOSA Town Hall will provide the regional government with more information regarding the Anibits-Margequivir development.

The council voted to supply the Generalitat's department of Agriculture, Environment, Climate Change and Rural Development with reports and information not included in the recently-approved Scope Document that detailed the major objectives of the Anibits-Margequivir project and what it hoped to deliver. The additional information clarified 'certain aspects' of the document, adjusting it to the 'reality of the present project' the town hall has explained.

Despite approving the project last April the regional government imposed severe restrictions, since much of the proposed 1,000-property development on Bernia's lower slopes would be built on protected land.

These provisos must first be accepted by the developers and authorised by Callosa's town hall in order to unblock the town's General Development Plan (PGOU).

The Anabits-Margequivir project



Photo by Joanbarrio

CALLOSA: 1,000-home development on the cards.

is backed by all parties - Compromis, the PSOE, the PP and UPyD - although local environmentalist groups oppose it.

Successive councils have fought for the last 15 years to get the project off the ground but the development was regularly thrown out by the regional government of the day.

Should the development go

ahead it would provide 1,200 direct jobs according to the CCOO trade union.

"This won't be a shopping centre," said Callosa's mayor Josep Saval. "It's not a plan to tear up nispero trees and plant 1,000 homes. This has nothing to do with what other nearby towns have done."

Lifesaving situation saved

AS the summer season starts, lifeguards have returned to Costa Blanca beaches.

Villajoyosa is no exception although the town hall initially encountered problems and at the beginning of the month had to engage temporary lifeguards.

A solution has been found and the town hall has contracted a company that will provide 16 lifesavers and a coordinator during the summer season and at Easter for the next four years.

It needed two attempts to outsource the service after the town hall initially invited tenders for a €115,000 a year contract last March. According to municipal sources this only attracted one bid and the company concerned later withdrew its offer.

The town hall made a second attempt in May, this time for €125,000, and the contract has been signed and sealed. The concessionary will receive €117,400 this year, rising to €122,500 for the remaining three years.

This is the same company that for years has provided Villajoyosa's ambulance service, said Beaches and Tourism councillor Marta Selles.

There will be two lifeguards on duty at the Varadero, Tio Roig, Estudiantes, Paraiso, Bol Nou and Caleta beaches but three at Playa Centro. The service will continue until September 30, Selles confirmed.

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DISAPPOINTING CROP: Did not meet expectations.

Sweet cherries turn sour

CHERRY producers in inland Alicante Province are resigned to a disastrous season.

Earlier this year they looked forward to a bumper crop of around three million

kilos following abundant rain last winter. It would be the best season for six years after several campaigns blighted drought, they predicted.

Hopes were dashed when

rain arrived at the wrong time in early May, splitting the fruit which, growers explained, is "extremely sensitive to water." As a result of the spring rain, they lost around 30 per cent of the crop and suffered financial losses of around €5 million.

Their pessimism was compounded some weeks later after when a recent hail storm ruined the crop in Planes and Vall de Gallinera.

This latest blow not only damaged the fruit but in some areas like Los Llombos the trees themselves were affected, with branches broken by the force of hail. Growers have still to make an estimate of these latest losses, but predict that they will be heavy.

Numbers in the news

€35 the amount that Malaga City dog owners must pay for genetic analysis before compulsory tagging.

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BENISSA: Journalists explored the ease of how multicultural residents coexist.

Polish press visit

LAST Thursday, a group of journalists from Poland arrived in Benissa on a press trip.

The group, who were met by councillor for Tourism, Fernando Lopez Corsi, were visiting various municipalities in the province of Alicante to investigate its tourist offering.

The trip was arranged by the Provincial Tourist Board of the Costa Blanca and aims to promote the province to both Polish tourists and buyers of second homes.

A representative from PROVIA (Association of Real Estate Developers of the Province of Alicante) was interviewed by the group.

The trip centered around a walk through the historic centre of Benissa, as well as a tour by boat, of its various coves and beaches by the Nautical Club Les Bassetes.

The journalists received information on the resident foreign population in Benissa, where 70 different nationalities currently co-exist, representing 48 per cent of the total resident population in the municipality.

There are currently only 50 Polish residents in Benissa, a figure which aroused interest amongst the group, as they were able to identify with the multiculturalism of the municipality.

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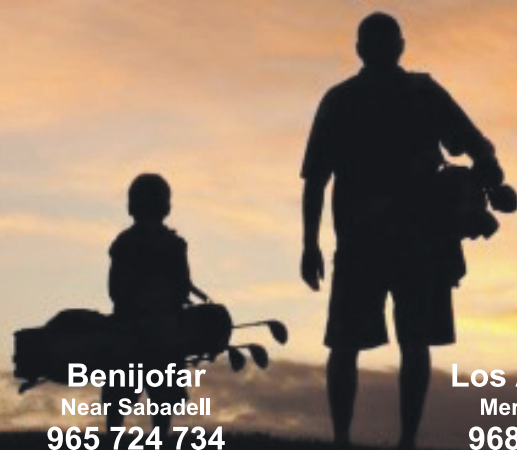
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VALLEY VOICES: Sang Abba songs.

‘Thank you for the Music’

VALLEY VOICES sang Abba songs at Pepe’s Restaurant in Alcalali for an evening organised by Jalon Valley HELP. The evening was a great success and raised €650 toward their funds. Valley Voices would like to say “Thank you for the Music, Abba!”

For anyone who missed the evening, there is an

opportunity to go along to the Citrus Bar in Orba on June 23 at 4.30pm, where Valley Voices will be singing a selection of well-known songs. Tickets are €7 and include cava and cake. Tickets are available from the Citrus Bar or contact Jennie on 966 480 062.

Come along and join Valley Voices for some

afternoon delight!

Interested in singing why not join our friendly choir, but there will be a summer break with the choir recommencing in the autumn.

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MOONLIGHT SERENADE lived up to its promise, with great music of the Glenn Miller era from the Rommy Baker Big Band, swinging tunes from Swingtet in the interval and finally dance group SwingPeaks, who took over the dance floor area in front of Alfaz’ Casa de Cultura.

These young Spaniards professed themselves delighted to dance to real live music and rather than limit themselves to a handful of numbers they had chosen from the musical programme they danced to every single one. Many older residents took up the challenge and joined them which



Early night view of concert in progress.



First presentation to Dolores of the volunteers association of Alfaz.

kept them warm when a slight un-June-like chill in the air crept in later that night.

It was a great atmosphere for the around 350 people present

of various nationalities, who came from other Costa towns, as well as locals and their generosity generated a good sum for the national cancer charity AECC

and the Alfaz volunteers association, with presentations to be made later this week.

The local AECC branch thanks the town hall for all their help, the volunteers from Amas de Casa and the Companians and others who sold raffle tickets and kept crowd control.

Many thanks to famous artist Goyo Perez who donated one of his original works as the raffle prize and to donations from other supporters including €1,000 from Gary of Giving4Giving.

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The group meets at the Calpe Tennis Club between 9.30am and 11am and the session is already proving very popular; despite the

Padel power

group only launching in early May.

There are enough courts to accommodate 18 people playing doubles - at the moment numbers range from four to 12. It costs between

€3 and €4 depending on how many people are playing and this includes equipment and bats.

As a very social game, and in line with many U3A groups, everyone retires to

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Directed by professional choreographer and teacher Suzanna Mace, the show promises to be an exciting journey of song and dance from around the world. Academy students will be performing routines from ballet to flamenco and from India to Argentina.

And the show will be followed by the annual presentation of awards and medals.

Come and enjoy the show and support the students as they show off the results of their hard work and achievements over the past year.

PEPA Charity Quiz Night

A CHARITY Quiz night will take place on Tuesday June 20 at the Bar Restaurant Ca Elsa, arriving at 7pm for a 7.30 start. There should be no more than six in a team and tickets are €1. There will be a one-course menu, which includes Spaghetti Bolognese, Oven-cooked Chicken and Griddled Squid, (a dessert will be available) for €6.

The event also includes a raffle, with all proceeds going to PEPA.

The venue, 'Bar Restaurant Ca Elsa,' was previously called 'Bar Copia,' and has been refurbished and is under new management and is on the Carretera Ador.

Please email Joan Goodwin on thegoodwins@gmx.com with menu choices and to book places, before Friday June 16.

Javea Head takes on Icelandic trek

FIONA PHILLIPS - Head of Secondary at Xabia International College will take on a tough three-day 58km 'Icelandic Lava Trek' from Landmannalaugar to Thorsmork next month.

Fiona is doing the trek in memory of her mother, who went to Iceland in 1980 and hopes to raise funds for Christian Aid, a charity her mother worked tirelessly for. If you would like to sponsor Fiona, visit uk.virginmoneygiving.com/FionaPhillips64.

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Short films flood in

THE Alfaz film festival has already received 1,230 entries, 50 per cent more than last year.

"What's more, 35 per cent are directed by women," said Javier Pascual, the festival's assistant director.

This year's festival, the 29th edition, which principally promotes short films, will be held between July 7 and 16.

There will be entries from Madrid, Cataluña, the Basque Region and the Canary Islands as well as the Valencian Region. This year's films must be whittled down to the 20 that will compete for the Faro de Plata trophy and €5,000.

No casualties in fan fire

THE Marina Baja fire brigade was called out to a fire in Calle Doña Concha in Alfaz.

The blaze began in the kitchen of a second floor apartment and as it took hold the owners called for help from the Emergency Services, fire brigade sources said later.

Two fire engines were on the scene in less than 15 minutes after receiving the 7pm call, the same sources added.

They were able to prevent the flames from spreading to other homes. The fire, which began in an extractor fan, caused only material damage.

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Cars make way for drains

TRAFFIC will be affected in Alfaz's El Cautivador urbanisation while a new drainage system is installed there.

The new drainpipes will be laid halfway across the two ascending lanes of the roads, meaning that the two downward lanes will have traffic in both directions until work has finished, explained Town Planning councillor Toni Such.

Expected to take several months, this will affect the urbanisation's older roads, Avenida Cautivador, Calle Pícs d'Europa and Calle Ane-to, Such said.

Storm drains will also be added to Avenida Cautivador



Alfaz Town Hall

ROAD WORKS: Making plans to re-route traffic.

to improve run-off during rain, the councillor added.

Cash for the €413,876 cost will come from the Investment Fund in accordance with Alfaz Town Hall's contract with water and drainage

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Thank you

THE Moraira Moors and Christians and Limon Sound & Light express their greatest thanks to everyone who attended the Moraira Music Festival on Sunday June 4.

Special thanks are also sent to The Blues Brothers who played on until they were eventually beaten by the weather when the electrics went.

“Your support every year makes it all worthwhile,” said Eric Taylor.



COUNCIL: Met to exchange ideas.

Young people given a voice

THE children and adolescent council of Teulada-Moraira - founded in May - participated in a forum in Piles, Valencia last weekend where councillors from the Comunidad Valenciana met to exchange ideas on the new children and adolescents law.

Members of the council were able to

present the ideas they have been working on and make suggestions.

The council was formed as part of the municipal project to ensure the opinion of young people is heard.

The project helps aims to develop measures and actions favouring democratic participation and equal rights for

children and adolescents.

This month, the council will also present its ideas and results from workshops held since its inauguration to the councillors of Teulada-Moraira.

Councillor Daniel Ibanco said the board are “eager to listen to the children and adolescent council’s suggestions.”



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Visitors of last weekend's Moors and Christians fiestas were able to enjoy the improved parking conditions.

improvements.

Less tax for eco-friendly vehicles

AT Teulada-Moraira's last plenary session, it was agreed that residents in the municipality with eco-friendly vehicles will pay less tax.

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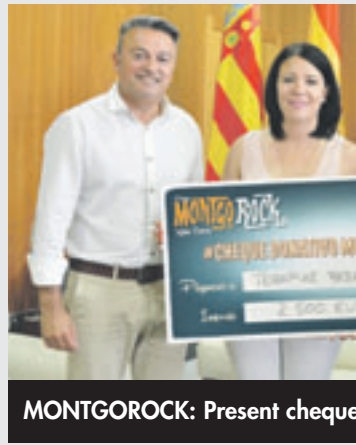
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MontgoRock

MONTGOROCK fulfilled its corporate social commitment last week as representatives donated €4,500 to local associations and initiatives.

Mari Cruz Gisbert and Josan Serrano arrived in Javea to present a €2,500 cheque to the Association of People with Autism and the CyL classroom at the El Arenal de Xabia public school.

They then made their way to the town hall where they presented Jose Chulvi with a €2,000 cheque towards the conversion of the Cap de Sant Antoni lighthouse into a centre to educate visitors about the



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Montgo meeting

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The meeting was chaired by Mayor Jose Chulvi and was attended by the councillors of

Public Safety and Prevention of both Javea and Denia; Police representatives, Denia firefighters, Civil Protection volunteers from Javea, Denia, Gata and Pedreguer; ACIF Martin Alta and volunteer firefighters from Balcon al Mar.

The entire protected area has been split into zones and will be monitored at any given time.

Future visions

JAVEA Town Hall is working alongside A-Ora Soluciones, the trusted agency of Google in the Valencian Community.

The forward-thinking council wants to develop the Glocal Xabia project, which also includes an app, Viu Xabia, aimed at promoting local businesses.

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PEPA events

A NEW venue, 'Bar Restaurant Ca Elsa,' on Carretera Ador, in Villalonga will be hosting a charity quiz night on Tuesday June 20 at 7pm for a 7.30 start. There will be no more than six to a team and a raffle will be held with all proceeds going to PEPA.

Another event that follows closely is a murder mystery, 'The Great British Bump Off,' which will be presented by Oliva Drama and Cultural Association. This will take place at El Eden on June 22 and 23,

with the doors opening at 7pm. Tickets are €20, which include the show, and Eden three-course-barbecue meal, beer and wine. Please phone, email or contact any member of the drama group for tickets (see Facebook). Tickets are also available at the box office in Honey Dukes, which is opposite the Olimpia Theatre.

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THE Alfaz Spiritual Foundation charity event will be having a Mind, Body and Spirit Fair on June 24. It promises a full day of interactive activities, stalls, workshops and educational talks ranging from 'Keep Abreast' - a natural approach to breast health, the philosophy of Shumei, using yoga to help combat dementia to the difference between psychic work and mediumship.

The event will also include

taster classes in Yoga, Qigong and Zhan Zhuang. There will be the opportunity to do some gift shopping, have a healing, a psychic reading, a bio-energy treatment, bio magnetic alignment, a thermal imagining head scan, and a Mandala workshop.

There will be something available for all tastes.

The fair takes place at the Forum Mare Nostrum, Alfaz Del Pi, Camino del Pintxo, 2, 03580, Alicante. For more information, contact Claire Atyeo on 683 541 110 or Facebook messenger.

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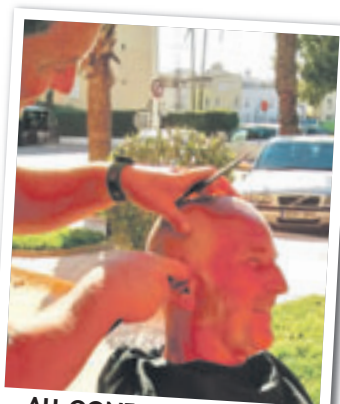


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MAJORS: Raising funds for charity.



ALL GONE: Titchy Fort had his head shaved.

A CHARITY event was organised by Helen Davis to raise money for orphaned girls in Sri Lanka. Her brother-in-law, Titchy Fort, aka SAS professional caddy and a good all round Essex bloke, came over for a holiday and generously offered to have his hair and sideburns shaved off, all for this cause.

It took place at 'Majors,' the local barber, which is next to the Richmond Bar and all the Javea golfers from SAS

(Sledgers and Shankers) started to rattle their buckets to raise a few euros. Everyone reached into their pockets for those that are less privileged than themselves and €405 was raised in total, with donations that were made online.

Every euro will go to the Wijesinghe Girls Orphanage Project in Sri Lanka to support the well-being and education of 42 girls who have been abused, abandoned or orphaned.

Helen thanked everyone who donated to the charity and for the continuous help given; especially by the SAS Golfers, Judy at the Richmond Bar, Russell and Joanne and Majors, who donated the 'head shave,' but especially to Titchy and Mac, who never stop caring for everyone around them.

If anyone would like to follow the story, support the project or make a donation, please go to www.gofundme.com.

Party in the park with AKIRA

AKIRA will be having a party in the park on Wednesday June 28, in the beautiful Laven-der gardens of Jalon.

The gardens open at 6pm and live music starts at 7.30pm, which will be performed by an Opera-Pop duo called 'Intermezzo.'

All participants can bring their own picnic

and drinks; tables and chairs will be provided. Dogs are welcome on a lead and there is ample parking and an onsite bar.

Please contact Louise on 646 009 605 for tickets, which cost €15. Visit facebook www.facebook.com/akira.dogsactuary or the website www.akira-animals.com.

APASA trip to St Joseph Caves

APASA have organised a coach trip to visit the magical St Joseph Caves, where a boat trip can be taken along the longest river in Western Europe. Later on, there will also be the opportunity to stroll around Sagunto, one of the oldest historical towns in the Valencian region.

APASA's forthcoming events include

APASA/ISVHBOMBERS Summer Fiesta, Balcon al Mar, Javea on July 11 and a Hawaiian night on July 14 in Canor, Teulada.

The day trip to Sagunto and the St Joseph Caves will take place on Thursday June 22. For reservations, contact Sue on 965 741 668 or 606 588 197.

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Let me hold your hand

THE Javea Players' Summer show takes place at Javea's Casa de Cultura from June 26 to July 1 and will feature a double bill. 'Departures,' is about Dennis Tippitt's flight to Palma, becoming delayed and his grumpy reaction towards travelling abroad.

His wife Sheila insists that she booked with the British, but Dennis with his RAF experience realises it's a Scandinavian Dan Air flight.

There is also Rosemary, who is going to Palma and she is spending her delay finding people to whom she can be a good Samaritan and she finds Dennis. His extreme reaction to the kids being foreign makes her think he is prejudiced. Sheila, his wife, doesn't

disagree but explains that her bigoted, narrow-minded husband doesn't discriminate, whatever colour, creed or culture, he hates the lot of them.

Rosemary decides Dennis needs her help and that his bad temper and rudeness is due to a fear of flying. Her at-

tempts to reassure him which extend to offering to hold his hand during the flight, drives Dennis suicidal and the audience to collapse into laughter.

The other half of the double-bill is 'Arrivals' where the chaos and the fun is the product of two ladies meeting a

German visitor at the airport, with their total inability to communicate with each other and an answerphone.

Before a darn good laugh is enjoyed in the Casa de Cultura, there will be al fresco tapas and a meal in the lovely Plaza Baix served by the Bar Imperial.

The show is from Monday June 26 to Saturday July 1. Tapas at 7pm. The price €17.50. www.javeaplayers.com. Call Bernard King on 966 462 385.

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Presentation of the water bowser. |

New vehicle for Benidoleig Civil Protection volunteers

THE Masonic Homes of Valencia Association has presented a second, four-wheel drive vehicle, to the Benidoleig Protección Civil.

The presentation took place in the car park of El Cid Restaurant on May 31 at 1pm.

The Association made a similar presentation of another vehicle a few years ago, and last year, also presented a water bowser on a trailer to be towed behind one of the vehicles.



Presentation at El Cid Restaurant.

The service they provide gives a more rapid response to people living out in the campo areas around Benidoleig and the other small villages of the

Orba Valley area.

Larger fire engines and ambulances coming from Denia have difficulty getting to these small places quickly, and these smaller vehicles can be vital in being first on the scene and providing the necessary help quickly. The whole team of volunteers is well trained in all aspects of emergency work and each vehicle carries a vast array of equipment.

The Association operates a charity shop in Moraira, and is always pleased to receive donations of good quality clothing and other saleable items. On this occasion the presentation was assisted by a donation from the charity shop in Ondara, who last year presented a scooter for this excellent rapid response team.

If anyone would like to donate to this worthy charity or find out more about the work of the local Freemasons, please contact WBro William Turney at prensa@glpvalencia.com.

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Diamond Wedding Anniversary



HAPPY COUPLE: Roger and June Davis will be celebrating their 60th anniversary soon.

ROGER and June Davis will be celebrating their 60th (Diamond) wedding anniversary on June 29 at a celebratory lunch with friends in Alcalali.

Roger and June are continuing to enjoy, and make the most of their retirement, after a busy working life, which included Roger being awarded an MBE by Mrs Thatcher in 1985. Now their interests are less hectic and stressful and at the U3A they are members of the Painting

Group and Luncheon Group.

At the last meeting before the summer break, on Thursday June 1, the President, Bob Welham, asked members of the Vall del Pop U3A to extend hearty diamond wedding greetings and wished them many more happy years together and with the U3A.

The members send their best wishes and congratulations to Roger and June.

Their wedding photograph reminds everyone of

their own black and white wedding albums of yesteryear - there is something very special about these old photographs and memories.

For further information check the website <http://u3avalldelpop.com>. The U3A is all about enjoyment and learning, and this is particularly evident in the U3A Vall del Pop group, whose members generally meet on the first Thursday of each month at the Centre Polivalent in Murla.

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Tim's turtles talk to the U3A Vall del Pop

TIM WATMUFF talked from the heart recently on June 1 - saying that he had fallen in love with these sea turtles on his visit to the Kosgodda Sea Turtle conservation project in Sri Lanka, where he went with his wife Barbara as a volunteer.

Dudley Perera is the driving force behind this project, which aims to ensure more turtle hatchlings make it to the sea and to educate and inform the local population. Sri Lankans eat turtle eggs, and the local fishermen raid the nests to sell the eggs in the markets. Dudley has set up a private hatchery, and buys the eggs so he can protect them, and watch over the hatching so the maximum number of hatchlings survive their first steps.

These little guys hatch at sunset and in the wild many get picked off by so many predators on their way to the sea and 90 per cent don't make it and of the 10 per cent that do make it only 2 per cent reach sexual maturity at the age of 25 years.

Dudley's volunteers re-bury the eggs in the hatchery, gather the hatchlings six-eight weeks later and take them to holding tanks, and then supervise their release after two days in the holding tanks being fed on tuna. Tourist visitors are welcome - to buy a bucket of 10 hatchlings for 1,000 rupees (about £5.00) and they can oversee their journey to the sea.

The project also educates local schoolchildren, trying to explain the urgent need for conservation as this species is now also threatened. Friday is children's day and the hatchery can be overwhelmed with children on that day. Dudley argues that if he can stop these children eating the eggs - the future will be much brighter for the turtle with one less predator.

Tim explained that if the nest is at 29°C or above, all the hatchlings will be female. If less than 29°C, they will be male. With global warming, the nests are producing more and more females each year, and so the conservationists are concerned as to the future male/female ratio for the breeding programme.

There are five 'protected' species in the Indian Ocean; the Leatherback, the largest can weigh in at 900 kgs! The Green turtle is still hunted for its flesh - a small area of green meat which is made into turtle soup. Then the Hawksbill, the Loggerhead and the smallest, the Olive Ridley.

This was a wonderfully enthusiastic talk - and clear to see how much Tim was entranced by these tiny creatures.

Please check out www.kosgoddaseaturtle.org for further information.

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SWEDEN**Best uni**

LUND has been named Sweden's top university in the latest rankings and has been named 78th best in the world. The Royal Institute of Technology has also made the world's top 100 list coming in at 98th.



Sweden Lund University.

Too drunk

A TOURIST filmed in Bulgaria kicking a cleaner in a hotel claims he was so drunk he doesn't remember the incident. The Swedish man has been remanded in custody awaiting trial.

Coastal clean up

A CLEAN UP operation has been

carried out along the Bohuslan coastline where some 8,000 cubic metres of rubbish washes up on the beaches each year.

It appears in the currents from the North Sea.

Turbine compensation

LOCALS affected by the noise and obstructed views from local wind farms will be compensated. They will be compensated over the next 25 years.

GERMANY**Counsellor stabbed**

A RED CROSS mental health counsellor was stabbed to death in Saarbruecken by an asylum seeker who was receiving counselling. It is believed they got in an argument during a therapy session.

of its Turkish air bases following a diplomatic row. It is believed the some 270 troops will be moved to Jordan.

countries taking part. Franka Sonntag won the competition for female drivers.

Best driver

A BERLIN tram driver has been named the best in Europe.

The competition took place in Tenerife with teams from different

Global citizen

POP stars Shakira and Pharrell Williams are amongst the stars announced to take part in the first Global Citizen festival taking place in Hamburg.

Troop move

GERMANY is to pull its troops out

FRANCE**Third victim**

IT has been confirmed that a third French citizen was a victim in the London terrorist attacks. The missing Frenchman's body was found in the River Thames.

Isolated attack

THE Notre Dame hammer attack has been named an 'isolated incident' by the authorities. The 40-year-old Algerian-born man is reported to have attacked a police officer shouting "this is for Syria."

Back with a bump

ASTRONAUT Thomas Pesquet has held his first press conference back on Earth after spending six months on the International Space Station. He said it was taking time to get used to gravity.

Pollution claim

A YOGA teacher is suing the state claiming she 'nearly died' when air pollution in Paris was so bad it triggered serious medical problems. The 56-year-old claims the state failed to protect her from air pollution.

BELGIUM**Irate passenger**

A PASSENGER trying to board a Ryanair flight at Brussels airport has been criticised online after footage emerged of him being abusive and irate with an employee, leaving the woman in tears.

Joint agreement

BELGIUM has joined Germany and Denmark in pledging to increase the world's offshore wind capacity by five times in the next 10 years.

Growth forecasts

FORECASTS predict a growth of 1.6 per cent for the Belgian economy this year and next, according to the country's Planning Bureau.

Daesh threat

AN investigation has been launched by the Coordination Unit for Threat Analysis (OCAM) to assess how serious an alleged terror threat against Belgium is. The message advised Muslims to stay away from public places.

NETHERLANDS**Palace hotel**

A FORMER palace is to be turned into a hotel and museum space. The top floor of the Soestdijk palace, will be turned into 14 rooms with an exhibition area on the ground floor. Work is estimated to last a decade.

No to 24/7

PLANS to allow shops in Amsterdam to open 24 hours have been scrapped after just 17 shopkeepers applied to take part in the pilot scheme and most were tourist stores and fast food outlets.

Pricey burger

A DUTCH chef has made the record books for creating the world's most expensive burger. For around €2,000 it contains lobster, foie gras, Wagyu steak and 24k gold leaf.

Female protection

IT is now an offence to shout at or intimidate women on the streets of Rotterdam and those found guilty could be fined up to €4,100. Amsterdam has a similar by-law in place.

DENMARK**Something new**

A CHAIN of Danish hostels are promoting sustainable eating habits by offering insects on its breakfast menu such as worms and grasshoppers. The food items have been developed for maximum nutritional benefits.

English care

COPENHAGEN is working to provide childcare for the expat community as it announces plans to open two English language day care centres for youngsters up to age six.

Behind bars

THE jetski driver who collided with a boat in Copenhagen's harbour, killing two people, has had his custodial sentence extended. He is charged with double manslaughter and recklessly endangering lives.

Climate change

THE climate council has claimed that Denmark's plans to reduce climate change are too easy and should set itself more ambitious targets as it can reach the target of reducing CO2 emissions by 2030 relatively easily.

NORWAY**Future fjords**

A 42M all electric ferry will be introduced in Norway next year to navigate passengers through the famous fjords. It is already in the process of being built and is expected to be operational from April 2018.

Cycling map

CYCLISTS are being asked to use an app to chart the route they cycle. The authorities will use the data to help find the best places to create new cycle lanes and improve the cycling infrastructure.

New budget

THE government has agreed a revised national budget after two weeks of negotiations. The budget promises more funds for teachers, clearing pollution from the sea and improved safety at work.

Police shooting

A MAN was shot in Bergen by police after threatening officers with weapons. The 36-year-old was taken to hospital to treat his gunshot wound but his condition was not critical.

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METRO: Passengers have been waiting decades for the toilet.

■ AN extra 25 toilets will be dotted around Moscow's extensive Metro system. Desperate passengers will be able to pay for toilet access using their travel card. The first toilet appeared in 2015, 80 years after the world's fifth largest metro opened its doors.

Mystery colonel

■ A DRUNKEN Russian colonel was taken to a St Petersburg hospital for treatment. In Andrei Troshev's pockets were five million rubles cash (€80,000), \$5,000 in US dollars, and various maps of Syria. The Chechen war veteran has close ties to Wagner, a paramilitary group fighting in Syria.

Generation tech

■ POLITICAL candidates

are now allowed to advertise on Russian social network VKontakte.

Only candidates registered with the Central Election Commission will be permitted space on the internet behemoth, Russia's Facebook. Critics fear this restricts opposition candidates not registered with the commission from reaching voters.

Mammoth hotel

■ PLANS to build a mammoth skull-shaped hotel are causing a stir in the eastern Republic of Buryatia.

Blueprints for the ambitious project at Lake Baikal include tusks 100 metres long which will hold conference centres.

Buryatia president Alexey Tsydenov reckons the skull-shaped hotel will become a lucrative tourist attraction.

Black gold

■ A DEAL was struck between Russian and Iran to import 100,000 barrels of Iranian oil per day.

The countries forged a stronger partnership when Iranian president Rouhani visited Moscow in March.

He spoke with President Putin about establishing a free trade zone including Russia, Iran, Kazakhstan and Armenia.

Party massacre

■ A DINNER party became a bloodbath when a 45-year-old electrician shot dead nine companions. Sergei Yegorov was drunk and outraged that guests didn't believe he was once a paratrooper. He left to fetch a rifle and returned screaming "Now I'll show you that I can shoot."

Missing summer

■ AN unusually cold start to Russia's summer was jokingly blamed on the Americans pulling out of the Paris climate accord.

Chilly temperatures are causing food prices to rise due to higher than expected transportation costs.

The Central Bank warned that a cold 2017 might even trigger higher inflation rates.



CHILLY: Cold weather posing economic trouble.

Billionaire criticised for cancer donation

By John Smith

WHEN billionaire Amancio Ortega, decided to offer funds for the treatment of cancer, he probably didn't expect to receive so much criticism.

A new book being published in the USA suggests that the majority shareholder of Inditex - the Spanish fashion retail group - had a small tumour that had to be removed and this is what spurred him on to make the offer.

In Britain, hospitals are more than happy to accept donations

€320 million

is the amount that the Amancio Ortega Foundation has made available to health authorities across Spain in the fight against cancer.

but already four health authorities around Spain have been criticised by their own employees for accepting donations estimated at €17 million each, with staff saying that health funding is the job

of government not an individual.

One medical professional even went so far as to suggest that it would be more appropriate for Mr Ortega to spend his money making life better for his employees

and those producing his stock in Asia rather than meddling in what is a matter for the government to deal with.

His donations have been used to buy mammogram and radiography machinery as well as for investigation into the causes of cancer.

If this was a 'simple' illness, easily cured, the position of medical practitioners would be more easily understood say cancer charities, but any advance in treatment doesn't just help Spain but sufferers all over the world.

Liberbank suffers on stock exchange

SET up in 2011 after the amalgamation of three savings banks, Liberbank which employs 4,850 has seen a drop in share value.

The sudden sale of Banco Popular seems to have caused a backlash for this supposedly vulnerable bank, with its shares dropping well below the €1 mark.

In a bid to show support for the bank, major shareholders have been purchasing the cheaper shares and are attempting to push the price back up as with assets of more than €38 billion and a 2016 profit of €128 million, they do not consider it to be a risky investment.

Quote of the Week

The basis of the management model of the Popular Party in our Madrid community is debt," according to Podemos spokesperson Lorena Ruiz-Huerta.



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Against CETA

MADRID streets were taken over by hundreds of protestors demanding that the Spanish government should block the free trade deal between the EU and Canada. They believe that the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) will damage the Spanish economy.

Pound down

IMMEDIATELY following the news of a hung parliament, the pound slipped against the euro and the dollar. Conversely, shares in the FTSE 100 rose as larger companies benefit from a weak pound especially when repatriating foreign earnings.

IMF comment

THE International Monetary Fund has congratulated the European Central Bank on the speed of action to resolve the potential bankruptcy of Banco Popular. The sale to Santander, will it believes, bring stability to the Spanish and European market.

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Telefonica to offer consumer loans

IN the UK, directory enquiry company 118 118 runs an unsecured loan business and now Spain's Telefonica is to do the same.

Movistar Money, is now to start offering loans from €600 to €3,000 in order to expand its sources of revenue and will initially market its services to customers who have obtained their mobile phones through the company finance division although once tested, they intend to expand the service to

a wider market.

Everything will be applied for, approved and distributed online without the need to provide any paper documentation and loans for periods of up to three years at interest rates in the region of 16.5 per cent, will if approved, be transferred to bank accounts within 48 hours.

The company arranging the loan, Telefonica Consumer Finance, is part owned by Caixa Bank, one of Telefonica's largest shareholders.

Catalonian economy plans

DESPITE the fact that the Catalonian government plans to hold an Independence Referendum, the Spanish government has just approved loans of €5.3 billion until September.

Whilst much is made of the value of the Cat-

alonian economy and there is no doubt that industry there generates large amounts of income, the government there is not so healthy and needed €1.3 billion to cover the budget deficit and the balance for interest and to repay debts.

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COMPANY	PRICE(P)	CHANGE(P)	% CHG.	NET VOL
3i Group PLC	928.00	-3.50	-0.38	94.45
Admiral Group PLC	2062.50	-6.00	-0.29	10.87
Anglo American PLC	1075.00	-6.50	-0.60	192.64
Antofagasta PLC	816.75	-7.50	-0.91	61.76
Ashtead Group PLC	1641.50	6.00	0.37	140.56
Associated British Foods PLC	2927.00	-14.00	-0.48	43.42
AstraZeneca PLC	5281.50	-56.00	-1.05	137.98
Aviva PLC	533.00	1.00	0.19	326.91
Babcock International Group...	883.50	1.39	0.16	44.16
BAE Systems PLC	673.25	-3.50	-0.52	249.17
Barclays PLC	207.22	0.65	0.31	1,872.96
Barratt Developments PLC	574.25	-2.00	-0.35	297.31
BHP Billiton PLC	1199.25	-8.50	-0.70	278.60
BP PLC	470.32	2.60	0.56	1,930.61
British American Tobacco PLC	5418.50	-99.00	-1.79	347.76
British Land Co PLC	631.75	-1.00	-0.16	226.09
BT Group PLC	297.03	2.60	0.88	1,617.05
Bunzl PLC	2401.50	-6.00	-0.25	19.46
Burberry Group PLC	1741.00	-2.00	-0.11	61.17
Carnival PLC	4969.50	-64.00	-1.27	23.81
Centrica PLC	199.50	0.70	0.35	790.16
Coca-Cola HBC AG	2308.00	-21.00	-0.90	13.65
Compass Group PLC	1654.00	-15.00	-0.90	280.56
ConvaTec Group PLC	317.60	-6.10	-1.89	218.48
CRH PLC	2854.50	-20.00	-0.70	64.07
Croda International PLC	3919.00	-32.00	-0.81	7.55
DCC PLC	7272.50	-45.00	-0.61	1.77
Diageo PLC	2307.50	-18.50	-0.80	238.37
Direct Line Insurance Group...	352.30	-1.80	-0.51	165.24
easyJet PLC	1332.50	3.00	0.23	75.88
Experian PLC	1614.00	-9.00	-0.55	71.21
Fresnillo PLC	1687.00	-39.00	-2.26	96.30
GKN PLC	346.50	-0.10	-0.03	116.65
GlaxoSmithKline PLC	1686.75	-11.50	-0.68	281.95
Glencore PLC	293.18	-1.75	-0.59	1,624.20
Hammerson PLC	588.75	-1.00	-0.17	64.00
Hargreaves Lansdown PLC	1377.50	-3.00	-0.22	20.05
Hikma Pharmaceuticals PLC	1633.50	2.00	0.12	29.64
HSBC Holdings PLC	690.15	-5.63	-0.81	1,548.74
Imperial Brands PLC	3570.00	7.00	0.20	125.86
Informa PLC	679.50	-1.50	-0.22	55.37
InterContinental Hotels Gro...	4407.50	-27.00	-0.61	17.69
International Consolidated ...	586.75	1.50	0.26	175.38
Intertek Group PLC	4315.50	-32.00	-0.74	7.73
Intu Properties PLC	265.65	0.10	0.04	73.30
ITV PLC	184.05	0.06	0.03	330.46
Johnson Matthey PLC	3006.00	23.00	0.77	56.19
Kingfisher PLC	312.50	2.50	0.81	477.04
Land Securities Group PLC	1058.50	-1.00	-0.09	108.45
Legal & General Group PLC	257.20	-1.00	-0.39	498.45

COMPANY	PRICE(P)	CHANGE(P)	% CHG.	NET VOL
Lloyds Banking Group PLC	69.75	-0.27	-0.39	7,433.23
London Stock Exchange Grp	3434.50	-18.00	-0.52	13.31
Marks & Spencer Group PLC	360.15	0.10	0.03	171.20
Mediclinic International PLC	788.50	-7.50	-0.94	40.24
Merlin Entertainments PLC	504.75	0.00	0.00	57.81
Micro Focus International PLC	2438.00	-61.00	-2.44	27.94
Mondi PLC	2045.00	-14.00	-0.68	32.47
Morrison (Wm) Supermrkts	243.50	-0.87	-0.36	114.94
National Grid PLC	1014.75	-5.00	-0.49	315.03
Next PLC	4282.50	7.00	0.16	15.81
Old Mutual PLC	196.25	-1.00	-0.51	155.85
Paddy Power Betfair PLC	8390.00	-95.00	-1.12	10.25
Pearson PLC	712.75	-4.50	-0.63	42.14
Persimmon PLC	2372.00	-6.61	-0.28	118.56
Provident Financial PLC	2968.00	-11.00	-0.37	10.34
Prudential PLC	1782.25	-12.50	-0.70	218.09
Randgold Resources Ltd	7527.50	-80.00	-1.05	23.57
Reckitt Benckiser Group PLC	7881.50	-74.00	-0.93	53.65
RELX PLC	1686.50	-7.00	-0.41	121.62
Rentokil Initial PLC	278.30	-2.70	-0.96	142.53
Rio Tinto PLC	3242.25	-22.00	-0.67	152.57
Rolls-Royce Holdings PLC	902.75	-5.83	-0.64	337.61
Royal Bank of Scotland Grou...	252.20	1.20	0.48	448.14
Royal Dutch Shell PLC	2161.75	10.00	0.46	490.81
Royal Mail PLC	435.75	-0.48	-0.11	81.99
RSA Insurance Group PLC	622.75	-2.50	-0.40	35.11
Sage Group (The) PLC	684.25	-13.00	-1.86	162.91
Sainsbury (J) PLC	264.70	-0.23	-0.09	218.15
Schroders PLC	3125.00	-15.00	-0.48	6.34
Scottish Mortgage Investmen	406.75	-11.13	-2.66	444.32
Severn Trent PLC	2482.00	-21.00	-0.84	37.47
Shire PLC	4322.25	-23.50	-0.54	78.71
Sky PLC	978.50	-2.00	-0.20	47.76
Smith & Nephew PLC	1341.50	-20.00	-1.47	166.70
Smiths Group PLC	1602.00	-13.00	-0.80	19.59
Smurfit Kappa Group PLC	2265.00	-8.99	-0.39	10.11
SSE PLC	1490.50	-4.72	-0.32	153.99
Standard Chartered PLC	787.35	7.10	0.91	907.91
Standard Life PLC	386.05	-2.10	-0.54	73.90
St James's Place PLC	1179.50	-5.00	-0.42	13.23
Taylor Wimpey PLC	178.55	1.07	0.60	618.92
Tesco PLC	181.97	1.20	0.66	779.72
TUI AG	1155.00	0.00	0.00	48.79
Unilever PLC	4293.25	-35.00	-0.81	126.85
United Utilities Group PLC	991.00	-2.50	-0.25	88.01
Vodafone Group PLC	222.78	1.75	0.79	4,361.31
Whitbread PLC	3998.00	14.00	0.35	31.88
Wolseley PLC	4880.50	-1.00	-0.02	18.51
Worldpay Group PLC	309.60	-3.30	-1.05	79.73
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AMERICAN EXPRESS	80,3100	+0,45%	0,3600	71M
APPLE	148,980	-3,88%	-6,010	776M
BOEING CO	190,030	+0,05%	0,100	114M
CATERPILLAR	105,920	+0,87%	0,910	62M
CHEVRON	106,40	+2,31%	2,40	201M
CISCO SYSTEMS	31,370	-0,76%	-0,240	156M
COCA-COLA	45,32	+0,42%	0,19	193M
DU PONT(EI) DE NMR	82,9000	+1,51%	1,2300	71M
EXXON MOBIL	82,13	+1,87%	1,51	347M
GENERAL ELECTRIC	27,9400	+1,27%	0,3500	242M
GOLDMAN SACHS	222,44	+1,68%	3,68	87M
HOME DEPOT	152,9600	-0,35%	-0,5400	182M
IBM	154,10	+1,31%	2,00	144M
INTEL CORP	35,7100	-2,11%	-0,7700	168M
J.P.MORGAN CHASE	86,9600	+2,37%	2,0100	309M
JOHNSON & JOHNSON	131,5300	+0,75%	0,9800	354M
MC DONALD'S CORP	151,4800	+0,03%	0,0500	123M
MERCK AND CO. NEW	64,39	+1,88%	1,19	176M
MICROSOFT	70,320	-2,27%	-1,630	542M
NIKE	53,46	+0,49%	0,26	70M
Pfizer	32,7700	+3,21%	1,0200	195M
PROCTER AND GAMBLE	88,160	+0,35%	0,310	225M
TRAVELERS CIES	125,23	+1,17%	1,45	34M
UNITED TECHNOLOGIE	120,64	+0,58%	0,70	96M
UNITEDHEALTH GROUP	181,46	-0,13%	-0,23	174M
VERIZON COMMS	46,72	+1,15%	0,53	190M
VISA	94,56	-1,59%	-1,53	174M
WAL-MART STORES	79,4200	+0,62%	0,4900	239M
WALT DISNEY CO	105,6200	+1,25%	1,3000	165M

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CLOSING PRICES JUNE 12

COMPANY	PRICE	CHANGE NET / %
Most Advanced		
ATA Inc.	\$ 4.89	0.91 ▲ 22.86%
Ascena Retail Group, Inc.	\$ 2.20	0.385 ▲ 21.21%
Layne Christensen Company	\$ 8.85	1.26 ▲ 16.60%
Washington Federal, Inc.	\$ 17.35	1.87 ▲ 12.08%
Ovid Therapeutics Inc.	\$ 13.84	1.40 ▲ 11.25%
Egalet Corporation	\$ 2.62	0.24 ▲ 10.08%
Golden Ocean Group Limited	\$ 6.25	0.56 ▲ 9.84%
Sterling Construction Company Inc	\$ 10.92	0.81 ▲ 8.01%
Presbia PLC	\$ 2.98	0.22 ▲ 7.97%
Urban Outfitters, Inc.	\$ 17.62	1.27 ▲ 7.77%
NovoCure Limited	\$ 15.30	1.10 ▲ 7.75%
Most Declined		
XBiotech Inc.	\$ 3.20	6.22 ▼ 66.03%
Endo International plc	\$ 11.49	2.29 ▼ 16.62%
Impinj, Inc.	\$ 42.64	6.50 ▼ 13.23%
Ultra Clean Holdings, Inc.	\$ 22.88	3 ▼ 11.59%
Applied Optoelectronics, Inc.	\$ 64.71	8.43 ▼ 11.53%
Five9, Inc.	\$ 21.57	2.78 ▼ 11.42%
Ichor Holdings	\$ 24.73	3.15 ▼ 11.30%
Mazor Robotics Ltd.	\$ 30.59	3.08 ▼ 9.15%
Coherus BioSciences, Inc.	\$ 20.65	2.05 ▼ 9.03%
Mesoblast Limited	\$ 8.10	0.77 ▼ 8.68%
Brooks Automation, Inc.	\$ 27.05	2.55 ▼ 8.61%

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Multi Asset Growth B EUR

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€0.9611.....-€0.0001
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€1.0800..... €0.0004
£1.2983..... £0.0012
€1.2042..... €0.0007
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Worthless money!

Old British fivers now out of circulation

MORE than £150 million (€177m) in old British five pound notes officially withdrawn from circulation have still not been handed in.

Some of the old fivers now worthless when shopping are undoubtedly still held by British expats living in Spain, according to one banking source.

“We are not exchanging the notes here as they are no longer officially legal tender” the Costa del Sol based money man said.

However, he claimed that some of the old-style cotton-paper notes not handed in before the final deadline ahead of the more modern and new notes will still be in wallets and travel bags used only by expatriates when travelling back to the UK.

“We all do it, putting notes aside when we return from a trip to the UK, and we only look at the money when we next travel. In some cases the trips can be a year apart meaning many expats probably have some - and perhaps in certain cases many - worthless fivers in wallets and purses used when travelling.”

The Bank of England in London is legally obliged to encash the old notes - taken out of circulation from midnight Friday May 5 - when handed over the counter in person.

Expats not travelling to the UK can post the old five pound notes directly to the Bank of England.

But when posted this action is done at ‘sender’s risk.’

If the amount of old fivers is viewed as large, identification may also be sought.

Additionally banks, building societies as well as post offices



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Hoping to exchange old £5 notes.

throughout the UK are still accepting them, but only in person, with many seeking an explanation as to the source and reason they were not handed in before they went out of circulation.

There are even online companies who will purchase these and other withdrawn notes at 92 per cent of face value.

BANCO POPULAR SOLD FOR €1

The story behind the sale

IN what was something of a surprise announcement, Banco Santander Group Executive Chairman, Ana Botín announced that the Bank had paid €1 for Banco Popular.

According to her, this now makes Santander the largest bank in Spain and one of the largest in the world although existing shareholders in Popular are likely to lose their entire investment.

The acquisition was completed following an auction conducted by the Single Resolution Board and FROB in which Santander was selected as the successful bidder, paying a notional consideration of €1.

As part of the transaction Santander will complete a rights issue for a total amount of €7 billion in order to cover provisions in Popular’s balance sheet caused in the main by bad property debts.

It is reported that quite substantial investments in the failing Banks had been made from South America recently and these investors together with an estimated 300,000 disap-



Photo Credit: Banco Santander

Ana Botin announcing the Banco Popular takeover.

pointed shareholders will only be offered the opportunity to have preferential rights to purchase new Santander shares although there are rumours of legal action.

The Governor of the Bank of Spain Luis Linde declined to make any statement about Banco Popular when he appeared before a Senate Budget Committee saying that he was unprepared for the question and Ana Botin reportedly denied that Santander had been put under any government pressure to take over Popular.

Popular will be brought under the Santander umbrella in Spain and

Santander Totta in Portugal and the combined operation will promote vital SME lending - loans to small and medium sized companies - in Spain fuelled by the recovery of the economy and expects to hold 25 per cent of the entire market.

Although there will be the need to write down part of the value of the Popular balance sheet, Santander expects to reduce the number of bad debts and properties quickly so that it forecasts a return on investment of 13 to 14 per cent by 2020 and an overall cost reduction of €500 million by the same year.

The combined entity will be led by the current management team of Santander Spain with Rami Aboukhair as CEO.

“We welcome Banco Popular customers as part of the Santander Group and will work hard to continue serving them at the highest standards through the transition and beyond” said Ana Botin when making the announcement of the takeover.

Chinese emporiums investigated by tax office

THE Spanish Tax Agency is targeting Chinese-owned companies in Spain which it suspects may be importing or selling goods without paying tax.

More than 300 officials have been tasked with visiting 60 warehouses of wholesalers in 11 different provinces including Elche and Madrid in order to audit books and identify possible evasion.

This is one of a number of regular investigations into Chinese entrepreneurs who have opened wholesale operations and shops in numerous towns and cities throughout Spain thanks to earlier financial incentives from the government.

Similar actions have taken place in recent years and resulted in the discovery that up to €100 million of unpaid or evaded tax existed.

Gibraltar’s cybersecurity

IT is particularly appropriate that following the massive disruption by the Wannacry hacking that Gibraltar should have hosted its first Cybersecurity conference.

Organised in association with the Royal Gibraltar Police, this event was particularly important to hold in Gibraltar with its many internet betting companies and new tenants in the recently opened World Trade Centre, all of whom are potentially vulnerable to disruption.

Expert speakers arrived on board the Sunborn Yacht Hotel to warn delegates about the dangers of cyber-attack and the way to protect their companies.

Later in the day, the event was opened to the general public and their families in order to pass on tips and advice to consumers who can also be vulnerable to cyber-infection.

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SPANISH COMPANY FIGHTS FOR ITS LIFE

Fallout from Banco Popular sale

JUST one year away from the 160th anniversary of its founding, industrial company Duro Felguera must be wondering if it will last that long.

Shares in the company which specialises in the implementation of turnkey projects for the energy and industrial sectors, as well as the manufacturing of goods lost 26 per cent in one day, following the sale of Banco Popular to Banco Santander and in four years its value has fallen by €800 million.

The problem for the company is that it has very large borrowings which it is having difficulty in refinancing, so shareholders fear that now with a worth of less than €100 million that it could fail or could be vulnerable to an aggressive take-over.

This company faces a typical dilemma as it appears to be quite adept at obtaining new business but it is burdened with so much accumulated debt that



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**President of
Duro Felguera,
Ángel Suárez.**

it may find the rush to sell its shares may either bring it down or frighten off new potential clients.

The fact that shareholders in Banco Popular may receive next to nothing for their shares after acquisition of the bank by Santander for €1 is driving small investors to desert this and other vulnerable companies following what is being called 'Black Wednesday' in the Spanish financial press.

2012 tax concession unlawful

ALTHOUGH it will not affect retrospectively anyone who took advantage of the 2012 Spanish tax amnesty, the Constitutional Court has upheld complaints that it was unconstitutional.

The matter was laid before the court by some 50 delegates of the PSOE political party who argued that it was an abuse of the constitution to allow some high earning tax payers to pay just 10 per cent of outstanding tax over €100,000.

According to the complainants, those who were honest and paid their taxes in accordance with the law paid far more than those who had hidden their income and then simply declared it when the discounted offer was made.

Current Minister of Finance Cristóbal Montoro was cited as being responsible for the introduction of this unconstitutional offer although the government argued that this was a way of collecting additional income which it might never have received.

The court however considered that it would have been better to use the law to beat tax dodgers, rather than encourage them to benefit from their deception.

Losing mental capacity whilst living abroad

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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.

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Beds and laying in them comes to mind!

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I WOULD have loved to have been a politician. Of course, when I was a young man, those who aspired to these lofty positions were deemed untouchables; people who came from some planet of intellectual hierarchy that was far beyond the reach of mere mortals.

Therefore very few of us who came from somewhat humbler backgrounds, ever dreamed that it may be possible to attain any sort of success in these areas.

Well, after the recent performance of Ms May and her scurrying, utterly browbeaten 'Yes Minister' minions, I'm now convinced that even I could have stood a good chance of occupying the portals of Number Ten!

In fact a large number of this column's perusers would probably have a good chance as well. The utterly naive, egotistical mis-calculation of the public's intelligence by the May



THERESA MAY: Even her post-election address outside Number Ten was atrocious.

brigade simply beggars belief. Three weeks ago I voiced my concerns about her manifesto content and method of campaigning. Well, almost unbelievably, it actually managed to get worse.

Even her post-election address outside Number Ten was atrocious. Almost in denial of the unmitigated disaster her arrogance (or ignorance) had led her party into, she spoke as

though there had actually been no election at all and nothing had changed. Well, as strange as it may seem, I personally think that in the circumstances it was a great result. May got her ego quite rightly kicked into touch.

The fishy Kranke from Scotland realised that screaming freedom at every opportunity doesn't exactly endear herself to all of our north of the

border friends. Salmond has now finally sunk beneath the rivers of obscurity and, despite his young supporters fanatical attempts to make sure they had no country for their own children to grow up in, Corbyn and his Union bully boys (hopefully!) won't be photographed grinning from the steps of Number Ten.

All in all a pretty good result and firm kick up the backside for all our

so-called leaders, who most certainly don't originate from that distant planet I mentioned, nor do they live in the non-mortal bubble they all seem to think they do.

And what a chance for this ol' boy's column to Phoenix itself up from the morass of baleful boredom we seem to have been sinking into of late. Particularly with the emergence of the DUP party.

This party, founded by para military supporters, is led by a woman who has been declared sexist, wants a soft Brexit and denies climate change. It also dislikes women's rights and is anti-abortion and gay marriage. And they are offering to be the new 'stabilisers' of British politics!

Well, good luck with all that Ms May. Beds and laying in them comes to mind! Lots of fun and frolics coming up folks. Enjoy your week. Keep that mail coming. Thanks for all your votes, they don't go unnoticed! And whatever ya do, always.

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MANUELA CARMENA: Mayor of Madrid.

Votes versus integrity

Cassandra Nash

A weekly look

- and not entirely impartial reaction -
to the Spanish political scene

Podemos votes but she needs integrity more.

Blame it on dad

MANUEL MOIX, Public Prosecutor for Anti-Corruption had to resign over his quarter-share in Panama-registered company, Duchesse Financial Overseas.

It was his father's fault, he claimed, and the company was set up in 1989 to protect a property during a dispute with its builder. Dad clearly knew his way around the labyrinths of finance and the law but Moix's avowals of ignorance regarding the company ring hollow, as he was allegedly present at the signing.

Why is it that explanations for dodgy issues always sound like excuses? Or worse.

Ignored siren song

PEDRO SANCHEZ hopes his Left-leaning siren song will lure back voters seduced by Pablo Iglesias and Podemos. But Sanchez was secretary general in the December 2015 and June 2016 general elections when the PSOE suffered its greatest-ever losses. Go figure, as the Americans would say.

MANUELA CARMENA, mayor of Madrid, recently received the parents of Leopoldo Lopez, a political prisoner in Venezuela.

In doing so, she has distanced herself from Podemos whose votes put her in City Hall, because Pablo Iglesias and the party hierarchy are close to Venezuela. Formerly well-paid assessors to Hugo Chavez and his disastrous successor Nicolas Maduro, they have conscientiously refrained from criticising the chaotic and inept regime that is dragging its supporters and opponents down into misery.

Carmena, who is 73 and a former judge, knows about oppression. She co-founded the Madrid law office in Calle Atocha where five labour lawyers were gunned down in 1977 by neo-fascists. It was only by chance that Carmena was not there that January night.

However actions speak louder than words and by meeting Lopez's parents Carmena made her position clear: as mayor she needs

The scapegoat that got away

SUSANA DIAZ'S failure to become PSOE secretary general did not come as a blow only to Susana Diaz. It wrong-footed Pablo Iglesias too. As well as satisfying his known liking for grandstanding and showboating, Iglesias's Vote of No Confidence in Mariano Rajoy should have given him the chance to put Diaz on the spot.

The censure motion was bound to fail but the Podemos supremo was preparing to blame Diaz. Andalusia's regional president was instrumental in ousting the past - and now present - secretary general Pedro Sanchez so that the PSOE could abstain during Rajoy's investiture bid last October. This time Pablo can only blame himself and any censure was for him and him alone.

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Exterminate! robots - How soon will they replace British jobs post-Brexit?

Nora Johnson
Breaking Views

Nora is the author of popular psychological suspense and crime thrillers and a freelance journalist. To comment on any of the issues raised in her column, go to www.euroweeklynews.com/3.0.15/nora-johnson

NEWS that the next likely governor of California is preparing for battle against Silicon Valley's job-killing robots shouldn't come as any surprise.

After all, 60,000 workers in a Chinese factory owned by the manufacturer of the iPhone have already been replaced. But what about British jobs potentially lost to robots post-Brexit, that's the million-dollar question.

After all, we already have the first 'affordable' household robot. With its big blue eyes and saccharine voice, this toddler-sized machine called Zenbo is billed as a friend for children, a personal assistant to parents and a carer for the el-



derly. All for less than the cost of a new iPhone.

There's no getting away from the fact that the age of the robot is already here. It's just a question of how many there'll be and how quickly they'll replace humans. (But hang on! Don't they already run the civil service, the public sector - and the EU?)

When I discussed this Zenbo robot with a friend, she asked would it make a cup of tea, wash up, make the beds, get her kids off to school, iron,

hoover without knocking chunks off the furniture and trim her daughter's pony's hooves? No? Then, next to useless! And as for buying one to care for an elderly relative, she couldn't see that catching on unless Social Services are salami-sliced to death. Even more slashed to the bone.

But just to add some facts. We already have robots in numerous essential areas like medicine. They assist surgeons and do a better job of surgery than anyone could do on his

own, so horses' hooves would be a doddle. Not sure about psychiatry and how robots could help there, though.

Which reminds me of an old joke. A man goes to a psychiatrist to complain that the song 'Delilah' keeps going through his head and he can't sleep or work. The psychiatrist tells him he has the 'Tom Jones Syndrome.' The patient then asks: 'Is it common?' To which the psychiatrist replies: 'It's not unusual.'

Very soon, robots won't be that unusual either...

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THURSDAY THOUGHTS

By Graham Braben

Isn't it a bit scary?

IN my defence, I really didn't know.

You see someone asked me who I thought was the wickedest soap opera character ever. Unfortunately, I don't watch soaps, so, like an idiot - which in this context I am - I said the first name that came into my head. Ena Sharples.

As stunned silences go, it was up there with the best of them. I can understand it and I can understand the resulting ridicule. I've since checked, Ena Sharples left Coronation Street in the spring of 1980! Oops.

Maybe my ignorance shouldn't be such a big deal, but today, with wall-to-wall soap operas and reality shows throughout the day and night, it inevitably is.

Just look at how the lives of a Kardashian or two fascinate audiences. Unfortunately, I still haven't passed my GCSE in Kardashianology so don't have a clue what they do to be so famous; does one of them play in goal for St Mirren? No of course not, everyone knows their goalkeeper is Billy O'Brien.

There are people worse than I am though. I knew someone who thought Taylor Swift was an express delivery company. Silly, everyone knows he's a singer.

Today celebrities are all over the place, in jungles, on dance floors or, a new one, potentially washing dinner guests' dishes. We can't escape them - just look at the daily diet of models, actors and sports stars that fill our newspapers.

That brings me to the point - well maybe not a point, just an excuse for this nonsense - so many people are obsessed with celebrities, they mimic what they say and look up to them as role models. Isn't it a bit scary? Hasta la vista baby!

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A holiday without your pet is not a real holiday

MAYBE you are thinking about visiting your country this summer taking your cat or dog away with you. If this is the case you should check if the PET passport is due and if your insurance extends abroad (in some cases, cover for travel abroad could be an add-on to your existing policy that you need to apply for separately).

When you travel in Europe, the requirements will not vary much from one country to another. In both the European Union and most other countries, the Pet Trave Scheme is unified.

This document is valid for dogs, cats and ferrets and contains the animal's whole health history and all its identifying data and also those that refer to the owner. The Passport must be processed through a veterinarian. It must be taken into account that, in a generalised way, travel is not allowed with animals under three months.

If you are one of those who likes the option of travelling by car, whether near or far, here are some tips to make the road more than comfortable to your most loyal friend:

1. Keep your pets safe and secure in a well-ventilated carrier. There are a variety of wire mesh, hard plastic and soft-sided carriers available. Whatever you choose, make sure it is large enough for your pet to stand, sit, lie down and turn around in. It would be good to get your pet used to the carrier in the comfort of your home before your trip. And please be sure to always



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secure the crate so it won't slide or shift in the event of a quick stop.

2. Your pet's travel-feeding schedule should start with a light meal three to four hours prior to departure. Don't feed your pet in a moving vehicle - even if it is a long drive.

3. Never leave your animal alone in a parked vehicle. On a hot day, even with the windows open, a parked automobile can become a

furnace in no time, and heatstroke can develop. In cold weather, a car can act as a refrigerator, holding in the cold and causing the animal to freeze to death.

4. What's in your pet's travelling kit? In addition to travel papers, food, bowl, leash, a waste scoop, plastic bags, grooming supplies, medication and a pet first-aid kit, pack a favourite toy or pillow to give your pet a sense of familiarity.

5. Make sure your pet has a microchip for identification and wears a collar with a tag imprinted with your home address, as well as a temporary travel tag with your cell phone, destination phone number and any other relevant contact information.

6. Don't allow your pet to ride with his head outside the window. He could be injured by flying objects. And please keep him in the back seat in his crate or with a harness attached to a seat buckle.

7. Opt for bottled water or tap water stored in plastic bottles. Drinking water from an area he's not used to could result in tummy upset for your pet.



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8:30pm	EastEnders
9:00pm	Kat and Alfie: Redwater
10:00pm	DIY SOS The Big Build
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

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7:00am	Emergency Rescue Down Under
7:30am	Bargain Hunt
8:15am	Yes Chef
9:00am	Bake Off Crème de la Crème
10:00am	Victoria Derbyshire
12:00pm	BBC Newsroom Live
2:00pm	Two Tribes
2:30pm	Family Finders
3:15pm	Red Rock Soap opera based around a busy Dublin Garda station.
4:00pm	Red Rock
4:45pm	Nature's Weirdest Events
5:15pm	Operation Iceberg
6:15pm	Antiques Road Trip
7:00pm	Eggheads
7:30pm	Springwatch
8:00pm	Great British Menu
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9:30pm	Britain's Greatest Invention
11:00pm	Mock the Week
11:30pm	Newsnight
12:15am	Cricket
1:05am	Horizon
2:05am	Dara and Ed's Road to Mandalay

BBC FOUR

8:00pm	100 Days+ BBC Cardiff Singer of the World 2017
8:30pm	The search continues for the world's next opera star as five more young singers compete to be become BBC Cardiff Singer of the World.
10:00pm	Japan: Earth's Enchanted Islands
11:00pm	Time Shift Between the 1920s and the 1960s the world's great powers sent vast military-style expeditions to conquer the peaks of the Himalayas, with Everest at their head.
12:00am	Inside God's Observatory: A Sky at Night Special
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7:00am	Countdown
7:45am	Will and Grace
8:10am	Will and Grace
8:35am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:00am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:35am	Frasier
10:05am	Frasier
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11:05am	Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA
12:00pm	A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun
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1:05pm	Couples Come Dine with Me
2:05pm	Posh Pawnbrokers
3:10pm	Countdown
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8:00pm	Channel 4 News
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10:00pm	Wife Swap
11:00pm	Battling the Bailiffs
12:00am	One Born Every Minute

CHANNEL 5

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8:05am	Thomas and Friends
8:20am	Shimmer and Shine
8:35am	Noddy: Toyland Detective
8:50am	Paw Patrol
9:05am	Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom
9:15am	Digby Dragon
9:30am	Peppa Pig
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9:50am	Wissper
10:00am	Wanda and the Alien
10:15am	The Wright Stuff
12:15pm	House Doctor
1:10pm	5 News Lunchtime
1:15pm	Big Brother
2:15pm	Home and Away
2:45pm	Neighbours
3:15pm	NCIS: Los Angeles
4:15pm	Expecting Amish
6:00pm	5 News at 5
6:30pm	Neighbours
7:00pm	Home and Away
7:30pm	5 News Tonight
8:00pm	All New Traffic Cops
9:00pm	On Benefits
10:00pm	Nightmare Tenants, Slum Landlords
11:00pm	Big Brother
12:05am	Big Brother's Bit on the Side
1:00am	Super Casino

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9:30am	Rules of Engagement
10:00am	Melissa and Joey
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4:00pm	Masterpiece with Alan Titchmarsh
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3:55pm	Johnny Frank Garrett's Last Word
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12:35am	The Hollow Point

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10:00am	Cricket Classics
11:00am	Live ICC Champions Trophy Cricket Semi-final one from the 2017 ICC Champions Trophy, from Sophia Gardens in Cardiff. Here, runners-up in Group A play the winners of Group B.
7:30pm	Sporting Triumphs
7:45pm	Sporting Triumphs
8:00pm	Cricket Gold
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8:20pm	Cricket Gold
8:30pm	Cricket's Greatest
9:00pm	ICC Champions Trophy Highlights
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9:00pm	Gardeners' World
10:00pm	Versailles
11:00pm	Frankie Boyle's New World Order
11:30pm	Newsnight
12:05am	Confetti
1:40am	Royal Academy Summer Exhibition
2:40am	Panorama
3:10am	The Fifteen Billion

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	BBC Cardiff Singer of the World 2017
10:00pm	The Summer of Love
11:00pm	Pink Floyd Beginnings 1967-1972 <i>Pink Floyd released their first single in 1967, and as their popularity around the world grew, they increasingly travelled outside the UK to perform live shows and make TV appearances.</i>
12:00am	Classic Albums
1:00am	Status Quo: Live and Acoustic
2:00am	The Summer of Love
3:00am	Pink Floyd Beginnings 1967-1972

CHANNEL 4

7:00am	Countdown
7:45am	Will and Grace
8:10am	Will and Grace
8:35am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:00am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:35am	Frasier
10:05am	Frasier
11:05am	Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA
12:00pm	A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun
1:00pm	Channel 4 News
1:05pm	Couples Come Dine with Me
2:05pm	Posh Pawnbrokers
3:10pm	Countdown
4:00pm	Fifteen to One
5:00pm	A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun
6:00pm	Four in a Bed
6:30pm	Come Dine with Me
7:00pm	The Simpsons
7:30pm	Hollyoaks
8:00pm	Channel 4 News
9:00pm	Gogglesprogs
10:00pm	The Last Leg
12:05am	First Dates
1:10am	8 Out of 10 Cats
1:55am	The Fighter

CHANNEL 5

8:05am	Thomas and Friends
8:20am	Shimmer and Shine
8:35am	Noddy: Toyland Detective
8:50am	Paw Patrol
9:05am	Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom
9:15am	Digby Dragon
9:30am	Peppa Pig
9:40am	Peppa Pig
9:50am	Wissper
10:00am	Wanda and the Alien
10:15am	The Wright Stuff
12:15pm	House Doctor
1:10pm	5 News Lunchtime
1:15pm	Big Brother
2:15pm	Home and Away
2:45pm	Neighbours
3:15pm	NCIS: Los Angeles
4:15pm	Buried Secrets
6:00pm	5 News at 5
6:30pm	Neighbours
7:00pm	Home and Away
7:30pm	5 News Tonight
8:00pm	Police Interceptors
9:00pm	There's a Croc in My Kitchen
10:00pm	Big Brother
11:35pm	Big Brother's Bit on the Side
12:35am	Big Brother

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9:30am	Rules of Engagement
10:00am	Melissa and Joey
10:30am	Melissa and Joey
11:00am	Baby Daddy
11:30am	Baby Daddy
12:00pm	How I Met Your Mother
12:30pm	How I Met Your Mother
1:00pm	New Girl
1:30pm	New Girl
2:00pm	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
2:30pm	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
3:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
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6:00pm	2 Broke Girls
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7:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
7:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
8:00pm	Hollyoaks
8:30pm	Black-ish
9:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
9:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
10:00pm	Pitch Perfect
12:15am	Gogglebox

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2:00pm	Great Sporting Moments
2:15pm	Great Sporting Moments
2:30pm	Great Sporting Moments
2:45pm	Great Sporting Moments
3:00pm	Premier League Legends
3:30pm	Premier League Legends
4:00pm	Spanish Football Gold
4:15pm	Spanish Football Gold
4:30pm	Football Gold
4:45pm	Football Gold
5:00pm	Live European U21 Championship
8:00pm	Football Gold
8:10pm	Football Gold
8:20pm	Football Gold
8:30pm	Football Gold
8:40pm	Live European U21 Championship
11:00pm	European U21 Championship Highlights
11:30pm	Boxing
12:00am	Premier League Legends

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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	ITV News London
3:00pm	Judge Rinder's Crime Stories
4:00pm	Masterpiece with Alan Titchmarsh
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	River Monsters
9:30pm	Coronation Street
10:00pm	Lethal Weapon
11:00pm	ITV News at Ten and Weather
11:30pm	ITV News London
11:40pm	Benidorm
12:40am	Take Me Out
1:35am	Jackpot247
4:00am	Storage Hoarders
4:50am	ITV Nightscreen

itv2

9:00am	Emmerdale
9:30am	Emmerdale
10:00am	You've Been Framed! Gold
10:35am	Scorpion
11:25am	Below Deck
12:25pm	Vanderpump Rules
1:20pm	Emmerdale
1:55pm	Emmerdale
2:30pm	You've Been Framed! Gold
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! Gold
7:30pm	You've Been Framed! Gold
8:00pm	You've Been Framed! Gold
9:00pm	Two and a Half Men
9:30pm	Two and a Half Men
10:00pm	Love Island
11:00pm	Celebrity Juice
11:50pm	Family Guy
12:20am	Family Guy
12:50am	Family Guy

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7:00am	Man About the House
7:25am	Heartbeat
8:30am	Where the Heart is
9:30am	Wild at Heart
10:35am	Judge Judy
11:00am	Judge Judy
11:30am	Judge Judy
11:55am	Road to Avonlea
1:00pm	Love Your Garden
2:00pm	Heartbeat
3:05pm	The Royal
4:10pm	Wild at Heart
5:15pm	Man About the House
5:50pm	Rising Damp <i>Classic sitcom about a cantankerous landlord and his unfortunate tenants.</i>
6:20pm	George and Mildred
6:55pm	Heartbeat
8:00pm	Murder, She Wrote
9:00pm	Doc Martin
10:00pm	The Street
11:20pm	Law and Order: UK
12:20am	Wire in the Blood
2:10am	Prime Suspect
4:00am	Mr Selfridge
5:10am	Wycliffe

itv4

7:00am	Minder
8:00am	Cash Cowboys
9:00am	The Saint
10:00am	Ironsides
11:05am	Quincy, M.E.
12:05pm	Minder
1:05pm	Counting Cars
1:35pm	Counting Cars
2:00pm	Pawn Stars
2:30pm	Pawn Stars
2:55pm	The Saint
4:00pm	Ironsides
5:05pm	Quincy, M.E.
6:05pm	Cash Cowboys
7:05pm	Counting Cars
7:35pm	Counting Cars
8:00pm	Pawn Stars
8:30pm	Pawn Stars
9:00pm	Isle of Man TT
10:00pm	The Shawshank Redemption
11:10pm	FYI Daily <i>The latest entertainment news.</i>
11:15pm	The Shawshank Redemption
12:55am	Bullitt
1:55am	FYI Daily
2:00am	Bullitt
3:10am	Isle of Man TT

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12:35pm	Star Trek Beyond
2:45pm	Behind Enemy Lines
4:35pm	X-Men Origins: Wolverine
6:25pm	Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest
9:00pm	Star Trek Beyond
11:10pm	Ant-Man
1:10am	Hitman: Agent 47
2:50am	Serenity
4:55am	Superman III

sky CINEMA COMEDY

7:40am	Wild Oats
9:20am	Dirty 30
11:00am	How to be Single
1:00pm	Sisters
3:00pm	Bad Neighbours 2
4:45pm	Trainwreck
7:00pm	How to be Single
9:00pm	Sisters
11:00pm	Bad Neighbours 2
12:40am	Trainwreck
2:50am	Back to the Future
4:50am	Back to the Future Part II

sky CINEMA PREMIERE

7:00am	A Patch of Fog
8:45am	The Hollow Point
10:35am	Mike and Dave Need Wedding Dates
12:30pm	The Mummy: Special Edition
1:00pm	Rock Dog
2:40pm	Ozzy: The Great Furscape
4:25pm	A Patch of Fog
6:10pm	The Hollow Point <i>Gritty crime thriller pitting a hard-drinking sheriff and his deputy Patrick Wilson against a sadistic cartel hitman.</i>
8:00pm	Rock Dog
9:45pm	Mike and Dave Need Wedding Dates
11:35pm	Johnny Frank Garrett's Last Word
1:20am	Downhill
2:55am	Casa Grande
5:00am	The Top Ten Show 2017
5:15am	Ozzy: The Great Furscape

sky SPORTS 2

7:00am	Cricket Classics
8:00am	WWE Main Event
9:00am	ICC Champions Trophy Highlights
10:00am	Cricket Classics
11:00am	Great Sporting Moments
11:15am	Great Sporting Moments
11:30am	Great Sporting Moments
11:45am	Great Sporting Moments
12:00pm	Sporting Heroes
1:00pm	Cricket Classics
2:00pm	Sporting Triumphs
2:15pm	Cricket Gold
2:25pm	Live RL One Day Cup Semi-final one from the Royal London One-Day Cup.
10:30pm	Cricket's Greatest
11:00pm	Great Sporting Moments
11:15pm	Great Sporting Moments
11:30pm	Cricket's Greatest
12:00am	RL One Day Cup
1:00am	Challenge Cup Highlights

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What is it with choices?

Mike Senker

In my opinion

Views of a Grumpy Old Man



SO the election has been and gone and to be honest Mrs May got what she deserved. That's all I've got to say about that because I only get a limited amount of words and I don't want to waste any more of them on slime bag politicians.

What is it with choices these days? My daughter has just bought her first house and needed to buy some white paint. 'No big deal,' I said to her, 'go down to B & Q and buy a pot.' Simple. Job done. Oh no not any more. There are so many it's ridiculous. She sent me a list of 20 different whites. But these days it's the same with everything.

We are all spoilt for choice. Try buying anything. It gets on my nerves. You spend hours online just comparing prices. Then you find something and think you have cracked it. But no - it's not quite the same thing - it's either a little smaller or a little lighter in weight. Have you ever tried to buy a computer? What a minefield that is! You go into the store and ask the salesman to help. Then come the questions.

How much storage, how much memory, how much ram, dual core, quad core, bloody apple core and then you make your choice and off you go all happy with your lappy or desktop only to find a week later that the one you got sold has just been superseded by a newer model and yours is now defunct. It's all so infuriating!

Talking about computers this one peed me off this week. I was trying to log on to my Apple account. I try one incorrect password, try second incorrect password, try third incorrect password and I am now locked out. It says 'please reset password.'

So in I go and answer all the security questions and reset my password and as I hit enter with my new password and up comes the writing 'you cannot use a password that you have used before!' I didn't think I had so I tried two other passwords that I use and they aren't accepted either. One is too weak and the other I'd used before so now I have to think of a new one.

Like I don't have enough already I now have to use a capital letter and a number and now a special symbol. It's exhausting and frustrating. And then the emails start telling me that I've changed my password. I know. You don't have to tell me! Why does life have to be so complicated?

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7:00am	Breakfast
10:00am	Saturday Kitchen
11:30am	Trooping the Colour
2:05pm	BBC News
2:15pm	Weather
2:20pm	Athletics
	<i>Coverage of the latest athletics championships and tournaments.</i>
3:20pm	Rugby League Challenge Cup
6:05pm	Celebrity Mastermind
	<i>John Humphrys presents a celebrity version of Britain's toughest quiz.</i>
6:35pm	BBC News
6:45pm	Regional News
6:50pm	Weather
6:55pm	Pointless
7:45pm	Doctor Who
8:30pm	Pitch Battle
10:00pm	Casualty
10:50pm	Mrs. Brown's Boys
11:20pm	BBC News
11:35pm	Weather
11:40pm	Shanghai Knights
1:30am	Weather for the Week Ahead

BBC TWO

7:10am	A to Z of TV Gardening
7:50am	In Name Only
9:25am	Wonder Man
11:00am	Monty Halls' Great Irish Escape
12:00pm	Homes Under the Hammer
	<i>Property experts visit three properties before they go up for auction.</i>
1:00pm	Great British Menu
1:30pm	Great British Menu
2:00pm	Bargain Hunt
3:00pm	Talking Pictures
3:30pm	Cat on a Hot Tin Roof
5:15pm	Flog It!
6:00pm	Gardeners' World
7:00pm	Trooping the Colour Highlights
8:30pm	Venice Biennale Sink or Swim.
9:00pm	Rugby Union
11:30pm	Kevin Bridges: A Whole Different Story
12:30am	Versailles
1:30am	Cafe De Flore
3:25am	This is BBC Two

BBC FOUR

8:00pm	Nicola Benedetti's Indian Serenade
8:30pm	BBC Cardiff Singer of the World 2017
10:00pm	Cardinal
10:45pm	Cardinal
11:25pm	Lemmy: The Movie
1:20am	Lemmy: In His Own Words
1:45am	Heavy Metal Britannia
	<i>Documentary which traces the development of British heavy metal from its beginnings in the Midlands to its international triumph. In the late 60's bands such as Deep Purple, Uriah Heep and Black Sabbath were forging a new kind of hard rock sound which grew to be known as heavy metal.</i>
3:15am	David Bowie and the Story of Ziggy Stardust

CHANNEL 4

9:00am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:25am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:55am	Frasier
10:25am	Frasier
10:55am	The Big Bang Theory
11:25am	The Big Bang Theory
11:55am	The Big Bang Theory
12:25pm	The Simpsons
12:55pm	The Simpsons
1:25pm	The Simpsons
1:55pm	Four in a Bed
2:25pm	Four in a Bed
2:55pm	Four in a Bed
3:30pm	Four in a Bed
4:00pm	Four in a Bed
4:35pm	A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun
5:35pm	Big House, Little House
6:35pm	Kirstie and Phil's Love it or List it
7:30pm	Channel 4 News
8:00pm	The Autistic Gardener
9:00pm	Iron Man 2
11:25pm	The Maze Runner
1:35am	The Stone Roses: Made of Stone
3:15am	Hollyoaks Omnibus

CHANNEL 5

7:00am	Milkshake!
11:20am	Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles
11:55am	Access
12:00pm	Police Interceptors
12:55pm	Police Interceptors
1:55pm	On Benefits
2:50pm	The Great British Benefits Handout
3:50pm	The Nightmare Neighbour Next Door
4:50pm	The Nightmare Neighbour Next Door
5:50pm	Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
6:45pm	Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
7:35pm	5 News
	<i>The latest news coverage.</i>
7:40pm	Funniest Ever Crazy Cats
8:30pm	Blind Date
9:30pm	Before They Were Stars
10:30pm	Big Brother
11:30pm	The Michael McIntyre Story
1:00am	Super Casino

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9:00am	Couples Come Dine with Me
10:05am	Melissa and Joey
10:35am	Melissa and Joey
11:00am	Melissa and Joey
11:30am	Melissa and Joey
12:00pm	Melissa and Joey
12:30pm	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
1:00pm	The Goldbergs
1:30pm	The Goldbergs
2:00pm	The Goldbergs
2:30pm	The Goldbergs
3:00pm	The Goldbergs
3:30pm	Rude(Ish) Tube Shorts
3:45pm	Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel
5:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
6:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
6:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
7:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
7:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
8:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
8:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
9:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
9:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
10:00pm	Easy A
11:55pm	Gogglebox
1:00am	Gogglebox
2:00am	Rude Tube

sky SPORTS 1

7:00am	Rugby Union
9:00am	Live British and Irish Lions Tour
12:00pm	Rugby Union
12:30pm	European U21 Championship Highlights
1:00pm	Football's Greatest
1:30pm	Football's Greatest
2:00pm	British and Irish Lions Tour Highlights
3:00pm	Rugby Union
3:30pm	Boxing
	<i>Sergey Kovalev defends his three world light heavyweight titles against master technician Andre Ward at the T-Mobile Arena.</i>
5:30pm	Live European U21 Championship Portugal v Serbia
8:00pm	Boxing
8:30pm	Live European U21 Championship Spain v Macedonia
11:00pm	Live Fight Night
1:00am	Boxing
3:00am	Boxing

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7:00am	CITV
9:25am	ITV News
9:30am	Weekend
10:25am	The Home Game
11:25am	Carry on Cowboy
1:15pm	ITV News and Weather
1:30pm	Tipping Point
2:30pm	3 Men and a Baby
4:30pm	Confederations Cup Russia v New Zealand.
7:15pm	Local News and Weather
	<i>All the very latest local news and weather.</i>
7:25pm	ITV News and Weather
7:35pm	You've Been Framed!
	<i>Comedy show which features a selection of camcorder catastrophes and video disasters.</i>
8:30pm	The Voice Kids
10:00pm	Bridget Jones: The Edge of Reason
12:05am	ITV News and Weather

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7:00am	Planet's Funniest Animals
	<i>Humorous video clips of pets and other animals in unusual situations.</i>
7:15am	Emmerdale Omnibus
9:50am	Coronation Street Omnibus
12:20pm	Take Me Out
1:20pm	You've Been Framed!
1:50pm	Sweet Home Alabama
2:50pm	FYI Daily
2:55pm	Sweet Home Alabama
4:00pm	The Flintstones
5:00pm	FYI Daily
5:05pm	The Flintstones
5:45pm	St. Trinian's
6:45pm	FYI Daily
6:50pm	St. Trinian's
7:50pm	Arthur
8:50pm	FYI Daily
8:55pm	Arthur
10:00pm	Love Island
11:00pm	Celebrity Juice
11:50pm	Family Guy
12:20am	Family Guy
12:50am	Family Guy

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7:00am	Murder, She Wrote
	<i>Drama series about a sleuthing writer who solves murder mysteries.</i>
7:50am	Murder, She Wrote
8:40am	Murder, She Wrote
9:40am	The Darling Buds of May
10:55am	The Darling Buds of May
12:05pm	Death on the Nile
1:05pm	FYI Daily
1:10pm	Death on the Nile
2:55pm	Lewis
4:50pm	Agatha Christie's Marple
6:55pm	Rosemary and Thyme
	<i>Light-hearted drama series about a pair of gardening enthusiasts turned amateur sleuths.</i>
8:00pm	Midsomer Murders
10:00pm	Foyle's War
12:00am	Law and Order: UK
1:00am	Law and Order: UK

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7:00am	The Saint
7:50am	The Saint
8:55am	Motorsport UK
9:55am	Brdc British F3 Championship Highlights
11:00am	ITV Racing: The Opening Show
12:00pm	The Classic Car Show
	<i>Documentary looking at the phenomenon of the classic car.</i>
1:00pm	British Touring Car Championship Highlights
2:30pm	ITV Racing Live
5:00pm	Counting Cars
5:30pm	Pawn Stars
5:55pm	Pawn Stars
6:25pm	Pawn Stars
6:50pm	Pawn Stars
7:15pm	Pawn Stars
7:45pm	Pawn Stars
8:10pm	The Sweeney
9:10pm	Jaws 4: The Revenge
10:10pm	FYI Daily
10:15pm	Jaws 4: The Revenge
11:00pm	Reservoir Dogs
12:00am	FYI Daily

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1:50pm	Jurassic World
4:00pm	In the Heart of the Sea
6:10pm	Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End
9:00pm	Star Wars: Episode VII - The Force Awakens
11:20pm	Jurassic World
1:30am	RoboCop
	sky CINEMA COMEDY
11:15am	Turner and Hooch
1:05pm	Central Intelligence
3:05pm	Barbershop: The Next Cut
5:05pm	The Intern
7:10pm	Turner and Hooch
9:00pm	Central Intelligence
11:00pm	Barbershop: The Next Cut
1:00am	Borat: Cultural Learnings of America for Make Benefit Glorious Nation of Kazakhstan

sky CINEMA PREMIERE

7:00am	The Hollow Point
8:40am	A Patch of Fog
10:25am	Mike and Dave Need Wedding Dates
12:15pm	Rock Dog
1:55pm	War Dogs
3:55pm	Ozzy: The Great Furscape
5:35pm	The Hollow Point
7:20pm	Rock Dog
9:00pm	War Dogs
	<i>True-life tale of twentysomething gun runners in way over their heads.</i>
11:00pm	Mike and Dave Need Wedding Dates
12:40am	Johnny Frank Garrett's Last Word
2:25am	Downhill
	<i>A young man wrongly sentenced to death for the brutal murder of a Catholic nun wreaks bloody vengeance from beyond the grave.</i>
3:50am	A Patch of Fog

sky SPORTS 2

7:00am	Cricket Classics
8:00am	Cricket's Greatest
8:30am	Cricket's Greatest
9:00am	Sporting Triumphs
9:15am	Football Gold
9:25am	Football
	<i>Guizhou Hengfeng Zhicheng v Guangzhou Evergrande Taobao.</i>
11:30am	Sporting Triumphs
11:45am	Cricket Gold
11:55am	Live RL One Day Cup
	<i>One of the semi-finals from the Royal London One-Day Cup.</i>
8:00pm	British and Irish Lions Tour Highlights
9:00pm	Sporting Rivalries
9:30pm	Boxing
10:00pm	British and Irish Lions Tour Highlights
11:00pm	Sporting Triumphs
11:15pm	Rugby Union
11:45pm	Rugby Union
12:15am	British and Irish Lions Tour Highlights
1:15am	Sporting Triumphs
1:30am	Super League Gold

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BBC one

10:00am	The Andrew Marr Show
11:00am	Sunday Morning Live
12:00pm	Sunday Politics
1:15pm	Bargain Hunt
2:00pm	BBC News
2:10pm	Weather for the Week Ahead
2:15pm	Homes Under the Hammer
3:15pm	Money for Nothing
4:00pm	Flog It!
4:45pm	Escape to the Country
5:30pm	Lifeline
5:40pm	Points of View
5:55pm	Songs of Praise
6:30pm	Eat Well for Less
7:30pm	BBC News
7:50pm	Regional News
7:55pm	Weather
8:00pm	Countryfile
9:00pm	Antiques Roadshow
10:00pm	Poldark
11:00pm	BBC News
11:20pm	Regional News
11:25pm	Weather
11:30pm	Thor 2 - The Dark World
1:10am	Weather for the Week Ahead

BBC TWO

7:05am	A to Z of TV Gardening
7:50am	The Instant Gardener
8:35am	Gardeners' World
9:35am	The Beechgrove Garden
10:05am	Countryfile
11:00am	Saturday Kitchen Best Bites
12:30pm	Great British Menu
1:00pm	Great British Menu
1:30pm	Great British Menu
2:00pm	Mary Berry Cooks
2:30pm	Sailing
3:30pm	Rugby League Challenge Cup
6:00pm	Rowing
7:00pm	The Fifteen Billion Pound Railway
8:00pm	Dragons' Den
9:00pm	The Life Swap Adventure
10:00pm	20 Days - Battle for Supremacy
11:30pm	Mock the Week
12:00am	White Gold
12:30am	Cricket
1:20am	Athletics
2:20am	Question Time
3:20am	Holby City
4:20am	This is BBC Two

BBC FOUR

8:00pm	Nina Simone and Me with Laura Mvula
8:30pm	BBC Cardiff Singer of the World 2017
11:00pm	Doris Day: Virgin Territory
12:00am	Buddy Holly Film telling the story of Buddy Holly's tragically short life and career through interviews with those who knew him and worked with him.
1:00am	Horizon Black holes are one of the most destructive forces in the universe, capable of tearing a planet apart and swallowing an entire star.
2:00am	Voyager: To the Final Frontier
3:00am	The Magic of Mushrooms
4:00am	Battle for the Himalayas: The Fight to Film Everest

CHANNEL 4

7:00am	3rd Rock from the Sun
7:20am	3rd Rock from the Sun
7:45am	Everybody Loves Raymond
8:10am	Everybody Loves Raymond
8:35am	Frasier
9:25am	Frasier
9:55am	Eating Well with Hemsley and Hemsley
10:30am	Sunday Brunch
1:30pm	Eat the Week with Iceland
2:35pm	The Simpsons
3:00pm	The Simpsons
3:30pm	The Book of Life
5:30pm	A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun
6:30pm	Homes by the Sea
7:30pm	Channel 4 News
8:00pm	A Very British Hotel
9:00pm	Great Canal Journeys
10:00pm	The Handmaid's Tale
11:15pm	Merciless
12:10am	End of Watch
2:05am	Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA

CHANNEL 5

7:00am	Milkshake!
11:15am	Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles
	<i>Underground crime-fighting escapades with the heroes in a half-shell.</i>
11:50am	Make You Laugh Out Loud
12:15pm	Police Interceptors Action-packed observational documentary series following the law's high-speed pursuit.
1:15pm	Police Interceptors Documentary series profiling the work of a high-speed police interception unit in Essex.
2:15pm	Footloose
4:20pm	Dirty Dancing
6:55pm	Monster-in-Law
9:00pm	Now That's Funny!
9:55pm	5 News
10:00pm	Big Brother
11:00pm	The Paul O'grady Story
12:30am	Before They Were Stars

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7:00am	New Girl
7:25am	Couples Come Dine with Me
8:20am	Couples Come Dine with Me
9:25am	Hollyoaks Omnibus
12:00pm	The Goldbergs
12:30pm	The Goldbergs
1:00pm	The Goldbergs
1:30pm	The Goldbergs
2:00pm	The Goldbergs
2:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
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4:55pm	The Big Bang Theory
5:25pm	The Big Bang Theory
5:55pm	The Big Bang Theory
6:20pm	The Big Bang Theory
6:50pm	Avatar
10:00pm	Marvel's Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D.
11:00pm	Kick-Ass 2
1:00am	Gogglebox
2:00am	The Inbetweeners
2:35am	The Inbetweeners
3:10am	8 Out of 10 Cats
3:55am	Marvel's Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D.
4:40am	Hollyoaks Omnibus

sky SPORTS 1

8:30am	Premier League Legends
9:00am	British and Irish Lions Tour Highlights
10:00am	Rugby Union
11:00am	Football Gold
12:00pm	Premier League Legends
12:30pm	Premier League Legends
1:00pm	British and Irish Lions Tour Highlights
2:00pm	Rugby Union
2:30pm	Rugby Union
3:00pm	Premier League Legends
3:30pm	British and Irish Lions Tour Highlights
4:30pm	Rugby Union
5:00pm	Rugby Union
5:30pm	Live European U21 Championship Germany v Czech Republic
8:00pm	Premier League 100 Club
8:30pm	Live European U21 Championship Denmark v Italy
11:00pm	Football
1:05am	Premier League 100 Club

itv

7:00am	CITV
9:25am	ITV News
9:30am	Weekend
10:25am	Best Walks with a View with Julia Bradbury
11:00am	Peston on Sunday
12:00pm	Carry on Cruising
1:45pm	ITV News and Weather
2:00pm	Tipping Point
3:00pm	The Voice Kids
4:30pm	Confederations Cup Portugal v Mexico.
7:15pm	Local News and Weather
7:25pm	ITV News and Weather
7:35pm	Britain as Seen on ITV Documentary exploring how Britain has changed in six decades from the eyes of ITV clips.
8:00pm	Vera
10:00pm	The Loch
11:00pm	ITV News and Weather
11:20pm	Peston on Sunday
12:20am	Lethal Weapon

itv2

7:00am	The Hot Desk
7:10am	You've Been Framed!
7:35am	You've Been Framed!
8:00am	Emmerdale Omnibus
10:45am	Coronation Street Omnibus
1:10pm	The Voice Kids
2:40pm	Take Me Out
	Celebrity Special
3:45pm	Freaky Friday
4:45pm	FYI Daily
4:50pm	Freaky Friday
5:50pm	Despicable Me 2
6:50pm	FYI Daily
6:55pm	Despicable Me 2
7:50pm	The Wedding Planner
8:50pm	FYI Daily
8:55pm	The Wedding Planner
10:00pm	Love Island
11:00pm	Love Island
12:00am	Family Guy Animated comedy series about the everyday trials and tribulations of family life.
12:30am	Family Guy
1:00am	Family Guy
1:30am	American Dad!
2:00am	American Dad!

itv3

7:00am	Agatha Christie's Marple
8:50am	Heartbeat
9:55am	Heartbeat
11:00am	Murder, She Wrote
12:00pm	Murder, She Wrote
1:05pm	Poirot: Murder on the Orient Express
2:05pm	FYI Daily
2:10pm	Poirot: Murder on the Orient Express
3:45pm	Margery and Gladys
5:50pm	Foyle's War
7:55pm	Sunday Night at the Palladium
9:00pm	Paul O'Grady's Animal Orphans
10:00pm	Joanna Lumley's Japan
11:00pm	Law and Order: UK
12:00am	Law and Order: UK
1:05am	Wire in the Blood
2:55am	Wire in the Blood
4:30am	May the Best House Win
5:20am	May the Best House Win

itv4

7:00am	Isle of Man TT Review Show 1
8:00am	Isle of Man TT Review Show 2
9:00am	British Touring Car Championship Highlights
10:30am	Le Mans 24 Hour Race Live
3:45pm	World Rugby U20 Championship Final Live
6:00pm	Pawn Stars
6:30pm	Pawn Stars
7:00pm	Pawn Stars
7:30pm	FIFA Confederations Cup 2017
10:20pm	Hard to Kill
11:20pm	FYI Daily
11:25pm	Hard to Kill
12:25am	Out for Justice
1:25am	FYI Daily
1:30am	Out for Justice
2:15am	Brdc British F3 Championship Highlights
3:15am	Counting Cars
3:45am	ITV4 Nightscreen
4:00am	Teleshopping

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9:10am	Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen
11:35am	X-Men: Apocalypse
2:05pm	Batman Forever
4:10pm	Cast Away
6:35pm	Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen
9:00pm	X-Men: Apocalypse
11:30pm	Underworld
1:40am	Rocky IV

sky CINEMA COMEDY

8:25am	Galaxy Quest
10:15am	Police Academy
12:00pm	Four Weddings and a Funeral
2:00pm	The Boss
3:45pm	Absolutely Fabulous: The Movie
5:30pm	The Simpsons Movie
7:05pm	Meet the Parents
9:00pm	The Boss
10:45pm	Absolutely Fabulous: The Movie
12:30am	Grimsby

sky CINEMA PREMIERE

7:00am	The Hollow Point Gritty crime thriller pitting a hard-drinking sheriff and his deputy Patrick Wilson against a sadistic cartel hitman.
8:55am	King Arthur: Legend of the Sword - Behind the Scenes
9:25am	Mike and Dave Need Wedding Dates
11:15am	Rock Dog
1:00pm	Café Society
2:50pm	War Dogs
5:00pm	The Mummy: Special Edition
5:30pm	Ozzy: The Great Furscape
7:15pm	Rock Dog
9:00pm	Café Society
10:40pm	War Dogs
12:40am	Mike and Dave Need Wedding Dates
2:25am	Downhill
3:50am	A Patch of Fog
5:25am	Ozzy: The Great Furscape

sky SPORTS 2

7:00am	Cricket Classics
8:00am	Cricket Classics
9:00am	ICC Champions Trophy Highlights
10:00am	Cricket Writers on TV
11:00am	Live ICC Champions Trophy Cricket
8:00pm	British and Irish Lions Tour Highlights
9:00pm	ICC Champions Trophy Highlights
10:00pm	NFL: Greatest Games
11:00pm	ICC Champions Trophy Highlights
12:00am	Ashes Best Days
2:00am	Cricket World Cup Classics
3:00am	Sporting Rivalries
3:30am	Sporting Rivalries
4:00am	Cricket Classics
5:00am	Cricket's Greatest Series profiling some of the greatest cricketers of all time.
5:30am	Cricket's Greatest Series profiling some of the greatest cricketers of all time.

Advertising feature

Peace of mind and swimming pool safety

NEATER POOL GUARDIAN was started as a result of a near tragedy to a friend of Tony and Richard, co-owners of Neater Heater. The friend found his toddler face down at the bottom of the family pool, purely by luck. There had been no splashing, no shouting, nothing.

Fortunately the toddler was revived and taken to Denia hospital for a check-up, where the duty doctor remarked that it was "the fifth one this week."

Richard recalls "The following week Tony and I had a long car journey to Almeria, and we spent a lot of it discussing this, and other incidents that we both knew about. We agreed that it was crazy that there were no laws in Spain governing swimming pool safety.

We started 'googling' the statistics, which shocked us, and suppliers, which surprised us. We discovered that, annually, on average, there are 200,000 officially recorded incidents of which 100 prove fatal. We could also not find a single supplier specialising in swimming pool safety fences. By the time we returned home we decided to change this."

"Raising public awareness became our next objective" explains Tony. "Talking



POOL SAFETY: Invest in a safety fence for your swimming pool.

to our friends it is apparent that everyone agrees with us, but getting people to do anything about it is another matter. It re-

minds me of all the public child safety campaigns of recent, and not-so-recent, times. Starting with 'Clunk, Click' in the

70's, 'Slip Slap Slop' in the 80's, cycle helmets in the 90's and not smoking in cars in the noughties. They all have one thing in common: We look back today and think 'Why did we have to be told to do these things? What were we thinking?' We believe that our children are going to look back on unfenced pools with the same incredulity that we look back at being driven around in cars without being buckled up in a seatbelt."

“ We could not find a single supplier specialising in swimming pool safety fences.”

"Remember: Clunk, Clip, after every dip!" Say Richard and Tony, "And experience the peace of mind of knowing that you will never have to say: If only....."

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BBC one

7:00am	Breakfast
10:15am	Crimewatch
11:00am	Homes Under the Hammer
11:30am	The State Opening of Parliament
1:15pm	Bargain Hunt
2:00pm	BBC News
2:30pm	Regional News
2:45pm	Doctors
3:15pm	Impossible
4:00pm	Escape to the Country
4:45pm	Yes Chef
5:30pm	Street Auction
6:15pm	Pointless
7:00pm	BBC News
7:30pm	Regional News
8:00pm	The One Show
8:30pm	Supersize Cabbies
9:00pm	EastEnders
9:30pm	Would I Lie to You?
10:00pm	Supermarket Shopping Secrets
11:00pm	BBC News
11:30pm	Regional News
11:40pm	Weather
11:45pm	Have I Got a Bit More News for You
12:30am	The Graham Norton Show

BBC TWO

7:00am	Emergency Rescue Down Under
	<i>Documentary series following British members of the Australian emergency services.</i>
7:30am	Bargain Hunt
8:15am	Yes Chef
9:00am	Antiques Roadshow
	<i>Antique experts travel the country to appraise people's wares.</i>
10:00am	Victoria Derbyshire
12:00pm	Wanted Down Under
1:00pm	Athletics
2:00pm	Tennis
7:00pm	Eggheads
7:30pm	Curious Creatures
8:00pm	Mary Berry Everyday
8:30pm	Great British Menu
9:00pm	Horizon
	<i>Documentary series exploring topical scientific issues.</i>
10:00pm	Ripper Street
11:00pm	Detectorists
11:30pm	Newsnight
12:10am	Weather
12:15am	Sailing

BBC FOUR

8:00pm	100 Days +
8:30pm	Great British Railway Journeys
	<i>Michael Portillo embarks on a new journey following his Bradshaw's handbook from the heart of the industrial East Midlands to the north eastern island of Lindisfarne. On this leg, he gives an old engine a fresh start in the railway hub of Derby.</i>
9:00pm	Britain and the Sea
10:00pm	The Art of Japanese Life
11:00pm	Handmade in Japan
11:30pm	David Attenborough's Zoo Quest in Colour
1:00am	Sir John Dankworth at the BBC
2:00am	Britain and the Sea
3:00am	Handmade in Japan
3:30am	The Art of Japanese Life

CHANNEL 4

8:10am	Will and Grace
8:35am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:00am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:35am	Frasier
10:05am	Frasier
10:35am	Frasier
11:05am	Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA
12:00pm	A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun
1:00pm	Channel 4 News
1:05pm	Couples Come Dine with Me
2:05pm	Posh Pawnbrokers
3:10pm	Countdown
4:00pm	Fifteen to One
5:00pm	Best of Both Worlds
6:00pm	Four in a Bed
6:30pm	Come Dine with Me
7:00pm	The Simpsons
7:30pm	Hollyoaks
8:00pm	Channel 4 News
9:00pm	Dispatches
9:30pm	How to Stay Well
10:00pm	24 Hours in Police Custody
11:00pm	Loaded
11:50pm	Wife Swap
12:55am	Battling the Bailiffs

CHANNEL 5

7:00am	Milkshake!
	<i>Programming aimed at children aged two to seven years old.</i>
10:15am	The Wright Stuff
12:15pm	House Doctor
1:10pm	5 News
1:15pm	Big Brother
2:15pm	Home and Away
2:45pm	Neighbours
3:15pm	NCIS: Los Angeles
4:20pm	Fatal Performance
6:00pm	5 News
6:30pm	Neighbours
7:00pm	Home and Away
7:30pm	5 News
8:00pm	Criminals Caught on Camera
8:30pm	Police Interceptors
	<i>Documentary series profiling the work of a high-speed police interception unit in Essex.</i>
9:30pm	The April Jones Murder: 5 Years on
11:00pm	Big Brother
12:05am	Big Brother's Bit on the Side
1:05am	Celebrity Botched Up Bodies

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10:30am	Melissa and Joey
11:00am	Baby Daddy
11:30am	Baby Daddy
12:00pm	How I Met Your Mother
12:30pm	How I Met Your Mother
1:00pm	New Girl
1:30pm	New Girl
2:00pm	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
2:30pm	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
3:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
3:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
4:00pm	How I Met Your Mother
4:30pm	How I Met Your Mother
5:00pm	New Girl
5:30pm	New Girl
6:00pm	2 Broke Girls
6:30pm	2 Broke Girls
7:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
7:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
8:00pm	Hollyoaks
8:30pm	Black-ish
9:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
9:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
10:00pm	Vlogglebox
11:00pm	The Inbetweeners Movie
1:00am	The Inbetweeners

sky SPORTS 1

2:30pm	Great Sporting Moments
2:45pm	Great Sporting Moments
3:00pm	Premier League Legends
3:30pm	Premier League Legends
4:00pm	Spanish Football Gold
4:15pm	Spanish Football Gold
4:30pm	Football Gold
4:45pm	Football Gold
5:00pm	Football's Greatest
5:30pm	Live European U21 Championship Slovakia v England
8:00pm	Football's Greatest Teams
8:30pm	One2eleven 2016/17
8:40pm	Live European U21 Championship Poland v Sweden
11:00pm	Football's Greatest Teams
11:30pm	Football's Greatest Teams
12:00am	European U21 Championship Highlights

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
	<i>A thorough round-up of this lunchtime's main national and international news.</i>
3:00pm	Judge Rinder
4:00pm	Dickinson's Real Deal
5:00pm	Tipping Point
6:00pm	The Chase
7:00pm	Local News and Weather
7:30pm	ITV Evening News
8:00pm	Emmerdale
8:30pm	Coronation Street
9:00pm	Amazing Animal Births
9:30pm	Coronation Street
10:00pm	Fearless
11:00pm	ITV News
11:40pm	The Real Full Monty
1:10am	Jackpot247

itv2

7:10am	You've Been Framed!
7:35am	Vanderpump Rules
8:20am	The Ellen DeGeneres Show
9:00am	Emmerdale
9:30am	Coronation Street
10:00am	Coronation Street
10:35am	Scorpion
11:25am	Below Deck
12:25pm	Vanderpump Rules
1:20pm	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!
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	Love Island
11:00pm	Family Guy
11:30pm	Family Guy
12:00am	American Dad!

itv3

7:00am	Man About the House
7:25am	Heartbeat
8:30am	Where the Heart is
9:30am	Wild at Heart
10:35am	Judge Judy
11:05am	Judge Judy
11:30am	Judge Judy
12:00pm	Road to Avonlea
1:00pm	Love Your Garden
2:05pm	Heartbeat
3:10pm	The Royal
4:15pm	Wild at Heart
5:20pm	Man About the House
5:50pm	Rising Damp
6:20pm	George and Mildred
	<i>Comedy series following George and Mildred Roper.</i>
6:55pm	Heartbeat
8:00pm	Murder, She Wrote
9:00pm	Les Dawson Forever: Ep
10:00pm	Les Dawson Forever: Ep
11:00pm	Law and Order: UK
12:00am	The Street
1:20am	The Bletchley Circle
2:20am	On the Buses

itv4

7:00am	Minder
	<i>Modern-day re-imagining on the classic comedy-drama.</i>
8:00am	Cash Cowboys
9:00am	The Saint
10:00am	Ironsides
11:05am	Quincy, M.E.
12:05pm	Minder
1:05pm	Counting Cars
1:35pm	Counting Cars
2:05pm	Pawn Stars
2:35pm	Pawn Stars
3:00pm	Pawn Stars
3:25pm	The Saint
4:30pm	FIFA Confederations Cup 2017
7:15pm	Sports Filler
7:30pm	Counting Cars
8:00pm	Pawn Stars
8:30pm	Pawn Stars
9:00pm	River Monsters
10:00pm	Car Crash Britain
11:05pm	Full Metal Jacket
12:05am	FYI Daily
12:10am	Full Metal Jacket
1:25am	Motorsport UK

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1:05pm	The Bourne Supremacy
3:05pm	Spy
5:10pm	Cloverfield
6:40pm	The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King
10:00pm	The Bourne Supremacy
12:00am	Spy
2:05am	Rocky V
3:55am	Con Air

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8:05am	Romancing the Stone
10:00am	Billy Madison
11:35am	Hot Shots!
1:10pm	The Top Ten Show 2017
1:30pm	My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2
3:15pm	Magic Mike XXL
5:15pm	Keanu
7:00pm	Couples Retreat
9:00pm	My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2
10:45pm	Keanu
12:30am	Couples Retreat

sky CINEMA PREMIERE

7:00am	Johnny Frank Garrett's Last Word
8:45am	The Hollow Point
10:25am	Rock Dog
12:00pm	The Tiger Hunter
1:50pm	War Dogs
3:50pm	Café Society
5:30pm	Rock Dog
7:10pm	The Tiger Hunter
	<i>A young Indian man travels to 1970s America hoping to impress his childhood crush and live up to his father's legacy.</i>
9:00pm	War Dogs
11:00pm	Café Society
	<i>Charming romance about a Bronx youngster who heads to Hollywood and falls for the beautiful secretary of his powerful agent uncle.</i>
12:40am	Johnny Frank Garrett's Last Word
2:25am	A Patch of Fog
4:00am	Downhill

sky SPORTS 2

7:00am	Cricket Classics
8:00am	WWE Raw
9:00am	ICC Champions Trophy Highlights
10:00am	Cricket Classics
11:00am	ICC Champions Trophy Highlights
12:00pm	Live ATP Tennis - Halle
	<i>Day one of the Gerry Weber Open in Halle, Germany. An ATP 500 event, home favourite Florian Mayer was the surprise winner last year.</i>
7:30pm	Cricket Gold
7:40pm	Cricket Gold
7:50pm	Cricket Gold
8:00pm	British and Irish Lions Tour Highlights
11:00pm	School of Hard Knocks 2016
12:00am	School of Hard Knocks 2016
1:00am	School of Hard Knocks 2016
2:00am	School of Hard Knocks 2016

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 4:00pm Escape to the Country
 4:45pm Yes Chef
 5:30pm Street Auction
 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 Broken
 11:00pm BBC News
 11:30pm Regional News
 11:40pm Weather
 11:45pm Fight Game: The McGuigans
 12:15am Fight Game: The McGuigans

BBC TWO

7:00am Emergency Rescue
 Down Under
 7:30am Bargain Hunt
 8:15am Yes Chef
 9:00am Great American Railroad Journeys
 10:00am Victoria Derbyshire
 12:00pm BBC Newsroom Live
Stay up to date on the day's top stories, with the latest breaking news as it happens.
 1:00pm The Daily Politics
 2:00pm Tennis
Coverage of the latest tennis action.
 7:00pm Eggheads
 7:30pm Curious Creatures
 8:00pm Mary Berry Everyday
 8:30pm Great British Menu
 9:00pm Natural World
 10:00pm Hospital
Documentary capturing the day-to-day realities of the pressures the NHS is facing today.
 11:00pm QI
 11:30pm Newsnight
 12:10am Weather

BBC FOUR

8:00pm 100 Days +
 8:30pm Great British Railway Journeys
Documentary series in which Michael Portillo travels the length and breadth of the country by train.
 9:00pm Pain, Pus and Poison: The Search for Modern Medicines
 10:00pm Behind Closed Doors
In a fresh take on Jane Austen, Lucy Worsley traces the houses Jane lived in to show just how much they influenced her work.
 11:00pm Hidden Killers of the Victorian Home
 12:00pm The Genius of Turner: Painting the Industrial Revolution
 1:00am Majesty and Mortar: Britain's Great Palaces
 2:00am The Treasure Hunters

CHANNEL 4

8:35am Everybody Loves Raymond
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 11:05am Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA
 12:00pm A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun
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 7:30pm Hollyoaks
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 9:00pm Tried and Tasted: The Ultimate Shopping List
 9:30pm Supershoppers
 10:00pm One Born Every Minute
 11:00pm First Dates
 12:05am 24 Hours in A and E

CHANNEL 5

7:00am Milkshake!
Programming aimed at children aged two to seven years old.
 10:15am The Wright Stuff
 12:15pm House Doctor
 1:10pm 5 News
 1:15pm Big Brother
 2:15pm Home and Away
 2:45pm Neighbours
 3:15pm NCIS: Los Angeles
 4:15pm Murder, She Baked: A Chocolate Chip Cookie Mystery
 6:00pm 5 News
 6:30pm Neighbours
 7:00pm Home and Away
 7:30pm 5 News
 8:00pm Britain's Greatest Bridges
Documentary investigating how six of Britain's most iconic bridges were designed and created.
 9:00pm Meet the Hedgehogs
 10:00pm Our Dream Hotel
 11:00pm Big Brother
 12:05am Big Brother's Bit on the Side

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10:30am Melissa and Joey
 11:00am Baby Daddy
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 12:00pm How I Met Your Mother
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 1:00pm New Girl
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 5:00pm New Girl
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 6:00pm 2 Broke Girls
 6:30pm 2 Broke Girls
 7:00pm The Big Bang Theory
 7:30pm The Big Bang Theory
 8:00pm Hollyoaks
 8:30pm The Goldbergs
 9:00pm The Goldbergs
 9:30pm The Goldbergs
 10:00pm Rude Tube
 11:00pm 8 Out of 10 Cats
 11:50pm The Big Bang Theory
 12:20am The Big Bang Theory

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8:00am Good Morning Sports Fans
 9:00am Live British and Irish Lions Tour
 12:00pm The Premier League Years
 2:00pm British and Irish Lions Tour Highlights
 3:00pm European U21 Championship Highlights
 3:30pm Premier League Legends
 4:00pm British and Irish Lions Highlights
 5:00pm European U21 Championship Highlights
 5:30pm Live European U21 Championship
Serbia v Macedonia
 8:00pm European U21 Championship Highlights
 8:30pm Live European U21 Championship
Portugal v Spain
 11:00pm British and Irish Lions Tour Highlights
 12:00am Premier League Legends

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7:00am Good Morning Britain
 9:30am Lorraine
 10:25am The Jeremy Kyle Show
 11:30am This Morning
The popular morning lifestyle magazine show with advice, chat and competitions.
 1:30pm Loose Women
 2:00pm ITV Lunchtime News
 2:30pm ITV Racing Live
Royal Ascot.
 7:00pm Local News and Weather
 7:30pm ITV Evening News
 8:00pm Emmerdale
 9:00pm Martin Lewis Live
 10:00pm Trouble in Poundland
 11:00pm ITV News
 11:40pm Holiday Horrors: Caught on Camera
Compilation series featuring clips of things going wrong on a (not so) relaxing holiday.
 12:40am The Chase

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7:10am You've Been Framed!
 7:35am Vanderpump Rules
 8:20am The Ellen DeGeneres Show
 9:00am Emmerdale
 9:30am Coronation Street
 10:00am Coronation Street
 10:35am Scorpion
 11:25am Below Deck
 12:25pm Vanderpump Rules
 1:20pm Emmerdale
 1:55pm Coronation Street
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 6:00pm Judge Rinder
 7:00pm You've Been Framed!
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 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 Love Island
 11:00pm Family Guy
 11:30pm Family Guy
 12:00am Family Guy

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7:00am Man About the House
 7:25am Heartbeat
 8:30am Where the Heart is
 9:30am Wild at Heart
 10:35am Judge Judy
 11:05am Judge Judy
 11:35am Judge Judy
 12:00pm Road to Avonlea
 1:00pm Love Your Garden
Alan Titchmarsh presents the series which shows viewers how to get the most from their gardens no matter what the size.
 2:05pm Heartbeat
 3:05pm The Royal
 4:10pm Wild at Heart
 5:15pm Man About the House
 5:50pm Rising Damp
 6:20pm George and Mildred
 6:55pm Heartbeat
 8:00pm Murder, She Wrote
 9:00pm Midsomer Murders
 11:00pm Law and Order: UK
 12:00am Wycliffe
 1:00am The Knock

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7:00am Minder
 7:55am Cash Cowboys
 8:50am The Saint
 9:55am Ironside
 11:00am ITV Racing: The Opening Show
 12:00pm Minder
 1:00pm Counting Cars
 1:30pm Counting Cars
 2:00pm Pawn Stars
 2:30pm Pawn Stars
 2:55pm The Saint
 4:00pm Ironside
 5:00pm Quincy, M.E.
 6:05pm Cash Cowboys
 7:05pm Counting Cars
 7:35pm Counting Cars
 8:00pm Pawn Stars
 8:30pm Pawn Stars
 9:00pm World Superbike Highlights
 10:00pm Benidorm
Comedy series set in Benidorm at the Solana all-inclusive resort.
 11:00pm Green Street
 12:05am FYI Daily
 12:10am Green Street

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2:35pm Backdraft
 5:00pm Vigilante Diaries
 7:00pm The Huntsman: Winter's War
 9:00pm Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen
 11:35pm Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl
 2:00am True Lies

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8:05am Sadie's Last Days on Earth
 9:45am Paul
 11:35am Hot Shots! Part Deux
 1:10pm Ghostbusters
 3:10pm How to be Single
 5:05pm Vacation
 6:50pm Notting Hill
 9:00pm Paul
 11:00pm Ghostbusters
 Superbad
 3:00am The Overnight

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7:00am The Top Ten Show 2017
 7:20am Café Society
 9:10am The Mummy: Special
 9:40am Rock Dog
 11:25am War Dogs
 1:25pm The Childhood of a Leader
Ignored by his distant, disciplinarian parents, a young boy develops into an ego-driven brat whose behaviour becomes increasingly unsettling.
 3:30pm The Tiger Hunter
 5:30pm Rock Dog
 7:15pm Café Society
 9:00pm War Dogs
 11:00pm The Childhood of a Leader
 1:05am The Tiger Hunter
 3:00am Johnny Frank
 Garrett's Last Word
 4:45am A Patch of Fog

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7:00am Cricket Classics
 8:00am WWE SmackDown!
 9:00am Cricket's Greatest
 9:30am Cricket's Greatest
 10:00am Cricket Classics
 11:00am Great Sporting Moments
 11:15am Great Sporting Moments
 11:30am Great Sporting Moments
 11:45am Great Sporting Moments
 12:00pm Live ATP Tennis - Halle
 7:30pm Cricket Gold
 7:40pm Cricket Gold
 7:50pm Cricket Gold
 8:00pm Live Greyhound Racing
The quarter-finals of the Greyhound Derby at Towcester Greyhound Stadium.
 10:30pm Cricket Gold
 10:40pm Cricket Gold
 10:50pm Cricket Gold
 11:00pm Cricket's Greatest
 11:30pm Cricket's Greatest
 12:00am Ashes Best Days

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10:15am	Crimewatch
11:00am	Homes Under the Hammer
12:00pm	Fake Britain <i>Dominic Littlewood investigates scams across the UK.</i>
12:45pm	The Housing Enforcers
1:15pm	Bargain Hunt
2:00pm	BBC News
2:30pm	Regional News
2:45pm	Doctors
3:15pm	Impossible
4:00pm	Escape to the Country
4:45pm	Yes Chef
5:30pm	Street Auction
6:15pm	Pointless
7:00pm	BBC News
7:30pm	Regional News
8:00pm	The One Show
9:00pm	Eat Well for Less
10:00pm	The Met: Policing London
11:00pm	BBC News
11:30pm	Regional News
11:40pm	Weather
11:45pm	Room 101
12:25am	Supersize Cabbies
12:55am	Weather for the Week Ahead

BBC TWO

7:00am	Emergency Rescue Down Under
7:30am	Bargain Hunt
8:15am	Yes Chef <i>Cookery programme in which teams made up of a professional chef and an amateur cook go head-to-head.</i>
9:00am	Gardeners' World
10:00am	Victoria Derbyshire
12:00pm	BBC Newsroom Live
12:30pm	The Daily Politics <i>Political show examining the latest news, views and moves in the world of politics.</i>
2:00pm	Lifeline
2:10pm	Tennis
7:00pm	Eggheads
7:30pm	Curious Creatures
8:00pm	Mary Berry Everyday
8:30pm	Great British Menu
9:00pm	Gardeners' World
10:00pm	Brexit Means Brexit
11:00pm	White Gold
11:30pm	Newsnight
12:10am	Weather
12:15am	Hospital
1:15am	Horizon

BBC FOUR

8:00pm	100 Days +
8:30pm	Great British Railway Journeys
9:00pm	Sound of Cinema: The Music that Made the Movies
10:00pm	Burton and Taylor
11:25pm	Parkinson, the Richard Burton, Interview
12:00am	Locomotion: Dan Snow's History of Railways <i>Dan Snow examines the development of the railways.</i>
1:00am	Fair Cop: A Century of British Policewomen
2:35am	Scotland's Home Movies <i>Nostalgic documentary charting how making home movies became a cultural phenomenon in Scotland, with a look back at some of the first examples of Scottish home movies from the 1920s.</i>

CHANNEL 4

7:00am	Countdown
7:45am	Will and Grace
8:10am	Will and Grace
8:35am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:00am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:35am	Frasier
10:05am	Frasier
10:35am	Frasier
11:05am	Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA
12:00pm	A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun
1:00pm	Channel 4 News
1:05pm	Couples Come Dine with Me
2:05pm	Posh Pawnbrokers
3:10pm	Countdown
4:00pm	Fifteen to One
5:00pm	Best of Both Worlds
6:00pm	Four in a Bed
6:30pm	Come Dine with Me
7:00pm	The Simpsons
7:30pm	Hollyoaks
8:00pm	Channel 4 News
9:00pm	Ackley Bridge
10:00pm	24 Hours in A and E
11:00pm	Fargo
12:05am	24 Hours in Police Custody
1:10am	Naked Attraction
2:05am	The Supervet

CHANNEL 5

7:00am	Milkshake! <i>Programming aimed at children aged two to seven years old.</i>
10:15am	The Wright Stuff
12:15pm	House Doctor
1:10pm	5 News <i>The latest news coverage.</i>
1:15pm	Big Brother
2:15pm	Home and Away
2:45pm	Neighbours
3:15pm	NCIS: Los Angeles
4:15pm	Hit and Run
6:00pm	5 News
6:30pm	Neighbours
7:00pm	Home and Away
7:30pm	5 News
8:00pm	Police Interceptors
9:00pm	GP's: Behind Closed Doors <i>Documentary taking a look at what goes on in the consultation room.</i>
10:00pm	Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
11:00pm	Big Brother
12:05am	Big Brother's Bit on the Side
1:05am	Cricket on 5
2:00am	Super Casino
4:10am	Wentworth Prison

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9:00am	Rules of Engagement
9:30am	Rules of Engagement
10:00am	Melissa and Joey
10:30am	Melissa and Joey
11:00am	Baby Daddy
11:30am	Baby Daddy
12:00pm	How I Met Your Mother
12:30pm	How I Met Your Mother
1:00pm	New Girl
1:30pm	New Girl
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2:30pm	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
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8:30pm	The Goldbergs
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9:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
10:00pm	The 100
11:00pm	Gogglebox
12:00am	The Big Bang Theory

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10:00am	British and Irish Lions Tour Highlights
11:00am	The Premier League Years
1:00pm	Football's Greatest
1:30pm	Football's Greatest
2:00pm	British and Irish Lions Tour Highlights
3:00pm	Premier League Legends
3:30pm	Premier League Legends
4:00pm	Spanish Football Gold
4:15pm	Spanish Football Gold
4:30pm	British and Irish Lions Tour Highlights
5:30pm	Live European U21 Championship <i>Czech Republic v Italy</i>
8:00pm	Barclays Premier League World
8:30pm	Live European U21 Championship <i>Germany v Denmark</i>
11:00pm	Barclays Premier League World
11:30pm	Football's Greatest Teams
12:00am	Premier League Legends

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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
2:00pm	ITV Lunchtime News <i>A thorough round-up of this lunchtime's main national and international news.</i>
2:30pm	ITV Racing Live <i>Royal Ascot.</i>
7:00pm	Local News and Weather
7:30pm	ITV Evening News
8:00pm	Emmerdale
8:30pm	Coronation Street <i>More drama and turmoil from the residents of Coronation Street in the longest running TV Soap.</i>
9:00pm	Love Your Garden
10:00pm	Holiday Horrors: Caught on Camera
11:00pm	ITV News
11:40pm	Trouble in Poundland
12:45am	BTCC Highlights
2:05am	Jackpot247

itv2

7:00am	The Hot Desk
7:10am	You've Been Framed!
7:35am	Vanderpump Rules
8:20am	The Ellen DeGeneres Show
9:00am	Emmerdale
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3:00pm	The Ellen DeGeneres Show
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4:55pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show
6:00pm	Judge Rinder
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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	Love Island
11:00pm	Celebrity Juice
11:50pm	Family Guy
12:20am	Family Guy
12:50am	American Dad!
1:20am	American Dad!
1:45am	Two and a Half Men
2:15am	Bordertown

itv3

7:00am	Man About the House
7:25am	Heartbeat <i>Drama, set in the North Yorkshire moors in the 1960s.</i>
8:30am	Where the Heart is
9:30am	Wild at Heart
10:30am	Judge Judy
11:00am	Judge Judy
11:30am	Judge Judy
11:55am	Road to Avonlea
12:55pm	Love Your Garden
2:00pm	Heartbeat
3:05pm	The Royal
4:10pm	Wild at Heart
5:15pm	Man About the House
5:50pm	Rising Damp
6:20pm	George and Mildred
6:55pm	Heartbeat
8:00pm	Murder, She Wrote <i>Drama series about a sleuthing writer who solves murder mysteries.</i>
9:00pm	Lewis
11:00pm	Law and Order: UK <i>Crime drama based on the hit US series Law and Order.</i>
12:00am	Inspector Morse
2:10am	The Knock

itv4

7:00am	Minder
7:55am	Cash Cowboys
8:55am	The Saint
9:55am	Ironsides
11:00am	ITV Racing: The Opening Show
12:00pm	Minder
1:05pm	The Saint
2:05pm	Counting Cars
2:40pm	Counting Cars
3:05pm	Pawn Stars
3:35pm	Pawn Stars
4:00pm	Pawn Stars
4:30pm	FIFA Confederations Cup 2017
7:15pm	Sports Filler
7:30pm	FIFA Confederations Cup 2017
10:15pm	British Superbike Highlights
11:15pm	Reservoir Dogs <i>A group of perfect strangers have been assembled to pull off the perfect heist.</i>
12:15am	FYI Daily
12:20am	Reservoir Dogs
1:20am	Lethal Weapon
2:20am	Quincy, M.E.
3:25am	Tommy Cooper
3:50am	ITV4 Nightscreen
4:00am	Teleshopping

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12:40pm	Jack Reacher: Never Go Back
2:50pm	The Longest Day
5:50pm	Spider-Man
8:00pm	Jack Reacher: Never Go Back
10:00pm	Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest
12:35am	The Mummy Returns
2:50am	Face/Off

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7:45am	Lessons in Love
9:35am	Dope
11:25am	Trainwreck
1:35pm	Mike and Dave Need Wedding Dates
3:25pm	Ride Along 2
5:15pm	The Top Ten Show 2017
5:30pm	The Bad Education Movie
7:15pm	Me Him Her
9:00pm	Mike and Dave Need Wedding Dates
10:45pm	Ride Along 2
12:40am	Trainwreck
2:50am	Team America: World Police

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7:00am	The Childhood of a Leader
9:10am	Café Society
11:00am	Rock Dog
12:45pm	Pirates of the Caribbean: Salazar's Revenge: Special Sky Movies takes a special look at the fifth instalment in the swashbuckling series, starring Johnny Depp, Javier Bardem and Geoffrey Rush.
1:15pm	War Dogs
3:15pm	The Tiger Hunter
5:15pm	Café Society
7:00pm	The Top Ten Show 2017 <i>Which movies are doing the best business at home and across the pond?</i>
7:20pm	Rock Dog
9:00pm	War Dogs
11:00pm	Julietta
12:55am	The Childhood of a Leader
3:05am	Downhill
4:40am	Johnny Frank Garrett's Last Word

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11:45am	Great Sporting Moments
12:00pm	Sporting Heroes
1:00pm	Cricket Classics
2:00pm	Great Sporting Moments
2:15pm	Great Sporting Moments
2:30pm	Great Sporting Moments
2:45pm	Great Sporting Moments
3:00pm	Sporting Records
3:30pm	Sporting Records
4:00pm	Great Sporting Moments
4:15pm	Great Sporting Moments
4:30pm	Great Sporting Moments
4:45pm	Great Sporting Moments
5:00pm	Darts Gold
5:15pm	Darts Gold
5:30pm	Boxing Gold
5:45pm	Boxing Gold
6:00pm	Cricket's Greatest
6:30pm	Cricket's Greatest
7:00pm	Cricket
11:00pm	Cricket's Greatest
11:30pm	Cricket's Greatest
12:00am	Cricket
4:00am	Cricket Classics

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Cover up! It's time for a new law

SIR,
When is Spain going to clean up its act and ban tourists... and sadly in a few cases local residents... walking around the streets half naked.

While it is easy to blame the Brits having now lived near Mojacar for the last five years I can assure you some German and also a few Scandinavian visitors – though to a lesser degree – are also among those who choose to walk around the streets and go window shopping without shirts on, or in the case of women, in just bikini bottoms.

In the South of France local laws are in place making such behaviour illegal, and anyone walking around without a shirt or in beach attire can be fined on the spot.

Keep beach wear and partial nudity where it belongs, which is the beach.

Spain will be a better and more attractive summer destination if and when it makes such attire illegal away from around pools and on the beach.

*Nora Caulcott
Torre*

Security smile

I AM delighted – yet a little surprised – to note (*EWN Issue 1665*) that Marbella is now considering installing CTV cameras in various places including Puerto Banus and La Canada shopping mall.

Having lived on the Costa del Sol for almost 10 years, when the idea of such security checks in Puerto Banus was mooted several years ago, local businesses fought the suggestion as it was feared cameras would frighten some clients away.

One can glean for ones-self the base of such concerns given the criminal leanings of a few of the big spending people who frequent the ritzy port throughout the year, and especially in summer.

Marbella is well aware of this, as are many people living and vis-



PUERTO BANUS: Security likely to be stepped up.

iting Spain.

Additionally having once been robbed in the car park of La Canada – I was distracted by a stranger, only to later discover my handbag had been stolen while giving directions - CTV cameras will be a huge

bonus, for the mall offers excellent facilities, but in this day and age crime is something we must all fight against.

*R Craddock
Estepona*

Adios English!

WHY is it that so many British living in Spain do not even try to learn at least a little Spanish.

I have now been here for three years, and can still only master a few simple sentences, despite numerous lessons and ongoing attempts to improve.

But one thing is clear.

My efforts, however poor, are invariably welcomed by local Spanish people, who either do their best to understand me, or try to speak to me in my own mother-tongue English.

I look forward to the day when – just perhaps – I am fluent, for despite the fact I am now retired and many say I am too old to learn a new language, just imagine the pleasure I will get from mastering all the idiosyncrasies that seem to exist.

Having said that, perhaps in reality it is the strange English language that is befuddling my linguistic brain!

*Name and address supplied
Costa Blanca*

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Comments from EWN online

» Gay friendly traffic lights in Madrid

Surely Spain as a country emerging from years of recession would have better things they could spend the money on !!!

Anyway, where are heterosexual people supposed to cross the road now?

Rob Ogden

It's good to see some light in Madrid!

Amandine

» Have the dissenters gone quiet? (Leapy Lee)

Media commentators can skew our perceptions away from reality if we're not careful. The dreadful terror attacks in the UK have been truly awful for those caught up in them and my heart goes out to the victims, their families and friends.

But everywhere else in the UK and the whole wide world billions of the rest of us have been leading normal lives at work, or we've been out and about enjoying ourselves, or having a quiet night in without experiencing any terrorism at all - except maybe for those who were glued to the blanket media coverage.

While it is undoubtedly important to take action against terrorism, it is vital that we keep a sense of proportion. Countless billions of us live our entire lives into a ripe old age

without ever becoming involved in a terrorist incident. The vast majority of people on the planet never see terrorism at first hand. Without the 24-hour news media they might not be aware of it at all.

It's a fact there are many more deaths every year from accidents at home than from terrorism, but we don't waste time being afraid of our own homes!

Brian Eagleson

» Mega drug bust in Madrid

They are a greedy and arrogant bunch. They are making their money by hurting others.

How many OD because of their actions?

Too many!

The authorities are helping put these criminals behind bars where they belong.

Great job guys on a job well done!!!!

Guy Campbell

» Battered, bothered and bewildered by a boring election campaign (Nora Johnson)

Spot on about everything-especially Brown and Blair - yesterday's men!

Stevie

» Scottish voters save the Conservatives

Great Scot! That clever Ruth Davidson has saved Theresa May's bacon by delivering 13 Scottish Tory MPs! A lucky number for her and 12 more than before, undoubtedly keeping the keys to No 10 in Theresa's handbag - for the moment. Her huge losses to Labour in England would have made her position completely untenable without those additional Scottish MPs. Who would have thought Scotland would save a Tory government? Life is full of surprises these days.

With the SNP still the third largest party in Westminster, the DUP in a government coalition, and all those Scottish Tory MPs in government, Scotland and Northern Ireland now have more power over the Brexit negotiations than ever before. How ironic, considering the PM previously ignored both countries completely! It's worth remembering both those countries voted to stay IN the EU. A second EU referendum is now much more likely. Some MPs are even saying Stormont has just imposed Direct Rule on Westminster! It's usually the other way round. Talk about a Coalition of Chaos!

The Irish border will dominate the talks at last. Seriously, how can a UK which has left the EU continue to have an open border with it in Ireland? I've said before I wouldn't want to be in Theresa May's shoes. That's even more true now. Boy, those high heels must be killers! And she's bound to lose the keys to No 10 sooner rather than later.

Brian

Be warned

I'VE been coming to Benidorm now for the last 14 years twice a year with my wife. It is brilliant we love the place and have never had any problems. On Wednesday June 7, I took my wife shopping and she bought a €160 leather coat before we decided to go to the church in the Old Town. An opportunistic thief stole the coat which was beside my wife in the church, leaving her devastated.

Geoff, Wirral, Merseyside

Election mess

WELL, after all the huffing and puffing, the election was finally decided and it resulted in a hung Parliament. That I would suggest is the last thing that anybody wanted, however it demonstrated the arrogance of Theresa May and the total misreading of the British electorate. She gambled, she lost, big style. Her 'strong and stable' government is anything but.

What a shambles!!

Philip, San Fulgencio

An exclusive interview

Today Michel Euesden, Managing Director went along to Oakland Furniture to meet and interview Steve Day, Managing Director of Oak Land Furniture Spain.

The Euro Weekly News were delighted to be able to get the interview as Steve is not well-known to hold them and doesn't like the limelight, so it was certainly an exclusive scoop for the coast's number one expat newspaper.

■ **MICHEL:**

Well Steve, here we are at your San Pedro store and I must say it looks magnificent with such a large choice not only of solid oak furniture but also wonderful sofas too. Firstly I would like to say thank you for allowing us this interview as I understand you don't like publicity and interviews. May I firstly ask as it's intriguing why is that?

■ **STEVE:**

Ha ha, straight to the point as always Michel, wouldn't expect any more from you, but that's why I enjoy my team working alongside the EWN Media Group as it does exactly what it says it's going to do. You have a fantastic group of newspapers here in Spain.

■ **MICHEL:**

Thanks for the compliment Steve but you haven't answered my question and this is only my first one!

■ **STEVE:**

I guess I'm quite a shy person deep down but it's more than that, the business is not about me, it's all about the furniture and my great team of employees, without both of those the business wouldn't achieve what it does. I often wish wardrobes could talk as they and other items are the real success of the business!

At the end of the day if you haven't got a quality product then there's no longevity to your business, rather like your newspaper hey Michel! If you printed rubbish people wouldn't read your newspaper, but as we know you deliver a great read and that's why you have been on the coast for so many years! It's the same for my furniture, we deliver a full USP, 100 per cent solid oak throughout the product, building a product that will last the client a lifetime. It's not about me, it's about the furniture and so I like to sit in the background and allow the furniture to stand out and do the talking, customers can come in store and see the quality of the product and it stands out.

On the shop floor our ethos is the furniture sings out and the store staff just answer questions and explain procedures, we don't employ sales people in effect as the aim is to build the highest quality and designs that stands out.

■ **MICHEL:**

Steve, whilst we are not here to talk about my newspapers thank you again for the compliment, but yes we carry that same ethos within our business. Now can we stick to the questions without the swing back to me!

So obviously all this lovely furniture



The cuts of wood we use to manufacture the furniture are of the highest quality.

in store, who designs it all and where does it actually come from?

■ **STEVE:**

Well as you can see the cuts of wood that we use to manufacture the furniture are of the highest quality, the wood itself comes North America from substantial forests complying with all strict EU timber regulations.

We use the highest grade which is North American white oak grade 1 on all the natural oak finished ranges. These are the cleanest cuts with the least knots if any and the most beautiful grains. With our rustic oak finishes we use grade 2 as we want the slight blemishes and knots to create the rustic look.

Anyway the logs are sent to our factories in both China and Vietnam where 90 per cent of the world's oak furniture is produced, the factories work to our designs and produce the furniture en masse to ensure the manufacturing process is economical to be able to offer our low retail prices. So for instance we do a production run of double wardrobes and then ship 40 foot sea containers to the warehouse in Swindon of double wardrobes, Swindon warehouse receives on a daily basis around 35-40 containers per day, every day six days a week.

The designs of our furniture are all exclusive to us and design protected and are all actually designed in-house by ourselves which I feel we are very good at, but this also saves huge designer fees to which again we pass on the savings to our customers.

Designer fees are very large in the industry we are in, so as we all have an eye for design we make some great savings.

■ **MICHEL:**

So Steve do you go to the Far East yourself to the factories and what's it like there if so?

■ **STEVE:**

In the early days of the business, the answer is yes, I probably spent 50 per cent of the year there, you had to as we had to train factories how we expected our furniture quality to be produced. I lived in Dalian which is north China, where the majority of factories are, as

STEVE DAY:
Managing Director.



well as Qingdao, China. Whilst huge it is strange as different products are manufactured in different regions, although we did get down to Shanghai and Beijing many times.

North China is beautiful and not how you would imagine, lovely coast line, great sea food and clean air! Over the last few years China has changed so much, I remember the first ever trip back in 2001 and as myself and my travel companion went down for breakfast we didn't like the look of the food as it was quite extreme to say the least, so we decided to stick with what looked hard boiled eggs, the waiter brought them over in a basket with a pair of chopsticks, we knocked the top off the egg to discover the chop sticks were for eating the chick!

Thankfully as the years have gone by and the country has become more modern, better food is now more available!

I don't go as much now as all the production is built up and as the business has grown Quality Control teams are now in place.

Vietnam we also use too, they have caught up with the supply market and chain and do a fantastic job as well. In fact in furniture making terms they are now more competitive and trips there are enjoyable, but again less frequent as QC teams on the ground.

Lovely places to visit but now I focus my main time here in Spain in the sunshine as we have a lot of work to do as we progress through Spain, Portugal and France.

■ **MICHEL:**

Yes Steve I saw on your website that delivery options are available to Portugal and France too, was that planned?

■ **STEVE:**

In truth no, it wasn't in the initial plans but when we launched in Spain some eight months ago now, lots of inquiries came in via the website requesting it and so we set up the delivery infrastructure to incorporate the ex-pats in those countries as well. No point turning away valued business!

■ **MICHEL:**

You haven't hung around there then Steve, so what was the initial plan and why Spain?

■ **STEVE:**

At my age I don't have time to hang around these days Michel! If I was as young as you maybe I would have more time!

■ **MICHEL:**

For someone who claims to be shy you are a bit of a charmer that's sure! Now back to the question why Spain?

■ **STEVE:**

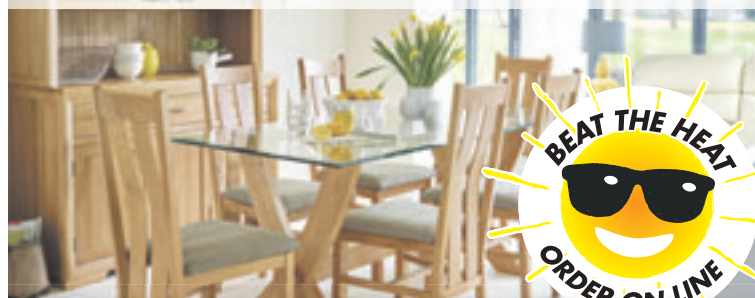
Firstly I have always loved Spain and it was a good excuse to move here, but more importantly we could see the potential, we had customers on a weekly basis inquiring in the UK operation if we delivered to Spain. At the time we didn't and customers were paying a small fortune to ship the furniture over themselves. So clearly there was a market opportunity and a service to provide. Customers obviously know our



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We have launched a website in Spanish for the Spanish nation.

times, but I always believe there's room to improve. Everything is about the customer within our company. As we cover so many thousands of miles on delivery routes so our customers can enjoy the benefits of our furniture, we have to strive hard and we do with a great delivery infrastructure, as well as fantastic communication channels from the team to the customer.

■ **MICHEL:**

So Steve simple question, what's your biggest frustration?

■ **STEVE:**

Honestly, foot flow to the store, yes I know that the trading patterns are different here in Spain, but I still can't get my head around it totally, yes I get it's a modern world and people use the Internet and website, I get they know our quality product and brand but it still frustrates me, that's probably because I'm used to large store foot flows. The Store Manager Nik probably holds the largest conversion rate ever because everyone who comes to the store purchases in the main as they have already done their homework via the web. I guess I'm just an old-fashioned retailer but I will always find it strange that a customer will order say from Mijas on the web when the store's only 15 minutes away. I guess it doesn't really make any difference to us, but we do like to show off our fantastic products and showroom. Just a personal frustration really, just an age thing I guess!

■ **MICHEL:**

Okay that's your frustrations, but do you have a pet hate?

■ **STEVE:**

I try not to have them as it's never the end of the world, but there

are a few. Advertising reps calling the store phone number has always been one for 30-odd years now. The phone line is for our customers to inquire about furniture not a free tool for advertising reps who can't be bothered to call in store and show what they have to offer.

It does really wind me up this especially as the phone line could be engaged whilst a customer is trying to get through. I can't believe advertising reps can't see it's annoying and reduces their chances of obtaining business!

I have to say we don't get it too bad here as we have carefully selected our media partners like yourself Michel but it's a pet hate of many years. Calls have dropped in recent years but at the same time spam emails have gone up which are just as bad. I believe if you have something decent to offer go out and demonstrate and sell it.

■ **MICHEL:**

So with the showroom open in San Pedro, the website clearly fully operational and the delivery structure all in place with deliveries basically going out on a weekly basis across Europe to what appears rapid rate, what's next?

■ **STEVE:**

The first thing is always to both maintain and improve where possible standards and customer service. You have to establish a solid foundation to ensure when you do further expand you are ready for it and that it doesn't affect current business and customers.

We have though launched a website in full Spanish for the Spanish nation, we love Spanish people, their way of life and thank them for allowing us to bring our business to their country. At the same time I

hope they will enjoy and take advantage of our great product ranges and quality furniture. The website is www.oaklandmuebles.com.

We have employed recently the lovely Lola Lopez to work both at the showroom and operate the Spanish website. It's a very important project for me at present.

We also have as many customers know a superb choice of sofas at the finest low prices so we have also added www.sofastorespain.com.

■ **MICHEL:**

Another store Steve?

■ **STEVE:**

Yes for sure, the next one will be in the Costa Blanca somewhere in 2018 I would imagine, but it may change route dependent on how the Spanish website performs. Things never go to plan so it's a matter of how it all unfolds, maybe your readers could tell us if they want a store in Costa Blanca, if they do they can let me know by emailing info@oaklandfurniturespain.com.

■ **MICHEL:**

Steve it's been an absolute pleasure to meet you today and thank you so much for the interview. I know you don't like doing them so it's an honour for us at the *Euro Weekly News* to have one. Thanks again and I'll leave you to get on with your work as I see the email inbox on your computer is filling up. Thanks again Steve.

■ **STEVE:**

Never an issue for you Michel and thank you for the amazing services you provide to **Oak Land Furniture Spain**. Shall we go for a pint now? All this talking has made me thirsty in this heat!

product and brands so in realistic terms it made sense.

■ **MICHEL:**

Many people reading this could be thinking about starting a business here themselves, how did you find it to the UK and how different is it?

■ **STEVE:**

Patience is required for starters and a few deep breaths at times! But overall it's rather much the same although trading patterns are very different to the UK, the main reason being that the expat market is very spread out along the coast in the main. So we get less people to the showroom and more through the website. As the expat knows our brands and products from the UK and of course see the UK adverts on TV here in Spain, we had to build the infrastructure internally to cover all options to enable us to deliver further distances from our Malaga-

based warehouse. For instance delivery vans at home go out for a day's work but here in Spain they can go out for a week's work.

It took a lot of planning and selecting the correct delivery teams was important too. Yes of course we have the product but we have to back the product up with the service.

■ **MICHEL:**

Yes I agree, the customer should always receive good service, I've taken a look at the reviews on your website and see that you have a 9.8 five star rating on the independent review website Trust Pilot, that's very very impressive!

■ **STEVE:**

I'm sorry it's not impressive enough, it should be 10.10 in my book, but we will achieve it. Yes it's a great score because we work so hard to deliver the full customer service at all



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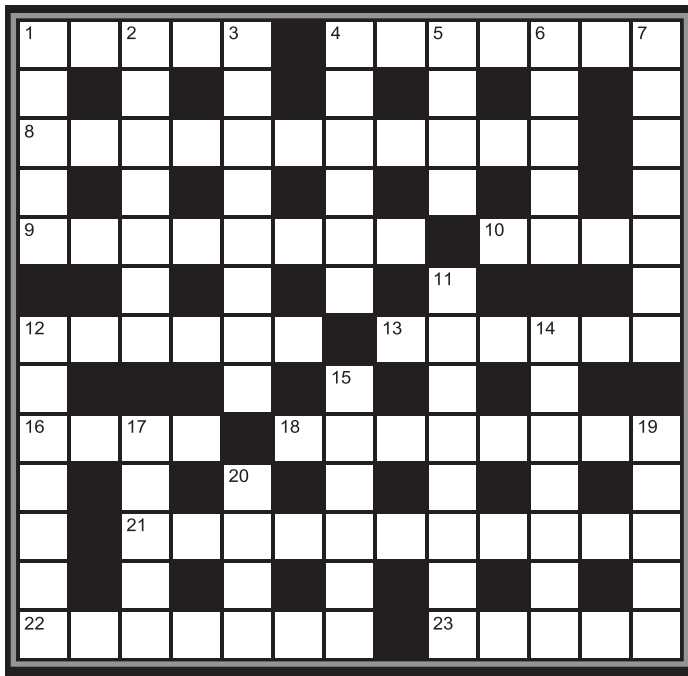
Cryptic

Across

- 1 Support parade proudly (5)
- 4 Plots resistance in different places (7)
- 8 Commemorate memorial, it's rebuilt (11)
- 9 Take flight until tar is repaired (4,4)
- 10 Eye infection encountered in the first years of life (4)
- 12 Increases the number of dandies (6)
- 13 The approach or escape includes tedious tasks (6)
- 16 Ailment causing nasty eruptions, initially (4)
- 18 Detective is indeed comprehensive (8)
- 21 Hag can smell crooked coppers (5,6)
- 22 Beginning the climb after first of November (7)
- 23 Fibre used in optics is altered (5)

Down

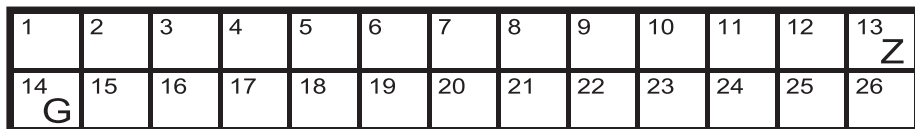
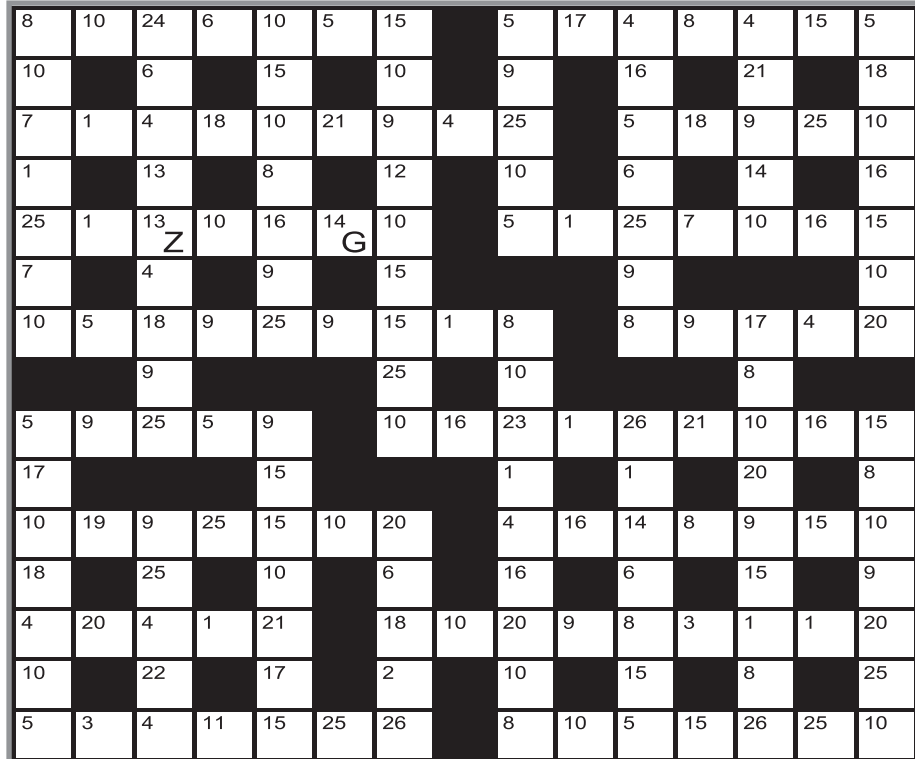
- 1 Broke the family, in a way (5)
- 2 Regret about an inspector (7)
- 3 Accelerator or choke (8)
- 4 Good natured head of clan is wearing tartan (6)
- 5 Bitterly reproach perjurer for going back (4)
- 6 Upstanding characters from



- Crete (5)
- 7 Bags of cash confused alien skinhead (7)
- 11 Covers The Ashes broadcast (8)
- 12 Rank of Victoria for example (7)
- 14 Softens on the French in tears (7)
- 15 Farmer loth to consume wine (6)
- 17 Sent school head faulty dens (5)
- 19 Live in Erskine Caldwell's house (5)
- 20 We must accept silver as payment (4)

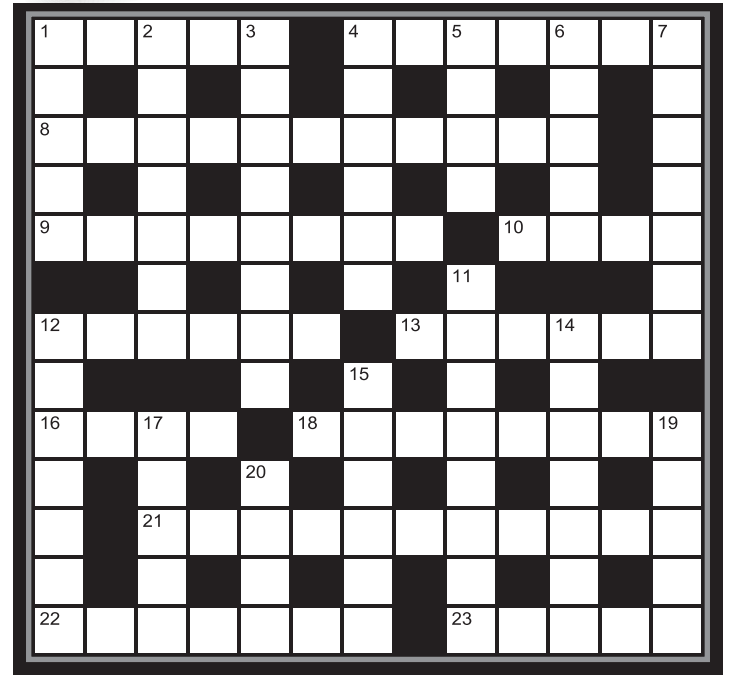
Each number in the Code Breaker grid represents a different letter of the alphabet. In this week's puzzle, 13 represents Z and 14 represents G, so fill in Z every time the figure 13 appears and G every time the figure 14 appears. Now, using your knowledge of the English language, work out which letters 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.

Code Breaker



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION FACING PAGE

Quick



Across

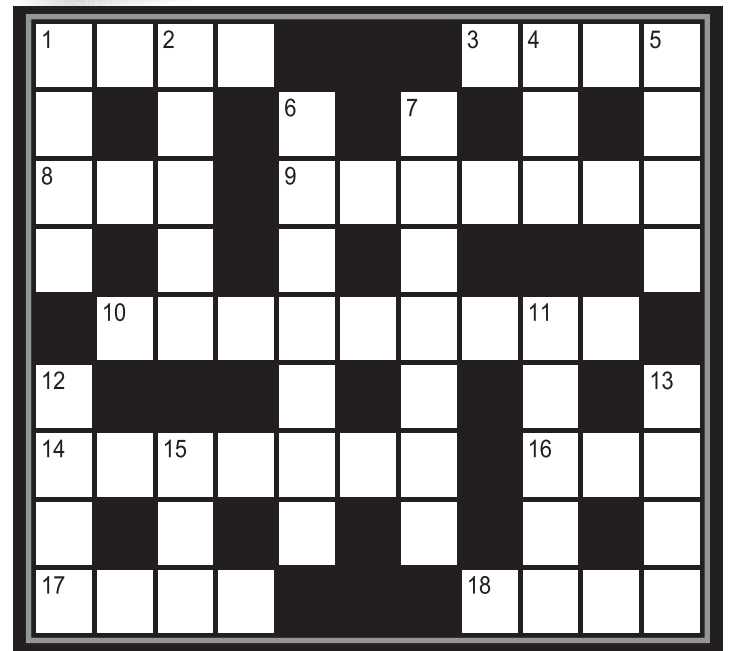
- 1 Omits (5)
- 4 Pairs of people who live together (7)
- 8 Fundamentally (11)
- 9 Manifold (8)
- 10 Adhesive (4)
- 12 Expensive (6)
- 13 Purchased (6)
- 16 Dark shade of blue (4)
- 18 Messages informing of danger (8)
- 21 Capable of being classified (11)
- 22 Spectacles (7)
- 23 Fragrance (5)

Down

- 1 Water vapour (5)
- 2 Rude expressions intended to offend or hurt (7)
- 3 Showing reason or sound judgment (8)
- 4 Appreciably or disagreeably cold (6)
- 5 Unattractive (4)
- 6 Faithful (5)
- 7 Propose (7)
- 11 Joins (8)
- 12 Marked by skill in deception (7)
- 14 Real (7)
- 15 Differs (6)
- 17 Russian spirit (5)
- 19 Depleted of content, energy, force, strength (5)
- 20 Requests information about (4)

English - Spanish

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



Across

- 1 Well (in a good manner) (4)
- 3 Celery (4)
- 8 Cálido (climate) (3)
- 9 Estirar (7)
- 10 Nightmare (9)
- 14 Mayor (7)

- 16 Ceniza (polvo) (3)
- 17 Toad (4)
- 18 Pinzas (4)

Down

- 1 Owl (long-eared) (4)
- 2 Between (5)
- 4 Mascota (animal doméstico) (3)
- 5 Eight (4)
- 6 Normalmente (7)
- 7 Alabanzas (7)
- 11 Dejar (5)
- 12 Alfombras (pequeñas) (4)
- 13 Este (4)
- 15 Taza (recipiente) (3)

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UK NATIONAL LOTTERY
 Saturday June 10

10 18 28 **BONUS BALL**
 35 36 50 2

IRISH LOTTO
 Saturday June 10

5 6 19 **BONUS BALL**
 20 24 29 39

EURO MILLIONS
 Tuesday June 06

20 22 25 **BONUS BALL**
 37 40 7

Friday June 09 **BONUS BALL**
 9 20 27 10
 39 43 11

LA PRIMITIVA
 Saturday June 10

18 19 22 **BONUS BALL**
 29 35 45 8

EL GORDO DE LA PRIMITIVA
 Sunday June 11

2 3 13 **BONUS BALL**
 29 43 0

YOUR STARS FOR NEXT 7 DAYS

AQUARIUS (January 21 - February 19)
 This is a time to consider finances and keep your options open. Someone who tries to get a fast decision out of you by pushing you into a corner is doing you no favours. You will decide what (if anything) needs to be done when you are good and ready.

LEO (July 24 - August 23)
 Money is good and this can make you over-confident. Beware bank managers offering loans in large amounts. Nothing is for free and you need to look carefully at interest rates right now. Another, more personal, investment also needs looking at right now. Are things going exactly the way you want them to?

PISCES (February 20 - March 20)
 Keep things simple. Getting involved in other people's problems is not for you at the moment. It may be necessary to delay a decision to give yourself time to think. Could you manage a few days away somewhere? Maybe you could stay with a friend or relative. You need some peace and quiet on your own.

VIRGO (August 24 - September 23)
 Aim a bit higher than usual and you may be surprised at your success. When seeing the bigger picture, you realise that it is not so daunting after all.
 If one person can do it, then so can another. It is a matter of how you approach it. What you have to ask yourself this week is why you should accept the minimum when the maximum is so close by.

ARIES (March 21 - April 20)
 Although things are going pretty well, there are some things that could be just a little better organised. The time and money that this saves could be small, but it's the ongoing positive attitude that counts. There have been times recently when you have wondered if your progress on a certain matter would ever start up again.

LIBRA (September 24 - October 23)
 This should be a great time for your finances. Any glitch is likely to be because you have overspent. Even if things still need close attention, you can win if you concentrate. A bit of plotting and planning can work wonders at the moment. Most of your big expenses are behind you and if you can just tighten that belt a wee bit more.

TAURUS (April 21 - May 21)
 It is better if you don't get involved in any high profile, high risk business deals. Success is not assured. This is a time for financial consolidation. Count your pennies and see the pounds collecting in the future. On a cold winter's night it can give a pleasant glow to realise your action during the summer is keeping you warm.

SCORPIO (October 24 - November 22)
 Although things seem fine, this is not a time to overstretch your finances. Spending a lot this week without thought is problematic later. This is a week of shifting and changing and that certainly means your finances. The other area is your social circle, where people come and go, sometimes without warning.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
 Partnerships see you leap ahead on something that was a bit stuck in the mud. A leap in your bank balance follows. Some quick decisions may be called for so it is better to share responsibilities, whatever the outcome. You have a chance to show just how clever you can be, but do it because it gives you personal satisfaction rather than to impress.

SAGITARIUS (November 23 - December 21)
 This is not a particularly lucky week for you, so I would certainly advise caution.
 Gambling is not recommended. Being clever with money is as much about not spending it as about how you spend it.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
 After a hectic start to the week, things seem to have slowed down. Look carefully at what has happened, but remember that there is no point in worrying over something that you cannot change. Sitting tight and waiting for this period to pass could be the best solution. Certainly, it will prove less stressful than fighting a losing corner.

CAPRICORN (December 22 - January 20)
 Look at the long-term picture when considering money matters. What seems like a good deal now may not be so a few years down the line. Someone who appears to be telling a lie may simply have either misunderstood or have the wrong information.

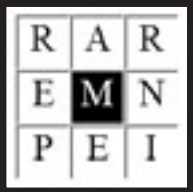
Kakuro

Fill all the empty squares using the numbers 1 to 9, so that the sum of each horizontal block equals the 'clue' on its left, and the sum of each vertical block equals the clue on its top. No number may be used in the same block more than once.



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 M) and there must be **AT LEAST ONE NINE LETTER WORD**. Plurals, vulgarities or proper nouns are not allowed.



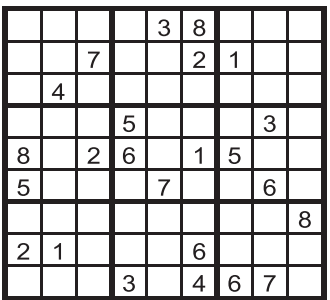
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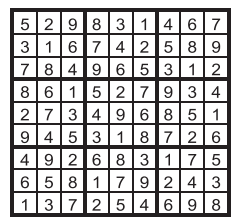
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Sudoku

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



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

CRYPTIC

- Across:**
 1 Talisman, 4 Deal, 8 Libya, 10 Acreage, 11 Reagent, 12 Eats, 14 Notary, 16 Stigma, 19 Grit, 21 Inspire, 24 Insular, 25 Alert, 26 Lush, 27 Asteroid.
- Down:**
 1 Tolerant, 2 Shame, 3 Awaits, 5 Exact, 6 Lied, 7 Ernest, 9 Blast, 13 Talented, 15 Rattle, 17 Grime, 18 Tigris, 20 Rests, 22 Stale, 23 Pill.

QUICK

- Across:**
 1 Shampoo, 5 Cocky, 8 Buddy, 9 Piranha, 10 Uproars, 12 Stein, 13 Desire, 15 Closed, 18 Bling, 19 Epsilon, 21 Expands, 22 Apart, 23 Surge, 24 Success.
- Down:**
 1 Subdued, 2 Adder, 3 Pry, 4 Oppose, 5 Chrysalis, 6 Confess, 7 Yearn, 11 Arrogance, 14 Skipper, 16 Donates, 17 Versus, 18 Bless, 20 Leave, 22 Arc.

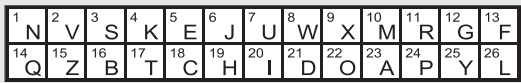
ENGLISH-SPANISH

- Across:**
 1 Marcador, 7 Nadar, 8 Awake, 10 Hoe, 11 Oca, 12 Oil, 13 Aisle, 14 Traje, 15 Bookshop.
- Down:**
 2 Address, 3 Carbonero, 4 Diamantes, 5 Anchoas, 6 Replies, 9 Abogado.

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Good or bad boredom?

BOREDOM. What is boredom? Simply being fed up, having nothing to do at the weekend? Lacking enthusiasm in your work, being uninterested in things?

Boredom has many different levels and experiences and it can affect different people in different ways. It can be healthy, but can also be harmful.

Now, experts have suggested there could be up to five different types of boredom and the 'wrong' sort of boredom can be self-destructive and could lead to an earlier death.

A type of boredom known as 'reactant' is deemed the most harmful by experts. They say this involves strong negative feelings making people restless, angry and stressed. This can also lead to long



FED UP?: Boredom can affect different people in different ways.

term boredom with people more likely to skip school or quit their jobs, as well as smoke, take drugs and binge drink; all factors that can reduce the life expectancy as it was found that the boredom leads to bad habits.

However, 'indifferent' boredom could be beneficial. This is the state where people are not actively doing anything, but they are calm and quiet and so allow their mind to wander off.

This has proven to boost creativity and it is often rec-

ommended to allow children to be 'bored' so they can spend time with themselves, be more creative and stimulate their minds to play and be active without outside factors such as electronics and video games being given to entertain them.



YOGA: Helps patients to be more relaxed.

Try yoga to beat cancer effects

YOGA could help those with breast cancer particularly as it helps patients to be more relaxed and better able to cope with side-effects.

Two studies were presented at the US cancer conference held in Chicago as researchers claimed the activity of yoga had numerous benefits.

As well as lowering the cortisol stress hormone, they reported that those who practised yoga found they slept better and were not so exhausted, which is often a problem with cancer patients going through treatment and reduced pain levels.

The first study was carried out in New York with 321 patients, the majority of whom had breast cancer.

The second study was in Mumbai, India and looked at whether yoga can improve survival rates of breast cancer patients.

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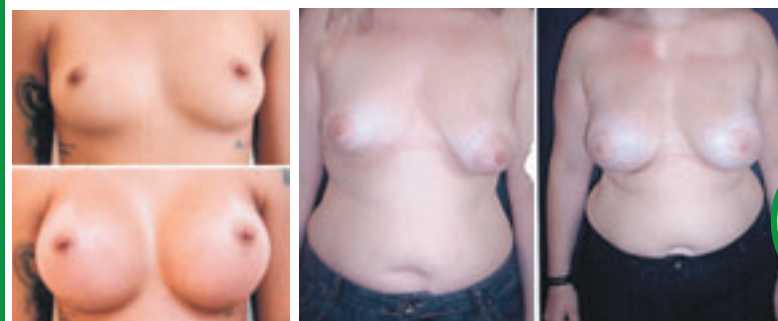
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CHECK UPS: Are important for young children.

Child dental care concerns

NHS dental care is free for children and yet a report has revealed that around 80 per cent of one and two-year-olds in England did not visit an NHS dentist last year. For children up to the age of four, the figure was 60 per cent.

Dental experts recommend children start seeing a dentist as soon as their first teeth start to appear and should continue with annual appointments to help spot any potential problems early on such as tooth decay. This was be-

lieved to be the cause of many of the 9,220 tooth extractions which were performed in hospitals on children aged from one to four during 2015-2016.

Experts say 90 per cent of tooth decay problems are preventable with good oral hygiene. They are calling on the government to carry out more awareness campaigns highlighting the importance of dental check ups in young children and to remind them they are free.

Donors above average

SPAIN continues to break records on the number of organ and tissue donations and transplants.

For 25 consecutive years, Spain continues to be a world leader and in 2016 again increased its figures to more than 43 donors per million inhabitants, totalling 2,018 donors and 4,818 transplants, well above the European average.

The figures were announced as the country marked National Organ Donor Day to celebrate and

“ Those who donate do not know who receives it.

thank the altruistic gesture of all donors and their families.

The Spanish model of organ donation and transplanta-

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Avoid sleeping beauty diet

EXPERTS are warning against the so-called 'sleeping beauty' diet.

The 'diet' advocates sleeping as long as possible so there are less hours in the day to eat. Many women are also relying on sedatives and sleeping pills to enable them to sleep up to 20 hours a day and are at risk of overdosing and becoming addictive.

The diet could also have an impact on the mental health of followers unable to interact or socialise, spending most of the day in bed leading to social isolation and potentially depression. It can also affect a person's body clock and dieters are

more likely to binge eat when awake.

Experts warn sleeping pills should always be used with caution. A study by Keele University found that as they can cause drowsiness and impaired balance, the risk of a fracture doubled in those who relied daily on sleeping pills to get to sleep. In 2015, a University of Washington study also showed a worrying link between sleeping tablets and dementia and researchers from Nottingham University in 2012 found that sleeping pills increase the risk of contracting, and dying from, pneumonia during their study.

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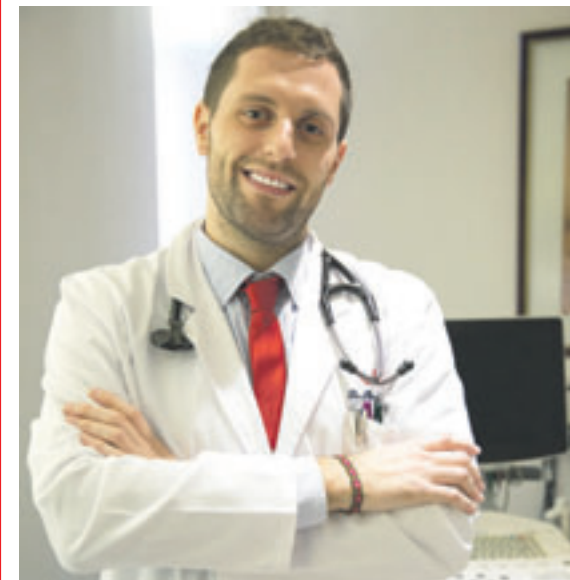
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The common symptoms of jellyfish stings, assuming the patient is not allergic or suffering from some type of illness which could worsen the effects, are: Pain, burning, inflammation and reddening and bleeding.

How do I treat a jellyfish sting?

When a jellyfish stings us, the pain and itchiness is immediate. The first thing that it is necessary to do is clean the area affected by the sting. We should never use freshwater, because it could break the stinging cells, causing another sting.

To clean the area, a saline solution is perfect. In case you don't have one, salt water could also be a solution. For approximately 15 minutes, you should apply cold to the affected zone.

If you use ice, don't apply the ice directly to the sting, but rather cover it with a cloth or a towel.

If any of the tentacle is still stuck to the skin,

remove it, but never with the hands. Use some kind of piners.

You should also use some kind of antihistamine, for the reaction, and a painkiller for the pain. Pregnant women must pay special attention when taking antihistamines. If the pain is very intense, or the victim's condition worsens, they should seek medical attention immediately.

It's not necessary to rub yourself, either with towels or with sand; not with anything that could hurt you even more.

How can I avoid being stung by a jellyfish?

You should keep an eye out for the appearance of these animals on beaches or places where you regularly swim. You should never touch or handle jellyfish if you are not wearing appropriate protective gloves.

Limit yourself to looking at them from far away. They may be curious creatures, but you shouldn't forget that their stings can be dangerous.

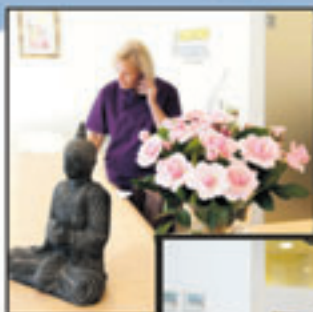
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Skin cancer awareness week

MORE than 250 dermatologists evaluated thousands of Spaniards across 49 provinces in a bid to detect and prevent skin cancer.

The initiative was part of the 2017 melanoma campaign organised by Spain's Academy of Dermatology and Venereology (AEDV), in which 33 other EU countries also participated.

According to AEDV, around 4,000 melanomas are diagnosed each year in Spain and believe around 80 per cent of these could have been avoided if adequate sun protection was used.

Cases are more common in those aged over 50, particularly as sun protection and the damaging sun's rays were less known about a few decades ago, but there are more and more cases of young people being diagnosed due to unhealthy habits of sun exposure.

However, the good news is that 80 per cent of melanomas are cured with surgery and early diagnosis means it is unlikely to have spread to other parts of the body.

During the week-long campaign, specialists analysed moles

and offered free consultations to check people's skin. Different activities were also arranged to remind people of the importance of protecting the skin from the sun's harmful rays and in checking moles for any changes. Remember if you have an existing mole that has changed shape, colour or size, you should get it checked.

Also, look for new moles, spots or lesions that are red, can bleed and are not healing.

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STONE GUARDIANS: Exhibition at Vilamuseu, Villajoyosa.

Rock hard protection

THE Stone Guardians itinerant exhibition has reached Villajoyosa, where it remains until October 20.

Located at a crossroads between kingdoms and cultures, Alicante's inland areas set the scene for power struggles throughout its history. Along the coast the province was also at the mercy of pirate raids.

The Guardianos de piedra are

Alicante Province's 230 castles, fortresses, coastal fortifications and towers and the exhibition details 1,000 years of the defences that once protected it.

The Alicante Archaeological Museum (Marq) exhibition at Vilamuseu is complemented with further information about La Vila's mediaeval castle, the Asuncion fortress-church and the Renaissance town walls to-

gether with two coastal and five inland lookout towers.

The first fiestas were documented in 1752 when the town was still contending with incursions by Barbary pirates.

There are conducted tours of the exhibition on Wednesdays at 11am. For conducted tours at other times or more information, ring 609 771 110 or email visitas@villajoyosa.com.

The Hole shebang!

A TOURING production of a transvestite theatre show is to visit Benidorm

The Hole, which is part cabaret, part musical, with a little circus thrown in for good measure will land at the Julio Iglesias Auditorium, in Parc L'Aiguera next month.

The Madrid-based show, is scheduled for eight nights from July 12 to 19 and will entail an ambitious reworking of the stage to recreate a cabaret club, where the audience sits at tables drinking, whilst watching the performance.



Photo Credit: The Hole.

THE HOLE: Visits Benidorm in July.

Salsa capital

BENIDORM will become the world's capital of latino music and dance next month.

The Benidorm Summer Festival is a 10-day event showcasing the best in salsa, kizomba and Bachata dance and music takes place in the Gran Hotel Bali from July 6 to 16.

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Caption Alfredo and Andrea will be performing at the Benidorm Summer Festival.

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The first zombie experience was held in Altea and since then more than 15,000 people have taken part in similar events in 25 Spanish municipalities.

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And yet we are only a spittoon's distance from the home of Sherry. Jerez is a fabulous city and a visit to the Sherry houses is always worthwhile, as is the Real Escuela Andaluza del Arte Ecuestre (Royal Andalusian School of Equestrian Art) to see an incredible horse show.

I have loved Sherry since I was a kid. It was my Christmas treat even at the age of 10. Just like Mateus Rosé, Liebfraumilch, Blue Nun and Entre-Deux-Mers it was the sort of wine that 60's people drank... as long as it was Bristol Cream!

But to discover the delicate chalky overtones of a delicate Fino, like La Ina, or a rich Oloroso is worth the wait. I once held a dinner where I paired food with Sherry, starting with a great Fino with Oysters and finishing with a rich dessert with the fabulous Pedro Ximenez.

Though I could go on about the attributes of a great Sherry, instead I have asked my friend Rex Leyland, London restaurateur (ret'd) and Sherry aficionado to give me his perspective on the state of Sherry in Andalusia.

**BLUE WINE:
Unusual.**



SPANISH SHERRY: A visit to Jerez is worthwhile.

REX SAYS "I share Garry's annoyance that when I arrive in a restaurant in Andalusia and ask for a copita of Sherry all they offer is a glass of Manzanilla, which technically is not Sherry as it comes from Sanlúcar and not Jerez.* Sometimes they may also offer a glass of Fino, which is of course Sherry, but very dry.

I prefer the other slightly richer Sherries, like most English people, while the Spanish prefer Fino.

Jerez produces many varieties of Sherry that for me are much more exhilarating - namely Old Amontillado, Oloroso Seco, Palo Cortado and abocado, ligadillos, [both local Andalusian words], in common Spanish it is mitad mitad, which is a mix of normally dry and sweeter varieties. These are normally dispensed in front of you so that you can choose which balance of dry and sweet you prefer.

Why can't every restaurant stock the province's most famous wines. This beggar's belief. I can only assume that the Spanish have just lost appreciation of their own incredible invention.

This is so sad as the wines have so much to offer and can be enjoyed primarily as an aperitif, or drunk with various foods including ham, seafood, cheese, and of course for the English, all Sherries complement fine smoked salmon.

Sherry is robust enough to withstand many strong flavours which then, as with the sweeter varieties, allow them to be enjoyed as a digestif; as cream and old Oloroso, can accompany various puddings and cakes.

A good way to enjoy the sweeter wines is to prick plump sultanas or raisins and macerate for 24 hours allowing them to engorge the Sherry and serve with ice cream!

Sadly now, for aficionados, good Sherry has to be found in England as it is so difficult to obtain in Spain. The best stock of these great wines are in gentlemen's clubs in St James's in London.

Recently I was in a small bodega in Puerto Santa Maria called Bodegas Obregon where we were spoilt with locally produced varieties of Sherry including Muscatel and other sweet wines which were all mixed with dryer types.

Rosé, Red, White or BLUE?

THIS WEEK'S WINE CORNER is extremely unusual and a first in my case. I am familiar with blue tonic but this is the first time that I have encountered BLUE wine!! Baltar de Alort was given by a friend to try. I admit to having been a little hesitant, even though it looks pretty! Trying to find information about this

wine, however, has proven difficult. The Bodega, which is in Alcázar de San Juan (Ciudad Real) seems to specialise in sparkling wine. Nothing is mentioned about this 'still' version!

It has very little nose, because of its colour one cannot determine the freshness of colour, hue just to say... it's blue!! On the nose it has undercurrents of acetone (yes nail polish!) and little fruit. I did try two small glasses!! But was obviously not convinced.

(WINE SHOWN IS THE FRIZZANTE FOR WHICH THE BODEGA IS BETTER KNOWN)



“ If penicillin can cure those that are ill, Spanish Sherry can bring the dead back to life.
Alexander Fleming

If God had not made Sherry, how imperfect his work would have been.
Benito Perez Galdos

Deals on meals

I WAS VERY SURPRISED when asked by a colleague to find a place to hold a lunch for 60- 80 people in Marbella that there is a shortage of premises/restaurateurs willing to hold such an event.

Having arranged many similar events across Spain as an organiser for Classic Car Clubs and the like, including such lunches in my own restaurants, I have normally been greeted with some enthusiasm.

It's true that the budget offered is normally well down on the average spend per head that many venues are used to achieving, but if you have a place that is empty on that day then to me it's fairly logical. Criteria are parking space, a large enough room to lunch and a quality, value for money menu.

Maybe Marbella restaurants are doing so well, they don't need the extra €2,500 such an event can bring in!!

A copa in this bar costs very little - perhaps a couple of Euro - with tapas to accompany. You can also take away any of the Sherries from the barrels for about 6€ a litre, but they charge an extra 1€ if they have to provide a bottle! For those who adore Spanish brandy as I do, they also produce their own, which is well worth sampling and of course it's for sale.

Finally there are other Spanish wines that 'pose' as Sherry namely Montilla and Chicalana, and although they seem to drink better when consumed in their respective town's bars, I prefer to avoid them elsewhere as they can never match the great wine called Sherry!"

**Manzanilla can technically be considered Sherry. It has a separate DO (denominación de origen) as it only comes from Sanlúcar, but is run by the same Consejo Regulador, in Jerez.*

ON THAT NOTE I will bid farewell until next week and should aspiring restaurateurs need some help or advice, please do contact me. A toast to Good Food, Good Wine and Good Friends.

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Back on track as house prices climb in a slow and steady march upwards

HOME prices shot up by 3.6 per cent last month compared to May of 2015. The increase was most pronounced in major cities and on the Mediterranean coast, where prices rose by 4.7 per cent.

May's increase means that average prices across Spain are now roughly comparable with December 2013. Adjusted for inflation there are also similarities with September 2003.

“ Year on year sales of residential properties rose by a healthy 19.5 per cent

Research from Tinsa showed that Spain's slow but steady march towards prices seen during the boom years is continuing well into 2017.

Prices are on average 40 per cent lower today than they were at the height of the property market's unsustainable success in 2007.

It may take another decade for them to reach those heights. But property




GOOD NEWS: May's increase means average prices across Spain are roughly comparable with December 2013.

experts are confident that gradual progress will continue. In many respects slower is considered better, allowing the market to evolve organically, rather than rushing into another period of untenable highs.


May's news comes as BBVA released a comprehensive report into the first quarter of 2017. Its Real Estate Observatory of Spain re-

port notes a positive sales performance which accelerated price growth.

Year on year sales of residential properties rose by a healthy 19.5 per cent, suggesting that 2017 is on course to meet the lofty targets set at the beginning of the year. Experts were optimistic that up to 600,000 transactions could take place by December.



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Jacaranda tree - is it friend or foe?

A JACARANDA tree in full flower is a spectacular sight to behold. Its almost iridescent mauve flowers brighten up streets and gardens all around the world and it is celebrated with festivals in many countries when in flower.

Spain is fortunate to have many Jacaranda trees as the climate here is almost ideal for them to thrive in coastal regions and frost free zones.

The flowers appear in late spring and early summer. A healthy tree will produce hundreds of bell-shaped flowers in conspicuous large groups or panicles that will

cover the whole tree.

The fern like leaves are also very attractive. They create a softer environment and lighter shade which allows the flowers to be more dominant but add their own qualities of softness when the flowering season has finished.

The tree generally grows slowly to a height of 20 metres over several decades in average soil but will grow faster in nutrient rich soil.

I have a tree that is 20 years old that I add no compost to

now that it is established and has reached about 10 metres. This is an ideal size to appreciate the flowers but not have it take over the garden as its neighbouring mulberry tree attempts to do.

The Jacaranda require no pruning except to remove deadwood. Pruning a Jacaranda spoils its natural shape and they don't recover well from pruning. Pruning also stimulates vertical growth of branches which is contrary to its natural horizontal form. It

spoil the look of the tree to have vertical growths so it becomes a chore to have to keep removing them.

The difficulty of having a Jacaranda tree however is that it sheds material practically all year. Never plant one even remotely near a pool or over driveways, paths or any area that you do not want covered in plant debris. If you do, you will be constantly sweeping and cleaning the area of spent flowers, fern needles and

seed pods. This is where they become a foe.

They must only be planted where they can happily shed their plant material without spoiling anything else otherwise they become a menace. The Jacarandas' shedding characteristic can be an asset however as in the right place, such as an open field or the centre of a large garden bed or as a bordered feature on a lawn, the fallen flowers can look wonderful and provide a mulch around

the tree and for the garden.

So the answer to whether it will be a friend or foe depends on where you place it. For the Jacaranda to be a valuable asset to admire without the complication of constant clean up, place it in a position where it can be a benefit to provide an abundance of mulching material for the garden away from built structures that can be adversely affected by its debris.

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Shady flowering shrubs

EVERYONE loves summer, but when temperatures are at their highest and the garden is lacking in the shade department, then it's all too easy to crawl back inside for some relief.

Adding shade to the garden with towering trees and shrubs can make the garden a more inviting prospect in the summer. It's useful to plant shrubs and flowers to cast shade on walkways and for maximum shade, choose plants that are one to three feet tall.

To keep patios cool and shade specific areas, it's a good idea to plant trees that have dense foliage. Also, try using an arbor and train a vine round the structure, including a Chinese Wisteria that looks good, twisting and turning to a height of 30 to 50 feet. The flowers are on show in spring and they tend to droop down providing extra shade for the ground below.

It's also a good idea to plant taller shrubs around patios and garden beds, to ensure that both plants and people are protected from the unrelenting heat.

The Rhododendron (Hydon Dawn) is



RHODODENDRON: One of the few plants that can withstand full sun.

one of the few plants that can withstand full sun. Its mature height is five feet, making it perfect shade next to a porch or other plants. An added bonus is that it displays large pink flowers in the spring.

There is no need to shade the outside area completely, but to have a good balance of sun and shade is ideal, which will keep sun-worshipping visitors happy.

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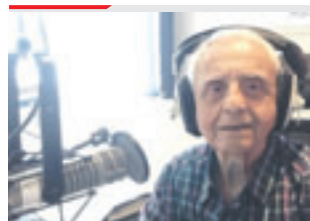
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HARNESS: Comes in three main types.

mal; the two basic duties of a sled dog is hauling freight or some sort or racing. Harnesses come in three main types: the freight harness, the H-back harness, and the X-back harness. Dog sports are growing and more types of harnesses are being developed, including the Y-back style and guard or distance harness.

The freight harness is often an H-back harness that forms a ladder-like effect across the back with a wide chest band and extra padding. The construction distributes the weight across the chest and over the shoulders because of

the broadness of the area; is designed to help the dog pull heavy weights efficiently.

The X-back harness gets its name from the straps that form an 'X' across the dog's back. It is used more frequently than the H-back, with short versions that ride farther forward on the dog's body.

The Y-back is a hybrid somewhat similar in appearance to the H-back. The tug line attaches to the harness on top of the dog's back and stretches parallel to the ground or upwards to whatever is being hauled.

A DOG harness is piece of equipment for dogs, similar to harness tack for horses. There are various designs, depending on the type of use. Harnesses can be used on Seeing Eye dogs in assistance of a disabled person, on working dogs that haul a cart or sled, or even in sporting events, such as in the Scandinavian practice of skijoring and pulka. Harnesses are also worn by non-working dogs for training purposes.

A harness is often worn in conjunction with a dog collar and used as an alternative for a dog leash attachment. While a collar only encircles the neck, harnesses have a loop that surrounds the torso as well, with connecting straps between them for added reinforcement and control. The design allows for distribution of force which may prevent choking; a dog will also not be able to slip free from a harness as they may easily do from a standard collar. Harness usage is growing in popularity among many pet owners, especially for those with smaller breed dogs. Buttonholes in pet clothes allowing access to harness straps are among recent adjustments to accommodate the increasing use of harnesses.

Assistance dogs will sometimes wear a harness if part of their job requires guiding or providing physical mobility for a disabled person. Generally, the harness design includes a built-in handle for the person to grip; this type also offers reinforcement to the handler as well as a padded breast plate for the dog's comfort. Sturdiness of the design depends on whether the dog is gently leading, acting as a brace, or physically pulling a wheelchair.

Sled dog harnesses vary depending on the purpose of the ani-

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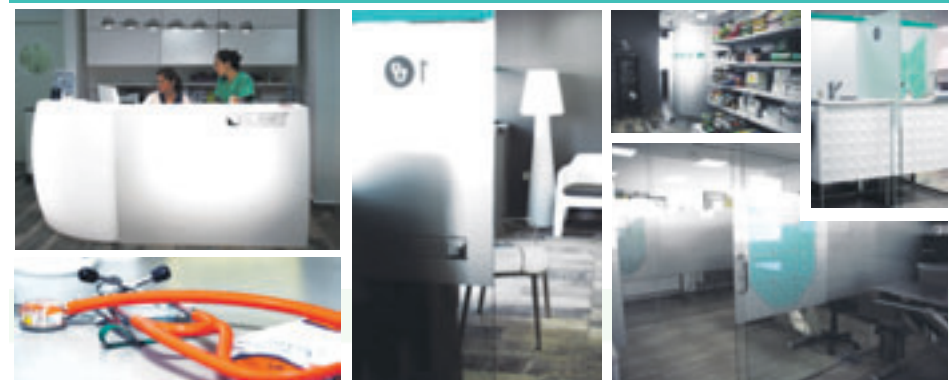


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ROAD TEST by Nick Fletcher

Opel Mokka X

THE Mokka X is a revised version of the Opel-Vauxhall Mokka crossover, and with smart looks, extra equipment and the option of four-wheel drive, it can take on the best in this fast-growing segment.

There is a wide range of petrol and diesel engines, with the 1.6 diesel a highlight, but so too is the 1.4 turbo-petrol engine which offers 0-100 kph in well under 10 seconds, yet can still return excellent fuel economy.

Mokka X prices start at €21,746 (£18,930) and entry level version is well-kitted with standard features such as cruise control, parking sensors, power windows and door mirrors, high beam assist, alloy wheels and a touchscreen infotainment system.

That list covers what most people want but up the range more and more equipment is added and my test model was in Elite trim and with auto gearbox, four-wheel drive and 1.4 litre petrol engine cost €30,282 (£26,360).

For this price you get too much to list but kit includes larger alloy wheels, roof rails, side mouldings, leather heated sports seats and heated steering wheel, touch-screen and connectivity including Apple CarPlay and Android Auto, and Opel-Vauxhall OnStar which



MOKKA X:
Smart looking.

Model tested is UK-specification and equipment levels and prices may vary in other markets.

offers a range of driver aids. You also get climate and cruise controls, auto lights and wipers, front and rear parking sensors among many other features.

The Mokka X has strong visual road presence and displays a certain cachet which is important in a sector where kudos can sometimes outweigh common-sense.

It also scores well for its practicality, surprisingly roomy inside thanks to clever design and with plenty of cabin storage for oddments. It can just about accommodate three adults in the rear with reasonable comfort.

The 356 litre boot is among the biggest in the class and can be increased to 1,372 litres by folding the rear seats, which drop flat easily.


The cabin has a quality ap-

pearance with attractive design touches, chrome detailing and well-ordered layout of controls and overall, the Mokka X interior is a pleasant place to be. Only quibble is with the oddly-designed handbrake release which is awkward to operate.

On the road, the 150 hp 1.4 litre turbo petrol engine is refined and quick, with a 0-100 kph time of 9.3 seconds and a top speed of 193 kph (120 mph). Fuel economy is 15.4 kpl (43.5 mpg).


The controls are light and positive, giving assured handling and minimal body-pitch on the corners, and ride quality though firm is still comfortable.

Mokka X is right among the best in the compact crossover class, with impressive styling, good driving dynamics and plenty of standard equipment.



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GOLF

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FOOTBALL

In 2018 World Cup qualifying matches last weekend, England's skipper Harry Kane scored a dramatic late equaliser to deny Scotland a famous victory in Glasgow. The hosts, 1-0 down with three

minutes of normal time remaining, grabbed the lead with two incredible free-kicks by Lee Griffiths, only for Kane to the net on 93 minutes.

Elsewhere Northern Ireland beat Azerbaijan 1-0, the Republic of Ireland drew 1-1 with Austria, Serbia likewise with Wales and Spain beat Macedonia 2-1, while Germany smashed San Marino 7-0, Holland whipped Luxembourg 5-0 and Sweden beat France 2-1.

On Tuesday, England were in France for a friendly international.

Last Sunday England's youngsters beat Venezuela 1-0 in the final of the World U20 Cup... the country's first global victory since 1966!

RAFA NADAL:
Won the French Open for the 10th time.



England's women beat Switzerland 4-0 in a pre-WC friendly.

Manchester United will pay Benfica €30.7m for defender Victor Lindelof while Zlatan Ibrahimovic will not be offered a new contract at Old Trafford.

Gary Monk, former boss of Swansea and Leeds, has been appointed manager of Middlesbrough and Russian Leonid Slutsky has taken charge of Hull.

And Chelsea's Eden Hazard will miss the start of next season after suffering a serious ankle injury with Belgium.

RUGBY UNION

The British and Irish Lions won their third game of their New Zealand tour, beating the Crusaders 12-3 in Christchurch. On Tuesday Warren Gatland's team played the Highlanders in Dunedin and on Saturday they face the Maori All Blacks in Rotorua.

In other friendlies, England, with a late, late try by Solomon, defeated Argentina 38-34 in the first Test in San

is back in action in the ATP championship in Hannover, and injured Russian Maria Sharapova will not compete in the Wimbledon qualifiers.

CRICKET

The first Champions Trophy semi-final between England and Sri Lanka or Pakistan took place yesterday in Cardiff while today's second 'semi' at Edgbaston features Bangladesh against India.

England won all three Group 'A' matches, knocking out Australia in the process in a rain affected game at Edgbaston. Ben Stokes hit a brilliant 102 not out to seal a 40 run victory via the DL method as England scored 240-4 (in 40.2 overs) opposed to Australia's 277 for 9 (off 50). Mark Wood and Adil Rashid took four wickets apiece to restrict the Aussies to 5.54 runs per over.

India, meanwhile, thrashed South

Juan while Scotland just beat Italy 34-13.

And we have three more friendlies on Saturday featuring the second Argentina v England Test, Japan v Ireland and Australia v Scotland (in Sydney).

TENNIS

In the French Open at Roland Garros, Jelena Ostapenko beat Simona Halep in the women's singles final. The Latvian, ranked 47 in the world, is the first unseeded winner since 1933. The imperious Rafael Nadal, for the 10th time, won the men's final, overcoming Swiss star Stan Wawrinka in straight sets.

This week Roger Federer

Africa by eight wickets in their last Group 'B' game.

A crowd of 24,500 will attend Saturday's final at The Oval.

MOTOR SPORT

Fernando Alonso - after his Indy 500 exploits - returned to F1 last Sunday in Montreal's Canadian Grand Prix which was won for the sixth time in 10 years by Lewis Hamilton, with Valtteri Bottas second and Danny Ricciardo third.

Presented with an Ayrton Senna helmets 24 hours before the race, Hamilton started on pole for a joint record 65th time and is now 12 points (141-129) behind championship leader Sebastian Vettel.

Italy's Andrea Dovizioso won last weekend's Cataluña MotoGP in Barcelona with Spain's duo of Marc Marquez and Dani Pe-

drosa second and third. Maverick Vinales (111 points) leads the rider's Championship from Dovizioso (104) and Marquez (88).

Three British drivers, Ashley Sutton, Colin Turkington and Mat Jackson, all won races at the BTCC at Croft, North Yorkshire last Sunday.

And on June 17/18 we have the 85th Le Mans 24-hour race.

ROUND UP

Around 30,000 fans in Kingston, Jamaica, saw masterful Usain Bolt win his last 100m race on home soil.

Jakob Fuglsang (Asanta) won the Criteria du Dauphine cycle race; GB's Chris Froome was 4th.

New Zealand beat GB's Landrover BAR-sponsored yacht, with Ben Ainslie at the helm, in the five-race semi-final play-off in the America's Cup. "We did well" said Ainslie, "It's the start of something big for us."

In the World Triathlon championships last weekend it was 'B' for Britain as Alastair Brownlee, his brother Jonny, Tom Bishop and Alan Bowden finished 1-2-3-4.



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pated in teams of four and the winners on maximum points were Jeff Richards, Alan Guest, Ruth Meadows and Joyce Pope. Runners up with just one shot behind were Bob Bailey, Steve Griffin, Linda Richards and Jennifer Nesteroff.

TMGS at Altorreal

FOR the third consecutive week, TMGS have had to travel on June 7, to find a course that doesn't have temporary greens.

It's been a number of years since they last visited Altorreal and it was with some trepidation that the reservation was made. This was due to the course, (although well-designed) never being in very good condition.

However, since the change of ownership, which was about a year ago; improvements have been made and it was a pleasant surprise to see that so much had been done to improve the golfer's experience.

Well done and thank you to Altorreal for the warm welcome and willingness to help provide an enjoyable day for the members.

It was probably due to the previous problems, that only a few members decided not to make the one-hour journey, so 30 members and a handful of guests turned up to play a Stableford competition.



Although the course was in perfect condition, it didn't necessarily mean that it would be easy. The design requires the ball to be placed in a particular place and if done so, the reward is a good score on that hole, if not then good luck!

Results: NTP competition. Hole 5 J Hillier, hole 8 L Williamson, hole 10 nada, hole 17 J Hettrick, L Williamson, B Gillies and J Hillier shared the €30 contained in this week's two's pot. Our best guest was

Mrs C Martin 32 pts. Bronze category; 3rd A Goslan 27 pts. L/H, 2nd J Hillier 27 pts. L/H 1st L Holmberg 31 pts. Silver category; 3rd S Robinson 30 pts. 2nd G Smith 32 pts. 1st M Kennedy 35 pts. Gold category, 3rd J Eyre 31 pts. 2nd L Hagstrom 33 pts. 1st L Williamson 36 pts.

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Pego Golf and the President's Cup

ON a beautiful day with Oliva Nova in good condition, Pego played a medal competition for the President's Cup on Tuesday, June 6.

There were two guests, Michael Glover and Chris Levett who were warmly welcomed by all. There was only one 'two' and it was had by John Guest, Nearest the pin on hole 5 was Danny Herron with 4.84 mtrs and hole 19 was Jan Baker with 0.94 mtrs.

The results were:

- 1st Bob Jenkins net 68 off 18.1 hcp**
- 2nd Penny Barden net 72 off 15.2 hcp**
- 3rd Richard Vass net 73 off 8.6 hcp**
- 4th John Guest net 73 off 10.9 hcp**
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