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Olive 'ebola' confirmed Red alert!

By Linda Hall

The Valencian Community's first known case of the Xylella fastidiosa bacterium was detected in Guadalest to send the region's olive farmers into a panic.

The pathogen, which has wiped out hundreds of olive groves in Italy and the Balearics, was confirmed in Mallorca last November.

Losses to owners of olive, almond and citrus plantations can amount to millions as crops are lost and trees must be uprooted and destroyed to prevent the disease from spreading.

Elena Cebrian, who heads the regional government's Agricul-

ture department called an emergency meeting of the Vegetation Health committee after the bacterium was found in adult almond trees of the Marcona variety in Guadalest.

The seven-hectare plantation has been sealed off and contingency procedures applied.

"Eradication measures will be used," announced Cebrian who said that this would mean allocating the economic resources to compensate growers faced with an invasion of the bacterium.

The Guadalest grower suspected in December last year that his trees could be infected after he noticed an unexplained reduction in the crop.



Photo credit: Werner Wilmes

THREATENED: Plantations could be uprooted.

Samples were taken but proved negative although a second analysis produced conflicting results.


In June the regional government's Vegetation Health Service found that of 17 samples taken from almond trees last June, 12 tested positive.



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NEWS EXTRA

Hands in the air

TWO hooded and masked thieves held customers and staff at a fast-food restaurant in Denia at gunpoint in the early hours of last Friday morning, looting the till of over 12 hours' worth of takings.

Safe 'n' sand

THE municipal police force of Calpe has employed 10 new officers to reinforce security over the summer season services, with the newly-employed officers responsible for surveillance of the beaches.

Last legs

Two hikers were rescued from the Montgo last Tuesday after falling behind the rest of their group and becoming disoriented, before being found exhausted with no water on the slope that overlooks Placa Justa de Xabia.

By Matt Ford

KING FELIPE VI and Queen Letizia of Spain are set to travel to the UK for their State Visit from July 12-14.

It comes as the British Royal Family announced that Prince Harry is to undertake his first official role during their stay at Buckingham Palace.

The young prince will escort the Spanish guests on a tour of Westminster Abbey on the third day of the whistle-stop tour, while the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge will perform no official role.

He will accompany the pair as they lay a wreath at the Grave of the Unknown Warrior before being taken on a brief tour of the Abbey by the Dean.

The king and queen will also receive the customary Horse Guards Parade and a state carriage procession along the mall before a meeting with Prime Minister Theresa May at 10 Downing Street.

Felipe will address MPs and Lords in the Palace of Westmin-

Prince to escort Spanish Royals
Flash Harry!



ROYAL TREATMENT: Prince Harry set for first official State Visit role.

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ster and speak alongside Queen Elizabeth at the traditional State Banquet.

The event was originally due to take place from June 6-8 but was postponed in light of the UK General Election in which the Conservative Party saw their commons majority crumble.

It will be the first State Visit by the Spanish royals since that of King Juan Carlos and Queen Sofia in 1986, and it remains to be seen whether Felipe chooses to



raise the thorny issue of Gibraltar.

During a 2016 United Nations speech he said: "I invite the UK, on this first occasion at the UN after Brexit, to end the colonial anachronism of Gibraltar with an agreed solution between both countries to restore the territorial integrity of Spain."

Kitten killer held

LOCAL POLICE have arrested a 64-year-old man in Castello after he allegedly beat a kitten to death before assaulting a bystander that challenged him.

It comes after emergency services received a call from a panicking woman who indicated that she had been attacked for reprimanding the accused after spotting him slamming the young animal into the pavement.

After watching him throw the kitten's lifeless body into a rubbish bin, she got out of her car and began to shout at him. The encounter then became physical after the man pushed her roughly to the ground.

The aggressor has been held and charged for the crimes of animal abuse and beating a witness.

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Fowl play suspected

A VIDEO showing British holiday-makers brawling in a Benidorm branch of fast food chain KFC went viral after being posted to social media. Customers can be heard on the footage saying "chill boys" and shouting "what are you doing," except for one hungry soul who repeatedly demanded "can I have my chicken burger please?"

Hanging on

FIREFIGHTERS rescued a telephone company employee after he became trapped at the top of a utility pole in Javea. The man was taken to hospital after suffering suspension trauma, a rare condition induced by fainting while being suspended in mid-air, causing an oxygen deficit in the brain.

Urban smash

TWO cars collided on Calle Portitxol, Javea, resulting in the serious injury of two 50-year-olds. The two gardeners were trapped inside their vehicle until firefighters could release them, while the four young occupants of the other car were unharmed.

Ham burglars

CUSTOMERS at a fast food restaurant in Denia thought that two hooded men brandishing guns while shouting "money money" were playing a practical joke, just moments before they proceeded to rob the establishment's cash registers and escaped via the drive-through window.

Parent trap

AN Elda woman must carry out 16 days of community work after she attacked her nine-year-old son. She must also pay €160 compensation to the child's father, from whom she is separated, and may not approach her son for three weeks. The

Preyed on vulnerable pensioner

A 36-YEAR-OLD woman received an eight-month prison term for fleecing a relative with Alzheimer's.

She and her mother, aged 62, lived with 73-year-old Juan Bautista in his Riola (Valencia) home, with the younger woman eventually controlling his finances.

She persuaded him to make her his sole heir and by the time he died had appropriated €105,000 of Juan's money, spending €5,115 on breast implants, according to his sister Teresa.

She was named his legal guardian in 2013 when it was obvious that he could no longer manage his own affairs.

"They gave him drops to make him sleep and then went out partying," said Teresa.

"The niece and her mother never had anything to do with Juan Bautista and then they turned up overnight. We finally got them out of his house with a court order but by then they had emptied his bank accounts," Teresa said.

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With over 70 million tourists visiting the country in 2016, Spain's airports are booming, as Madrid and Barcelona both ranked in the 2017 global Top 10 compiled by travel compensation experts AirHelp.

Flying visit!

MADRID'S Adolfo Suarez Madrid-Barajas and Barcelona's El Prat airports placed seventh and eighth respectively in AirHelp's passenger satisfaction survey.

The former remains the most sizeable airport in Spain covering 3,050 hectares, and also includes the country's biggest terminal. The iconic T4 building was designed by Rogers Stirk Harbour and Partners and features a bamboo linear roof structure, plus a series of cutting-edge environmental measures designed to significantly reduce energy consumption.

In addition to trailing Madrid in the



RECORD-BREAKER: Madrid airport's Terminal 4.

customer service stakes, Barcelona airport is also the second-largest in the country despite having been extended twice since a major expansion for the 1992 Olympic Games.

Until 2008 the internal Barcelona-

Madrid shuttle service was the world's busiest route with 971 services per week in 2007.

The schedule was reduced with the opening of the high speed AVE train line in February 2008.

Numbers soar

MADRID-BARAJAS airport topped the 2016 passenger chart, after 50.4 million travellers passed through the hub, while 44.2 million were handled by Barcelona-El Prat in second place.

Completing the top five were Palma de Mallorca with 26.2 million, Malaga-Costa del Sol with 16.7 million and Alicante-Elche with 12.3 million voyagers.

Among these, Madrid was the only airport to register annual growth of less than 10 per cent, with Malaga and Alicante both increasing by more than 15 per cent.

The Huesca-Pyrenees Airport saw the least traffic with just 95 passengers, a nosedive of 193.7 per cent since 2010. It was designed to carry snow-seekers to Pyrenean



BAD PLANNING: Huesca-Pyrenees Airport.

Javier Ortega Figueiral/Flickr

ski resorts, but there are none within 100 kilometres.

Silly money

WITH a population of 46.5 million, Spain has more airports (52) than provinces (50).

Among these, 47 are managed by state air navigation manager AENA, but only six - Palma de Mallorca, Malaga, Gran Canaria, Alicante-Elche, Tenerife Sur, Gerona, Bilbao and Murcia - are profitable.

boy's sister rang the 112 Emergency Services, advising them that her mother was drunk and beating her brother.

Sound bite

CONSTRUCTION work involving noisy machinery is banned in Finestrat until September. This is the first time that the town hall has

imposed this type of veto which municipal sources said was prompted by a sharp rise in complaints from local residents. The summer ban applies not only to building sites but also work inside and outside homes.

Officials slammed

JOSE LUIS ALCARAZ LOPEZ'S

family had to pay €80,000 to bring him home after a road accident in Equatorial Guinea road left him seriously injured.

He is in Spain and survived only because his family and friends paid for an air ambulance, they claim.

Top award

ACTRESS Julieta Serrano and Javier Gutierrez, awarded the 2015 Goya for best actor, will be presented with a Faro de Plata during this year's Alfas Film Festival that opens on Saturday.

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Top 5 stories

From June 26 - July 3

- 1 50,000 trapped in beachfront town as Huelva fire rages on - **6,078**
- 2 One dead and six injured in multi car pile up in Torremolinos - **3,855**
- 3 Off-duty Guardia Civil officer arrested after allegedly causing Torremolinos crash - **2,890**
- 4 Outrage as Costa del Sol toll road raises fees - **2,705**
- 5 Kentucky Fried Chaos in Benidorm - **1,694**

Poll of the week

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50 years after the introduction of plastic money, do you prefer it to cash?

LAST WEEK'S POLL:

Should the Pamplona bull run, and other similar local events held in various towns and villages, be banned?

Yes = 67%
 No = 33%

Top Social Media comments

Another forest fire breaks out in Huelva - Oh no! Those poor firefighters! I hope they can get it under control soon then out altogether. They are so brave and seemingly tireless. I thank them for their hard work and dedication.

Gaining power (Leapy Lee) - I am not a Jeremy Corbyn or a Labour supporter, but look at what Theresa May did to cling onto power, a lot of bad apples running our country!

60% of Brits want to keep their EU citizenship poll finds - Depending on the cost, yes. I want to be a European citizen. I've always thought of myself, in order, as German/British, then English. Perhaps, having a German/Danish mother, and a half Spanish father, a French uncle, having lived in England, France, Portugal and Spain colours my view.

Outrage as Costa del Sol toll road raises fees - Their greed is killing people and it's ridiculous as it's actually costing the government more in police and ambulances assisting roadside accidents than hospital bills. There are more frequent accidents because the roads are overloaded due to greed they should in fact cut the toll cost to keep the roads flowing safely!

Cataluña in final stages of legalising cannabis - I think it should be legalised. It would take a lot of

business off the streets and be beneficial to the government tax wise, it's a pretty harmless drug in the short term sense, a lot safer than alcohol, however it can have long term effects from prolonged use, like psychosis, however long term alcohol abuse can do far worse, it's all about finding the right balance, in moderation I think it's fine, but wouldn't advise daily use.

All it takes is a gust of wind... (video of fire spreading) - Why why why. Do these people have no sense at all??

Kentucky Fried Chaos in Benidorm - Kentucky fried KICKIN'!

Homeless man filmed before dying outside Malaga airport, court hears - This is such a horrible story, poor man. These pieces of scum deserve a prison sentence. As we all know the judge and authorities do not mess around. Hope the poor guy is at peace and his family will know that justice was served.

Growing concern for British Citizen's rights in EU - You mean TM's 'Serious and Generous offer' Secure? I think they need to come and join us in the real world and match the EU's position, the 'status quo' nothing less...



550 fire fighters were sent to combat the blaze in Huelva

TRIVIA FROM AROUND THE WORLD

India is the only country in the world that has a Bill of Rights for Cows.



The shortest place name is 'Å' with one in Sweden and another in Norway.

Spain was once a number of kingdoms with different languages that became unified in the 15th century. The kingdoms formed the basis for many of the 17 autonomous regions (15 on the mainland and the Balearic and Canary Islands), and the autonomous Ceuta and Melilla enclaves in North Africa that Spain now has.

Did you know?

Men's clothes button on the right and women's on the left because when buttons were invented, they were expensive and with most people right-handed, it was easier to push buttons on the right. Later many women were dressed by staff, so the buttons were placed to the maid's right, with women's buttons since remaining unchanged.

Lost in translation



Toilet button is on your back side

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Equal opps

CALPE'S political parties gathered last Wednesday to celebrate WorldPride and read an institutional declaration of the Spanish Federation of Municipalities and Provinces, committing to the non-discrimination of people because of their sexual orientation or gender identity.

New boss

THE board of directors at Hospital de Denia-MarinaSalud - majority-owned by DKV - announced last week, that Luis Carter will replace Angel Gimenez, who has overseen the health department for the last eight years.

Joined up

THE plenary of Benissa approved the adherence of the municipality to the Carta de Compromisos (Charter of Commitments) for security - joining the likes of Denia and Javea, as municipalities work together improving security.

Put out

A FIRE in Denia was extinguished by 11 firefighters and four fire engines last Wednesday, in an abandoned field near Calle Bot - only a few metres from a housing area and not far from the municipal sports centre.

Only a drill

IN Pego, 17 houses were evacuated last week in a drill involving residents, the municipal team and emergency services, to ensure all provisions are in place to prevent fires like the ones suffered in 2015.

Fire fought

FIREMEN on the ground, assisted by two firefighting aircraft, extinguished a Confrides fire which was caused by lightning and consumed 0.2 hectares of woodland.

Butcher shooting horror

A MUSLIM butcher has been shot in Altea.

The incident occurred at 11am last Monday, when an unidentified man walked into the victim's premises, on Calle Metge Adolfo Quiles on the town's high street and opened fire.

It comes as witnesses reported the attacker fleeing in a high-end sports car and he remains at large, while the wounded man was taken away in an ambulance with one leg covered in blood.

The owner of the halal business is a cousin of Adil Anouar Merabet, an alleged jihadist, who was last year held for using social media to indoctrinate potential militant recruits.

At the time of his arrest in October, detectives raided the butcher's and seized a computer hard drive thought to contain evidence regarding the suspect's links to Daesh.



SHOOTING: The attacker remains at large.

Annual tax for dogs

THE municipal group, Compomis-Los Verdes in Benidorm, has called for dog owners to pay an annual tax.

Spokesman, Juan Garcia, demanded that dog owners pay "one euro per month to raise awareness about pet responsibility."

He explained that the charge would be invested in cleaning public property, removing excrement and placing plastic 'poop bag' dispensers around town.

He emphasised that, although the proposal "may or may not seem fair the reality is that extra cost is generated by pet owners who do not collect the excrement of



TAXED: Extra costs are generated by dog owners.

their dogs."

Josep Bigorra, Garcia's coalition partner, announced that he will not vote in favour on the proposal, but has not

specified if he will vote against or abstain.

The motion will be raised at the next city hall plenary session.

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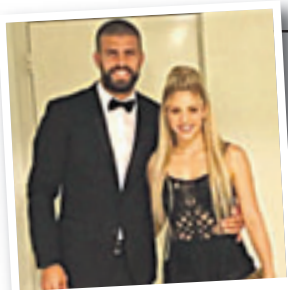
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Stars causing a stir.

Pique up the pieces

FC BARCELONA defender Gerard Pique, 30, and pop star partner Shakira, 40, caused a stir at Lionel Messi's wedding in Rosario, Argentina last Friday.

After joining a host of stars at the lavish ceremony, Pique reportedly lost €15,000 at a local casino, while his Colombian squeeze sparked a social media storm by choosing a dress she had previously worn for a fashion shoot.

Daddy's girl

TIFFANY ARIANA TRUMP, 23, youngest daughter of United States President Donald Trump, has been making waves in Marbella after jetting in on a private plane for a break with boyfriend Ross Mechanic, 22. The couple stayed at the Puente Romano Hotel and were reportedly accompanied by agents from the US Secret Service.

Dinkum digs

AUSTRALIAN cricket legend Shane Warne, 47, is thought to be holed up in a stunning mansion near Marbella after he took to Instagram to caption a photo: 'Home for the next 10 days in Spain, time for some rays & a swim!!!!!!'

He is in Andalucia to celebrate daughter Brooke's 20th birthday with his other kids Jackson and Summer, the quartet later posing together at the Gibraltar border.



Shane with his kids.

HE has sold more than nine million records and 30 million singles worldwide.

And superstar DJ David Guetta seemed inspired by 2009 hit 'When Love Takes Over' as he frolicked with model girlfriend Jessica Ledon on Formentera island near Ibiza.

The 49-year-old split from wife of 22 years Cathy, with who he has two children, in 2014, and has been dating the Cuban temptress for over two years.

Jess for the record

But the pair clearly remain besotted by one another as they shared a series of steamy embraces on a luxury yacht after 24-year-old Jessica slipped into a barely-there thong bikini before leaping into the crystal clear water as David captured the moment on his phone.

The French maestro has just released a smooth funk remix of

Bruno Mars' Versace on the Floor, and he plainly possesses some debonair charm of his own as his curvaceous partner showered him with hugs and kisses.

It comes after the couple made their relationship public at a 2016 French state dinner at the Elysee Palace in honour of Cuban President Raul Castro.



GOING STRONG: David and Jessica at the Elysee Palace.

What an Eiffel!

SHE'S been described as famous for being famous.

But 36-year-old former It girl Paris Hilton certainly looked the part as she hosted the Foam and Diamonds Opening Night Party at the Amnesia nightclub in Ibiza.

Having slipped into a plunging sheer gold dress decorated with sequins, the hotel heiress completed her outfit with a diamond choker and sparkling crown.

Her 32-year-old beau Chris Zylka, an actor and model, opted to dress down in black t-shirt and matching jeans.

The couple have been dating since the turn of the year and shared a cheeky embrace in front of the cameras before joining thousands of revellers inside the famous club.



Chris Zylka/Instagram

GOLDEN GIRL: Paris poses with Chris.

Off his broolly

HE has described his teams as playing heavy metal football.

But 50-year-old Liverpool manager Jurgen Klopp's softer side was on display as he relaxed on party island Ibiza with wife Ulla Sandrock and friends.

At one point the charismatic German was seen sporting a bizarre multi-coloured parasol on his head before he posed for photos with fans.

He later lounged on an outdoor bed sipping Champagne and smoking, clearly relaxed after recently signing Egyptian forward Mohamed Salah from Roma for a club record fee.

The Scouse club have eight pre-season friendlies lined up before the Premier League campaign gets under way, starting against Tranmere on July 12.

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NEWS EXTRA**Bagged grapes**

ELEVEN THOUSAND workers were hired in the Medio Vinalopo to cover Origin Protected dessert grapes with the paper bags that will protect and ripen the 44.5-billion kilo crop.

Passed over

HEAVY lorries from nearby marble quarries must continue to pass through the centre of Algueña after the regional parliament voted against a proposed by-pass for the CV-840.

Train ride

ALTEA'S Tourist Train (Adults €3.50 and children €2.50) sets out on the hour between 10am-2pm and 5pm-1am from the Tourist Information Office on the seafront, making 10 stops on the round trip.

Hear this

PLACARD-WAVING residents complaining about the unbearable smell from the Les Canyades landfill site in Campello were ejected from the latest council after ignoring requests not to interrupt proceedings.

Park up

MUCHAMIEL'S health centre now has a new car park with 26 parking spaces for medical personnel making home visits as well as patients who may remain there for 60 minutes.

Drunk and disorderly

Residents demand curb on Brit revellers



ANGRY: Benidorm residents group call for immediate action to curb drunken British behaviour.

MEMBERS of a residents association representing people living in the busy Rincon de Loix area of Benidorm are becoming increasingly angry at the lack of control over excessive drunken behaviour of mostly British tourists in their local area.

Citizens action group Ciudadanos de Benidorm are upset that their town is quickly becoming a destination of 'Uncontrolled disrepair and dirt,' with the Levante beach area as the epicentre of the drunken tourist problem.

Twelve months ago after a meeting with the group, Benidorm Council officials agreed to draft a plan to increase police controls, improve safety and introduce by-laws to curb drunkenness on the streets.

However, leader of Ciudadanos, Juan Balestegui, speaking to Spanish press, said the current situation is lamentable.

"A year after the approval of the civic motion proposed by Ciudadanos to bring laws against tourist drunkenness, nothing has been done about it," he said.

"We are forced to watch in amazement how children

or old people run into sexual or pornographic scenes, with people wandering naked or in flimsy clothes.

"Every wild drunk is a drag to the recovery of quality tourism in Benidorm," said Balestegui.

The decision to draw up the draft plan was agreed last year, by all parties on the town council, therefore the leader of Ciudadanos is calling for the plans, which include a greater police

presence and on the spot fines, to be implemented immediately.



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Rain almost stopped play

AFTER a dry spring with the prospect of drought looming once more, unexpected rain fell throughout the province.

In Elda stallholders and customers at the Santa Barbara open air market ran for cover as the skies opened, accompanied by thunder and lightning.

Although the sky soon cleared and the sun briefly reappeared, rain persisted and a free mid-day concert heralding the sixth edition of Elda's EMDIV indie rock festival did not take place.

The cloudburst had turned part of the festival site into a swamp but the organisers and volunteers managed to drain it sufficiently to go ahead, with the doors opening two hours later than announced at 7.30pm.

Despite initial disappointment for rock fans, growers agreed that the rain had appeared at the right time for local agriculture and, above all, for the Vinalopo dessert grapes.

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Bank broken into

THIEVES broke into a branch of the Santander bank overnight.

The bank in Plaza Sierra Castilla in Urbanisation La Marina was targeted Wednesday night and on Thursday morning the area was cordoned off with Guardia Civil tape. A security guard on site told a passerby that the window had been blown off with some sort of explosive device as thieves then entered and targeted the ATM machine.

Noticeable damage was seen to the ATM with a small window beside the front door and side window laying shattered on the floor.

OUR VIEW

The State of the Nation

IT appears that there is the start of a major power struggle within the Conservative party as Prime Minister Theresa May appears consistently out of her depth.

Various ministers are sniping at each other, either directly or indirectly and it looks as if Boris Johnson is lining up against Philip Hammond, two of the favourites to take over from Mrs May if she is forced to resign.

Initial discussions on Brexit haven't been terribly successful and there is still no agreement about the future of British passport holders living in the EU or EU passport holders living in the UK although it appears that Britain is prepared to continue to honour medical arrangements including the EHIC card for holidaymakers.

David Davis walked away from his first meeting with EU negotiator Michel Barnier leaving more questions than answers and the threat of the 'divorce bill' if accepted could mean that Britain could have been better off financially by staying in the EU for another decade.

The Labour Party has revelled in the fact it can appear united and take pot shots at a struggling government which turned to the DUP for support when in fact it could have relied on the absenteeism of Sinn Fein MPs to allow it to rule as a minority government thus saving taxpayers £1 billion.

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Hunting for a solution

THE Valencian Community's Hunting Federation has offered to solve the problems that wild animals are causing in the Valencian Community.

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eration's Castellon branch Maximo Belenguer offered 16,000 volunteers from his own region who would happily put an end to the region's plague of rabbits, boars, and wild goats, he

said.

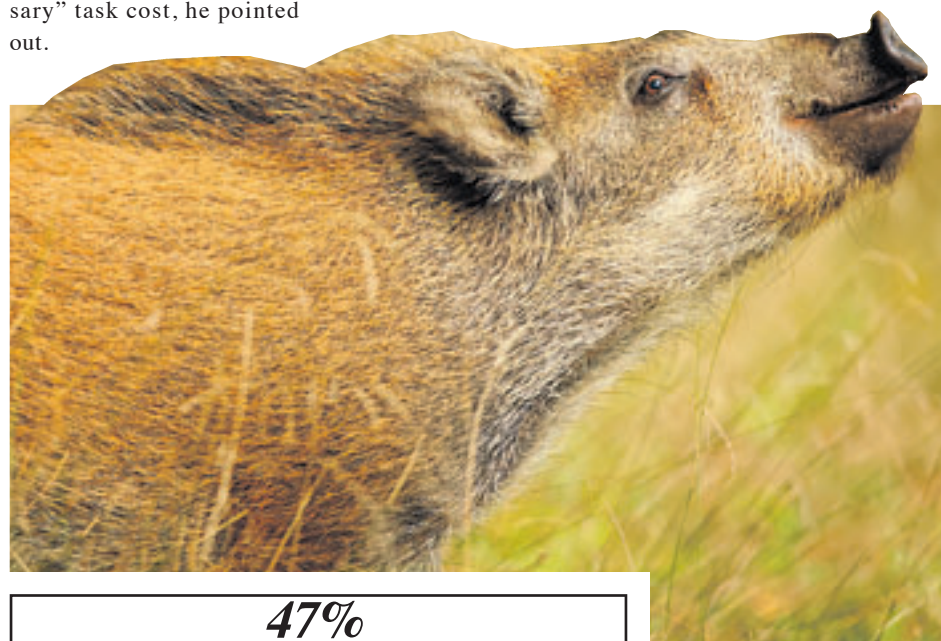
All caused serious harm to agriculture and were responsible for "numerous road accidents," according to Belenguer.

Neither the Generalitat nor the taxpayer would have to pay for this "necessary" task cost, he pointed out.

The region's three provinces could together call on more than 40,000 hunters, continued Belenguer, who urged the regional government's Environment department to extend the hunting season which begins in September

by a month.

Ending this in March instead of February would be cheaper and more effective than other measures taken by the regional Administration to keep the animals down, he claimed.



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of highly skilled EU workers could leave the UK in the next five years a study finds

HUNTED: Boars cause region-wide damage

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NEWS EXTRA

Vital spend

THE €19,884 budget allocation for a survey of land allocated for the Marina Baja hospital extension was an essential outlay despite the expense, said Villajoyosa mayor Andreu Verdu.

New home

THE Shetland pony that recently wandered for an hour through central Alcoy was seized from its owner by the Health department and is now safely stabled in the city.

Cough up

VALENCIA'S Upper Court ordered Campello Council to pay €1.3 million for modifications to Parque Central that were introduced by the previous town hall and "unjustifiably" increased developers' costs.



IS THERE REALLY A WAY TO WIPE OFF ALL ACCRUED CAPITAL GAINS TAX ON MY INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO?

By Sam Kelly, Managing Partner, Chorus Financial



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NEWS EXTRA

Local honour

DR JESUS ROMERO, head of Urology at San Juan hospital received an award from Spain's federation of Spina Bifida associations, FEBHI, for improving quality of life for those with SB.

Helping out

VILLAJOYOSA'S Social Welfare department received €148,828 from the regional government to be used in preventing the social and labour exclusion of residents at risk of marginalisation.

Keep watch

INMATES with psychiatric problems should not be allowed to move freely through Villena prison without supervision, said the CSI-F union following three attacks by perturbed prisoners in the last two months.

Fenced in

OWNERS of unbuilt plots in Alcoy must either pave them or cede them for public use as fencing them does not solve health and safety problems, city hall said.

Old-timer

LA NUCIA celebrates its 312th anniversary with a mediaeval market held in the Old Town tomorrow Friday until Sunday, with free parking at both the Planet and Les Nits car parks.

Full sail

THE Blue Flag at Villajoyosa's Club Nautico, which has been awarded each year since 1995, was hoisted this year by Jesus Soriano, one of the founder-members of the club in 1967.

Parc de Foietas opens

Benidorm's newest park opens to visitors

LOCAL residents and tourists visiting Benidorm can now enjoy the traffic-free green zone of Parc de Foietas, which opened its first phase last weekend.

Work on the 6.5 million euro project on the Poniente side of the town, began 18 months ago, with approximately 70 per cent of the park now open to the public.

Three hundred extra car park spaces and a new service road connecting Ricardo Bayona and Mercasa and the Residencia de Tercera Edad, have also been opened.

In addition to footpaths,

seating areas and a forest area at the top of the green zone, the park also incorporates four kilometres of running and cycle tracks.

The final phase, which includes a fenced in children's zone and recreational areas, is expected to open by the middle of July.

This area, will, similarly to the town's other green lung, Parc l'Aiguera, close at night, have restricted use and also be barred to dogs.

However, the remainder of the park, will be unrestricted and open to everyone including dogs and their owners.

Throughout the coming

weeks, the council will slowly make changes to

traffic flow in the surrounding areas, including the cre-

ation of one way streets to ease congestion.



Photo by Villajoyosa town hall

BEACH PATROL: On duty until September 25.

Beaches safer than ever

FOUR Local Police officers will be patrolling Villajoyosa's beaches this summer until September 15.

This is the third summer that the unit will be on duty from 11am until 7pm, providing security on the beaches.

"Guaranteeing our citizens' safety in the summer requires specific measures like this special brigade," declared Public Safety councillor Jaime Ramis.

If intervention is needed at any time, officers in the centre of the town will not have to leave their posts, ensuring that this is not neglected at any time, Ramis pointed out.

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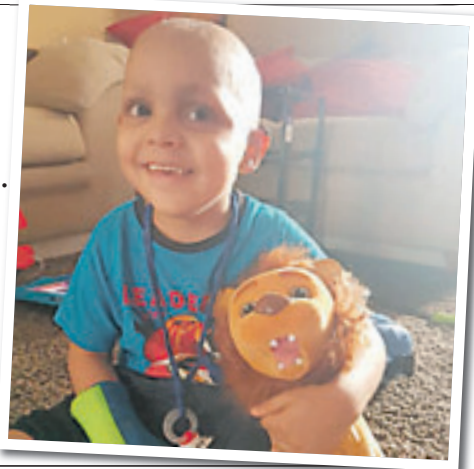
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INSPIRATIONAL cancer fighter Leo Bermejo from Almeria is heading to France with his family for a magical, memory-making five-night trip to the Disney theme park.

A fund launched late last year - and taken up by the *Euro Weekly News* with subsequent widespread publicity reaching hundreds of thousands of people - raised enough money to send him to the United States for cutting edge proton-beam therapy in Oklahoma.

But a recent MRI scan has confirmed the cancer has returned and is growing quickly in different areas of the original cavity.

Speaking about the trip Mum Karen said, "I don't feel one bit excited. I am sure we will all have fun but deep inside our hearts we will know that it is the beginning of the end for Leo."

"Now we are being forced to think about life without him which seems impossible at the moment. His smile brightens our day every day,

his happiness and positivity makes us all better people."

She went on to say, "I am sure emotions will be all over the place. I will watch other families with their healthy children feeling envious. Why can't that be us? Why is it my baby boy that has to go through this."

"He has fought so hard but he has never stopped smiling and he has never shown that he is ready to give up."

The family will travel to Manchester first so that Leo can say 'hello' to his friends there. Then they will all travel to the Disney resort for five nights.

On their return to Spain the family will start arranging palliative care for brave Leo.



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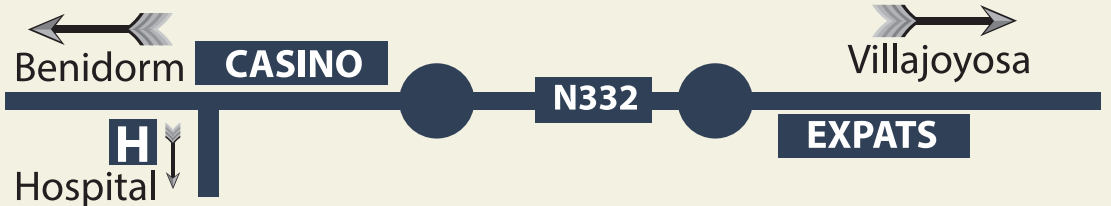
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ZONES: Avenida Vicente Lorca Alos, one of the roads affected by the temporary parking charges.

Blue is the colour

RESIDENTS and visitors to Benidorm will now have to pay to park in zones of the town which, had previously offered free parking.

Areas affected are predominantly roads in the Rincon de Loix and La Cala de Benidorm zones of the town.

The charges will be levied during the peak three months of summer, when tourist numbers swell the population of the town significantly.

Parking charges within Benidorm, are levied by the concessionaire, Sice-Auplsa UTE, who won the contract to run the town's public parking in 2015.

Councilor for Mobility, Jose Ramon Gonzalez de Zarate, indicated that the concession was awarded in 2015 by the former government team.

He also explained that, although the current PP party voted against the proposals when they were introduced, "there is a contract in force and we have to comply with the measures."

Consequently, as they are the incumbent town council, they have a requirement to "inform citizens and visitors that, from last Saturday, there will be new regulated charging zones that were previously free."

The affected zones will return to their previous free status in September, at the end of the peak months.

De Zarate also revealed that the council are studying the possibility of converting current free, white parking zones within Benidorm to green zones.

Some of the proposals include charging visitors to park in the new zones, but allowing residents to apply for free parking permits.

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EXOTIC: Southern lapwings are small, South American wading birds.

New arrivals as two new pairs of exotic birds land

TERRA NATURA has taken delivery of two new breeding pairs of South American birds.

The pairs of Urrucas and Teros, were kept in quarantine, while awaiting health checks from vets at the nature park, on the edge of Benidorm.

After receiving a clean bill of health, the birds were transferred to the 4,000 square metre aviary, which recreates their native South American habitat and will be-

come their new home.

The pair of Urrucas, also known as San Blas Jays (*Cyanocorax sanblasianus*), are endemic to Mexico.

With their distinctive black heads and blue bodies, these sociable magpies are considered, along with parrots, to be one of the most highly intelligent species in the bird world and can be spotted in trees at mid height in the aviary.

The Teros (*Vanellus chilensis*) are two-year-old, southern lapwings, found throughout South America, particularly Chile, Peru and Bolivia.

They are small, terrestrial, wading birds, happy to spend their time foraging on the floor of the aviary.

The new arrivals, now settled into their new life, join more than 40 other species of birds in the park, including six endangered breeds.

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Spanish man among 19 arrested in New York mafia crackdown

A SPANISH man is among 19 members of the Cosa Nostra, held in New York after a major sting by United States law enforcement agencies and the Guardia Civil.

Most of those arrested belong to the Lucchese, one of the five main Sicilian mafia families operating in the Big Apple, while others are associated with the Bonnano and Genovese clans.

They face a raft of accusations including murder, conspiracy, extortion, assault, fraud, drug smuggling, money laundering and illegal gambling.

It comes as one of those arrested has been named as Carmelo Garcia Babarro, a 65-year-old Basque from Bilbao, who has US citizenship and occupied the position of associate, the highest possible ranking for a non-Italian, within the Bonnano group.

He was involved in a plot to transport large quantities of cocaine to Spain from Argentina dissolved in bottles of wine, working alongside Lucchese second-in-com-



CONNECTED: Babarro snapped by undercover detectives.

mand, Tindaro Corso.

Babarro, who the Italians nicknamed 'Spanish Carmine,' made two trips to Alicante in 2016, during which he was tracked by Guardia Civil investigators following an FBI tipoff.

During the second of these, he stayed with Corso in the

Melia Hotel near Postiguget beach, the pair spending several days together with visits to Benidorm, cocktail bars and a local strip club.

Both men now face life imprisonment after two Guardia Civil officers crossed the Atlantic to assist in their arrests.

NEWS EXTRA

Church refit

REPAIRS are about to begin on the renaissance portal of Biar's parish church, although work will start on the roof and gargoyles to eliminate the leaks and dampness affecting the stonework.

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ALCOY Council installed planters along Avenida de la Hispanidad to limit the amount of space taken up by the outside tables of restaurants and bars and leave room for pedestrians.

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10% of all inheritances in Spain were renounced last year, with the number of people choosing not to accept their inheritance reaching the record figure of 38,791 in 2016. In 2007 it was 11,048.

The main reasons are the debts inherited along with the assets, and high levels of Spanish succession tax payable by the inheritors.

Spanish succession and gift tax is calculated on and paid by each recipient. It is due where the recipient is resident in Spain, or if any asset being inherited or gifted is a Spanish asset.

Under state rules the applicable rates range from 7.65% to 34%, and tax free personal reductions vary from €15,957 for descendants, ascendants and spouses, to €7,993 for siblings, nephews and nieces, step-children etc, to nil for everyone else. Multipliers can take the tax rate higher in some cases.

The autonomous communities are allowed to amend the rates, allowances and rules in their area, and some regions have higher tax burdens than others. You need to be clear on whether local or state rules apply to your heirs, and keep up-to-date as local rules can change

Record number of renounced inheritances in Spain



By **Gerald Turner,**
Partner,
Blevins Franks

one year to the next.

The region with the highest percentage of rejections in 2016 was Asturias with 16% and the lowest Aragón with 7%. Murcia had the 5th highest percentage with 12.5% (1,080 people renounced their inheritance compared to 208 in 2007) and Comunidad Valenciana was 11th with 8.7% (3,609 people

compared to 851 in 2007).

Spanish succession tax must be paid within six months of the date of death. This does not leave much time for heirs to sort out the paperwork and find the funds to pay the due tax.

When calculating the tax liability, debts are deductible from the amount inherited. However, the recipient also inherits the debt associated with the asset and is responsible for paying it off, as well as the tax bill on the balance. It is possible to accept an asset without having to pay creditors more than its value.

You can opt to renounce an inheritance in Spain, and avoid taking on the debt, but you have to renounce the whole inheritance.

If you simply renounce the inheritance, you are not liable to the succession tax. But if you renounce

it in favour of another person two tax liabilities arise - you still need to pay succession tax, and whoever you pass it to has to pay gift tax. This is why 'deed of variation' does not work in Spain. Let's say you leave a Spanish property equally to your children John and Mary. John decides to renounce his inheritance in favour of Mary. He will pay succession tax on his half, while Mary pays succession tax on her half, plus gift tax on the amount she receives from John.

Structure your assets to remove debt where possible, and take steps to lower succession tax for your heirs using compliant arrangements. There are more opportunities to mitigate tax on investment capital than on property. Some people opt to downsize in their later years or sell and move into rental property so

they can invest the funds in tax-efficient structures.

Wills, succession law and inheritance taxes are complex areas; you need specialist, cross-border advice. Your adviser should get to know you and your aims, so you have peace of mind that the inheritance process will be as simple as possible for your heirs and they will be well supported.

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Bulls in the sea

DENIA'S town fiestas begin this Saturday July 8 and as always bulls will be involved.

Accounts of bull-running and bullfighting in Denia go back to the 17th century although its *Bous a la mar* (Bulls in the sea) are comparatively recent and began when the port was built in the early 1920s.

Since then the running and grappling has taken place in an arena enclosed on three sides, with the harbour quay forming the fourth.

Males young and not-so-young can pretend to be toreros for a few minutes as they dodge the bulls while enticing them as close as



possible to the edge. The bull ends up in the water

and so, very often, do they.

Habitually referred to as bulls, the animals supplied by cattle breeders are often cows. They and the bulls do the rounds of local fiestas and having learnt by experience can be astute and smarter than their assailants.

A handful of participants are gored or break bones each year, but what of the bulls hauled out of the sea with a rope attached to their

horns?

According to the animal-protection group PACMA, the already-frightened animals are panic-stricken as they try to stay afloat. They have drowned in the past or died of a stress-induced heart attack as happened in 2012, PACMA said.

Despite political changes at the town hall in 2015 *Bous al mar* were not tampered with. There were no

plans to eliminate them, pledged the then Fiestas councillor Eva Ronda. She belonged to the *Compromis* party, which opposes all public spectacles involving animals, but Ronda described bulls as the essence of the July fiestas. "We don't believe they are as ill-treated as they are in other types of fiestas," she added.

Despite demonstrations from animal rights protesters, the town hall has kept its word and the *Bous* remain.

For the members of the *peñas* who each try their luck down at the harbour, their activities do not end when the bulls are returned to the stock farms. Each of

the associations has its own temporary headquarters or *casetas* where they and their guests eat, drink and make merry when not grappling with the bulls.

There was consternation last year when coastal authority *Costas* refused permission to install the *casetas* at the harbour and they were relocated to a car park behind the Town Planning department.

It was too far from the action, *peñas* representatives complained, and although the *Costas* veto remains, this year's *casetas* have been set up nearer the port in the pedestrian area between the station and the Hotel Costa Blanca.

They can still be rowdy, explained Denia's current Fiestas councillor Oscar Mengual, although the *casetas* permits impose a 1am curfew instead of 4am.

The first *Bous a la mar* session starts at 7pm on Saturday and the bulls will first be run along Calle Marques de Campo.

July 10 to 14: *Bous* at 1pm and 7pm.

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JANUARY STORMS: Inspecting the damage in Callosa.

Council asks when money will arrive

CALLOSA'S Council voted to ask the public Administrations for the funds promised for repairs to local infrastructure.

The motion, proposed by the PSOE socialist party, had the backing of the council's one UPyD councillor and another who is non-aligned, but the Partido Popular abstained.

Torrential rain and gales in December and January caused more than €9 million of damage in Callosa, leaving the agri-

cultural town's irrigation systems and rural roads, as well as public and private buildings, in need of urgent repairs.

Six months later, the town hall has so far received only the €1.5 million that came from the Generalitat.

This was used to restore irrigation and water supply infrastructure, but repairs at the Font Major, now being carried out by publicly-owned Tragsa, will cost much more than the origi-

nal estimate. Damage was more far-reaching than initial estimates suggested, explained the local mayor, Josep Saval.

He has now approached the public Administrations once more and in particular, the Alicante Diputacion and national government. None of their promised help has materialised, Saval said, and it is still badly-needed if solutions are to be found for damage suffered last December and again in January.

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Yacht club becalmed by increased fees



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ALTEA: Club Nautico must pay more.

UNCERTAINTY surrounding their expired licences has been temporarily resolved, but there are still problems ahead for some yacht clubs.

In Altea, the Club Nautico has seen the annual dues it pays to the regional government, rise from €50,000 to €350,000.

Even its renewed licence arrived "late and badly" according to the club. "It is so extremely provisional, that it hinders even minimal invest-

ment for the future, or repairs to installations that are obsolete after so many years," the club complained.

The present three-month authorisation must be renewed each month for a maximum of three years, pointed out Jose Roman Zurutuza, president of Altea's Club Nautico. "There is no guarantee of continuity," he said. "It is evident that what they really want is to choke us."

The club's committee in-

creased general tariffs and mooring fees by 10 per cent and reluctantly, decided to reduce some social activities including recruiting young people for the rowing club. The number of official competitions will also be reduced.

The club is awaiting the results of a financial and nautical management study for 2018-2020 but Zurutuza warned the situation will bring new cut-backs.

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PLAYA CENTRO: Villajoyosa's most popular beach.

Something fishy going on

VILLAJOYOSA is uneasy about plans for another fish farm off Playa Centro, the town's most popular beach. The present installation raises 400 tons of gilthead

breem, 700 tons of seabass and 400 tons of seatrout in 30 cages that are each 25 metres in diameter.

The company running the fish farm already has permission to add another 24 cages following a favourable report from the regional government. Now, according to a communique from the Partido Popular, the company wants to install another farm.

The project is far advanced, maintained Jaime Lloret, the PP's spokesman at the town

hall. "There is a great deal of confusion over this. An extension is one thing but a macro-farm opposite the Playa Centro is another."

Lloret went on to claim that the local mayor and the councillor for Commerce and Beaches knew about the fish farm at least six weeks ago after receiving a report from the regional government's Agriculture department.

Villajoyosa's mayor Andreu Verdu nevertheless said that the town hall would fight

to change the location of another installation.

The town hall would not object to an extension but was opposed to a new farm near Playa Centro, he said, due to its impact on the protected Bou Ferrer wreck, a Roman cargo galley that sank there around IAD.

There was also concern regarding the visual impact of the fish farm and its environmental effect on the quality of the water and other species, Verdu added.

NEWS EXTRA

Branching out

ELDA Council, which will plant 360 trees in the town centre before the end of the year, is currently carrying out the first phase with 36 Judas trees for three central streets.

Fewer beds

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Abuse claim

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Ringing the changes



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OLIVA-PEGO MARSH: Good weather for ringing campaign.

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Thirty-two birds that included herons,

grey herons and several types of egret have now been ringed, announced Oliva's Environment councillor Imma Ibiza.

"With this study we hope to track the movements of migratory species on their journeys to Africa and again when they return here to reproduce," Ibiza explained.

"This will also help us to discover which zones are used by resident species for finding food and resting," she added.

NEWS EXTRA

Empty cradles

THE birth rate for Alicante Province last year was the lowest since 2001, while the total of 15,136 babies born in 2016 was 768 below the 2015 figure.

Sales up

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TRADITIONALLY in Spain financial and investment advice has been made through banking entities. In general, we can say that the Spanish banks have not done a satisfactory job if we take into account all the scandals they have been part of, relative to toxic and high risk investment products, such as subordinated, preferred shares, convertible bonds, participative quotes, etc. Many of these products have led to their owners to lose all the money invested.

But **expatriates**, in addition to the incorrect and often malicious advice from banks in Spain, have been also affected by numerous companies and supposed experts in investment and financial advice, many of them of the same nationality as the affected expatriates themselves, who have caused and continue to provoke a multitude of problems.

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If you had, have or think you may have a problem with your investments or your financial adviser, **contact us and we will help you.**

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NEWS EXTRA**Under 30**

SIX people under the age of 30 will be hired by the city of Denia thanks to an €86,406.23 grant from Servef, within the framework of the National System of Youth Guarantee (EMCUJU).

Still growing

THE Port of Denia continues to grow, with 50 new jobs created in the last two years - in 2015 there were 247 employees, now 294, expected to reach 300 before the end of this year.

Of course

DENIA'S Department of Youth has collaborated with the L'lunatics and Dinamics to offer many new courses to its residents in 2017/2018. More information at the oficina de Juventud (Ronda de las Murallas) or www.aulasdenia.com.

Anti-drugs

DENIA'S Department of Social Welfare, through the Unit for Community Prevention in Addictive Behaviours (UPCCA) has launched its 14th Discosana campaign in pubs and clubs - designed to educate partygoers on the dangers of substance abuse.

Summer BAU

THE 160m2 medical centre on the Les Marines road is now open until September 3 - from Monday to Friday, 10.00am - 6.00pm and Saturday 10.00am - 3.00pm, with a doctor, a nurse and a support worker.

Under arrest

THREE men were caught illegally fishing with spear guns in the Cap de Sant Antoni Marina Reserve recently - taken to the Port of Denia, they were arrested by the Guardia Civil and their equipment was confiscated.

ALTEA is now a circus-free town.

The last council meeting voted unanimously to bar circuses that include performing animals.

The initiative did not come from a councillor or political party but from more than 100 pupils at the L'Olla primary school. "Steps should be taken to bar spectacles with animals that have been taken from their habi-

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tat and are treated unnaturally," the pupils' motion declared.

The animals suffered while they were tamed and trained, the children said. They had to travel hundreds of kilometres in cages and were then

obliged to perform for the public.

The captive state of circus animals was of no educational value, the pupils continued. "On the contrary, this presents a distorted vision of reality," they declared.

The proposal was of "great interest" to the town, said Altea's mayor Jaume Llinares who thanked the L'Olla pupils for their "huge ecological conscience" and defending animal rights.

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Walk, don't run, in Mariola park



SIERRA MARIOLA: National park has valuable ecosystems.

IN future no organised sporting events and trials may be held in Sierra Mariola national park between February and July.

A circular letter from the park director stated that the veto applied to the park's maximum-protection area would lessen the impact on nesting birds and valuable ecosystems.

This will affect long-established races like the Montcabrer Ascent and the Trail Solidarias, according to the circular, inspections carried out after these and other events showed that the restrictions were advisable.

The number of sporting events has increased and with it the number of participants, the circular continued.

Sports clubs immediately criticised plans to scale down activities. In effect there will now be only three months when races can be held, argued the Centre Excursionista d'Alcoi.

Concentrating them into this period would cause massification as well as more erosion, the Centre pointed out. The association also asked to see the inspection reports to make sure that the restrictions were not an arbitrary decision from the park's director.



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Safer cycling on CV-820 as gullies removed

DANGEROUS gullies on either side of the CV-820 road that links San Vicente and Novelda are being removed.

More than half a metre deep and intended to channel off rainwater, they are especially dangerous for the many cycling enthusiasts who use this road. The hard shoulder is narrow and for decades the slightest miscalculation or loss of control can be the cause of fatal accidents and serious injuries.

Although they have suffered no fatalities, motorists also have problems and those who unwittingly drive into them usually need the assistance of a breakdown lorry.

The existing gullies are being filled in and made much shallower so that any cyclist obliged to swerve off the road will no longer be at risk, explained the regional

government's Infrastructure department.

The channels border most of the 19.5-kilometre road

and eliminating them is expected to take several months, Infrastructure sources revealed.



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Cement works days are numbered

SAN VICENTE Council does not intend to buy the abandoned cement works owned by the Mexican company Cemex.

“The town hall is not going to buy the land because Cemex merely wants to take the money and run,” said Urban Development councillor Marilo Jorda.

The multinational, which intends to demolish the cement works that for decades was San Vicente’s principal industry, has offered to sell the installation for €15 million.

“We have no intention of getting a bank loan in order to buy the plant,” Jorda added.

Cemex has now applied for a demolition licence which the town hall is prepared to grant so long as the company respects the ce-



Photo by Dilena

SAN VICENTE: Plant was once town’s principal industry.

ment works’ silos, rotating kilns, offices, laboratory, staff area and chimney.

The six buildings were catalogued as protected by the previous town hall although Jorda, who belongs to the Guanyar party, criti-

cised her predecessors from the Partido Popular.

“They could have protected the entire installation but when they had the chance to they did not use their overall majority, the councillor lamented.



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Guardia Civil launch summer campaign for safer vacations

THE Guardia Civil has launched a campaign, with the title Ten Hints, which seeks to encourage responsible behaviour while tourists and residents enjoy their well-deserved vacations.

They have produced 17 short video clips which look at safety for individuals and regard for the environment in public and holiday areas.

The advice has been placed in five different categories, all of which appear to be overlooked at times during the summer and when an ele-

ment of holiday 'excitement' makes people forget the obvious. In addition to the actual advice, suggestions are made as to the specialist divisions of the Guardia Civil, who are responsible for different areas of policing.

Firstly, the organisation reminds holidaymakers of the importance of protecting the environment and animals. This includes not leaving dogs in

hot cars without water and ventilation, individuals not throwing burning cigarette ends away (due to the strong possibility of starting a wildfire) and reminding all that rubbish of any type (including dog excrement) needs to be removed and disposed of properly.

The next topic covered is that of travel by road - which many people do - from holidaymakers travelling to second homes on the coast, to first time visitors driving hire cars.

The most important advice is never drive having taken alcohol or drugs, use seat belts at all times, respect the speed limits and never text or use a mobile phone when driving.

Don't make it easy for burglars, especially at home in this very hot weather, by leaving windows and doors open, (particularly when you are sleeping) and be alert to possible thefts on the streets, as mobile phones and bags can disappear in the blink of an eye.

Many tourists enjoy the outdoor life but too many go hiking or climbing with inadequate clothing, (especially footwear).

The advice is to always take sufficient liquid and wherever possible, a mobile phone in case of accidents.

Every summer, reports abound of people drowning (often when caught in treacherous tides or from the shock of diving into very cold water) and children need to be watched at all times, both in the sea and when near swimming pools.

The water can be dangerous

so don't drink and then go swimming at night and be careful when out with boats or hiring jet skis.

All of the hints are really quite obvious - but for some reason, when holidays come, common sense can be in short supply - so remember to be careful and save expense, discomfort and possible death as well as upset for all of the family, be sensible!



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Farmer's market reminder

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Residents and visitors who missed the July market can still make a date for August 5 when they will find organic fruit, vegetables and bread as well as natural cheeses and preserves. There are also cakes suitable for vegans and the gluten-intolerant.

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SOLIDARITY CINEMA: €3,730 cheque for Milagros Font (third left).

Arthouse films raise funds

THE Alfaz Film Festival organisers presented Doctors without Borders (MSF) with a cheque for €3,730.

The money raised through the Solidarity Cinema cycle of arthouse films was recently presented to Milagros Font,

MSF's delegate to the Valencian Community.

Present at the meeting were Alfaz's mayor Vicente Arques and the Festival's assistant director Javier Pascual accompanied by local councillors and representatives from the

Huellas Borradas de Mujer association.

All the original-version films shown between October and May at the Casa de Cultura were international award-winners, Pascual said, and roughly 70 per cent of the 2,800 people attending the sessions were foreign residents.

The Solidarity Cinema cycles have been held since

2008 and funds raised have gone to different non-government organisations.

This was MSF's third donation and Milagros Font revealed that 2017 was proving "financially difficult" for the organisation. "We decided not to accept more funds from the EU or member states as we cannot be complicit in some of their policies," she said.

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Taking preventive fire measures

ALL agricultural bonfires are banned in Alfaz until September.

Given the current high risk of woodland and wildfire there can be no exceptions, announced the town hall's Environment and Urban Development departments.

Bonfire permits have been suspended, partly because not all wooded areas have been cleared or maintained, the town hall explained.

But the "excessive growth of vegetation" and very high temperatures have also contributed to the fire risk, the town hall explained.

The bonfire ban follows work carried out last month on clearing undergrowth, weeds, deadfalls and excess vegetation from paths, publicly-owned land and streambeds. Special attention was paid to zones much-used by pedestrians

as well as traffic.

The Valencia Region is currently on high alert for forest and wildfires and it is vital to anticipate problems and take appropriate action to prevent them, Environment department head Rocio Guijarro said in June.

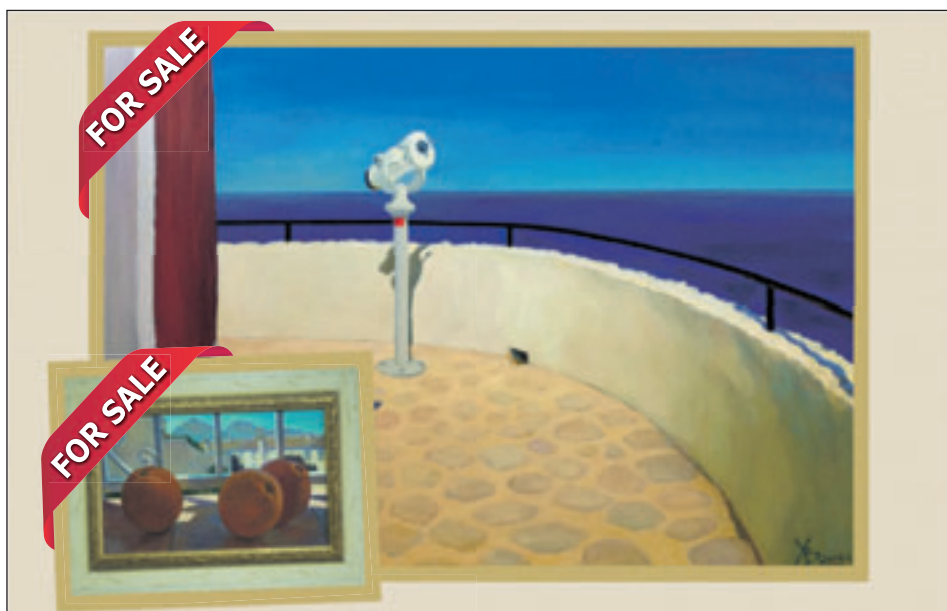
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Teulada Moraira NEWS

Man arrested on harassment allegations

A 22-YEAR-OLD man was arrested last week as he was alleged to have harassed a 13-year-old girl from Moraira, sending her videos of an adult nature and confessing his attraction towards her.

The investigation was initiated after the girl's parents discovered the shocking content on her mobile phone and immediately reported the man to the Guardia Civil.

Officers learnt how the man had used social media to harass the girl and warned of the dangers of social media for children.

From 'rescued' to 'rescuer'

JULIAN PASCUAL - the Benitachell skipper of Ricardo Noveno that sank leaving himself and two friends stranded at sea for 18 hours - helped rescue five men last week, whose boat sank just like his did last month.

Moraira residents Iban Rafael Garcia, his son Jorge and brothers Guillermo, Pablo and Vicente set sail from the Club Nautico Moraira on Iban's 8.4 metre Sandy Hook last Thursday morning.

The group were heading out to the waters of Brumeo to fish for tuna as the boat began to sink some seven miles off the Cap de la Nau.

"In five minutes, the boat had sunk. We had just enough time to grab the life jackets and make two emergency calls,"

Guillermo told the Spanish press.

One of the emergency calls was to the Club Nautico Moraira.

The club immediately sent out a warning to its members, which was received by Julian Pascual as he sailed some 20 minutes away with four friends, also fishing for tuna.

Pulling in their lines, Julian and his friends raced back to the aid of Sandy Hook shipwreckers and pulled them aboard.

Julian told the Spanish Press that the group were "very lucky" as the sea con-



BOAT SANK: Off the Cap de la Nau.

ditions that day were much worse than the day Ricard Noveno sank.

Back on dry land, an ambulance was waiting, however none of the men suffered any injuries.

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Councillors Rosana Caselles and Nieves Rodriguez congratulated Maria for her "commitment to society, her solidarity and generosity."

Maria was delighted with the award and said she will continue to donate blood for as long as she can.

She encouraged everybody to take part in the donations the municipality organises, calling the donation of blood "a small action which can save a lot of lives."

Go-ahead is given

THE Director of the Department for Highways at Alicante County Council gave Teulada-Moraira the go-ahead to improve the CV-743 last week, as the projects complies with all requirements.

The goal of the project is to improve accessibility to the municipality with both a lane for slow traffic and a lane for overtaking planned.

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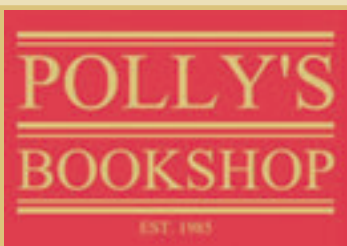
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Javea supports schools

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IES Antoni Llido received a €14,600 grant from the council towards its extracurricular

activities whilst IES Numero 1 received an €11,700 grant.

Graull college will also receive a grant of €1,415 as a municipal subsidy towards its end of course festival

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Car restrictions at Playa Granadella

AS of Monday July 3 cars are being restricted from accessing the Granadella cove in Javea.

Recent years of overly high visitor numbers and concerns over the resulting environmental degradation have highlighted that a new system is necessary. The measures aim to allow high visitor numbers sustainably.

Cars will not be allowed to pass into a protected area between 10am and 7pm every day until Wednesday August 30. Locals, who have been welcoming of the new system, and workers will be given a residency card which will allow them to pass freely.

In place of cars a tourist bus will run on a circular route bringing people down to the cove and back up.

In the first days of the measures,



Javea Council

TOURISTS: Arrive by bus at Granadella beach.

members of the local tourism department will be in the area to inform visitors of the new rules alongside an increased presence of the Local Police.

Councillors attended the first day of the new measures to evaluate the ef-

fectiveness of the new system and look for improvements. They noted that so far the beach is quieter than in the same period last year and quieter than in the weeks which preceded the measures coming into force.

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CLIMATE CHANGE: To blame for warm sea water?

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Samples taken by the Jubi-Sub Dive Group took mea-

surements at depths of between 20 and 23 metres and recorded temperatures this year which oscillated between 18 and 21 degrees. Last year the same test recorded between 17 and 20 degree oscil-

lations showing a rapid increase of one degree in a year.

Dramatic sea temperature rises are being noted across the Mediterranean and is believed to be a symptom of climate change.

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The new office demonstrates Blevins Franks' commitment to the region and is a reflection of the company's continued growth and the increasing demand for its services. The office's location, in Greenwich Marina, provides a convenient and welcoming venue for clients to meet with James for advice and ongoing service.

Blevins Franks now has nine offices in Spain, providing cross-border advice to UK nationals living here. This includes the long-established offices in Javea and Benijofar. In all, the company has 22 offices covering Spain, France, Portugal, Cyprus, Malta, Monaco, Gibraltar, as well as their head office in St James's Square, London.

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GROWTH: The new office demonstrates commitment to the region.



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cally in the same areas as their clients. The firm also has specialist tax, pension and investment advisory teams based in their Malta and London offices, dedicated regional client services teams and its own trust company.

James has been working with Blevins Franks since 2014, when he joined its Javea office as a Private Client Manager. His role there was to work alongside Partners, Robert Croizat and Brett Hanson, providing dedicated reviews and advice to clients, ensur-

ing they receive a high-quality ongoing service. He was appointed Associate Partner in April 2017.

He moved into financial services following a successful career in management. Prior to joining Blevins Franks in 2014, he worked for a number of UK international financial advisers providing holistic financial planning to clients. He is professionally qualified and holds the Diploma for Financial Advisers and the certificate in Securities

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Going for a free walkabout

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On Fridays the tours leave the Tourist Information Office in Calle San Pere 14 on Altea seafront at 7pm to explore the Old town.

On Sundays, again setting out from the Tourist Information Office at 7pm, the tour will walk part of the old Camino Real. This was once the Alicante road and long before that it was part of the Via Dianium linking the Via Augusta with what is now Alicante City. For more information, ring 965 844 114.

Alfaz Spiritual Foundation MBS Fair

THIS year's fair was a great day and attracted more people than any other year, the turn out resulting in more donations than expected, which in turn helps the Foundation to give more support to their charities.

Most stallholders were happy with sales they made and will most likely return to their next fair. The speakers, demonstrators, healers and tea-leaf readers also had good results. Michele Averard, a very talented singer and musician, who responded to the advertising, was well received.

The Foundation has also received numerous requests from people interested in becoming members.

Albir Anglican social Sunday



SOCIAL GATHERING: Some of the congregation enjoyed scones with jam and cream.

ON the first Sunday of every month, Albir Anglican holds a social gathering, which follows their regular service.

On July 2, 17 people stayed and enjoyed scones with jam and cream. The scones were made by Susan Lloyd and as always were delicious.

In the winter months a variety of soups are the order of the day. Croissants or even a 'ploughman's' might also tempt you, ringing the changes. What you can be assured of is a warm welcome, whether you are new or a regular visitor.

They always say that a stranger is a friend waiting to be met. The congregation is not large and some return to the UK for the hot months. It is a compliment to the friendship of the regular congregation that visitors who come to the service, very often come again and become regular worshippers.

A service of Holy Communion is held every Sunday at 9.45am, in the centre of Albir.

If you turn up the main road hill, Camino de la Cantera, (quite near the Consum Su-

permarket), signposted Rober Palas Hotel, turn right in front of the hotel and the Church (Norwegian Seaman's Church) is just inside the next left turn, Carrer Mart.

Every Thursday at 11.00am at the Forum Mare Nostrum, Alfaz del Pi, there is a service of Holy Communion. The second Thursday of each month is a healing service.

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One-hundred-and-forty-five members were in attendance, including six new members and one visitor.

There was no speaker following this month's meeting, instead there was a display from the Members Craft Group. This included many hand-made birthday and special occasion cards, which were available to purchase. There was also a selection of the Watercolour Group's work, which was superb.

The members then enjoyed a lovely meal at the Hogar del



Cards and watercolours on show.



Pensionista Restaurant in Alfaz del Pi.

U3A Marina Baixa holds its general meetings on the fourth Monday of each month, in the auditorium at the Casa de Cultura, Alfaz del Pi. The next

Meeting is on Monday July 24.

Doors open at 10am and the desk closes at 10.50am for a prompt 11.00am start, please come early to sign in and get your seat!

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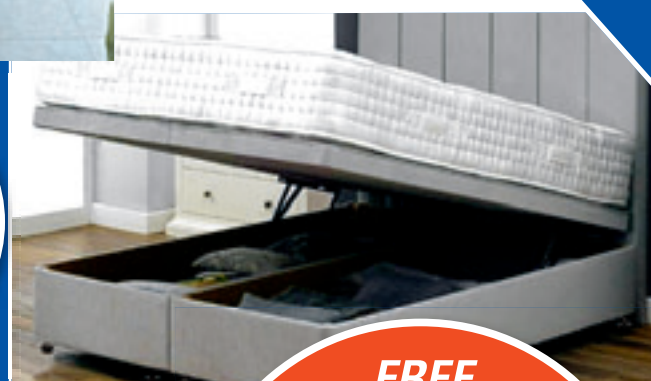


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Oh, what a beautiful night!

AT 7pm, on Saturday June 17, Jávea's Anglican Church presented their second Summer Serenade Concert, in the Ermita del Popul on Jesus Pobre Road.

This lovely church was filled with people there to hear beautiful music, performed by the small choir Music Unlimited.

Founded in April 2012 by Joanna Baldwin, the choir presented a varied programme of musical styles, covering seven centuries of choral compositions.

Most were sung a capella, with a few pieces brilliantly accompanied on the organ by Nick Hale.

Beginning with a 14th century French round (canon), the choir progressed through 17th and 18th century motets and madrigals to 19th century anthems.

In honour of the Queen's

official birthday that day, the choir included Hubert Parry's anthem, I Was Glad, sung on many royal occasions. Friends from the Montgo Chorale joined to help swell the glorious sound.

The concert continued with a selection of 20th century secular pieces concluding with a traditional Irish Blessing.

As the sun dipped, everyone enjoyed an al fresco reception of Cava and canapés, organised by the committee members of the Jávea church.

It was a truly beautiful evening, and raised €802 to support the work of the Costa Blanca Anglican Chaplaincy.

For more information on Music Unlimited go to: magidelamusica@gmail.com Visit the website costablanca-anglicanchaplaincy.org to learn more about the Anglican Church here in Spain.

Costa Blanca Anglican Chaplaincy celebrate

SO, you organise an outdoor picnic concert of Classical Music, a la Proms at the Albert Hall, sell 80 tickets in aid of church funds, set up the bunting and then, true to British form, it pours with rain two hours before the start!

However this is Spain!

To cancel or to go ahead? That was the question!

Weather maps and websites were consulted and most indicated that the storm would be gone by early evening. Very bravely, hosts Andrew and Kathy Johnson, pressed the GO button! Their courage was rewarded when, true to the predictions, it did stop raining in the nick of time and even the bunting had stopped drip-drying as the first concertgoers arrived with their picnics.

Almost everybody managed to find a variation on the red, white and blue dress theme and they soon settled down to enjoy their evening meal, accompanied by a selection of well-known orchestral pieces.

At the end of the evening, in true



CELEBRATION: Concertgoers enjoying their evening meal.

Proms style, everybody joined together to sing Jerusalem, Land of Hope and Glory and the National Anthem!

A delightful evening raised over €1,300, which will be used to finance the continuing work of the Church of

England in Spain, with a donation being made to Caritas in Benissa.

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Schools now out for the summer

THE end of June saw the U3A Vall del Pop Group effectively close down for the summer, as many members will be taking holidays or receiving visitors, and it's too hot for active outside activities.

The principle exceptions being:

The Wine Tasting Group, who have a final tasting on July 12 - 'well we never were an active outdoors group' and after a good tasting session never sure whether they should be in or out, just happy!

July 7 . Coffee and Apple Pie morning, at El Mosset, Jalon in aid of JVH.

So for everybody else 'Schools Out for the Summer' - go off and enjoy yourselves but don't do anything you won't be proud about being reported at the general meeting!

Don't be late - School starts again in September, with the first General Meeting on Thursday 7. The group meetings restart on their scheduled days during the month.

A full programme is being planned, with news of trips and events to be released at the start of the programme.

For further information check the website <http://u3avalldelpop.com>.

The U3A is all about enjoyment and



U3A MEMBERS: David and Tim.

learning, members generally meet on the first Thursday of each month, at the Centre Polivalent in Murla.

Ancient Egypt from Jalon to Moraira

ON Monday June 26, historian David Rohl, gave his 25th lecture to the U3A Vall del Pop Egyptology Group.

Regrettably, this will be the last presentation in Jalon, as David is moving his lecture programme to U3A Moraira-Teulada from September.

Meetings there will be held at the Salon de Actos, La Senieta Theatre in Moraira, starting at 10.30am on the third Monday of every month, beginning September 18.

For this last Jalon lecture, David took a break from Egyptology to present details of his latest filming trip to Jordan. In April of this year David filmed a 12-part documentary series entitled 'Patterns of Evidence: Moses,' to be screened in the USA in 2018. The series is directed by award-winning filmmaker, Timothy Mahoney.

David described the film crew's search for Aaron and



THANK YOU: David Rohl and Ditas, with Sandra Welham, the President's wife.

Moses in Jordan, and his excellent slides showed scenes from Mount Nebo, Madaba, Sela, Petra and the Dead Sea. He clearly explained and justified his location of Kadesh at Petra, where the Israelites were based during their 40 years in the wilderness, prior to the Conquest of the Promised Land.

Members of U3A Vall del

Pop presented David and Ditas (his right and left hand) a card and voucher in appreciation for all his efforts, in bringing the glories of Egypt and the Ancient World to its members.

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Concert packs the cave

THE COSTA BLANCA MALE VOICE CHOIR'S decision to stage an evening concert at the Cueva de las Calaveras in Benidoleig was a huge success, with all seats sold three weeks before. The audience of 200, who

had obviously been inspired by this novel idea, were hushed as the 30-strong choir appeared inside the cave. Singing acappella they took their places under the great dome of the entrance. The choir proceeded to thrill the audience, with a full and varied programme of 15 songs all without music. From Leonard Cohen's Hallelujah, The Wonder of You and the very upbeat Rhythm of Life, to the more serious Va Pensiero, Let There Be Peace On Earth and Bring Him Home.

The programme was interspersed with songs from Season Wang and Rosanna Post from Lady Elizabeth School. Ave Maria performed by the choir's Musical Director Claire Hark-



CONCERT in the cave courtesy of Proteccion Civil Benidoleig.

ness-Post (aka Claire-Marie), who was also joined by her daughter for a moving version of Pie Jesu. Amen brought the audience to their feet, which ended the evening and the choir's season on a high.

The choir's finale was the rousing African folk song Senzenina and the encore of

Choir President Mike Evans said, "This was a wonderful venue for our concert and we will certainly be back next year. We are very grateful to the Benidoleig Town Hall and the manager of the cave, for all their sup-

port in setting up this event. We couldn't have done it without the help of Simon Lunn and his colleagues from Proteccion Civil Benidoleig, who set out all the chairs and ensured that our audience got in and out of the venue safely."

Profits from the concert will be donated to Proteccion Civil Benidoleig and to local single-parent charity Guardian Angels. The choir is always looking for new members and it will begin weekly rehearsals again in September, every Tuesday evening at Bar Mediterraneo in Teulada from 5.45 - 8pm.

You can find out more about the choir on their website: www.costablanca_malevoicechoir.wikidot.com, follow their Facebook page 'Costa Blanca Male Voice Choir' or call Mike Evans on 965 744 577.

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FLASHBACK: Calle San Miguel in Torremolinos, which was among southern Spain's original popular tourist destinations.



CHANGING FACE: Calle San Miguel remains popular with locals and tourists alike to this day.

Spanish Costas are busier, brighter... In living

Has life become better or worse on the Spanish Costas over the past 30 years? Armed with industrial quantities of Factor-50, author and former resident Terence Kennedy hit the carretera to find out.

IN the early 80's, hit by a super sales pitch so hard that if it had been the Titanic the iceberg would have sunk, we bought 'our dream home on the Costa.'

Back in the old days some property salesmen were so persistent that once they got a foot in the door, they would keep it there until gangrene almost set in.

We quickly realised - after buying while still a few years short of our 40th birthdays - that we had personally jumped the gun in our own life pattern, and in doing so only succeeded in bringing down the average expat age in our urbanización from 66 to 65.5.

So after completing a book project we eventually sold up and moved on.

Last month - three decades on - we returned to a noticeably busier, brighter and bronzer coast. But has life improved in southern Spain over all those years... for more than perhaps the cement manufacturers?

According to the famous French proverb, 'Plus ça change, plus c'est la même chose': the more things change, the more they stay the same.

Well hasta la vista baby; if it weren't for the street sign where we once called home, we felt we could have been on a different planet entirely.

Where our hills were alive with cicadas, now it's cement mixers and a toll road, and what we paid for our house now barely buys a bike-rack.

Where Brits formerly arrived at the airport laden with baked beans, Angel Delight and Marmite, those who still insist they won't eat 'foreign muck' can now buy their own imported choice items in even the smallest supermercados.

● Tourism magnet

The statistics are truly astonishing: when we left 30 years ago, officially there were just 250,000 foreign-born people living in Spain.

Today, deep breath, it's 4.5 million, or some 10 per cent of the nation's entire population. The UK's *Financial Times* says Spain is the most favoured destination for other Europeans considering moving, chas-

Si señor! A truly enviable lifestyle

THERE'S no denying the magnificent quality of life in southern Spain today, with more foreigners than ever able to enjoy it in an era of enormous mobility and cheap travel.

It actually cost us on our visit more to park our car at our home airport Toulouse than the price of the flights from France.

And once settled into the holiday mode where else, for instance, could an everyday gal afford to buy a 'genuine' Gucci bag on the beachfront - or if you prefer Louis Vuitton - with the label changed following a quick dab of glue.

"No problem señor!"

Where else can one live in a t-shirt and shorts for the majority of the year... and skin-cancer be damned?

Where else can you browse happily in fleets of shops called 'Toda Una Euro' and

not actually find anything priced at a euro?

Where else can you brave the throngs of car-hire touts at the airport on arrival and be offered a week's rental for a breathtaking €1.80 (but then read the [very] fine-print: 'Mandatory insurance €200')?

Looking back to the 80's and crossing the dreaded coastal carretera used to be a dice with death. But now all you have to conquer is vertigo as you stride across the overpasses.

There are also many more shops of more variety including the top designer brand names as well as numerous Chinese bazaars that are the equivalent to the 'open-all-hours' corner-stores in the UK.

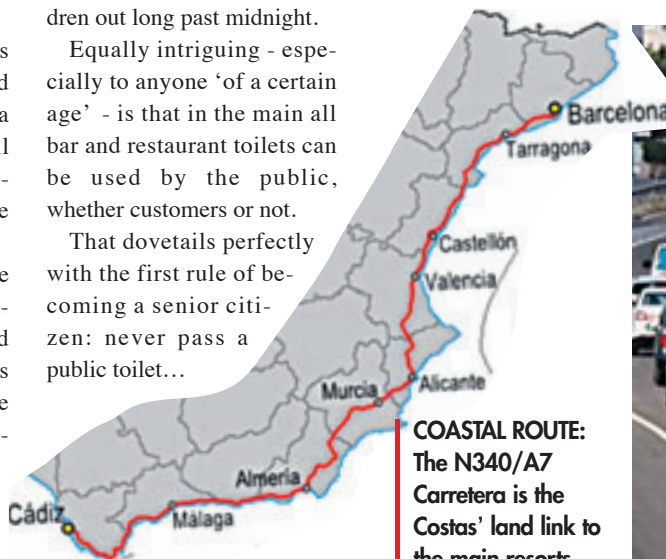
Further food for thought is provided with more restaurants and cafes of every

persuasion than even a customer on steroids could handle.

There's a lifestyle our forefathers could only dream of, in a country where many still believe it is one's birth-right to sleep for three hours in the afternoon and keep the children out long past midnight.

Equally intriguing - especially to anyone 'of a certain age' - is that in the main all bar and restaurant toilets can be used by the public, whether customers or not.

That dovetails perfectly with the first rule of becoming a senior citizen: never pass a public toilet...



FLASHBACK: The Plaza de la Costa del Sol in Torremolinos with Fiat 500s the car of the day in the mid 70's.

The old photographs featured are courtesy of Torremolinos Chic Facebook page. Readers with old local photographs which they want to share should contact [es-es.facebook.com/torremolinoschic](https://www.facebook.com/torremolinoschic).



COASTAL ROUTE: The N340/A7 Carretera is the Costas' land link to the main resorts throughout Spain.

and more bronzed than 30 years ago

memory



SKYLINE CHANGE: Carihuela Beach today, with Torremolinos a much-changed but ever-popular resort with tourists from all over Europe.



FLASHBACK: Carihuela Beach in Torremolinos when the resort started becoming popular with tourists, initially mainly from Scandinavia.

ing what *The Economist* in London says is now the world's 10th-highest quality of life.

The British authorities estimate that the real population of Britpats living in Spain is far bigger than official Spanish figures suggest, at anywhere up to a million. And around 800,000 are permanent residents.

Are you as gobsmacked as I was to learn from the BBC that, contrary to popular belief, only 21.5 per cent are in fact over the age of 65?

Never mind the residents, how about the tourists? As the world's second-biggest tourism magnet after France, Spain has seen numbers rocket to a staggering 75 million annually. That's a whole heap of suntan lotion and Ambar Especial Lager, especially on the Costas!

But let's not wear any rose-tinted glasses. The Spanish coast in the 80's was already far from resembling that fabled and quaint little fishing port with a few bobbing boats that was Torremolinos,

when its first hotel opened on the Costa del Sol in 1960 and helped along with other key resorts of the time to unleash today's torrent of tourists.

Even by the time we hit the coast in the days when shoulder pads and big hair dos were in fashion, and when Wham, Donna Summers and Stevie Wonder were in the British pop charts, you had about as much chance of finding a summer car park space in the major resorts as you did of winning El Gordo.

The song of the cement mixer was already pervasive, as Spanish speculators fell over each other to colonise vast tracts of coastline and were steadily forced further and further inland.

As land pressure increased, buying into a complex which 'overlooks the sea' could mean you'd need to drag your bucket and spade several kilometres each way to get there, up hills which would make ideal Land Rover testing ground.

To an outside eye at least, the worst of the excesses are now past though the development continues apace (and amazingly to this once-burned writer at least, the often-maligned timeshare is actually experiencing a resurgence).

Fewer deserted building skeletons bear witness to the at-times greed and hopeless optimism of the 80's.

● Amazing beaches

EU rules have made it marginally less of a paper-chase for expats to live here (but who knows for the Brexpats from 2019!).

Additionally much of the previous corruption has been stemmed as some of the worst offenders - including many mayors and compadres - languish under the state's hospitality.

Polish up the crystal-ball and what might the Costas look like in another 30 years, when the only way this observer might be around is in an urn?

Residents and visitors alike will certainly be fatter, echoing the global obesity trends which are already so flabbily obvious here. It will be (even) hotter thanks to climate change, with Mr Trump's petulant blocking antics a mere speed-bump in history.

Contrary to what you might expect, the currently at times choked summer highways will be quieter and the air will be healthier, once the dawning of the electric car truly has broken.

And keeping fit might mean power-gliding along the growing boardwalk networks along the Costas on walker-drones.

The amazing beaches will still be packed, the beach bars passed from generation to generation will no doubt still be doing a roaring trade, the UK's *Daily Mail* will still insist Germans are buying up 99-year leases on beach deck chairs, and among more sensible Europeans, the Brits will still be burning to a bright-crimson crisp as further proof of constantly living the dream or of a great holiday visit.

Sunny outlook to taxing thoughts

IN a globalising world Spain may cling on to its unique and familiar habits.

But for how long?

One amazing change noted since the 80's is how industrious the otherwise laid-back Spanish appear to have become.

The Spanish actually spend more time working than many of their counterparts in Europe: 1,691 hours each year while the British put in 1,674 and the Germans just 1,371, says the OECD.

These days statistics also show that almost 60 per cent of Spaniards never have a siesta.

Yet some things have stayed stubbornly the same, including Spain's agonised relationship with Gibraltar.

I found it almost comforting that, just as decades ago, one can still whizz along the carretera and see The Rock rising magnificently out of the mist, yet not encounter a single road-sign pointing to it until virtually within sight of its 'OTT-English' teashops and red telephone kiosks.

Nor are many expats (here's looking at you, the Brits) apparently any more fluent in the local language than they were 30 years ago.

One quick survey recently showed that a third rarely or never meet Spanish people, apart from in shops and restaurants, and that 60 per cent speak little or no Spanish.

Indeed, we met one Brit who is



GOOD LIFE: British expats enjoy the Spanish lifestyle... but many still speak only English.

endearingly restricted to ordering petrol in one of the three or four amounts he can actually ask for in Spanish.

Even so he has comfortably lived life in Spain for more than 15 years after a near lifetime working in the Far and Middle East after heading abroad following the still clearly remembered UK miners' strikes and three-day week.

Having at times lived in tax-free states he wistfully points out the only thing nowadays easily obtainable untaxed in Spain - following the 2008 recession and a tightening of council belts - is the sun.

"But hey ho," he jokingly says.

"That's a small price to pay to feel the sun on my back for eight months of every year and to have London less than three hours away."



ABOUT THE AUTHOR
IRISH journalist, author and addictive traveller Terence Kennedy lived briefly on the Spanish coast with his Dutch wife Elise in the early 1980s, after crossing some 76 countries in a

Citroen 2CV for no apparent reason. He has worked variously as a newspaper reporter and columnist, a 'spectacularly inept' railway clerk, a rock and jazz drummer, a radio and television scriptwriter and announcer, and a

magazine editor. Among his books, the eccentric story of their oddball travels was published as 'A Nonsense of Direction' (now out of print but due for re-publication as an e-book). When static, the two now live in SW France.



NEWS FROM OUR FIVE OTHER EDITIONS

Local hero honoured

■ COSTA DE ALMERÍA



Photo by Facebook

ELAINE BROWN (centre): Awarded for her incredible services to the community.

➤ By Matthew Elliott

LOCAL Spanish newspaper *La Voz de Almería* honoured a Mojacar resident for the tireless and immensely important work she has done for charity. Elaine Brown, who founded cancer support group MACS, was presented her award by Mojacar mayor Rosa Maria Cano during the ceremony at the Marau Beach Club in Vera.

From humble beginnings a decade ago MACS has blossomed into a tremendous local force helping cancer sufferers and their families. The group now has 170 volunteers and offices in Albox, Huercal-Overa, Las Buganvilla, Mojacar and Turre.

The group provide free help for those in need of transport, health equipment or other services. MACS is a powerful support group offering friendship, therapy and hope to those who need it most.

■ AXARQUÍA

Garden of delight

THE new botanical garden Detuna-Cueva de Nerja, which covers 26,000 square metres is now open thanks to an EU €2.6 million grant. Visitors will see four different zones and a lake.

Pleasant welcome

ALMUÑECAR has been voted one of the top 50 tourist spots in the world for friendliness and welcome according to a survey by Spanish travel hub minube.

Beach beauties

CONTESTANTS taking part in the Miss World Malaga 2017 competition have paraded in bathing suits on the beach in Torre del Mar. The final is due to be held in Velez-Malaga on Saturday August 5.

Life savers

THERE were a few days when there was no life-saving service on Motril beaches. This was due to a last minute resignation by the company undertaking the work which will now go to the local Red Cross.

Dump fire

A FIRE at the Punto Limpio, a waste disposal site in Almuñecar, reportedly took around 50,000 litres of water before being brought under control by local firefighters

OAP beach

A VERY special senior citizens beach has been opened in Torre del Mar where those of a certain age can enjoy a quiet relaxed time.

■ COSTA DEL SOL

Timber!

FIREFIGHTERS were called to Calle Ferrandiz in Malaga after a large branch broke free from a tree and fell onto a nearby vehicle, narrowly missing a student at the nearby Our Lady of Grace School.

Party poopers

BUSINESSMEN are outraged in Torremolinos after the council announced another food fair to take place this weekend, complaining that the events are damaging businesses which pay tax all year round.

Last laugh

MARBELLA Local Police have seized 2,400 doses of nitrous oxide, more commonly known as laughing gas, in the trunk of a car in Puerto Banus. Police have announced that the owner will not face charges.

Ambassador's visit

BRITISH AMBASSADOR to Spain, Simon Manley, travelled to Malaga to present the British Empire Medal to retired journalist Liz Parry. The award which was announced in the New Year's Honours list is for services to the British in Andalusia.

Cliff-hanger

A THIRTY-NINE-YEAR-OLD mountaineer has been rescued and taken to the Costa del Sol hospital after damaging his back following a climbing accident on the Manilva Canyon in Malaga.

■ COSTA DE ALMERÍA

Beach barney

CONCERNS over the proposed extension of Mojacar's promenade were raised at an urgent meeting in Madrid. PSOE councillors were joined by chiringuito owners and other opposition groups.

Stoned cows

A CATTLE ranch which doubled as a marihuana plantation was raided by the Guardia Civil. Police seized a total of 192 plants as well as elaborate electrical, air conditioning and irrigation systems.

Park life

FIVE playgrounds in Garrucha were given the go-ahead for summer. The town recently invested €20,000 in bolt tightening and cleaning projects to make sure they passed their annual safety checks.

Taking stock

A DELEGATION from Jet2 holidays touched down in Almeria for an official tour of the province and its top holiday highlights. Eight professionals from the low-cost UK airline were treated to a guided trip by the tourist office.

Danger from above

A COLLAPSED cable was identified as the cause of the huge fire which broke out in the Cabo de Gata-Nijar Natural Park. More than 70 hectares of land were destroyed before the blaze was put out.

■ MALLORCA

Celebrity visitors

A PREGNANT Abbey Clancy and footballer husband Peter Crouch who had something of a renaissance with Stoke City last season were on holiday on Mallorca. The couple are now expecting their third child.

More police

A 29-YEAR-OLD British man has died two days after jumping off a Spanish party boat in Mallorca. Spanish authorities say that they believe he suffered a heart attack upon entering the water.

Palma population

A JUDGE believes that one of the four suspected Daesh supporters arrested in Mallorca was planning a massacre in the Inca town square similar to the recent knife attack in London.

New Nóos

THE prosecution in the Nóos case in an appeal against the sentence handed out to Iñaki Urdangarin is looking for a significant increase in jail time. The prosecutor proposes an additional six years and three months.

Hit and run

A HEATED dispute between a married couple and a man they knew who was driving in Palma turned nasty. The driver tried to run them both down, injuring the husband before powering away.

■ COSTA BLANCA SOUTH

Bank job

THIEVES broke into a branch of the Santander bank in Urbanisation La Marina. It appears that the window had been blown in with some sort of explosive device as thieves then entered and targeted the ATM machine.

Home grown

GUARDIA CIVIL officers who raided a country house outside Mula, Murcia uncovered an illegal marihuana farm, with 669 plants. After arresting three people, they also discovered 4.3 kilos of dried buds ready for sale.

Airport thief

A SERBIAN aged 58, operating in the arrivals area of Alicante airport, was arrested by police, for two thefts of cash and items worth more than €20,000. He targeted tired Russians who had just flown in.

From behind

A BRUTAL attack took place in one of the Kabila tents at the Rojales Moors and Christians festival and police are calling for witnesses. The victim was attacked from behind by an assailant who fled the scene.

Port to starboard

IN order to improve access and traffic safety, the Torrevieja Council is making changes to the roads leading to and inside the port. The council apologised for any initial inconvenience but believes the result will be worthwhile.

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SWEDEN



Actor's passing

ACTOR Michael Nyqvist, has passed away in Stockholm at the age of 56. His family said he died from lung cancer. The actor was known for his roles in 'The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo' and 'John Wick.'



Michael Nyqvist.

Book boycott

KENYAN leading author Ngugi wa Thiong'o has joined the boycott of the annual Swedish book fair because an extremist newspaper is going to be present. In April, more than 200 Swedish authors said they would boycott.

On the up

SWEDISH fashion house H&B has boasted better second quarter profits than expected with net profit up 10 per cent. It is reported to be down to better cost control and more stores opening.

Stuck in port

A CYBER-ATTACK affected Maersk's 76 shipping container terminals around the world with Gothenburg harbour being severely affected with containers still unable to be moved over 24 hours later causing major delays.

GERMANY



Gay rights

SAME-SEX marriages will be legalised in Germany after MPs voted in favour of the move. It means same-sex couples will have full marital rights and will be allowed to adopt.

climate change policy work and make it even more successful now President Trump has pulled the US out of the climate pact.

clampdown on organised crime.

Climate pledge

CHANCELLOR Angela Merkel said the EU must make the Paris

German gangs

MEDIA reports suggest that mafia gangs from Sicily are moving to Germany following financial problems in Italy and the country's

Takeaway detonator

A MCDONALD'S branch in Berlin was evacuated after an 'explosive device' was found. A gas canister with a detonator was found inside with police evacuating and later disarming the device.

FRANCE



Revenge attack

POLICE arrested a man for trying to ram a car into a crowd of people in front of a mosque in Paris. He tried to flee the scene but was arrested and said he wanted to avenge Daesh attacks.

Future work

STATION F is the new start-up incubator opened in Paris; the world's largest. It aims to help new and fledging businesses under guidance of digital giants. Entrepreneurs will pay €195 a month for a workstation in the venue which also includes bars, an auditorium and meeting spaces.

No jail

A WOMAN has escaped punishment despite being found guilty of helping her Iranian refugee boyfriend escape from the migrant camp in Calais and get to Britain on a boat she bought for €1,000.

Drunk driver

A DRUNK train driver missed his first stop on his route from Paris to Clermont-Ferrand, leaving shocked passengers missing their stop at Nevers. An internal enquiry is being launched.

BELGIUM



Murder or suicide?

THE mother of a Belgian backpacker found dead on the Thai island of Koh Tao, has questioned the suicide verdict. Her daughter's body was found half-eaten by lizards on the island where there has been seven tourists found dead in the last three years.

Self driving

ANTWERP is to test self-driving cars in 2019. The city is one of five European cities chosen to take part in the tests.

Pension plan

THERE are calls to implement the government's pension reform 'without delay' and not wait until 2030 to reach the threshold of giving legal pensions at the age of 67.

Traffickers sentenced

THE criminal court in Brussels has sentenced 12 human traffickers to three to eight years in prison and have been fined up to €2.1 million for trafficking up to 100 refugees.

NETHERLANDS



Welcome news

THE Dutch gay rights organisation, COC, said they welcome news that the German parliament has voted to legalise same-sex marriage. The Netherlands opened up gay marriage in 2001.

Getting active

PENSIONERS are living longer and in better health than they were 20 years ago. According to the statistics office, one out of every six aged between 65 and 75 is a member of a gym, pool or sports facility.

Unfair test

A FEMALE firefighter has gone to the Dutch human rights body claiming that the new firefighters health test discriminates against women as it does not take into account the physical differences between men and women.

Doping test

SCIENTISTS from the Centre for Human Drug Research report that the banned cycling drug known as EPO, does not actually affect cycling performance during their tests.

DENMARK



Film departure

CEO of the Danish Film Institute, Henrik Bo Nielsen, is stepping down from the position he has held for 10 years. He is moving on to CEO of the museum group ROMU in the autumn.

Going home

ITALY has intervened in a Danish case and rescued a dog that had been ordered to be put down as the dog was an Argentinian mastiff considered dangerous under Danish law. It has been allowed to return to its home country of Italy.

Staying strong

DENMARK and Georgia have celebrated 25 years of diplomatic relations, releasing a joint statement emphasising how the two countries will continue to work together to strengthen economic relations.

New workers

A REPORT has shown that more than a third of Danish companies have struggled to find suitable new employees in the past year which could soon begin to impact the development of Danish companies.

NORWAY



Boeing 737

NORWEGIAN AIR has welcomed two new Boeing 737 Max Dreamliners in Seattle, USA and is the second company to receive Boeing's new 737 Max model.

Electric bus

A NEW automated electric bus is set to hit the streets of Oslo next year with local reports saying it can also be ordered by passengers via an app.

Unhappy hour

LOOKING for a bad night out? Try the Dissatisfaction Bar in Oslo's Storgata, which promises an unusual night out with every hour being unhappy hour and an entrance which is extremely difficult to find.

Airport delays

PASSENGERS suffered delays, missed flights and left baggage as technical problems hit Oslo Airport creating long queues. A broken x-ray machine also meant baggage could not be scanned.

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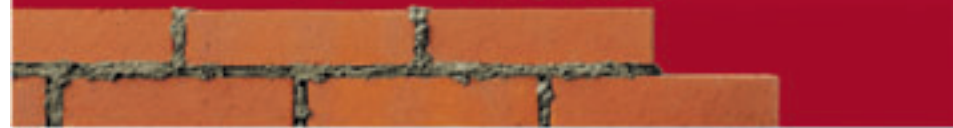


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Hitman trial



BORIS NEMTSOV: Was gunned down opposite the Kremlin.

■ FIVE hitmen who claimed to have been paid thousands by an unknown source were found guilty of assassinating Russian opposition leader Boris Nemtsov. The Putin critic was shot dead near the Kremlin in front of his model girlfriend in 2015. The killers have ties to Chechen leader Ramzan Kadyrov.

Space rubbish

■ A NOTORIOUS Moscow landfill has been closed after protests from residents. Neighbours called in to President Putin's marathon public phone in to complain publicly. The landfill has existed since 1964 and is so tall it is visible from outer space yet is just 200 metres from family homes.

Cheap flights

■ POBEDA Airlines is officially the world's fastest growing low-cost airline. The Russian airline is flourishing as residents across the country embrace cheap flights as wages stagnate. Last year it grew by 38.7 per cent compared to the global average of 10.8 per cent. It is part of the Aeroflot Group.

Fake islands

RUSSIA will create four new artificial islands in the Barents Sea amid plans to stake its claim on the Arctic's energy reserves. Prime minister Medvedev has given the order and construction starts soon. Russia is competing with Canada and the US for access to lucrative oil and gas.

Famous figures

JOSEPH STALIN was crowned Russia's most influential historic personality. A poll of thousands of Russians saw Stalin receive 38 per cent of votes. President Putin came joint second with poet Alexander Pushkin. Lenin slid to third, while Peter the Great and astronaut Yuri Gagarin reached the top 20.

Food banks

A NEW poll found that one in 10 Russians struggle to buy food. Almost one in three can't easily afford to replace worn out clothes. The figures soar to almost half when it comes to the over-65 generation. Poverty figures rose sharply from 2015 but have evened out.

Living longer

■ LIFE expectancy has reached record levels in Russia. Babies born last year can expect to live to 71.87 on average, 77 for women and 66.5 for men. Ingushetia residents can expect to live until they hit 80.8. Meanwhile in the distant east Tyva residents would do well to reach 65.



OLDER: Russians are living longer than ever before.

Iberdrola invests in energy upgrades

By John Smith

THE Spanish electricity supplier Iberdrola is to invest €2 billion in a programme to modernise distribution and introduce digital electric meters across the country.

This is part of an ongoing project which has already seen the installation of 9.5 million digitised meters and this will now be extended by a further four million.

Part of the cost will be covered by a significant loan recently agreed between the company and the European

€500 million

is the amount that Iberdrola is receiving as a loan from the European Investment Bank to modernise energy delivery.

Investment Bank (EIB) in a bid to meet new legal obligations to upgrade meters and to improve the quality of the service offered.

In addition to the improvement in

service being offered to consumers, it is forecast that the ongoing project will create in excess of 6,000 new jobs with workers either directly involved in installation and upgrading

or in production of the material associated with the work.

As this latest upgrade is rolled out, it will see work taking place in Aragon, Asturias, the Basque Country, Cantabria, Castilla-La Mancha, Castilla y León, Extremadura, Galicia, La Rioja, Madrid, Murcia, Navarra and Valencia.

According to Iberdrola and the EIC, this work will contribute towards a much more reliable delivery of electricity as well as contributing to making its generation and distribution more environmentally sustainable.

New debut on MAB

THE company which owns La Cañada shopping centre in Marbella has been listed on the Alternative Stock Market (MAB) with a valuation of €2 billion. General de Galerías Comerciales (GGC) owns another five centres throughout Spain as well as many smaller properties.

Share price was set at €79 and the company which is now considered to be the most valuable of its type on the MAB has proven to be an attractive investment as it generates significant rental income and owns all of its properties without any bank borrowing.

GGC chooses its own sites, develops them and then controls their lettings so concentrates on projects it knows and understands.

Quote of the Week

The problems in BMN's balance sheet have gone to Bankia, which also has its own load of bad assets," according to Bridget Gandy of Fitch Group, on merger of two Spanish banks.



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MINISTER OF EMPLOYMENT: Fatima Bañez.

Robbing Peter to pay Paul

AN announcement has been made by the Spanish Council of Ministers that it will need to find an additional €9.5 billion to pay July pensions.

Minister of Employment Fatima Bañez explained that in order to pay the bonus July pension the government would have to lend this money to Social Security with €5.986 billion coming from government and €3.514 billion coming from the steadily shrinking 'pension piggy bank' or the reserve fund.

The total required to make

the July pension payments is €17.218 billion so in order to be able to meet government obligations, the loan which is interest free and does not have to be repaid until 2028 is absolutely vital.

There are 9.5 million pensioners who receive their normal pensions in July together with this extra summer bonus which is slightly more generous than the British winter fuel bonus that expatriate pensioners do not receive if resident in Spain.

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Santander service

CUSTOMERS of Banco Santander will be able to make payments from their debit or credit cards using some Samsung Galaxy phones. Samsung Pay is a new option which can be used at establishments that allow contactless card payments.

Dock strikes

THE unions representing dockers and employers have reached an agreement which will mean the end of strikes and protests. The new laws introduced at the behest of the European Union caused major problems but with employers guaranteeing jobs, the situation is resolved.

Prices down

AFTER a period of monthly consumer price rises at 3 per cent, May has shown a marked reduction to just 1.9 per cent. This drop is due to a drop in the cost of oil which is reflected in lower electricity and petrol charges.

New smart Chinese App

THE giant Chinese company Alibaba has signed an agreement with Spain's second largest bank BBVA to introduce a new payment App into Spain.

Chinese tourists will now be able to use the Alipay mobile App through BBVA's Smartpay

service to pay for certain items online.

Shops around Spain are now being encouraged to sign up with BBVA to allow those with Alipay to use the App whilst shopping and thus increasing their attraction to Chinese visitors.

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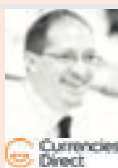
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Pound stumbles on GE2017 result

Ask the expert

Peter Loveday



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ONCE again the currency market has been rocked by UK political uncertainty, with the general election triggering notable shifts in the pound.

In the two weeks surrounding the result of GE2017, the GBP/EUR exchange rate shifted by more than €0.026. The euro's gains against the pound may have been more substantial if not for the European Central Bank's (ECB) latest interest rate decision.

What's been happening?

The year 2017 is certainly shaping up to be as full of twists and turns as 2016.

While election campaigning was suspended in the wake of horrific terror incidents in Manchester and London, the election was held on June 8 as planned. However, the outcome certainly wasn't what Theresa May had planned when she called for the election in April.

Initially the Conservatives were expected to walk the election, increasing their majority and



OUTCOME: Interesting to see what happens to the pound over the next few weeks.

strengthening Prime Minister Theresa May's hand in Brexit negotiations in the process.

But the tide of public opinion turned, and in the end May failed to secure the 326 seats needed to form a majority government.

The result wasn't the continuation of the status quo some investors were hoping for and the pound fell by around 2 per cent as a result.

Although the GBP losses were nowhere near as dramatic as the ones recorded in the wake of Brexit, the UK's even more uncertain outlook

did leave Sterling struggling despite Theresa May's swift decision to form a coalition with the Democratic Unionist Party (DUP).

The euro did come under some pressure of its own however as the European Central Bank (ECB) cut inflation forecasts. The reduction in expectations for inflation reduced the odds of the ECB opting to reduce quantitative easing or increase interest rates in the near future, limiting the euro's gains.

What do you need to look out for?

It will be interesting to see what happens to the pound as the dust settles over the next few weeks.

Although it was boosted by the fact that a higher-than-expected number of Bank of England policymakers had voted in favour of raising interest rates, it was also unsettled as the decision to Brexit negotiations are just beginning, and Theresa May had asserted her commitment to continuing with the discussions as part of a minority government.

If it appears that May has lost some of her sway in Brussels as a result of the election outcome, fears that the UK will emerge from Brexit with a bad deal could put the pound under further pressure.

However, some suggest that Theresa May has indeed altered her approach and intends to target a 'Soft Brexit,' which could help GBP climb sharply.

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WARNER BROS -v- WANDA GROUP Potential *Clash of the Titans*

A MAJOR disagreement has broken out between movie giant Warner Bros and Spanish cinema chain Cinesa over the inclusion of a trailer with Wonder Woman.

The Chinese-owned Cinesa is furious that the Digital Cinema Package file that was supplied to its 45 theatres included a trailer for King Arthur: The Legend of the Sword which is the latest 'blockbuster' from director Guy Ritchie, due for August release in Spain and forecast to lose €130 million.

Warner's have taken this action to embed the trailer with the hugely successful Wonder Woman film to try to promote King Arthur and has refused to remove the trailer from the copies supplied to Cinesa.

In retaliation, Cinesa has either covered the screen with an apology for a technical problem or let the trailer run without sound or in some cases vision which spurred Warner Bros Spain to issue a tweet giving details of competitor cinemas which screen the trailer in full.

Cinesa which is owned by Chinese entertainment company, Wanda has deplored the decision to embed the trailer



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and to tweet the detail of competing cinemas but has also gone on to publicly blame Warner Bros for making it impossible for Spanish audiences to benefit from special offers.

The reason for this, according to Cinesa is the fact that rather than take a percentage of the ticket sales for its movies it instead charges a fixed fee for the screening of films, meaning that unless any cinema is prepared to reduce profits, then no special offers can be made.

Whilst looking at this dispute from a purely national perspective, with just 45

Cinesa cinemas in Spain, Warner Bros is hardly likely to be particularly worried.

However in China, Wanda owns 497 cinemas and 3,947 screens, 661 cinemas and 8,200 screens in the USA and 244 cinemas with 2,200 screens across Europe and this could become a major battle between two giant organisations, especially as the Chinese corporation is also a major producer of films.

Time will tell whether this spat becomes a major war or simply disappears with both sides claiming the moral high ground.

Germany calling Catalan unemployed

AS the economy in Germany continues to boom, there is a skills shortage which has led companies to recruit workers from Catalonia.

The state of Baden-Württemberg is acutely aware of the lack of young skilled technicians and engineers and has entered into an agreement with the Catalanian government to train youngsters and then offer them jobs.

This is quite a challenge for technicians as they need to be able to speak good German, but the Goethe Institute in Barcelona has been assisting with intensive language courses and provided that applicants accept that the weather in Germany can be less clement than that of Spain, this could be a way forward for the well-educated yet unemployed.

Salaries and living standards are good and it is only a 12-hour drive or two-hour flight from Stuttgart to Barcelona.



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DONALD TUSK, Justin Trudeau (Canada) and Jean-Claude Juncker discuss CETA.

PSOE abstain on CETA vote

AFTER initially indicating that it would vote in favour of the EU-Canada Trade Treaty (CETA), the PSOE Party decided to abstain.

This decision upset the minority ruling PP government as Prime Minister Mariano Rajoy accused the main opposition of potentially making Spain a laughing stock amongst its colleague states in the European Union.

In the event, when the vote was held in the lower house of the Spanish Parliament, it went through with 179 votes in favour

and 79 against, so the abstention of the 81 PSOE MPs effectively made no difference.

The upper house is dominated by PP senators, so its vote is a foregone conclusion.

The European Union voted to enter into this agreement which would make trade between the EU and Canada easier and with less restrictions, but each member state must approve the agreement and then a vote in the European Parliament must ratify the decision before the agreement can enter into law.

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Young people earn less than those they replace

THERE have been winners and losers in the growth of employment in Spain with workers under 40 seeing a real drop in the value of wages.

It would appear that there is a significant difference between the amounts paid to the young and those over 60 according to a report from the National Statistics Institute (INE) which suggests that age and length of service play a huge role in salaries.

Although these figures are historical, the information is illuminating as they show that as new workers are recruited to replace those who retire, they will invariably

earn less than those they are taking over from.

Average salaries for those under 24 are estimated to be €11,288 which is a massive 5.1 per cent drop on the previous year and in fact all average salaries have been reduced for those up to the age of 50 and it isn't until they break 60 that the average wage increases by 2.6 per cent.

According to the INE report, those who are older and have greater experience are in the main valued by employers whilst younger people are prepared to take lower wages initially in order to obtain work and to start their careers.

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I DUNNO, perhaps it is me. Of course I sympathise with the victims of the Grenfell horror. Of course I find the initial results of the nationwide fire hazard investigations extremely worrying. What I can't get my head round is all those who are now coming out of the woodwork and using this tragedy to whinge about the conditions they all 'have' to live in. Among others, those who reside on the notorious Broadwater Estate are a case in point.

'Why should we have to put up with these awful slum conditions?' they whine. Why doesn't the government (natch!) do something about it? Well just a minute. Ill-advised as high rise accommodation may have been, they were initially built in good faith. The rules governing public buildings were, and are, far more stringent than private projects. None of them began their existence as slum dwellings.



BROADWATER ESTATE: None of the buildings began their existence as slum dwellings.

None of them started out covered in graffiti, with lift shafts stinking of urine, or knee high in rubbish used condoms and drug paraphernalia. Flats originally built to accommodate families of four to six persons were never meant to cope with benefit scroungers boasting 10 or 15 off-springs, or jam-packed with scores of 'sub-lets.'

All these conditions are brought on by those who move into them. Human beings create the environments they reside in. It's time many of these residents started to get their own houses in order, rather than blaming all and sundry for their woes. Stop thinking about their so-called 'rights' and start concentrating more on their own wrongs would be a start.

All over the UK there are scores of high rise estates, which are proudly and properly run by local councils and caring tenants. With their carefully tended gardens, playgrounds for the children and hardworking responsible residents, they are wonderful examples of how decent human beings, however diverse their cultures and backgrounds, can live in perfect-

ly harmonious and orderly surroundings. I suggest those who feel all the blame for their 'misfortunes' lay outside their own walls, either shape up or ship out.

They are a drain on resources, a threat to democracy and utterly useless contributors toward any future of the country that nurtures them.

I do feel sorry for the Yemenis. I always found them an extremely happy and caring people. I shall never forget their kindness when I found myself hopelessly stranded in the desert. Believe me, if I'd also known the steel runway reinforcing I helped deliver to that secret Saudi air base, would one day be used to launch death and destruction among them, I would have 'accidentally' allowed my truck to topple off that extremely precarious mountain pass! (It's in the book!) Let's hope peace and tranquility will once again prevail for these likeable people in the not too distant future.

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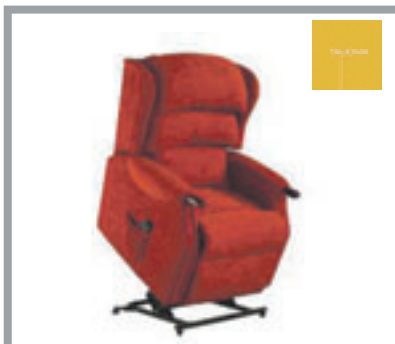
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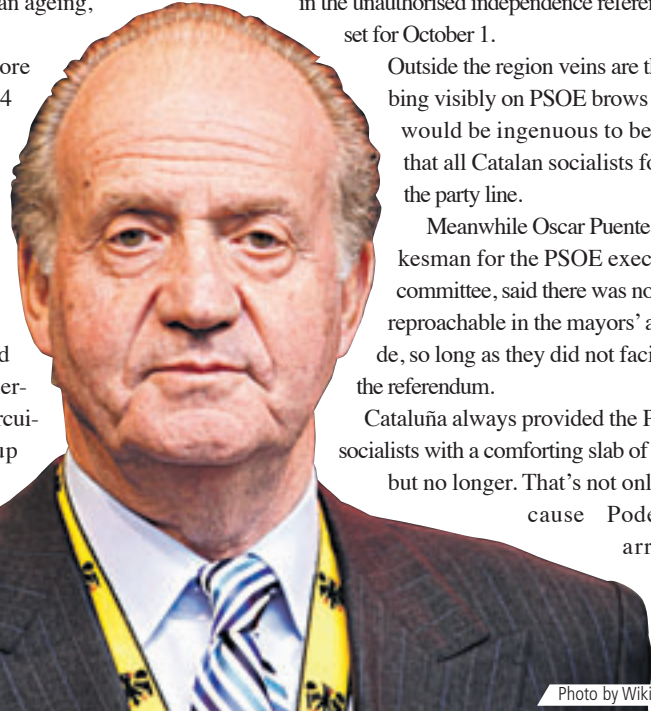
JUAN CARLOS went from hero to zero in 2012 when he broke a hip while elephant shooting in Zimbabwe with his mistress.

The economic crisis was blighting Spanish lives at that time and suddenly Spain's king - then honorary president of the World Wild Life Fund - was seen as an ageing, florid Borbon.

He became even more of a zero after his 2014 abdication but never let it be forgotten that Juan Carlos was a hero.

He cleared the way for democracy after Franco, who appointed him his successor, died in 1975. He was a superhero when he short-circuited an attempted coup d'état in 1981.

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| Juan Carlos I.

Photo by Wikimedia

Passage of time

he was omitted from the celebrations that marked the 40th anniversary of the 1977 elections, the first of the Transition. Sadly, Juan Carlos is now the elderly relative no-one wants at the party.

Going their own way

SEVERAL socialist mayors in Cataluña will vote in the unauthorised independence referendum set for October 1.

Outside the region veins are throbbing visibly on PSOE brows but it would be ingenuous to believe that all Catalan socialists follow the party line.

Meanwhile Oscar Puente, spokesman for the PSOE executive committee, said there was nothing reproachable in the mayors' attitude, so long as they did not facilitate the referendum.

Cataluña always provided the PSOE socialists with a comforting slab of votes but no longer. That's not only because Podemos

arrived
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split the vote or because Republican-leaning socialists drifted to the ERC party, but because they want a referendum.

Ironically there are probably more pro-independence voters in the PSOE-PSC than there are in the old centre-right CiU party now reincarnated as the pro-secession Pde-Cat.

Bought and sold

A PARLIAMENTARY committee has been questioning the former Partido Popular treasurer Luis Barcenás.

They are probing alleged double accounting and irregular donations from big-name compa-

nies that later received juicy government contracts.

Mariano Rajoy, president of the Spanish government, claimed that the committee hearing served no purpose and he was absolutely right.

Barcenás refused to answer questions and after spending 19 months on remand he will never open his mouth again.

The ex-treasurer was bought off in 2009 when Gurtel first came to light, leaving his post but remaining with privileges at PP party headquarters.

He was sold in January 2013 after he blew the whistle when no-one came to his aid once a stash of Swiss money came to light. Apart from Rajoy and his 'stay strong Luis' text message, that is.

Since he left prison in January 2015, however, all is sweetness, light and silence between Barcenás and the party whose funds he so deftly amassed.

Bought, sold and bought again.

PODEMOS spokeswoman Irene Montero's filibuster during the failed Vote of No Confidence debate fleetingly mentioned the Partido Popular's Abortion Reform Bill.

This was eventually abandoned when it proved to be a vote-loser even inside the PP, but amazingly the now-forgotten legislation is never thrown in Ma-

Short memories

riano Rajoy's face.

The Bill thought up by former Justice minister Alberto Ruiz-Gallardon, and with which Rajoy was allegedly most happy, would have forced desperate women to return to backstreet butchers if they wanted to

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AT this time of year, air travel's uppermost in many people's minds. Not always a pleasant experience what with queuing, flight delays, 'misunderstandings' etc.

easyJet recently denied claims that, ahead of a flight from Malaga to Bristol, its pilot announced there was a '50/50' chance both its engines would work, before asking passengers for a 'show of hands' whether or not they should take off or stay put - triggering panic on board. easyJet subsequently confirmed the 'technical issue,' strongly denying the request for a vote, while one witness said the hysteria may have been a 'misunderstanding.'

Nonetheless, cabin crew do live things up with the PA system -



AIR TRAVEL: Pilots can liven things up with the PA system.

occasionally at the expense of passengers.

On an early flight to Paris, a BA pilot announced: "Good morning ladies and gentlemen, I'd like to inform you that this is my very first flight... (long pause while passengers glared at each other in panic)... of the day." Cue relief all round.

BA again: "Ladies and gentlemen, welcome aboard this British Airways flight to Denver. If your travel plans do not include visiting

Denver, then now would be the perfect time to make yourself known to a member of the cabin crew."

A Virgin flight attendant once announced: "It's customary after a long-haul flight to ask for volunteers to clean the toilets. If you wish to volunteer, please stand up before the fasten seat-belt sign's been switched off."

And this during the safety briefing on the Canadian airline Westjet: "In the event of a sudden drop

in cabin pressure, oxygen masks will drop down. If you're travelling with someone who needs help, put your own mask on first, then help your husband."

After a jet landed at Heathrow in a storm, the Aussie pilot forgot to switch off the PA system. Passengers heard him snigger: "Hell, I need a cool beer and a warm Sheila after that." As a stewardess rushed to warn him, one passenger yelled: "You forgot the cool beer, Sheila!"

All airlines keep handcuffs on board to deal with 'over-boisterous' passengers. Maybe a spare pair of cuffs for 'over-boisterous' pilots too?

Nora Johnson's psychological/suspense crime thrillers 'No Way Back,' 'Landscape of Lie,' 'Retribution,' 'Soul Stealer,' 'The De Clerambault Code' (www.nora-johnson.net) available from Amazon in paperback/eBook (€0.99;£0.99) and iBookstore. All profits to Costa del Sol Cudeca cancer charity.

THURSDAY THOUGHTS

By Graham Braben, Almería

Viability of sheds

MY granddad had a shed. It was full of sacks, various garden tools, some sort of noxious liquids for making his plants into Triffids overnight, oh and a mangle. I'm pretty sure if he could see how sheds are being used today then granddad would be astounded. Although we don't know for sure, I would guess he can't get television where he is; I imagine Bolivian prisons are pretty strict!

Yes, things in the shed department have moved on at quite apace since granddad's days of freedom. In fact today there is something called Shedomics research. Honestly, I'm not making it up; people are employed to assess the economic viability of sheds!

I do know how important sheds are though. We lived in New Zealand for a short time and you would often see that a '...real Kiwi bloke's shed...' was a major selling point for a house. I was never able to find out what happened in them though.

But today sheds have taken on a new life. According to Shedomics experts - sorry, no matter how often I say it, it still sounds like it belongs in a Monty Python sketch. Seriously though, they - not the Pythons but the Shedonomists - say that a third of people in the UK want to renovate their shed so they can rent it out.

Which is just as well because the number of people who would like a shedcation - please stop laughing, this is serious stuff!! - has nearly doubled. Forget 5-star hotels or taking to the open road with a tent, people are now looking for a shed away from home.

However, it's not just holidays that have increased the profile of sheds. Apparently, over 10 per cent of men have admitted to planning a surprise for their partner in the shed. You can picture it can't you? Soft music, flowers and then that most romantic of lines, "Darling, I've bought you a new mangle."

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Sally Trotman is a qualified Counsellor who works with Astrology, Numerology and the Tarot. Each month she will deliver the forecast as an intuitive tool to aid increased self awareness.



WELCOME to your July 2017 forecast. Every month I write about how the Astrology, Numerology and Tarot for the month ahead effect you, helping you to move forward confidently with your plans. Below is your forecast for July 2017:

Astrology: feeling secure

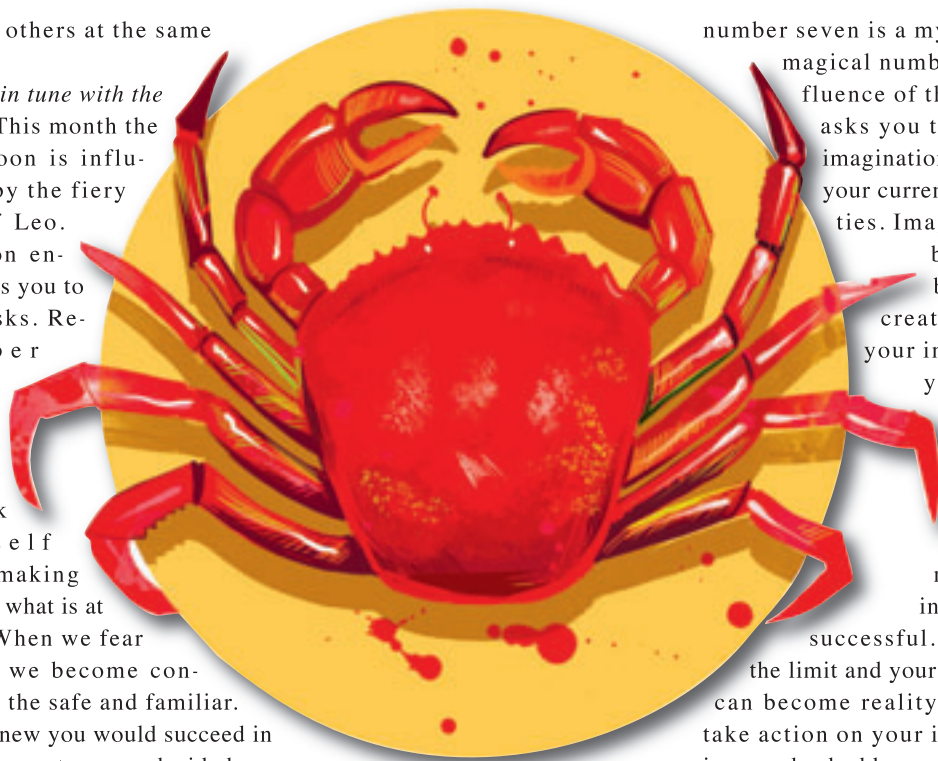
• *Sun in Cancer:* This month the sun is influenced by the sensitive sign of Cancer. This water sign brings the focus to all aspects of your security, from your home to your career.

When you earn your living with a sense of joy and purpose, fully understanding the value of what you do, you can make changes to ensure that you do something which truly fulfils you and em-

powers others at the same time.

• *Get in tune with the moon:* This month the new moon is influenced by the fiery sign of Leo. The lion encourages you to take risks. Remember that security is an illusion, so ask yourself when making changes what is at stake. When we fear change we become confined to the safe and familiar. If you knew you would succeed in whatever venture you decided on, what would you do? Ask yourself what your highest aspiration is this month, and then begin taking steps towards your desired goal.

The full moon on July 7, influenced by the earthy sign of Capri-



corn, will help you to create a practical plan to achieve your most important goals.

Numerology: Be the change

• *Number 7:* In numerology the

number seven is a mystical and magical number. The influence of this number asks you to use your imagination to expand your current possibilities. Images are the building blocks of creation. With your imagination you can transform an idea into something innovative, inspiring and successful. The sky is the limit and your imaginings can become reality when you take action on your ideas. Your images, backed by correct action, have the power to manifest your dreams. So give yourself permission to dream today!

The Tarot: New opportunities!

• *The Chariot:* When the time is

right and you are prepared to act with courage, good fortune awaits you. The Chariot indicates a period of change and movement.

This can be an actual, physical move, or a change in your thinking. Look for the opportunities which present themselves this month and go with what excites you!

Become alert to opportunities by counting your current blessings to help you recognise the riches which surround you right now. Keep your expectations positive and know that you are attracting exactly what you need when you need it.

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7:00am	Breakfast
10:15am	Crimewatch
11:00am	Homes Under the Hammer
12:00pm	Kitchen Garden Live with the Hairy Bikers
12:45pm	Caught Red Handed
1:15pm	Bargain Hunt
2:00pm	BBC News at One
2:30pm	BBC London News
2:45pm	Wimbledon 2017 <i>Continued live coverage from the fourth day of the 2017 Wimbledon Championships.</i>
7:00pm	BBC News at Six
7:30pm	BBC London News <i>The latest news, sport and weather from London.</i>
8:00pm	The One Show
8:30pm	EastEnders
9:00pm	The Sheriffs are Coming
10:00pm	Who Do You Think You Are?
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

BBC TWO

7:15am	The TV That Made Me
7:45am	Flog it! Trade Secrets
8:15am	Bargain Hunt
9:00am	Bake Off Crème de la Crème
10:00am	Victoria Derbyshire
12:00pm	The Daily Politics <i>Andrew Neil with the latest political news, interviews and debate.</i>
12:30pm	Wimbledon 2017
9:30pm	Today at Wimbledon <i>Clare Balding is your host for highlights of the fourth day's play at Wimbledon.</i>
10:30pm	The Hampton Court Palace Flower Show
11:00pm	Mock the Week
11:30pm	Newsnight <i>In-depth investigation and analysis of the stories behind the day's headlines.</i>
12:15am	George Best: All by Himself
1:45am	Paul Hollywood's Big Continental Road Trip
2:45am	Wild Ireland

BBC FOUR

8:00pm	100 Days+
8:30pm	Top of the Pops
9:00pm	Castles: Britain's Fortified History <i>Series in which historian Sam Willis traces the story of Britain's castles and their unique role in our history, art and literature.</i>
10:00pm	Horizon <i>Horizon investigates claims of signals from extraterrestrials.</i>
11:00pm	Aliens: The Big Think <i>Professor Martin Rees, the astronomer royal, takes up the search for extra-terrestrials.</i>
12:00am	Guts: The Strange and Mysterious World of the Human Stomach
1:00am	Top of the Pops
1:35am	What Ever Happened to Rock 'N' Roll?
2:35am	Castles: Britain's Fortified History
3:35am	Horizon

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
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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	The Supervet
10:00pm	8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown
11:00pm	Naked Attraction
12:05am	Natural World
1:10am	First Dates

CHANNEL 5

8:00am	Fireman Sam
8:10am	Thomas and Friends
8:25am	Shimmer and Shine
8:40am	Noddy: Toyland Detective
8:55am	Paw Patrol
9:10am	Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom
9:25am	Digby Dragon
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	First-Class Fear
6:00pm	5 News at 5
6:30pm	Neighbours
7:00pm	Home and Away
7:30pm	5 News Tonight
8:00pm	Cricket on 5: England v South Africa
9:00pm	Generation Poverty Gap: On Benefits
10:00pm	Circus Kids
11:00pm	Big Brother
12:00am	Big Brother's Bit on the Side

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9:30am	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
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
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8:00pm	Hollyoaks
8:30pm	The Goldbergs
9:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
9:30pm	Kevin Can Wait
10:00pm	New Girl
10:30pm	New Girl
11:00pm	First Dates USA
12:00am	The Big Bang Theory

sky SPORTS 1

9:00am	Premier League Legends
10:00am	Barclays Premier League World
10:30am	Premier League 100 Club
11:00am	The Premier League Years
1:00pm	Football's Greatest
2:00pm	Great Sporting Moments
2:30pm	Great Sporting Moments
3:00pm	Premier League Legends
4:00pm	Spanish Football Gold
4:30pm	Football Gold
4:45pm	Football Gold
5:00pm	Football's Greatest
5:30pm	Football's Greatest
6:00pm	Premier League 100 Club
7:00pm	Premier League Legends
7:30pm	Football's Greatest Teams
8:00pm	Live Super League Wakefield Trinity v Castleford Tigers.
11:00pm	Boxing Gold
11:30pm	Boxing Gold
12:00am	Premier League Legends

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>Alastair Stewart presents the latest headlines from around the world.</i>
2:55pm	ITV News London
3:00pm	Judge Rinder
4:00pm	David Dickinson's Name Your Price
5:00pm	Tipping Point
6:00pm	The Chase
7:00pm	ITV News London
7:30pm	ITV Evening News
8:00pm	Emmerdale
8:30pm	The True Cost of Parking
9:00pm	Emmerdale
9:30pm	Coronation Street
10:00pm	Killer Women with Piers Morgan
11:00pm	ITV News at Ten and Weather
11:30pm	ITV News London
11:40pm	Fearless
12:45am	Devon and Cornwall Cops

itv2

7:00am	The Hot Desk
7:10am	You've Been Framed! Gold
7:35am	Vanderpump Rules
8:20am	The Ellen DeGeneres Show
9:00am	Emmerdale
9:30am	Coronation Street
10:00am	You've Been Framed! Gold
10:35am	Scorpion
11:25am	Below Deck
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4:55pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show
6:00pm	Judge Rinder
7:00pm	You've Been Framed! Gold
8:00pm	Funniest Ever 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	Celebrability
11:50pm	Family Guy
12:20am	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
10:40am	Judge Judy
11:05am	Judge Judy
11:35am	Judge Judy
12:00pm	Road to Avonlea <i>Drama about a young girl sent to live with her eccentric family on King Edward Island.</i>
1:05pm	Love Your Garden
2:10pm	Heartbeat
3:10pm	The Royal
4:15pm	Wild at Heart <i>Drama series set on an African nature reserve.</i>
5:20pm	Man About the House
5:55pm	Rising Damp
6:25pm	George and Mildred
7:00pm	Heartbeat
8:00pm	Murder, She Wrote
9:00pm	Endeavour
11:00pm	Law and Order: UK
12:00am	Wire in the Blood
1:55am	Wycliffe
2:50am	George and Mildred
3:15am	ITV3 Nightscreen

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7:00am	The Professionals
7:50am	Pawn Stars
8:20am	Pawn Stars
8:40am	Pawn Stars
9:00am	Storage Wars New York
9:30am	Storage Wars New York
10:00am	Counting Cars
10:30am	Counting Cars
11:00am	Tour de France Highlights
12:00pm	Tour de France Live <i>Coverage of stage 6, from Vesoul to Troyes. The sprinters are back in action on this 216 km flat stage.</i>
6:00pm	The Professionals
7:00pm	Storage Wars New York
7:30pm	Storage Wars New York
8:00pm	Tour de France Highlights
9:00pm	Goodwood Festival of Speed Highlights
10:00pm	World Series of Darts
2:00am	Tour de France Highlights
3:00am	Goodwood Festival of Speed Highlights

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10:20am	The Mummy
12:35pm	Jack Reacher: Never Go Back
2:45pm	The Bourne Ultimatum
4:45pm	Behind Enemy Lines X2
6:40pm	Jack Reacher: Never Go Back
11:00pm	The Bourne Ultimatum
1:00am	American Ultra

sky CINEMA COMEDY

6:30am	The Trail of the Pink Panther
8:15am	Spud 2: The Madness Continues
10:00am	Billy Madison
11:45am	1941
1:45pm	When Harry Met Sally
3:30pm	Daddy's Home
5:15pm	The Tiger Hunter
7:00pm	Back to the Future
9:00pm	Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story
10:45pm	Daddy's Home
12:30am	Stakeout
2:30am	Brüno
4:00am	Top Secret

sky CINEMA PREMIERE

7:00am	The Call Up
8:35am	Miles
10:10am	Breakdown
12:05pm	Morgan
1:45pm	Purge, the: Election Year
3:40pm	Mr. Right <i>Romantic action comedy about a neurotic young woman who falls head over heels for a hitman with a heart.</i>
5:20pm	Breakdown <i>A hitman haunted by his violent past must protect his wife and teenage daughter from his ruthless employers.</i>
7:20pm	Miles
9:00pm	Morgan <i>Kate Mara stars as a corporate troubleshooter sent to a top-secret facility to investigate a new synthetic lifeform.</i>
10:45pm	Purge, the: Election Year
12:40am	Mr. Right

sky SPORTS 2

7:00am	Cricket's Greatest
7:30am	Cricket's Greatest
8:00am	ICC Women's World Cup 2017 Highlights
9:00am	Cricket Classics
10:00am	ICC Women's World Cup 2017 Highlights
11:00am	Cricket <i>England's Test series against South Africa begins with the opening day at Lord's.</i>
7:30pm	Cricket
8:00pm	World Rugby
8:30pm	ATP Tour Uncovered
9:00pm	Cricket
10:00pm	Cricket
10:30pm	World Rugby
11:00pm	Taekwondo
11:30pm	ATP Tour Uncovered <i>All the latest from the tennis circuit, including the main headlines from the ATP 250, 500 and Masters 1000 tournaments.</i>
12:00am	Cricket
1:00am	Cricket
1:30am	Cricket's Greatest
2:00am	Cricket Gold
2:10am	Cricket Gold

LEGALLY SPEAKING

ITV tests to become stricter

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



THE ITV test, the Spanish equivalent of the MOT, is set to become much stricter from 2018. Elements being toughened up in particular is the area of pollutant emissions as well as a large part of the vehicle's security systems that are controlled electronically.

The process to enforce the tests began almost three years ago with the publication of a European directive. The Spanish government hopes to have passed the legislation via Royal Decree before this summer to come into force in 2018. The process has been accelerated and reinforced as a result of the so-called 'dieselgate' surrounding Volkswagen and the resultant doubts that arose over diesel emissions.

Although the changes, aimed at improving inspections of emissions, still have to overcome pitfalls, as they were originally not looking at the control of nitrogen oxide (NOx) emitted by cars, which is classed as one of the worst air pollutants and which was the main focus of the Volkswagen emissions violations.

Now the CITA, an international working group that works on improving vehicle inspections, has developed its own protocol to adequately measure the NOx as well as detect possible fraud or manipulation in a vehicle's readings. Field tests are expected to be completed next month and by the end of the year, along with a manual with the maximum NOx limits, the protocols for its measurement and the procedures to verify that anti-pollution devices have not been manipulated, should be in place. With this, Luis Gutierrez, president of the association Aeca-ITV, said the goal of the industry would be to incorporate these protocols "as soon as possible" across ITV stations.

In 2018 it is also expected for ITV tests to greater assess security systems under electronic control such as airbags and seatbelt pretensioners. However, to do this, access to the vehicle's switchboard would be needed and information about the systems shared, which some say will mean an increase in ITV fees.

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Inheritance tax in Mallorca?

Q. MY wife and I are residents in Mallorca and I want to ask about inheritance tax.

We are in our 70s and we have a finca here worth about €500,000, and life insur-

ance for €20,000 each. We would like an idea of what the survivor would have to pay. Many years ago we made Spanish wills.

M.B. (Mallorca)

A. EACH individual Autonomous Region of Spain has control over inheritance tax. In the Balearics, as of January 1, 2016, rates have been lowered. When a resident bequeaths the principal residence to a spouse, it is free of tax up to €180,000. If your house is valued at

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€500,000 and your wife inherits your half, this is €250,000. Take away €180,000 and you have a tax base of €70,000. A spouse has a further deduction of €25,000,

bringing the base down to €50,000. The Balearics Region now applies a tax rate of one per cent to estates up to €700,000. This gives you a tax of €500. Whoops, we forgot the insurance policy. The first €12,000 of your €20,000 is tax exempt, so you must pay one per cent of €8,000, or €80, more.

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

A mountain of odd socks

Mike Senker

In my opinion

Views of a Grumpy Old Man



I'M lying in bed and all of a sudden I hear that dreaded noise. It's the single tone buzz that tells you that there is one serious bad ass mozzie flying round the room. I wave my arms about like a nutter then there is silence. I reach out and get the mozzie spray that I keep next to the bed. I press the nozzle to protect myself from this kamikaze killer... and nothing! I shake the container - there is plenty in there - I press again - still nada.

I don't like waste and I certainly don't like wasting stuff that I've paid for. The case in question this week is products that come in spray form. Either the old-fashioned aerosol type or the newer environmentally friendly pump sprays. Three times this week I've had one sell me short.

The mozzie spray was the first, the second was some glass cleaner - this was even worse as I could actually see, in the clear container, how much was left. It didn't matter how many times I pulled the trigger - not a dribble. The third was a pump action sun cream which just packed up. This one at least I could unscrew and pour it out.

So, as usual, I ask the question - is it only me? I've had expensive eau de toilette atomizers do it and if you have half a bottle of something left do

you take it back to the shop? Well, of course, you can't because you could have had it for a few months. So you have to chuck it out.

There is one mystery in life which I have been trying to solve for years and to this day have got no nearer to solving this problem. Now I know this happens to every man I know and, I bet, to millions I don't. So here's the question. WHERE DO ALL THE ODD SOCKS GO??? I definitely wear two socks and, for sure, I put two into the laundry basket and they are then transferred to the washing machine. And that's when it happens.

One or two disappear into sock land. Somewhere in the world there must be a mountain of odd socks as high as Everest. Where do they go? There was actually a study done which revealed that the average man loses 15 socks a year leaving them with loads of mismatches. So, with the average Brit living to 81 it means you lose 1,215 socks over a lifetime costing you about €3,000.

By the way, that's 84 million odd socks just in the UK and with all these statistics and money spent - guess what - no-one came up with an answer. Makes you wonder doesn't it?

The silly season is approaching. The holiday-makers will arrive and nothing will be the same till mid-September. There will be loads of people about and most will be having a fun time with the family but some will act like idiots. But then, of course, that gives me plenty to be grumpy about!

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10:00pm	Peter Kay's Comedy Shuffle
10:30pm	Mrs. Brown's Boys
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11:25pm	BBC London News
11:35pm	Not Going Out
12:05am	Begin Again <i>US drama.</i>
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12:05am	Top of the Lake <i>Powerful and haunting mystery drama series.</i>
1:05am	Top of the Lake <i>Mystery drama series.</i>
2:00am	Panorama
2:40am	Doctor Who
3:40am	This is BBC Two

BBC FOUR

8:00pm	World News Today
8:30pm	Top of the Pops
9:00pm	Becoming a Lied Singer
10:00pm	Rock n Roll Guns for Hire: The Story of the Sideman
11:30pm	Girls in Bands at the BBC
12:30am	The Genius of David Bowie
1:30am	Top of the Pops <i>John Peel and David Jensen present the pop chart programme, first broadcast on 1 March 1984.</i>
2:05am	Rock n Roll Guns for Hire: The Story of the Sideman
3:35am	Sounds of the Eighties
4:00am	Girls in Bands at the BBC
5:00am	This is BBC Four <i>BBC Four is the BBC channel for people who want more.</i>

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10:00pm	The Crystal Maze
11:00pm	The Last Leg
12:05am	Naked Attraction

CHANNEL 5

8:55am	Paw Patrol
9:10am	Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom
9:25am	Digby Dragon
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 <i>National and international news.</i>
1:15pm	Big Brother
2:15pm	Home and Away
2:45pm	Neighbours
3:15pm	NCIS
4:15pm	Salem Falls
6:00pm	5 News at 5
6:30pm	Neighbours
7:00pm	Home and Away
7:30pm	5 News Tonight
8:00pm	Cricket on 5: England v South Africa
9:00pm	Blind Date
10:00pm	Best of Bad TV: Live and Dangerous
11:00pm	Big Brother: Live Eviction
12:30am	Big Brother's Bit on the Side

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9:00am	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
9:30am	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
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
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	The Goldbergs
9:00pm	Thor
11:15pm	Britain's Favourite Superhero

sky SPORTS 1

7:30am	Football Gold
8:00am	WWE Main Event
9:00am	Premier League Legends
10:00am	Premier League 100 Club
11:00am	Football Gold
11:30am	Rugby Union Gold
11:40am	Rugby Union
1:45pm	Rugby Union Gold
1:50pm	Rugby Union
3:55pm	Rugby Union Gold
4:00pm	Spanish Football Gold
4:30pm	Football Gold
5:00pm	Football's Greatest
6:00pm	Premier League 100 Club
7:00pm	Premier League Legends
7:30pm	Football's Greatest Teams
8:00pm	Great Sporting Moments
8:15pm	Great Sporting Moments
8:30pm	Live Super League Action from the <i>Betfred Super League.</i>
11:30pm	Boxing Gold
12:00am	Premier League Legends

itv

9:30am	Lorraine
10:25am	The Jeremy Kyle Show
11:30am	This Morning
1:30pm	Loose Women
2:30pm	ITV Lunchtime News
2:55pm	ITV News London
3:00pm	Judge Rinder
4:00pm	David Dickinson's Name Your Price
5:00pm	Tipping Point
6:00pm	The Chase
7:00pm	ITV News London
7:30pm	ITV Evening News
8:00pm	Emmerdale
8:30pm	Coronation Street
9:00pm	The Secret World of Posh Pets
9:30pm	Coronation Street
10:00pm	Lethal Weapon
11:00pm	ITV News at Ten and Weather <i>Julie Etchingham presents the latest headlines from around the world.</i>
11:30pm	ITV News London
11:40pm	Joanna Lumley's India
12:40am	Tipping Point

itv2

7:35am	Vanderpump Rules
8:20am	The Ellen DeGeneres Show
9:00am	Emmerdale
9:30am	Emmerdale
10:00am	Coronation Street
10:35am	Scorpion
11:25am	Below Deck
12:25pm	Vanderpump Rules
1:20pm	Emmerdale
1:55pm	Emmerdale
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	Funniest Ever You've Been Framed! Gold
8:00pm	Funniest Ever 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

itv3

7:00am	Man About the House <i>70s sitcom.</i>
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
4:05pm	Wild at Heart
5:10pm	Man About the House
5:45pm	Rising Damp
6:15pm	George and Mildred
6:50pm	Heartbeat
7:55pm	Murder, She Wrote
9:00pm	Doc Martin
10:00pm	The Street
11:15pm	Law and Order: UK
12:20am	Wire in the Blood
2:10am	Prime Suspect
4:00am	Mr Selfridge
4:50am	Long Lost Family
5:40am	Rising Damp

itv4

7:00am	Tommy Cooper
7:25am	The Professionals
8:15am	Storage Wars New York
8:35am	Storage Wars New York
9:00am	Counting Cars
9:30am	Counting Cars
9:55am	The Professionals
11:00am	Tour de France Highlights
12:00pm	Tour de France Live
6:00pm	The Professionals <i>Action-packed drama series about two criminal intelligence agents.</i>
7:00pm	The Darts Show
8:00pm	Tour de France Highlights
9:00pm	Goodwood Festival of Speed Highlights
10:00pm	World Series of Darts
2:00am	Tour de France Highlights <i>Coverage of stage 7, from Troyes to Nuits-Saint-Georges.</i>
3:00am	Goodwood Festival of Speed Highlights

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11:00am	Walking Tall
12:30pm	Star Trek Beyond
2:35pm	Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest
5:10pm	Once Upon a Time in Mexico
7:00pm	The Bourne Supremacy
9:00pm	Star Trek Beyond
11:10pm	Spy
1:15am	Shaft

sky CINEMA COMEDY

9:55am	Click
11:50am	Hot Pursuit
1:25pm	The Top Ten Show 2017
1:45pm	The Intern
3:50pm	Mike and Dave Need Wedding Dates
5:35pm	Beverly Hills Cop
7:25pm	Dirty 30
9:00pm	The Intern
11:05pm	Mike and Dave Need Wedding Dates
12:50am	Beverly Hills Cop
2:40am	Welcome to Me

sky CINEMA PREMIERE

9:05am	Mr. Right
10:55am	Purge, the: Election Year
12:55pm	Inferno
3:05pm	Inferno: Special <i>Sky Movies takes a special look at mystery thriller Inferno.</i>
3:25pm	Morgan
5:10pm	Mr. Right <i>Romantic action comedy.</i>
7:00pm	Purge, the: Election Year
9:00pm	Inferno
11:10pm	Inferno: Special <i>Sky Movies takes a special look at mystery thriller Inferno.</i>
11:30pm	Morgan <i>Sci-fi thriller.</i>
1:10am	Breakdown
3:15am	Follow
4:45am	The Measure of a Man

sky SPORTS 2

7:00am	Cricket's Greatest
7:30am	Cricket
8:30am	Cricket
9:00am	Cricket Classics
10:00am	Cricket
11:00am	Cricket
11:30am	Cricket
7:30pm	Cricket
7:45pm	Live T20 Blast Cricket
11:15pm	ICC Cricket
11:45pm	Sporting Triumphs
12:00am	Cricket <i>The second day of the opening Test between England and South Africa at Lord's.</i>
1:00am	Live T20 Blast Cricket
4:30am	Cricket
5:30am	Cricket
5:45am	Sporting Triumphs <i>A look at the incredible sporting triumph of England captain Michael Vaughan as he led his side to one of the most memorable Ashes series wins of all time.</i>

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7:00am	Breakfast
11:00am	Saturday Kitchen Live <i>James Martin presents another menu of mouth-watering recipes, great chefs and celebrity guests.</i>
12:30pm	Mary Berry Cooks <i>Mary Berry takes viewers step by step through delicious recipes for everyday and special occasions.</i>
1:00pm	BBC News
1:10pm	Weather
1:15pm	Wimbledon
7:25pm	BBC News
7:35pm	Regional News
7:40pm	Weather
7:45pm	Pointless
8:30pm	Pitch Battle
10:00pm	Casualty
10:50pm	BBC News
11:05pm	Weather
11:10pm	Little Fockers
12:45am	Tropic Thunder
2:30am	Weather for the Week Ahead

BBC TWO

7:00am	Lucky Partners
8:35am	John Mills Talking Pictures
9:15am	Scott of the Antarctic <i>Faithful re-telling of the doomed Antarctic expedition of 1911-12 led by Captain Robert Falcon Scott.</i>
11:00am	Athletics
12:00pm	Wimbledon
1:15pm	Bargain Hunt
2:00pm	Father of the Bride
3:30pm	Wimbledon <i>Live coverage of the famous tennis tournament.</i>
9:30pm	Today at Wimbledon
10:30pm	Museum of the Year
11:00pm	Mock the Week
11:30pm	QI XL <i>Panel-based quiz where it is more important to be interesting than right.</i>
12:15am	2001: A Space Odyssey
2:30am	West
4:05am	This is BBC Two

BBC FOUR

8:00pm	Britain and the Sea <i>David Dimbleby explores how the sea emerged as a source of pleasure, Punch and Judy and sand sculpture.</i>
9:00pm	Nature's Great Events
10:00pm	Mea Culpa
11:25pm	Titanic's Tragic Twin: The Britannic <i>Disaster Documentary investigating how the Britannic suffered the same fate as her sister ship the Titanic on the 100th anniversary of her sinking.</i>
12:25am	Top of the Pops Special 20th anniversary edition of the pop chart programme, first broadcast on 5 January 1984.
1:00am	Top of the Pops
1:35am	Synth Britannia at the BBC

CHANNEL 4

7:40am	3rd Rock from the Sun
8:05am	3rd Rock from the Sun
8:30am	Everybody Loves Raymond
8:55am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:25am	Frasier
9:50am	Frasier
10:20am	The Big Bang Theory
10:50am	The Big Bang Theory
11:20am	The Big Bang Theory
11:50am	The Simpsons
12:20pm	The Simpsons
12:50pm	The Simpsons
1:20pm	Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA
2:20pm	Four in a Bed
2:50pm	Four in a Bed
3:25pm	Four in a Bed
3:55pm	Four in a Bed
4:30pm	Four in a Bed
5:00pm	A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun
6:00pm	Channel 4 News
6:30pm	Formula 1
8:00pm	Rise of the Planet of the Apes
10:00pm	Bridesmaids
12:20am	Red Eye

CHANNEL 5

7:00am	Milkshake! <i>Programming aimed at children aged two to seven years old.</i>
11:10am	Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles
11:45am	Make You Laugh Out Loud
12:05pm	Police Interceptors
1:05pm	Police Interceptors
2:00pm	Police Interceptors
3:00pm	The Nightmare Neighbour Next Door
4:00pm	The Nightmare Neighbour Next Door
5:00pm	Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
6:00pm	Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
7:00pm	Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
7:55pm	5 News <i>The latest news coverage.</i>
8:00pm	Cricket on 5
9:00pm	Blind Date
10:00pm	Big Brother
11:00pm	Live Boxing
1:00am	Super Casino

4

7:00am	Rude(Ish) Tube
7:25am	Couples Come Dine with Me
8:20am	Couples Come Dine with Me
9:25am	Binky and Jp's Baby: Born in Chelsea
10:30am	Melissa and Joey
11:00am	Melissa and Joey
11:30am	Melissa and Joey
12:00pm	Melissa and Joey
12:30pm	Melissa and Joey
1:00pm	The Goldbergs
1:30pm	The Goldbergs
2:00pm	The Goldbergs
2:30pm	The Goldbergs
3:00pm	The Goldbergs
3:30pm	The Goldbergs
4:00pm	Ferris Bueller's Day Off
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	Die Hard 2
12:25am	Gogglebox
1:25am	Gogglebox

sky SPORTS 1

7:00am	Football Gold
7:30am	Football Gold
8:00am	Super League Gold
8:15am	Super League Highlights
8:30am	Live British and Irish Lions Tour
12:15pm	Great Sporting Moments
12:30pm	Sporting Greats
1:00pm	Live Austrian GP: Qualifying
3:40pm	The F1 Show
4:10pm	British and Irish Lions Tour
5:10pm	The F1 Show
5:40pm	Great Sporting Moments
5:55pm	Live Super League Catalans Dragons v Wigan Warriors.
8:00pm	British and Irish Lions Tour
9:00pm	Cricket
10:00pm	Cricket
10:15pm	British and Irish Lions Tour
11:15pm	Sporting Greats
11:45pm	Super League Gold
12:00am	Premier League Legends

itv

7:00am	CITV
9:25am	ITV News
9:30am	Weekend
10:25am	The Home Game
11:20am	Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets
2:20pm	ITV News and Weather
2:30pm	ITV Racing: Live from Sandown
5:00pm	The Chase
6:00pm	Paul O'Grady: For the Love of Dogs
6:30pm	Little Big Shots USA
7:25pm	Local News and Weather
7:35pm	ITV News and Weather
7:45pm	Catchphrase
8:30pm	The Voice Kids
10:00pm	ITV News and Weather
10:15pm	Skyfall <i>The latest in the James Bond franchise, his loyalty is tested when details of M's past comes to light.</i>
1:00am	The Chase

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7:00am	Planets Funniest Animals
7:20am	Emmerdale Omnibus
10:20am	Coronation Street Omnibus
1:10pm	Take Me Out
2:20pm	Catchphrase
3:05pm	You've Been Framed! Gold
3:35pm	A Cinderella Story
4:35pm	FYI Daily
4:40pm	A Cinderella Story
5:30pm	Charlie and the Chocolate Factory
6:35pm	FYI Daily
6:40pm	Charlie and the Chocolate Factory
7:45pm	Step Up 3
8:50pm	FYI Daily
8:55pm	Step Up 3 <i>Two dancers take part in a contest, competing against the world's best hip hop dancers.</i>
10:00pm	Love Island
11:00pm	Celebrity Juice
11:50pm	Family Guy
12:20am	Family Guy
12:45am	Family Guy

itv3

7:00am	Murder, She Wrote <i>Drama series about a sleuthing writer who solves murder mysteries.</i>
7:45am	Murder, She Wrote
8:45am	Murder, She Wrote
9:45am	The Darling Buds of May
10:55am	The Mirror Crack'd <i>Agatha Christie's Miss Marple investigates a murder on a film set.</i>
11:55am	FYI Daily
12:00pm	The Mirror Crack'd
1:05pm	Bertie and Elizabeth
3:05pm	Hans Christian Andersen
5:00pm	Wycliffe
6:05pm	Agatha Christie's Marple
8:00pm	Agatha Christie's Marple
10:00pm	Foyle's War
12:00am	Law and Order: UK <i>Crime drama based on the hit US series Law and Order.</i>
1:00am	Law and Order: UK

itv4

7:00am	Hat-Trick Heroes
7:15am	The Darts Show
8:05am	Motorsport UK
8:55am	Goodwood First Glance
10:00am	Tour de France Highlights
11:00am	ITV Racing: The Opening Show
12:00pm	Tour de France Live
5:30pm	Pawn Stars
6:00pm	Better Late Than Never
6:55pm	Monster Carp
8:00pm	Tour de France Highlights
9:00pm	The Chase: Celebrity Special
10:05pm	Renegades
11:05pm	FYI Daily
11:10pm	Renegades
12:15am	Awake
1:20am	FYI Daily
1:25am	Awake
1:55am	Tour de France Highlights
3:00am	Hand of God
3:50am	ITV4 Nightscreen
4:00am	Teleshopping

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7:05am	Wild Wild West
8:55am	Jurassic Park
11:05am	The Lost World
1:20pm	Jurassic Park III
3:00pm	The Day the Earth Stood Still
4:50pm	The Sum of All Fears
7:00pm	The Huntsman: Winter's War
9:00pm	Jurassic Park
11:10pm	The Lost World
1:25am	Jurassic Park III

sky CINEMA COMEDY

7:35am	Mean Girls
9:20am	Galaxy Quest
11:05am	Central Intelligence
1:00pm	The Blues Brothers
3:20pm	Superbad
5:20pm	Beverly Hills Cop II
7:10pm	Robin Hood: Men in Tights
9:00pm	The Blues Brothers
11:20pm	Central Intelligence
1:15am	Beverly Hills Cop II
3:05am	Team America: World Police

sky CINEMA PREMIERE

7:00am	Morgan
8:50am	The Call Up
10:35am	Mr. Right
12:25pm	Inferno
2:35pm	Inferno: Special
2:55pm	Purge, the: Election Year
4:55pm	Morgan
6:40pm	Spider-Man: Homecoming: Special <i>Sky Movies takes a special look at the latest take on the classic Marvel superhero.</i>
7:10pm	Mr. Right
9:00pm	Inferno <i>When a Dante-obsessed madman develops a devastating virus, it's up to crack symbology professor Robert Langdon to save the day.</i>
11:10pm	Dog Eat Dog
12:55am	Purge, the: Election Year
3:00am	Follow

sky SPORTS 2

7:00am	Cricket's Greatest
7:30am	Cricket
8:30am	Cricket
8:45am	Cricket Classics
9:45am	Cricket
10:00am	Cricket
11:00am	Cricket <i>Day three of the first Test as England meet South Africa at Lord's.</i>
7:30pm	Cricket
7:45pm	Live T20 Blast <i>The opening weekend in the NatWest T20 Blast continues as the Birmingham Bears take on the Nottinghamshire Outlaws at Edgbaston.</i>
11:15pm	Sporting Triumphs
11:30pm	Cricket Gold
11:40pm	Cricket Gold
11:50pm	Cricket Gold
12:00am	Cricket
1:00am	T20 Blast
4:30am	Cricket Gold

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WE are now fully into the summer holidays and Worldwide Horizons Travel Agency in La Zenia are busy daily selling day trips to the popular coastal areas and theme parks around them.

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Popular at the moment is their offer for a 14-night Asian Cruise starting in October in Hong Kong, and finishing in Singapore, visiting some of Asia's most sought after locations on the way. From their office, Worldwide Horizons have combined this cruise with the best flights available, allowing for a two-night pre-cruise stay in Hong Kong and an overnight stay in a five star hotel in Singapore before starting the journey back to Alicante.

"This has been one of our most popular adverts," said owner Yvonne Hollywood: "I think it's the combination of the itinerary, the flights that depart from Alicante and also the fact that the price is very reasonable, this has allowed us to sell quite a lot on this particular cruise." There are still some cabins available, with



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to offer the best travelling routes with these cruises, Viking offer us a discounted price and allow us to travel direct to the departure point for the cruise, meaning that it's not necessary to go to the UK to start your holiday each time," explained Yvonne: "We also have this agree-

ment with APT Cruises and several other river cruise companies."

A new contract for this year has been signed with Cruise & Maritime, meaning they now have the ability to sell their cruises from the La Zenia office. Particularly of interest has been the ongoing offer of a World Cruise in 2018, from Tilsbury in London. It is a 121-day cruise from just £14,999, which is based on an inside cabin, however with one paying cruiser, the other person is free, so effectively from just £7,500 per person you can enjoy a full board cruise round the world: "This is a bargain when you see the prices offered for other cruises!"

Even though we are firmly in the grasp of a full-on heatwave, Yvonne and the team are looking ahead to the cooler temperatures of Christmas. As agents of Gandia Tours and Rosa Tours, they are a local booking office for all these companies offer.

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BBC one

7:00am	Breakfast
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	Athletics: London Anniversary Games
5:30pm	Escape to the Country
6:10pm	Songs of Praise
6:45pm	How to Holiday Better
7:35pm	BBC News
7:50pm	Regional News
7:55pm	Weather
8:00pm	Countryfile
9:00pm	Fake or Fortune?
10:00pm	Poldark
11:00pm	BBC News
11:20pm	Regional News
11:25pm	Weather
11:30pm	Sue Barker: Our Wimbledon
12:45am	The Week the Landlords Moved in
1:45am	Weather for the Week Ahead

BBC TWO

7:00am	The Secrets of the Mona Lisa
8:00am	A to Z of TV Gardening
8:45am	The Instant Gardener
9:30am	Countryfile
	<i>News and stories concerning the heart of the British countryside.</i>
10:30am	Saturday Kitchen Best Bites
12:00pm	Nigel Slater: Eating Together
12:30pm	The Hairy Bikers' Best of British
1:15pm	Athletics: London Anniversary Games
2:15pm	The Great Caruso
4:00pm	Killer Whales
4:45pm	Money for Nothing
5:30pm	Rowing
6:30pm	Flog It!
7:00pm	The Fifteen Billion Pound Railway
8:00pm	Dragons' Den
9:00pm	The Life Swap Adventure
10:00pm	Foxcatcher
12:05am	White Gold
12:35am	The Goob

BBC FOUR

8:00pm	The Royal Ballet
10:00pm	Horizon
	<i>Horizon follows an international team of volcanologists in Iceland as they draw fascinating parallels with the volcanoes on Earth and those elsewhere in the solar system.</i>
11:00pm	The Sky at Night
	<i>A look at the world of astronomy.</i>
11:30pm	Destination Titan
12:30am	The Search for Life: The Drake Equation
1:30am	Nature's Great Events
	<i>Series about the most dramatic wildlife spectacles on our planet.</i>
2:30am	The Royal Ballet
	<i>Woolf Works.</i>

CHANNEL 4

7:10am	King of Queens
7:35am	King of Queens
8:05am	Everybody Loves Raymond
8:30am	Everybody Loves Raymond
8:55am	Frasier
9:25am	Frasier
10:00am	Frasier
10:30am	Sunday Brunch
1:30pm	Eat the Week with Iceland
2:30pm	The Simpsons
3:00pm	The Simpsons
3:25pm	George Clarke's Amazing Spaces
4:10pm	A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun
5:10pm	Homes by the Sea
6:15pm	Channel 4 News
6:45pm	Formula 1
9:00pm	Secrets of the Forbidden City
10:00pm	The Handmaid's Tale
11:00pm	Epidemic
11:55pm	8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown
12:55am	This Means War
2:45am	Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA
3:35am	The Last Leg

CHANNEL 5

7:00am	Milkshake!
	<i>Programming aimed at children aged two to seven years old.</i>
11:00am	Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles
11:35am	Access
11:40am	Police Interceptors
12:40pm	Police Interceptors
1:40pm	Police Interceptors
2:35pm	The Flintstones
	<i>Prehistoric cartoon adventures in Bedrock with the Flintstones.</i>
4:15pm	Inside Windsor Castle
5:15pm	Inside Windsor Castle
6:15pm	Inside Windsor Castle
7:10pm	Inside Windsor Castle
8:00pm	Cricket on 5
8:55pm	5 News
9:00pm	That's So...1990
10:00pm	Big Brother
11:05pm	Omg: Make Me a Famous Face
12:05am	The Bounty Hunter
2:10am	Super Casino

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7:00am	Rude(ish) Tube
7:25am	Couples Come Dine with Me
8:20am	Couples Come Dine with Me
9:25am	Hollyoaks Omnibus
12:00pm	Binky and Jp's Baby: Born in Chelsea
1:00pm	New Girl
1:30pm	New Girl
2:00pm	Kevin Can Wait
2:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
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7:00pm	101 Dalmatians
	<i>Live-action version of the Disney classic.</i>
9:00pm	The Crystal Maze
10:00pm	The Inbetweeners 2
12:00am	The Inbetweeners
12:35am	The Inbetweeners
1:05am	Rude Tube
2:05am	Tattoo Fixers
3:10am	8 Out of 10 Cats
3:55am	Gogglebox

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7:00am	Football Gold
7:30am	Football Gold
8:00am	WWE Main Event
9:00am	Premier League Legends
10:00am	British and Irish Lions Tour Highlights
11:00am	Fight Night
12:00pm	European U21 Championship Final Highlights
12:30pm	Live Austrian GP: Track Parade
1:00pm	Live Austrian GP: Pit Lane Live
1:30pm	Live Austrian GP: Race
4:30pm	Live Austrian GP: Paddock Live
5:15pm	Cricket Gold
5:25pm	Cricket
	<i>West Indies take on India in the single T20 in their series at Sabina Park in Kingston, Jamaica.</i>
9:00pm	Spanish Football Gold
9:15pm	Fight Night
11:15pm	Boxing Gold
12:00am	Premier League Legends

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7:00am	CITV
9:25am	ITV News
9:30am	Weekend
10:25am	Wild Animal Reunions
11:15am	Judge Rinder
12:15pm	Love Your Garden
1:15pm	ITV News and Weather
1:25pm	Babushka
2:30pm	The Voice Kids
4:00pm	Bear Gryll's Survival School
4:30pm	Moonraker
7:00pm	Local News and Weather
7:15pm	ITV News and Weather
7:30pm	The Chase Celebrity Special
8:30pm	The Voice Kids
10:00pm	The Loch
11:00pm	ITV News and Weather
11:20pm	Lethal Weapon
12:20am	Take Me Out
1:25am	Jackpot247
4:00am	Motorsport UK
4:50am	British Superbike Highlights

itv2

7:00am	Emmerdale Omnibus
10:00am	Coronation Street
12:50pm	The Voice Kids
2:20pm	Ninja Warrior
3:20pm	You've Been Framed! Gold
3:55pm	The Smurfs
4:55pm	FYI Daily
5:00pm	The Smurfs
6:00pm	St. Trinian's 2: The Legend of Fritton's Gold
7:00pm	FYI Daily
7:05pm	St. Trinian's 2: The Legend of Fritton's Gold
8:10pm	Gravity
9:15pm	FYI Daily
9:20pm	Gravity
10:00pm	Love Island
11:00pm	Love Island
12:05am	Family Guy
12:30am	Family Guy
1:00am	Family Guy
1:30am	American Dad!
1:55am	American Dad!
2:25am	Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records

itv3

7:00am	George and Mildred
	<i>Comedy series following George and Mildred Roper.</i>
7:25am	Hans Christian Andersen
9:00am	Heartbeat
	<i>Drama, set in the North Yorkshire moors in the 1960's.</i>
10:10am	Heartbeat
11:20am	Murder, She Wrote
	<i>Drama series about a sleuthing writer who solves murder mysteries.</i>
12:15pm	The Darling Buds of May
1:30pm	Sherlock Holmes
3:50pm	Wycliffe
4:55pm	Foyle's War
7:00pm	Doc Martin
9:00pm	The Booze Cruise II: The Treasure Hunt
11:00pm	Law and Order: UK
	<i>Crime drama based on the hit US series Law and Order.</i>
12:00am	Law and Order: UK
1:00am	Wire in the Blood

itv4

7:00am	Snooker v Darts
7:05am	Tommy Cooper
7:35am	Goodwood Festival of Speed 1
8:25am	Goodwood Festival of Speed 2
9:20am	British Superbike Highlights
10:25am	Tour de France Highlights
11:30am	Tour de France Live
5:30pm	Pawn Stars
6:00pm	Monster Carp
7:00pm	Fierce
	<i>Natural series seeking out the world's most fierce animals.</i>
8:00pm	Tour de France Highlights
9:00pm	Road Racing Series 2017
10:00pm	Jaws
11:05pm	FYI Daily
11:10pm	Jaws
12:40am	Renegades
1:40am	FYI Daily
1:45am	Renegades
2:45am	Tour de France Highlights

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2:00pm	The Magnificent Seven
4:15pm	Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl
6:40pm	Star Wars: Episode VII - The Force Awakens
9:00pm	The Bourne Ultimatum
11:00pm	The Matrix
1:20am	I Am Legend

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8:00am	The Top Ten Show 2017
8:15am	Three Amigos!
10:10am	Dumb and Dumber
12:05pm	Juno
1:50pm	My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2
3:35pm	Bad Neighbours 2
5:20pm	Beverly Hills Cop III
7:15pm	50 First Dates
9:00pm	My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2
10:45pm	Bad Neighbours 2
12:30am	Beverly Hills Cop III

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7:00am	The Call Up
8:35am	Breakdown
10:30am	Inferno
12:40pm	The Girl with All the Gifts
	<i>As flesh-eating Hungries plague Earth, a little girl showing signs of immunity could be mankind's only hope</i>
2:45pm	Mr. Right
4:35pm	Spider-Man: Homecoming: Special
5:05pm	Morgan
6:50pm	Inferno
9:00pm	The Girl with All the Gifts
11:00pm	Dog Eat Dog
12:45am	Purge, the: Election Year
	<i>The presidential election is fast approaching, but can anti-Purge candidate Charlie Roan survive the night?</i>
2:45am	Miles
4:25am	Mr. Right

sky SPORTS 2

7:00am	Cricket's Greatest
7:30am	Cricket
8:30am	Cricket
8:45am	Cricket
9:45am	Cricket
10:00am	Cricket Writers on TV
11:00am	Cricket
	<i>Day four of the first Test as England host South Africa at Lord's.</i>
7:30pm	Cricket
8:00pm	ICC Women's World Cup 2017 Highlights
9:00pm	Cricket
10:00pm	Cricket
10:30pm	Cricket's Greatest
	<i>Series profiling some of the greatest cricketers of all time.</i>
11:00pm	ICC Women's World Cup 2017 Highlights
12:00am	Cricket
1:00am	Cricket
1:30am	Cricket's Greatest
2:00am	Cricket Gold
2:10am	Cricket Gold
2:20am	Cricket Gold
2:30am	Cricket
3:30am	Cricket

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7:00am	Breakfast
10:15am	Right on the Money
11:00am	Homes Under the Hammer
12:00pm	Council House Crackdown
12:45pm	Rip Off Britain
1:15pm	Bargain Hunt
2:00pm	BBC News
2:30pm	Regional News
2:45pm	Wimbledon <i>Live coverage of the famous tennis tournament.</i>
7:00pm	BBC News
7:30pm	Regional News
8:00pm	The One Show
8:30pm	Mini Monet Millionaire
9:00pm	EastEnders
9:30pm	Panorama
10:00pm	Supermarket Shopping Secrets
11:00pm	BBC News
11:30pm	Regional News
11:40pm	Weather
11:45pm	Peter Kay's Comedy Shuffle
12:15am	Have I Got a Bit More Old News for You

BBC TWO

7:15am	The TV That Made Me <i>Entertainment series in which celebrities reminisce about their favourite TV shows.</i>
7:45am	Flog It! <i>Antiques show which helps amateur auctioneers, collectors and bargain-hunters make a saving.</i>
8:15am	Bargain Hunt
9:00am	Antiques Roadshow <i>Antique experts travel the country to appraise people's wares.</i>
10:00am	Victoria Derbyshire
12:00pm	The Daily Politics <i>Political show examining the latest news, views and moves in the world of politics.</i>
12:30pm	Wimbledon
9:30pm	Today at Wimbledon
10:30pm	Ripper Street
11:30pm	Newsnight
12:10am	Weather

BBC FOUR

8:00pm	100 Days +
8:30pm	Great British Railway Journeys
9:00pm	Colour: The Spectrum of Science
10:00pm	Science and Islam <i>Physicist Jim Al-Khalili travels through Syria, Iran, Tunisia and Spain to tell the story of the great leap in scientific knowledge that took place in the Islamic world between the 8th and 14th centuries.</i>
11:00pm	This Was My Dad - The Rise and Fall of Geoffrey Matthews
12:25am	Ocean Giants
1:25am	Hidden Kingdoms <i>Nature documentary telling the story of two young animals forced to grow up fast.</i>
2:25am	Science and Islam
3:25am	Colour: The Spectrum of Science

CHANNEL 4

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	Undercover Boss 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	A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun
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 Retire at 40
10:00pm	Catching a Killer
11:25pm	60 Days in Jail
12:20am	Bodysockers

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
2:10pm	Access
2:15pm	Home and Away
2:45pm	Neighbours
3:15pm	NCIS
4:15pm	Truth and Lies
6:00pm	5 News
6:30pm	Neighbours
7:00pm	Home and Away
7:30pm	5 News
8:00pm	Cricket on 5 <i>Highlights coverage of England's summer season begins on 20th May 2014 on Channel 5.</i>
9:00pm	All New Traffic Cops
10:00pm	Silver Service
11:00pm	Big Brother
12:05am	Big Brother's Bit on the Side
1:05am	Countdown to Murder
2:00am	Super Casino

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8:00am	Made in Chelsea
9:00am	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
9:30am	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
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
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7:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
7:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
8:00pm	Hollyoaks
8:30pm	Star Trek
11:00pm	Vlogglebox
12:05am	Naked Attraction

sky SPORTS 1

7:30am	Football Gold
8:00am	WWE Raw
9:00am	Premier League Legends
10:00am	Premier League 100 Club
11:00am	The Premier League Years
1:00pm	Football's Greatest
2:00pm	Great Sporting Moments
2:30pm	Great Sporting Moments
3:00pm	Premier League Legends
4:00pm	Spanish Football Gold
4:30pm	Football Gold
5:00pm	Football's Greatest
6:00pm	Premier League 100 Club
7:00pm	Premier League Legends
7:30pm	Football's Greatest Teams
8:00pm	Live Horse Racing: Winning Post
10:00pm	Fight Night
12:00am	Fight Night
12:30am	Fight Night
1:00am	Premier League 100 Club

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
3:00pm	Judge Rinder
4:00pm	David Dickinson's Name Your Price
5:00pm	Tipping Point
6:00pm	The Chase
7:00pm	Local News and Weather
7:30pm	ITV Evening News
8:00pm	Emmerdale <i>Popular long-running soap opera, set in a Yorkshire village.</i>
8:30pm	Coronation Street
9:00pm	Amazing Animal Births
9:30pm	Coronation Street
10:00pm	Fearless
11:00pm	ITV News
11:45pm	Killer Women with Piers Morgan
12:45am	The Kyle Files
1:10am	Jackpot247

itv2

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! Gold
7:30pm	You've Been Framed! Gold
8:00pm	You've Been Framed! Gold
8:30pm	You've Been Framed! Gold
9:00pm	Two and a Half Men
9:30pm	Two and a Half Men
10:00pm	Love Island
11:05pm	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
9:25am	Wild at Heart
10:25am	Judge Judy
10:55am	Judge Judy
11:25am	Judge Judy
11:50am	Road to Avonlea
12:55pm	Love Your Garden
2:00pm	Heartbeat
3:00pm	The Royal
4:05pm	Wild at Heart
5:10pm	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	Agatha Christie's Marple
11:00pm	Law and Order: UK
12:00am	The Street
1:20am	Colditz
3:10am	ITV3 Nightscreen
3:30am	Teleshopping

itv4

7:00am	Football's Greatest
7:10am	The Chase
8:00am	The Professionals
8:50am	The Saint
9:55am	Storage Wars New York
10:25am	Storage Wars New York
10:50am	The Chase
11:50am	The Professionals
12:55pm	The Saint
2:00pm	Tour de France Highlights
3:00pm	Ironside
4:00pm	Quincy, M.E.
5:05pm	Minder
6:05pm	The Professionals
7:05pm	Storage Wars New York
7:35pm	Storage Wars New York
8:00pm	Tour de France Highlights
9:00pm	Better Late Than Never
10:00pm	Car Crash Britain Caught on Camera
11:00pm	Crank
12:10am	FYI Daily
12:15am	Crank

sky CINEMA ACTION & ADVENTURE

7:00am	Arthur and Merlin
9:00am	12 Rounds
11:00am	Independence Day: Resurgence
1:10pm	The Patriot
4:00pm	The Matrix Reloaded
6:25pm	American Ultra
8:10pm	xXx2: The Next Level
10:00pm	Independence Day: Resurgence
12:00am	The Matrix Reloaded
2:20am	Deadly Departure

sky CINEMA COMEDY

9:55am	Wild Oats
11:35am	Grandma
1:05pm	Couples Retreat
3:05pm	The First Wives Club
4:55pm	The Holiday
7:15pm	The Bad Education Movie
9:00pm	Couples Retreat
11:00pm	Grimsby
12:30am	Borat: Cultural Learnings of America for Make Benefit
9:00pm	Glorious Nation of Kazakhstan

sky CINEMA PREMIERE

7:00am	The Call Up <i>Sci-fi action about a group of elite online gamers invited to trial a state-of-the-art virtual reality shoot 'em up.</i>
8:45am	The Girl with All the Gifts
10:50am	Inferno
1:05pm	Inferno: Special <i>Sky Movies takes a special look at mystery thriller Inferno.</i>
1:25pm	Frankie and Alice <i>Drama about an LA stripper struggling to cope with three distinct personalities.</i>
3:20pm	Morgan
5:10pm	Mr. Right
7:00pm	The Girl with All the Gifts
9:00pm	Inferno
11:10pm	Frankie and Alice
1:00am	Dog Eat Dog
2:45am	Miles
4:25am	Breakdown

sky SPORTS 2

7:00am	Cricket's Greatest
7:30am	Cricket
8:30am	Cricket
9:00am	ICC Women's World Cup 2017 Highlights
10:00am	Cricket
11:00am	Cricket
11:30am	Cricket <i>The fifth and final day of the first Test as England take on South Africa at Lord's.</i>
7:30pm	Cricket
8:00pm	ICC Women's World Cup 2017 Highlights
9:00pm	Cricket
10:00pm	Cricket
10:30pm	Cricket's Greatest
11:00pm	Cricket's Greatest
11:30pm	Cricket Gold
11:40pm	Cricket Gold
11:50pm	Cricket Gold
12:00am	Cricket
1:00am	Cricket
1:30am	Cricket's Greatest
2:00am	Cricket Gold
2:10am	Cricket Gold
2:20am	Cricket Gold
2:30am	Cricket

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1:15pm Bargain Hunt
2:00pm BBC News
2:30pm Regional News
2:45pm Wimbledon
7:00pm BBC News
7:30pm Regional News
8:00pm The One Show
8:30pm EastEnders
Another visit to the residents of Albert Square, for a regular dose of drama, excitement and tears.
9:00pm Holby City
10:00pm In the Dark
11:00pm BBC News
11:30pm Regional News
All the latest local news.
11:40pm Weather
11:45pm Granddad, Dementia and Me
12:45am Mini Monet Millionaire

BBC TWO

7:00am The TV That Made Me
7:25am Right on the Money Series
8:15am Super League Show
9:00am DIY SOS The Big Build
10:00am Victoria Derbyshire
12:00pm BBC Newsroom Live
12:30pm The Daily Politics
1:30pm Wimbledon
9:00pm Today at Wimbledon
10:00pm Hospital
Documentary capturing the day-to-day realities of the pressures the NHS is facing today.
11:00pm Detectorists
Sitcom in which two friends go hunting for their heart's desire with a couple of metal detectors.
11:30pm Newsnight
12:10am Weather
12:15am Brexit Means Brexit
1:15am The Life Swap Adventure
2:15am Me and My Dog

BBC FOUR

8:00pm 100 Days +
8:30pm Handmade: By Royal Appointment
9:00pm Britain Beneath Your Feet
Documentary exploring Britain's best landscapes and how they have been transformed by the varied geological nature of the country.
10:00pm The British Garden: Life and Death on Your Lawn
11:30pm Deep, Down and Dirty: The Science of Soil
12:30pm The Brits Who Built the Modern World
1:30am Medieval Lives: Birth, Marriage, Death
2:30am Britain and the Sea
David Dimbleby explores how the sea emerged as a source of pleasure, Punch and Judy and sand sculpture.

CHANNEL 4

8:35am Everybody Loves Raymond
9:00am Everybody Loves Raymond
9:35am Frasier
10:05am Frasier
10:35am Frasier
11:05am Undercover Boss USA
12:00pm A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun
1:00pm Channel 4 News
1:05pm Couples Come Dine with Me
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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 Tried and Tasted: The Ultimate Shopping List
9:30pm Supershopper
10:00pm Phil Spencer
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
Home improvement series that works its magic on neglected homes.
1:10pm 5 News
1:15pm Big Brother
2:10pm Access
2:15pm Home and Away
2:45pm Neighbours
3:15pm NCIS
4:15pm Abducting Zoe
6:00pm 5 News
The latest news coverage.
6:30pm Neighbours
7:00pm Home and Away
7:30pm 5 News
8:00pm Britain's Greatest Bridges
9:00pm The Dog Rescuers with Alan Davies
10:00pm The Hotel Inspector
11:00pm Big Brother
12:05am Big Brother's Bit on the Side

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11:00am Baby Daddy
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12:00pm How I Met Your Mother
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9:00am Premier League Legends
10:00am Premier League 100 Club
11:00am The Premier League Years
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2:00pm Great Sporting Moments
2:30pm Great Sporting Moments
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4:30pm Football Gold
5:00pm Football's Greatest Moments
6:00pm Premier League 100 Club
7:00pm Premier League Legends
7:30pm Premier League Legends
8:00pm Live Horse Racing: Winning Post
10:00pm Fight Night
12:00am Boxing Gold
12:30am Boxing Gold

itv

7:00am Good Morning Britain
9:30am Lorraine
10:25am The Jeremy Kyle Show
11:30am This Morning
The morning lifestyle magazine show with advice, chat and competitions.
1:30pm Loose Women
2:30pm ITV Lunchtime News
3:00pm Judge Rinder
4:00pm David Dickinson's Name Your Price
5:00pm Tipping Point
6:00pm The Chase
7:00pm Local News and Weather
7:30pm ITV Evening News
Round-up of the main national and international news.
8:00pm Emmerdale
9:00pm Midsomer Murders
11:00pm ITV News
11:40pm Davina: Life at the Extreme
12:40am Play to the Whistle
1:20am Jackpot247

itv2

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! Gold
7:30pm You've Been Framed! Gold
8:00pm You've Been Framed! Gold
8:30pm You've Been Framed! Gold
9:00pm Two and a Half Men
9:30pm Two and a Half Men
10:00pm Love Island
11:05pm Family Guy
11:30pm Family Guy
11:55pm Family Guy
12:25am Family Guy

itv3

7:00am Man About the House
7:25am Heartbeat
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
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
6:20pm George and Mildred
6:55pm Heartbeat
8:00pm Murder, She Wrote
9:00pm The Booze Cruise III
The Scattering.
11:00pm Law and Order: UK
12:00am Inspector Morse
Police drama series featuring Colin Dexter's enigmatic chief inspector and his sidekick Sergeant Lewis.
2:10am Wycliffe

itv4

7:00am Goals of the 90's
7:10am Storage Wars New York
7:35am Storage Wars New York
7:55am The Professionals
8:50am Minder
9:50am Ironside
10:55am Quincy, M.E.
12:00pm Tour de France Highlights
1:00pm Tour de France Live
6:00pm The Professionals
7:00pm Storage Wars New York
7:30pm Storage Wars New York
8:00pm Tour de France Highlights
9:00pm Monster Carp
10:00pm Benidorm
11:05pm Awake
12:15am FYI Daily
12:20am Awake
12:55am Lethal Weapon

sky CINEMA ACTION & ADVENTURE

2:20pm The Matrix Revolutions
4:35pm X-Men Origins: Wolverine
6:25pm Armageddon
9:00pm Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End
11:50pm The Matrix Revolutions
2:05am Face/Off
4:30am The Blue Max

sky CINEMA COMEDY

9:30am Valentine's Day
11:45am Laws of Attraction
1:25pm The Top Ten Show 2017
1:45pm Hot Tub Time Machine
3:40pm Dope
5:35pm Big Daddy
7:15pm Crocodile Dundee
9:00pm Hot Tub Time Machine
10:45pm The Intern
12:50am Police Academy
2:35am Mistress America

sky CINEMA PREMIERE

7:00am Frankie and Alice Miles
8:55am Frankie and Alice Miles
A teenage boy, desperate to go to film school in Chicago, joins a girls' volleyball team in the hope of qualifying for a scholarship.
10:35am I'll See You in My Dreams
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12:25pm Spider-Man: Homecoming: Special
12:55pm Inferno
3:10pm The Girl with All the Gifts
5:15pm Frankie and Alice
7:10pm I'll See You in My Dreams
9:00pm Inferno
11:10pm The Girl with All the Gifts
1:10am Dog Eat Dog

sky SPORTS 2

7:00am Cricket's Greatest
7:30am Cricket
8:30am Cricket
9:00am Cricket Classics
10:00am Cricket
11:00am Cricket
11:30am Cricket's Greatest
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3:00pm Cricket
4:00pm Cricket
4:30pm Cricket's Greatest
5:00pm Cricket's Greatest
5:30pm Cricket
6:30pm Cricket
7:00pm Live T20 Blast
Northamptonshire Steelbacks take on Yorkshire Vikings at The County Ground in Northampton in the NatWest T20 Blast.
10:45pm Sporting Triumphs
11:00pm Cricket's Greatest
11:30pm Cricket's Greatest
12:00am T20 Blast

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The prevention or reduction of religious radicalism

SIR,

As far as I know the majority of religions practised in the UK are hierarchal in nature thereby the Archbishops of Canterbury/York and the Moderator of the Church of Scotland are the leaders of the Protestant faith, The Chief Rabbi of the Jewish faith and the Archbishop of Westminster of the Catholic faith.

Due to this hierarchal structure any official religious preacher who goes 'off base' is brought to heel by their superiors and corrected. If their conduct does not improve they may lose their positions.

Many people are not aware of the fact that the Islamic faith has no such structure as each mosque chooses its own Imam who is not subservient to any higher authority and may not even be formally educated in his own religion.

Would it not be an idea to make it compulsory that the Imams of all mosques in the UK are responsible to The Grand Mufti (honestly it is an authentic term!) and his council of, presumably, lesser Muftis who would license each Imam and supervise that his teachings are in line with their accredited

Heaven's above. A locked church!

WHAT a sad reflection of how low some people in modern society will stoop when a church has to lock up to ensure that either vandals or thieves do not take advantage of open doors.



A wise move maybe, but also very sad.

I recently visited a church near our home to light a candle for a sick friend, only to discover that the church was bolted, though fortunately the following day when I returned the priest was there and I was able to spend a few minutes in prayer.



LOCKED UP: Various items have been stolen in recent years.

It seems the locked door policy was not taken lightly, but with various items stolen in recent years, as well as some vandalism, the powers-that-be decided to en-

sure future safety.

Wise, maybe, but also so very sad.

*Ted Gallagher
Aguilas, Murcia*

ed version of the Quran. This would then eradicate the type of teachings and radicalisation of the likes of the Finsbury Park mosque.

*Alister Bottomley
Pollensa, Mallorca*

Dog days

SINCE December a dead dog is lying by the side of the road from Los Gallardos towards Garrucha. It's a podenco, probably abandoned by a brutal hunter, then killed by a ruthless driver, then left to rot. I have talked several times to the Local Police in Los Gallardos who say they have called the institution responsible for removing dead animals from the roadsides, but nothing happens.

I have e-mailed SEPRONA (Servicio de Protección de la Naturaleza) several times about this dog, asking if they are responsible for removing it, but no reply. When I tried to send a message from their website a sign turned up saying my e-mail address was not correct, which is nonsense.

Does anybody know which institution is supposed to remove these dead animals? I thought rotting animals by the Spanish roadsides belonged to earlier and darker times. Or are they back?

*Britt Arenander
Huerta Nueva, Malaga*

No respect

I DREAD this time of year because the cycle jobs are out in force, especially on weekends. In towns they don't stop at crossings, even when people are half way across them because they have no number plate and know they won't be caught. They pull straight out on roundabouts, forcing cars to stop and they go through red lights. They are all on the clock, trying to knock a minute off their last best time getting from A to B.

*Michael Hill
Trapiche, Velez-Malaga*

On the rocks

I HAVE been coming to Orihuela since 2001 and got such a shock when I arrived this week to see the rocky state of Playas Flamenca and Cala Mosca. I am a keen swimmer but I don't know how anyone could negotiate their way into the water on both beaches! The rocks extend well out even to a swimmer's depth.

It is almost literally impossible for anyone to SAFELY enter the water! And to think these beaches have been awarded BLUE FLAG status (or so I believe)!!!

Name and address withheld

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Gaining power (Leapy Lee)

THOSE five points have been taken from a list of 10 that have all been exposed as untrue. Not enough space to explain on here but to complain labour made it political then you do the same is hypocrisy in extreme.

Paul chaloner

» Three dead in Torremolinos crash

IT'S about time the Spanish government started a re-education programme for Spanish drivers. The Spanish are lovely people but behind the wheel of a car they are just crazy. Ok! some expats are no better. But the Spanish have no concept or awareness of danger. When they approach a roundabout or a stop sign they have no intention of slowing down or stopping. It's full speed ahead. Little wonder there are so many accidents.

Lloyd Lupin

» Off duty officer allegedly caused Torremolinos crash

SOBERING, and not just tragic, no parent should EVER bury their own child. One only hopes the courtroom castigates him heavily for this horrific recklessness

Comments from EWN online

which led to a fatally nightmarish outcome. My thoughts and prayers are with the family and friends.

I thought that they are supposed to uphold the law not break it, how can you trust them after this.

David Kerswill

» Sad ending for shark in Mallorca

WHY didn't they take the hook out of the shark's mouth and take him back out to sea. The sea is his home not the humans. Should not have killed him.

Lilly Spencer

» EU citizens must apply for 'settled status'

IF current EU citizens can continue to live in the UK but future ones can't, what happens when the current ones die? Well, if they own a house and have adult children living in their country of origin, they'll find they have a house they can't live in! As new immigrants they would

be refused entry. If Spain reciprocates your families will not be able to move into your Spanish home! They'll be refused entry! Is that what pro-Brexit expats want?

Brian Eagleson

» Trialled for kidnapping her dying husband

Why has she only be charged with Kidnapping? Her Actions Obviously Played A Massive Part in His Suffering, Deteration & His Aweful Death. Its Gotta To Be Murder...Plain & Simple, Too.

Tomas Kirken

» Concerns for Brits rights in EU

IS it any wonder the electorate and expats are confused. They have been lied to throughout, remember the bus... £350m which will go to the NHS?

As for expats getting the same rights in Spain to benefits/housing and healthcare, another lie.

Wake up, you choose to be in Spain.

So under 65yrs old, you pay + pay + pay

Smile that's the way it is and some governments will exploit this.

Tony

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Women's wit

‘I don't exercise. If God had wanted me to bend over, he would have put diamonds on the floor.’



By Joan Rivers,
Comedian/Actress

Famous quote

‘If you wish to forget anything on the spot, make a note that this thing is to be remembered.’

By Edgar Allan Poe, Writer

World of English

‘A buck does funny things when does are present.’

MADDOCKS' VIEW ON LIFE



'PAMPLONA? - I WAS LOOKING FOR SPECSAVERS!'

Naturist Beaches in Spain

TOP 5

WITH temperatures soaring, it's getting harder to keep cool right now. Perhaps it's time to be brave, strip off those clothes and head to one of these nudist beaches - no clothes required, but don't forget your sunblock!

1. Costa Natura Nudist Resort, Estepona, Costa del Sol

Opened in 1979, it's located just south of Estepona in the Costa del Sol. The Costa Natura resort is on a public nudist beach. It welcomes families and couples and even provides children's entertainment in the peak season months. The sand and pebble beach stretches out some hundreds metres and gives way to spectacular views of Gibraltar's Rock and Africa's Northern Atlas mountain range.

2. Faro de Trafalgar, Cadiz, Costa de la Luz

The city of Cadiz is thought to be the oldest settlement in Europe and offers much in the way of cultural heritage as well as sublime beaches. Amongst



NO CLOTHES: But don't forget the sunblock.

these is the Faro de Trafalgar beach, which is dedicated to nudists. The waters and breeze can be pretty fierce so a windbreak is recommended. Other nudist beaches in the Costa de la Luz include Bolonia in El Chorrillo and the idyllic Zahara de los Atunes.

3. Playa de la Mar Bella, Barcelona

The seaside city of Barcelona has actually clamped down on public nudity. It's best to keep to one of the specially designated beaches to avoid a potential fine. The best pick of the nudist beach-

es along this stretch of coast, is the Playa de la Mar Bella just 2km away from Barcelona's Main Square. Head along the main Barceloneta beach and the designated nudist section is located behind the sand dunes. Other popular spots include the Playa de las Rocas beach and the Playa de Sant Sebastia (Barceloneta) beach, which is also popular with surfers.

4. El Torn Beach, Tarragona, Catalunya

In southern Catalunya is the city of Tar-

ragona, which boasts Roman history, winding mediaeval streets and one of the most popular nudist beaches in the country. It also happens to be one of largest nudist beaches in Europe. Its relatively isolated location means the beach and its surrounding area have a fairly low degree of occupancy. It's a great setting if you enjoy nature.

5. Platja Balmins, Sitges, Costa Dorada

The Mediterranean town of Sitges is best known for its International Film Festival and Carnival, which is held annually. The town was popularised during the 19th century when wealthy merchants built their lavish mansions here. Today Sitges is considered the gay capital of Spain and its annual programme of lively and colourful festivals reflect that. Many of the beaches are also gay and nudist friendly, such as the Cala del Home Mort (Dead Man's Beach) and the mixed nudist beach of Platja Balmins which is between the port of Aiguadolc and Sant Sebastia.

YOUR STARS

FOR NEXT 7 DAYS

AQUARIUS (January 21 - February 19)

Is someone trying to sidetrack you by casting doubt on a relationship or plan? Something is going on so make sure that you have all the facts. It would be gullible of you to take everything at face value. You have good supportive colleagues and may seek their advice. Be optimistic as the weekend comes and remember your sense of humour.

LEO (July 24 - August 23)

When someone asks you this week where you are going, will you know the answer? You will make progress if you do. If you're not sure, then there is no point in going full steam ahead. This is a week to consider your options on all fronts, particularly in business.

PISCES (February 20 - March 20)

Showing confidence means others see you as being very much in control. They need to see that you can be trusted. If a plan is not going in the right direction, be prepared to change tack. Changes should not be made to financial plans until you are sure of your ground. Romantically, you are being admired.

VIRGO (August 24 - September 23)

A personal decision needs to be made. No major changes are necessary so long as you have a firm plan. It is not so much that caution is required, rather more that you should give yourself time to consider. In the longer term, you may see this week as a turning point.

LIBRA (September 24 - October 23)

This is a week of planning and making changes. Some things click into place and you realise that you are on your way to completing an ambition. The trick is to manage it without upsetting people on the home front.

ARIES (March 21 - April 20)

It is all go for you at the moment. Not only will you be particularly clear-thinking but your intellect will be sharp as a knife. Your enthusiasm spills over from your business life to personal matters, leading to a hectic and eventful time all week. When it comes to romance, a positive and dynamic approach stands you in good stead.

SCORPIO (October 24 - November 22)

Are you putting off a decision affecting others? This is a good time to take the bull by the horns. Keep an eye on finances involving younger people.

Sometimes, you are better able to help in other ways, perhaps by giving encouragement or advice.

TAURUS (April 21 - May 21)

It is now important that you are clear about the person you wish to spend your time with because you may have more than one option. Plans that you started last week are now showing progress. Keeping the pace growing is essential to beat rivals. It is not an easy week by any means but it should not be boring.

SAGITARIUS (November 23 - December 21)

Your activities this week may seem to be ones best done alone. To a certain extent this is true.

However, if you wish to make others feel important and gain their support in the future, you should involve them. You don't have to take advice which is given but be diplomatic when not acting on it. Hurt feelings can cost money.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)

A tendency to be emotional because of a setback should be avoided. When you feel the pressure rising, remember that nothing is worth risking your health for. Sound out friends and colleagues to avoid over-reacting. It is a week when you realise how someone close is able to be a great help. The question is, can you accept it?

CAPRICORN (December 22 - January 20)

Are you feeling less positive than usual? We all do at times. If energy is low get out for a long walk in a relaxing place.

Perhaps watch a film that raises your spirits. There is about you a kind of regret and fondness for the past, but there is nothing wrong with sentimentality so long as it does not cloud your picture of the future. That can be bright indeed.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)

There is sensitivity in your chart. It is possible to overlook someone who needs your time and consideration. You are not a mind-reader and they may not directly seek your help. Be aware, then, of how others are faring.

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	Saturday July 01	Saturday July 01	Tuesday June 27	Friday June 30	Saturday July 01	Sunday July 02
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	(36) (52)	(19) (26)	(21) (28)	(39) (47)	(26) (27)	(31) (32)
	(54) (59)	(38) (41)	(45)	(50)	(30) (31)	(34)
	BONUS BALL	BONUS BALL	LUCKY STARS	LUCKY STARS	REINTEGRO	REINTEGRO
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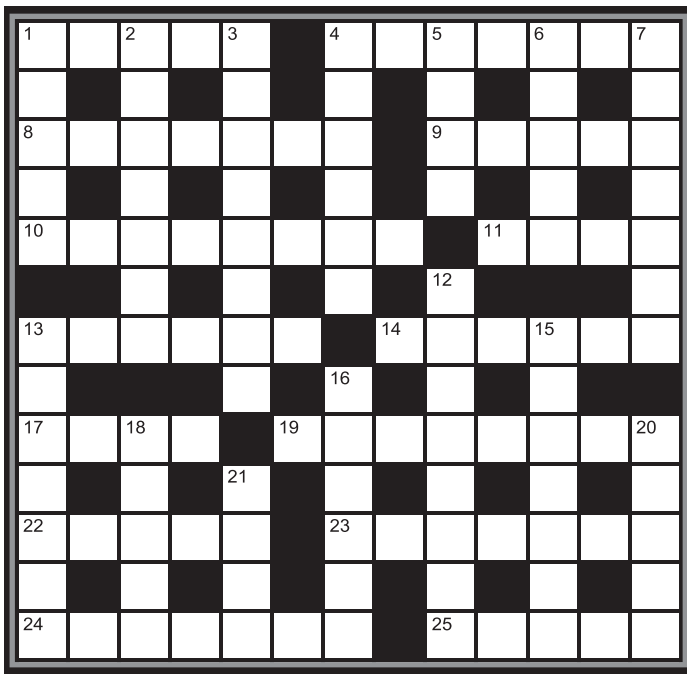
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Cryptic

- Across**
 1 Point to friendly crowd (5)
 4 Rate all members of the side (7)
 8 Cakes mix-up is clear (7)
 9 Wept whilst mixing cider (5)
 10 Creepy sibling hiding at home (8)
 11 Something inherited from an espionage network (4)
 13 Off around New York, nevertheless (6)
 14 Rags, as in the river (6)
 17 Pat's confused about what's gone on (4)
 19 Splendid joke I fed into Scotsman (8)
 22 Cliff Richard is miffed Elvis started lawbreaking (5)
 23 Rider at doctor later (7)
 24 Southern shark is skinny (7)
 25 Big Bird beheads Snoopy (5)

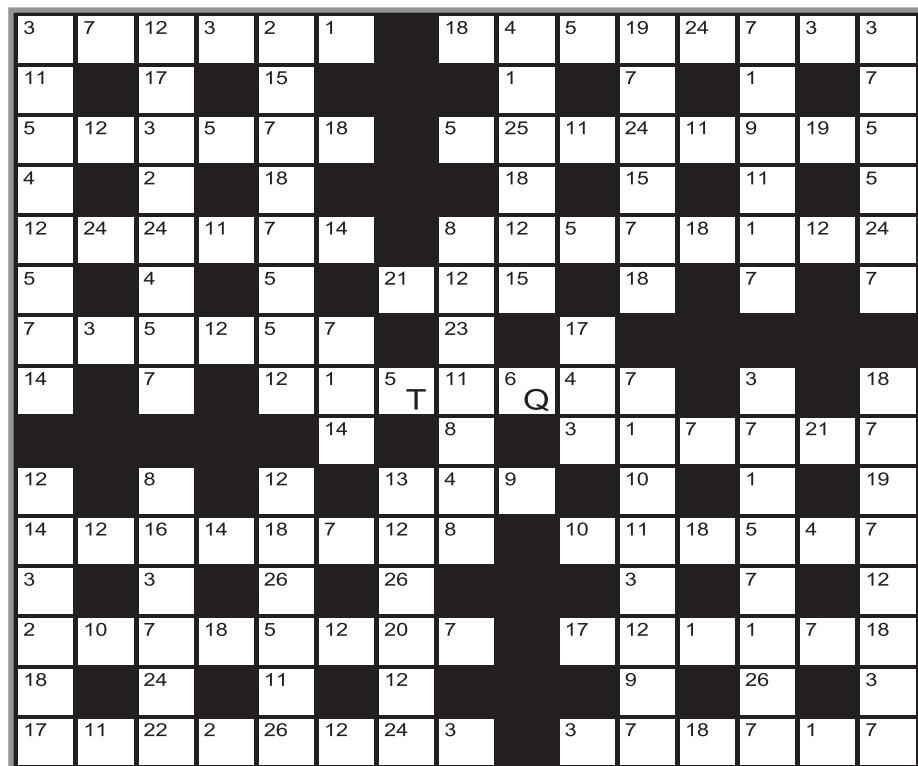


- Down**
 1 Look at Mississippi, it appears (5)
 2 Penalty conversion is easily enough (7)
 3 Chief to remain as support (8)
 4 In part, cruciverbalist endeavours to pay attention (6)
 5 Diplomacy is part of the Riot Act (4)
 6 Erect or demolish, we hear (5)

- 7 Steps the German amongst the lads (7)
 12 About a motor vehicle or train (8)
 13 Caps set at different angles (7)
 15 Meeting involves information technology in fraud (7)
 16 Regiment in pursuit of support (6)
 18 Gets a glimpse of what they confiscate, so we hear (5)
 20 Denounce phoney cures (5)
 21 Heavy Metal at number one (4)

Code Breaker

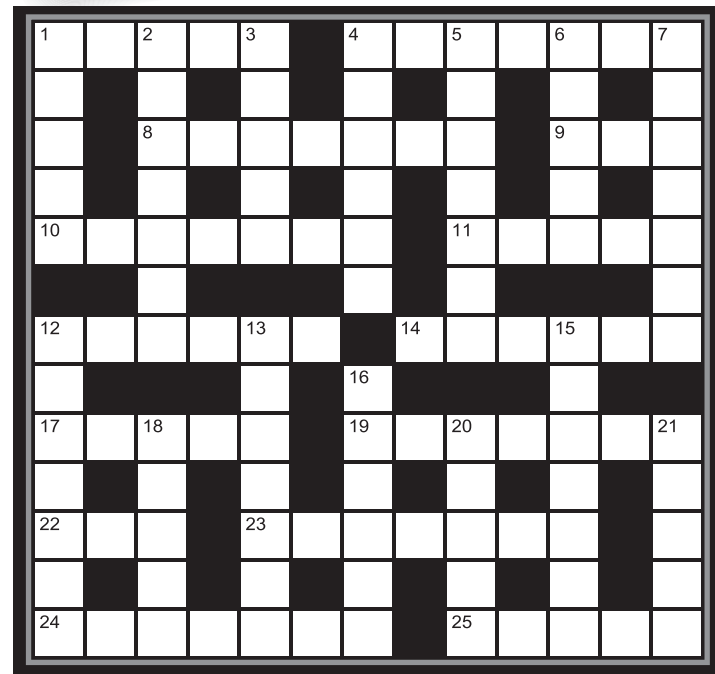
Each number in the Code Breaker grid represents a different letter of the alphabet. In this week's puzzle, 5 represents T and 6 represents Q, so fill in T every time the figure 5 appears and Q every time the figure 6 appears. Now, using your knowledge of the English language, work out which letters should go in the missing squares. As you discover the letters, fill in other squares with the same number in the main grid and the control grid.



1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
				T	Q							
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION FACING PAGE

Quick

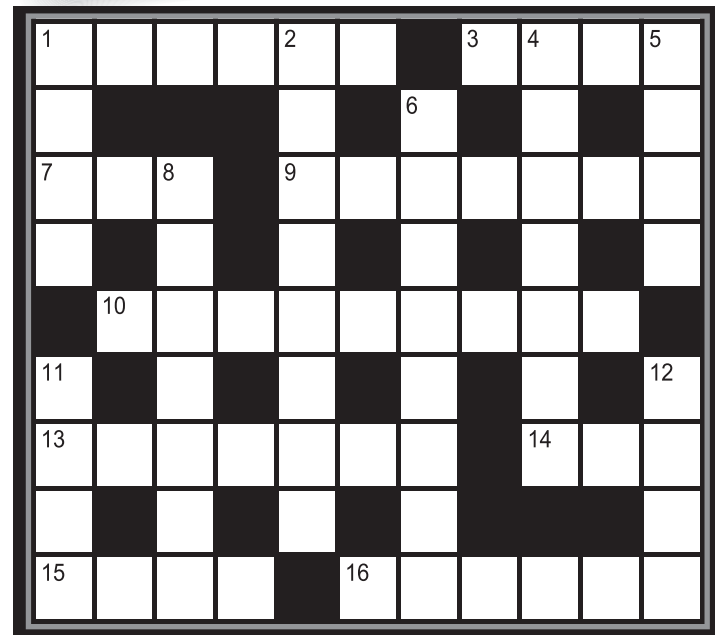


- Across**
 1 Fried potatoes (5)
 4 Childhood disease (7)
 8 Words falsely spoken that damage the reputation of another (7)
 9/22 Vehicle safety device (3,3)
 10 Innocuous or inert medication (7)
 11 Bishop's headdress (5)
 12 Formal and dignified (6)
 14 Protein substance that remains when starch is removed from cereal grains (6)
 17 Seat for one person (5)
 19 Short heavy curved sword with one edge (7)
 22 See 9
 23 Ape (7)
 24 White ant (7)
 25 Particular procedure by which something is done (5)

- Down**
 1 Inexpensive (5)
 2 Set up for use (7)
 3 Refrain from harming (5)
 4 Exhibition of cowboy skills (6)
 5 Burnt sugar (7)
 6 Precise (5)
 7 Doctor who performs operations (7)
 12 Early wind instrument (7)
 13 Cocktail made of gin with dry vermouth (7)
 15 Disaster (7)
 16 In operation (6)
 18 Wrath (5)
 20 Snares (5)
 21 Range (5)

English - Spanish

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



- Across**
 1 Guijarro (6)
 3 Barco (de gran tamaño) (4)
 7 Mentira (embuste) (3)
 9 Right (not left) (7)
 10 El más fuerte (9)
 13 Poverty (7)
 14 Quién (3)
 15 Mediodía (4)
 16 Traffic jam (8)
 4 Sierra para metales (7)
 5 Proyecto (4)
 6 Embarazada (8)
 8 Cowshed (7)
 11 Abierto (4)
 12 Well (for water) (4)
- Down**
 1 Tirar (4)
 2 Thieves (8)

CROSSWORD PAGE

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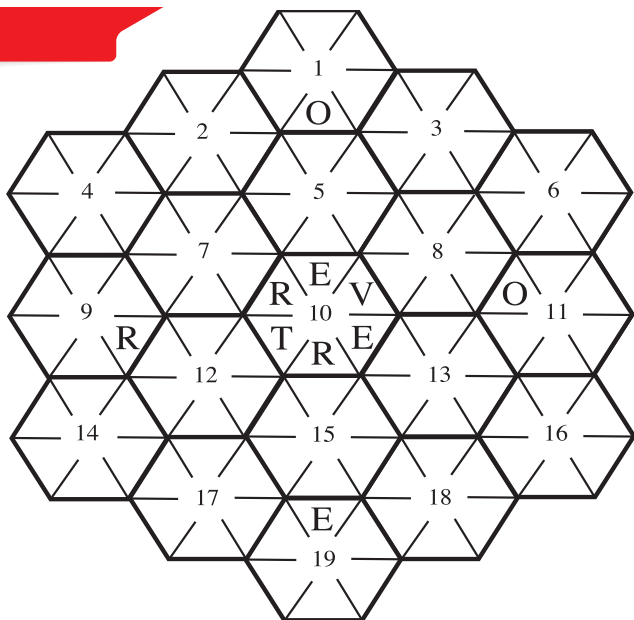
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Hexagram

- ADORES
- AERATE
- APOGEE
- CENTRE
- CHALET
- CUTOUT
- DETOUR
- GYRATE
- LENGTH
- LESSEE
- LETTER
- MAKEUP
- MARAUD
- POMADE
- REVERT (10)
- TEETER
- TINDER
- UNLOAD
- VENDOR



The purpose of the Hexagram puzzle is to place the 19 six-letter words into the 19 cells. The letters at the edges of interlocking cells **MUST BE THE SAME**. The letters in the words must be written **CLOCKWISE**. The word in cell 10 (**REVERT**) and one letter in four other cells are given as clues.

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

- 1 Fiddle 2 Delete 3 Ridden 4 Caress
- 5 Inbred 6 Sodden 7 Strain 8 Reason
- 9 Sneaky 10 Aboard 11 Leaden
- 12 Ideate 13 Teasel 14 Fixate
- 15 Cereal 16 Teller 17 Active 18 Neater
- 19 Bottle

Boggled

How many English words can you find in the Boggled grid, according to the following rules?

- The letters must be adjoining in a 'chain'. They can be adjacent horizontally, vertically or diagonally.
- Words must contain at least four letters and may include singular and plural or other derived forms.
- No letter may be used more than once within a single word, unless it appears twice.
- No vulgarities or proper nouns are permitted.



TARGET:

- Average: 10
- Good: 14
- Very good: 20
- Excellent: 26

SCORING:

- 4 letters: 1 point
- 5 letters: 2 points
- 6 letters: 3 points
- 7 letters: 5 points
- 8 or more letters: 11 points

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

elope eloper ahem also aloe hadst hale haled halve halo halos have evade echo echoer deal deals delve dahl dale drool drools droop droops drop drops hole holed hold holds hols hove host hoot hoots hoop hoops hooper hoopoe hops hope hoper hoer chore chorea chop chops crop crops creole crept crate crater sort erato epos egos arvo arch areola areolae atop goos goop goops gear goer goat

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



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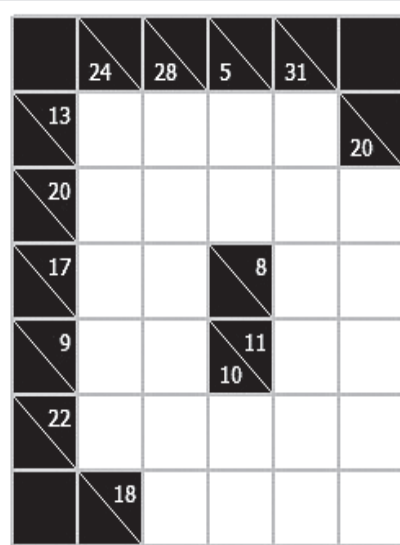
- Average: 5
- Good: 7
- Very good: 10
- Excellent: 12

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

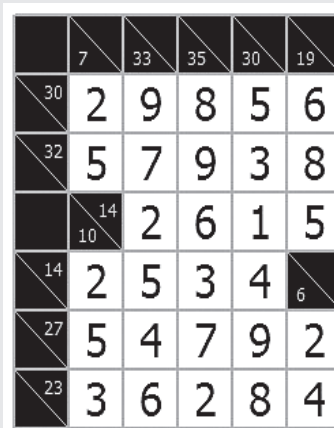
alar alec alee anal carl clan earl elan lace lane lean leer rale real reel anele areal canal clean clear creel lacer lance learn renal cancel carnal cereal crenel enlace lancer leaner cleaner clarence CLEARANCE

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.



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

ENGLISH-SPANISH

Across:

- 1 Barato, 4 Asno, 8 Gamba, 9 Niece, 10 Longest, 14 Ducha, 15 Broma, 16 Ojal, 17 Agency.

Down:

- 1 Bags, 2 Remolacha, 3/15 Tea bag, 5 Sweetcorn, 6 Open, 7 Knee, 11 Neat, 12 Odio, 13 Lazy.

CODE BREAKER

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CRYPTIC

Across:

- 1 Sabre, 4 Latimer, 8 Retreat, 9 Broom, 10 Prepared, 11 Hera, 13 Faster, 14 Fidget, 17 Ally, 19 Reproach, 22 Ember, 23 Lithium, 24 Phantom, 25 Smear.

Down:

- 1 Strap, 2 Batters, 3 Elevates, 4 Lathes, 5 Tuba, 6 Moore, 7 Remnant, 12 Migrates, 13 Flare-up, 15 Granite, 16 Bedlam, 18 Libra, 20 Homer, 21 Writ.

QUICK

Across:

- 1 Absent, 3 Helper, 8 Speed, 10 Diaries, 11 Silence, 12 Tests, 13 Upset, 15 Brass, 20 Alert, 22 Arrange, 24 Leading, 25 Level, 26 Steady, 27 Feared.

Down:

- 1 Assist, 2 Steal, 4 Exact, 5 Priests, 6 Resist, 7 Added, 9 Dense, 14 Prepare, 16 Rural, 17 Fables, 18 Large, 19 Yelled, 21 Tried, 23 Never.

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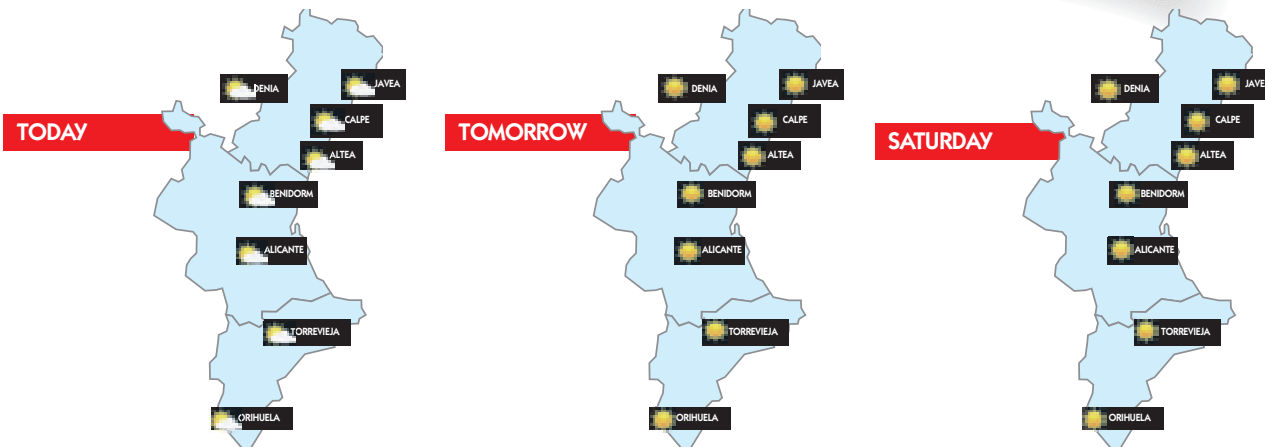
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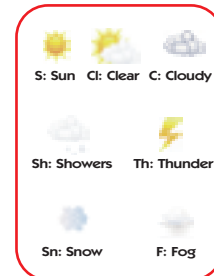
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BIRTHDAYS

• **Pamela Anderson (50) July 1 Actress**
 The former 'Baywatch' star started as a Playboy model of the month. She has appeared on numerous TV shows, including a recurring role on hit sitcom 'Home Improvement.' She initially worked as a fitness instructor in Vancouver.



Pamela Anderson.

• **Mel Brooks (91) June 28 Director**
 Director of the classic satirical comedies

• **Gary Busey (73) June 29 Movie Actor**
 He starred in 'The Buddy Holly Story' in 1978, and has also appeared in 'Point Break,' 'Lethal Weapon' and 'Rookie of the Year.' He was a drummer for country stars such as Willie Nelson and Kris Kristofferson before becoming an actor. He made his film debut in 1968's 'Wild in the Streets.'

• **Mike Tyson (51) June 30 Boxer**
 A boxing legend who became the undisputed heavyweight champion of the world in August 1987. He infamously bit off a piece of Evander Holyfield's ear during a match in 1997. His mother died

when he was 16, leaving him in the care of his legal guardian and boxing manager, Cus D'Amato. Tyson retired from boxing after losing to Kevin McBride in 2005.

• **Lindsay Lohan (31) July 2 Movie Actress**
 She first gained recognition for portraying Annie James and Hallie Parker in the 1998 Disney comedy 'The Parent Trap.' She won several MTV Movie Awards for her starring role in 'Mean Girls' in 2004. She began her professional career as a Ford model at the age of three.

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

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Word Ladder

LOST

Move from the start word (LOST) to the end word (WARS) in the same number of steps as there are rungs on the Word Ladder. You must only change one letter at a time.

WARS

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Solution

DVD

Dunkirk

Directed by: Christopher Nolan.
 Starring: Tom Hardy, Cillian Murphy, Kenneth Branagh, Mark Rylance, Harry Styles, James D'Arcy, Fionn Whitehead.



Dunkirk opens as hundreds of thousands of British and Allied troops are surrounded by enemy forces. Trapped on the beach with their backs to the sea, they face an impossible situation as the enemy closes in. In May 1940, Germany advanced into France trapping Allied troops on the beaches of Dunkirk. Under air and ground cover from British and French forces, troops were slowly and methodically evacuated from the beach using every serviceable naval and civilian vessel that could be found. At the end of this heroic mission, 330,000 French, British, Belgian and Dutch soldiers were safely evacuated.

Trivia PS

Most ambulance sirens were devised to imitate the sound of a woman screaming.

This week in history

- 1099 - First Crusade: 15,000 starving Christian soldiers march in religious procession around Jerusalem as its Muslim defenders look on.
- 1497 - Portuguese navigator Vasco da Gama departs on his first voyage - to reach India by sea.
- 1753 - British Museum founded by an Act of Parliament (opens in 1759).
- 1777 - Vermont introduces new constitution making it the first US state to abolish slavery.
- 1778 - American Revolution: Louis XVI of France declares war on the Kingdom of Great Britain.
- 1811 - Venezuelan Declaration of Independence: seven provinces declare themselves independent of Spain.
- 1865 - US Secret Service begins operating under the Treasury Department.
- 1885 - Louis Pasteur successfully tests an anti-rabies vaccine.
- 1917 - British battleship HMS Vanguard explodes at Scapa Flow, killing 804.
- 1940 - Battle of Britain begins as Nazi forces attack shipping convoys in the English Channel.
- 1991 - Boris Yeltsin sworn in as first elected President of the Russian Federation.
- 2005 - Coordinated terrorist bomb blasts strike London's public transport system killing 52 and injuring 700.

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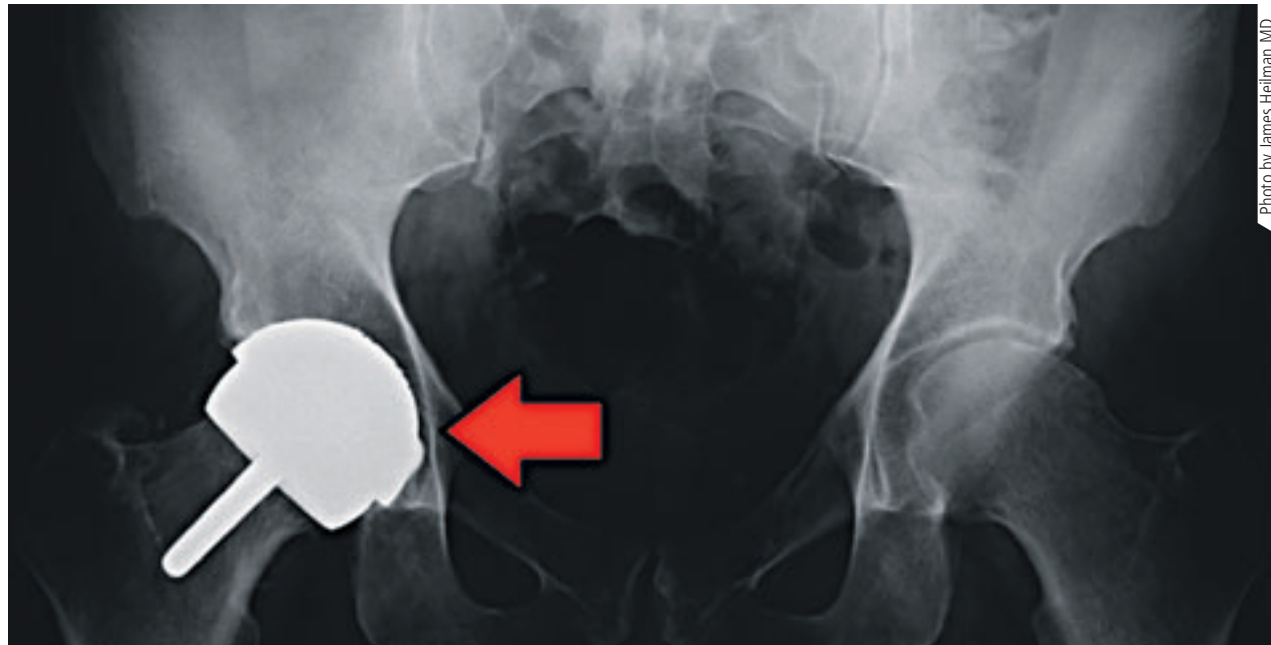
Replacement metal hips may cause problems according to UK agency

THE Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA), a British government organisation has updated guidance for healthcare professionals regarding metal on metal hip replacements.

It was known that this particular type of replacement whilst very efficient, could cause long-terms soft-tissue reactions and these new guidelines encourage regular monitoring including x-rays and blood tests of patients who have undergone this type of replacement.

Dr Neil McGuire MHRA's Clinical Director of Medical Devices said:

"We have updated the current advice to ensure patients with metal on metal hip implants continue to receive appropriate follow up to detect



METAL on metal replacement hip.

emerging complications should they arise.

"Hip implants have posi-

tively transformed the lives of many patients who in the past were subject to increas-

ingly severe pain and progressive disability. These use a variety of metal, plastic

and ceramic components.

"Although the majority of patients with these metal on

metal devices have well-functioning hips, it is known some may develop soft tissue reactions related to their implant. The clinical advice we have received indicates patients will likely have the best outcomes if these problems are detected early, monitored and treated if necessary.

"If you have any questions about your hip replacement, speak with your GP or implanting surgeon."

Although there is no firm figure of those who might have received such implants, it is estimated that there may be more than 50,000 who have metal on metal hip joints although many are already monitored on a regular basis and countless more are unlikely to encounter any problems.

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HOLIDAYS are here. You work for months and months in order to rest and relax and spend a few weeks enjoying down time with your partner. However, it may not all be beautiful romantic sun rise walks and sun set dinners as psychologists say that in summer, problems and arguments can increase between couples.

Having more free time together often makes you look at those little details that you do not think about or notice so much during the normal day to day routines and many times, too, we have holiday expectations which are too high that lead to friction and disagreements.

So keep in mind these tips to avoid holiday arguments:

Plan together

If you are still to book that break, try and plan it together. Even if you hear those eternal words "we can do whatever you want..." "I don't mind, you book it..." a trip should be planned together so that you are both aware of what is in store and there will be no later nasty surprises that actually what you planned isn't what your partner wanted. If you have very different ideas about what you want in a holiday, you can find the compromises at an early stage and find a holiday to suit you both.

Be on holiday

It may be holiday time, but so few are able to actually switch off and be on holiday and keep checking their emails and phone and talking about work. This can be frustrating for your partner so give them your undivided attention as much as possible and spend some quality time together.

Have space

It is fine if you do not want to be in each other's pockets for a full week or two; accept and embrace this.

It really is a holiday for both of you so if your partner is desperate to get the golf clubs out and go for a round of golf, then take advantage of enjoying some 'me' time and maybe go for a peaceful dip in the pool or book yourself into the spa.

Your evening meal will no doubt be more enjoyable and special being able to talk to each other about your days and make you feel like you're back in those early date days.



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HOW much alcohol can a person safely have?

The amount can vary depending on the person. Their age, weight and any pre-existing conditions alongside the situation it is consumed in (with or without food) and the timeframe of the activity (whether it's quickly in a short period of time, or slowly throughout the day).

In general, it is recommended not to go over 30 grams of alcohol a day for men and 20 grams for women. The way to calculate it is simple. You multiply the amount of alcohol consumed in millilitres by the percentage of alcohol in the drink and times 0.8 and finally divide by 100. This way you can tell how much alcohol you are consuming per drink.

What are the short term risks of drinking too much alcohol?

Drinking too much alcohol can cause neuropsychiatric disorders which can alter mood and behaviour, cause blackouts and in serious cases lead to comas. It can also seriously affect a person's kidneys and liver.

What are the long term risks?

In the long term alcohol can affect almost any part of the body. The organ most usually affected by alcohol is the liver, causing cirrhosis.

However the heart, brain, kidneys and nerves can all be severely damaged by the abuse of alcohol and cease to function correctly.

How can you tell you are drinking too much alcohol?

Although this will vary from person to person, it can be potentially dangerous to exceed 30 grams of alcohol in men and 20 in women. However if you find yourself needing a drink first thing in the morning to steady your nerves or get rid of a hangover, have been criticised by other people for your drinking or feel guilty or bad about your drinking; you may want to consider cutting down on alcoholic drinks.

Is binge drinking more dangerous than drinking regularly?

The high consumption of alcohol in a short space of time is, as mentioned previously, quite dangerous and potentially life-threatening. However, drinking responsibly without exceeding the limits mentioned above does not necessarily entail high risks. On the contrary, moderate, or even daily consumption of for example half a litre of beer or two glasses of red wine can be beneficial. Drinking high percentage spirits or beverages sporadically is also not considered dangerous.

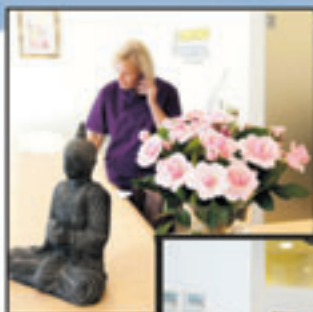
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Are there cancer-causing toxins in sunscreen?

PROTECT, protect, protect. It's drilled into us, particularly at this time of year, but are we doing more harm than good in protecting our skin from the sun with sunscreen?

Researchers say they believe that a compound called avobenzone, common in sunscreen as it blocks the UV rays and

helps prevent skin damage, could form cancer-causing toxins when it is exposed to a mixture of sun and chlorinated water in swimming pools.

Experts from the Lomonosov Moscow State University said that based on their experiments they concluded that a generally safe compound transforms in the wa-

ter and forms more dangerous products with acetyl benzenes and phenols, being quite toxic.

Health experts have urged people not to have a knee jerk reaction and stop using sunscreen altogether, but welcome continued studies on the chemicals we put on our skin.

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A route that's a riddle

FINESTRAT'S Tourism department has updated its Descubre Finestrat route.

The route, set out in a leaflet written in English as well as Spanish, leads visitors to the Old Town where they will find information panels giving full details of Finestrat's most emblematic spots.

To make the itinerary more fun visitors are asked to look for clues and answer riddles along the way, explained Juan Francisco Perez, who is both mayor and Tourism councillor.

"There are now more questions and the riddles have been adapted to the children taking part," he said.

The leaflets are available from



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DISCOVER FINESTRAT: Fun for the family in English too.

Tourist Info in La Cala, the Information kiosk on the beach and in the

Plaça del Poble in Finestrat town centre.

Holi Sound Fest

TICKETS are now on sale for the Holi Sound Festival in Els Poblets on Saturday July 29.

Tickets can be purchased via <https://www.entradasatualcance.com/holi-sound-festival-els-poblets/>.

The road to equality

OPEN until the end of July, 'The road to equality - 30 years of struggle for LGBT rights in the Spanish State' exhibition in Denia tackles the history of LGBT activism, ranging from the first manifestations in the 1970s to the present day.

The travelling exhibition created by the

Madrid association COGAM was inaugurated last Wednesday in the Joves Art Room on Ronda Murallas and presents three decades of history visualised across 16 different panels with more than 100 photographs, posters and press cuttings from public and private centres.

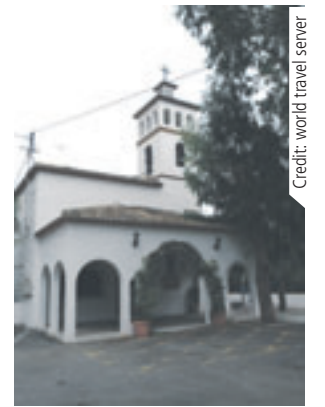
Benidorm mayor joins supporters of cancer charity

TONI PEREZ, mayor of Benidorm and other local dignitaries attended a celebration dinner at the Ermita de Sanz last Saturday on behalf of the Anemone breast cancer charity.

The 15th annual dinner was organised by the la Asociación de Vecinos de Els Tolls, who made and distributed traditional paper flowers to every attendee at the occasion.

Early evening rain did not dampen the spirits of the 600 diners, dressed mostly in the pink and white colours of the charity, at the outdoor event.

Toni Perez, described the dinner as a must visit event for him as "This year, in particular celebrated 15 years of



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Ermita de Sanz, venue for the Anemone breast cancer charity dinner.

Anemone Marina Baixa, in which time they have helped, collaborated and contributed to improve the psychological and physical life of women suffering from breast cancer."

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READING MATTER: Carrer la Mar beach library.

Read while you tan

THE Biblioplayas on Campello's Carrer la Mar and Raco de la Zofra beaches will remain open until August 31.

The Carrer la Mar library is located near the promenade beside the L'Illeta and the Raco de la Zofra library is below the Scalextric at Rincon de la Zofra.

The Biblioplayas open each weekday from 7pm-9.30pm and on Saturdays from 10am-2pm as well as 7pm-9.30pm.

The municipal library in the town centre will open each weekday from 8am-2pm and on Saturdays from 10am until 1.30pm.

The three library points have a catalogue that holders of library cards can consult at the OPAC website www.bibliotecaspublicas.es/elcampello.

"The Biblioplayas have more modest stock than the central library but we have tried to take into consideration all types of public, tastes and ages," the Culture department said.

All the books acquired for the beach libraries will be added to the central library once they close at the end of August, the department explained.

Fiestas moved to weekend

CALLOSA'S fiestas in honour of Sant Jaume will be held this year between July 21 and 23 instead.

Until 2016 the fiestas always coincided with July 25, the saint's official feast day, but last year it was decided to bring them forward to the weekend so that they could be enjoyed by all.

The experiment was a success and will be repeated this year, the town hall announced.

The Danses de Sant Jaume will be performed on each of the three fiesta days at 11pm in the Plaza de España. First mentioned in print in 1819, these are almost certainly much older and were probably pagan in origin. They are also valuable as a living example of traditional Valencian dances.

The three-day celebrations include Cucañas - greasy poles - each day in the Plaza del Convent from 12 noon onwards and a Correguda del Gall race in the same plaza, also at noon on Saturday 22 July. Sunday sees a game of Calitx, again in the Plaza del Convent.



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STILL DANCING: First recorded in 1819.

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AQUA NATURA: Family fun this summer.

SCHOOLS out for the summer, so what better way to cool off and keep the little ones entertained than with a trip to the aquatic park Aqua Natura in Benidorm.

With the summer season fully underway there are more than 1,000m of slides ready to entertain friends and families open until October 31. Visitors can enjoy various bathing areas with slides and complimentary activities such as demonstrations with the new family of Californian sea lions.

This year the resort has introduced these fun new educational demonstrations in which these friendly mammals teach visitors their skills and intelligence, whilst also learning of their conservation and protection of the oceans. Therapeutic activities have also been created for people with disabilities.

Visitors will also be able to participate in the 'interaction with sea lions' programme and have a close experience with these animals, know the day-to-day work of their trainers in the activity 'caretaker for a day' and swim and snorkel along with them. Aqua Natura can also proudly boast that last year they became the first park in Spain certified by SiSSWA GmbH, a European certification that guarantees the quality of safety services and facilities at water parks.

In addition to the numerous water slides, there is the La Cresta attraction, a unique



COOL OFF: Relax and stay cool at Aqua Natura Benidorm.

roller-coaster ride that allows you to experience the sensation of zero gravity, and the Aqua Snake that, due to its zigzag shape, is reminiscent of the body of a snake. Those seeking an adrenaline rush will also enjoy the curved mini-toboggan of 19m in length and another of 23m in length known as 'hydroturbo.'

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Dine alone or in secret?

MANY years ago I was a secret diner. It's a fad that started in the States - where else - and made its way to the UK. Based on the same principles as mystery shoppers, appointed representatives are given certain places to visit. They then report back to the operators with a complete breakdown of everything that happened during their visit. From the welcome received to the quality of the bread and the flavour of the coffee at the end, all have to be meticulously recorded and sent off. In return, the company reimburses the cost to the inspector together with his fee.

Some restaurant chains, including McDonald's, handle their own in-house diners, who travel the group's eateries. Other companies and individual operators em-

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ploy the services of a company.

HGEM in the UK has hundreds of clients and online 'secretshopping.org' handles its fair share too. Although I have been asked by colleagues to do a similar thing as a favour on the coast, there is a distinct lack of companies in Spain doing the job.

There is SMG, an American backed company and mysteryshopperspain.com both of which operate further north of Andalucia. With industry competition so

intense in Marbella I would have thought a company offering such services would be inundated. For many years I have used the tried and tested 'comments form' which asks client to fill in a questionnaire, and in return their names go into a draw for a dinner for two or some such reward.

While these are good to compile information - including contact details - it is often an imposition to the client. I have used secret diners in my places, especially when I know that I will not be there, but it has to be someone you trust and with sufficient knowledge.

If there are operators out there who feel that they should consider this service there is an interesting article on tabletalktv.com/secret-diners.

Or, for further information, contact me.

“

I say everything is about company. A gourmet meal with an A*hole is a horrible meal. A hot dog with an interesting person is an amazing meal.”

Chris Rock, Actor/Comedian

The top dog

ONE of my first 'gastronomic' memories was as a kid leaving the cinema with my parents and being treated to a 'Hot Dog' from the van outside.

Original 'Street Food'? This Frankfurter sausage, covered with onions, loads of German mustard and tomato sauce was the finishing touch to a great night at the movies! I am sure on a blind tasting I would be able to tell it immediately.

My taste buds have certainly changed as I haven't had one for many years - and not sure that I would want one now - but that doesn't mean that they are not still being served.

Just like the fashionable 'Gourmet Burger' there are restaurants extolling the virtues of hot dogs. One such place is the wonderfully named, Dogs 'N' Dough, in Manchester.

After receiving a bad review on TripAdvisor claiming that their 'hot dog was small and gone in four bites,' owner James Black has set up a competition: The Four Bite Challenge.

Sixty guests are being invited to eat a 'dog' consisting of a 100g sausage and 80g brioche bun in four bites and in one minute.

Those that rise to the challenge will win a meal for two... presumably on another day!

This trendy eatery also serves other interesting 'dogs' including the New Yorker (pastrami, horseradish mayo Swiss and jalapenos) and Enter the Dragon (salt and pepper chicken, char sui crackers, spring onion and sriracha - a spicy mayonnaise); pizzas which include the classics plus the Pig Lebowski (pulled pork, crispy bacon, smoked ham and yellow mustard) and Caribbean Dream (rum glazed chicken, pineapple and peppers).

I'm going to contact Mr Black to find out how many people took up his challenge and more importantly how many managed to eat it in four bites and one minute!



EXTRA ALERT: Just missing the tomato sauce!



The Great British Menu judges (from left): Oliver, Andi and Mathew.

Game, set menu and match

THE Great British menu concluded with a banquet at Wimbledon shown on BBC Two.

The fierce competition, tempered by great camaraderie, terminated with four chefs creating the four-course lunch at which I would have liked to have been seated. The chefs were Pip Lacey (starters), a graphic designer turned chef, who runs the kitchens of Angela Hartnett's Michelin star Murano in London; Tommy Banks, (fish course), Michael Bremner (meat course) and Selin Kiazim (dessert).

All dishes were expertly executed and served to a very appreciative gathering of ex-champions, groundsmen, executives and Lawn Tennis Association members.

Now here's the thing! The whole competition was overseen

by three judges.

Oliver Peyton, an Irish restaurateur, has been a judge for years and similarly the distinguished food writer Mathew Fort.

Having been earning some of my living over the years as a food critic, writer and restaurateur, I can understand why these two are judges but, along with many others, according to some Press reviews, I am mystified by Andi Oliver as a judge. A singer and local radio presenter, her passion for food does not match her co-judge's comprehensive knowledge and experience.

Even so she did bring good value to the programme with her huge personality and laugh.

MY APOLOGIES to George Bernard Shaw, a literary master, who penned 'the use of exclamation marks in writing is akin to laughing at your own jokes.' I must be a barrel of self-indulgent giggles!!!

ON THAT NOTE I will bid you farewell until next week and should aspiring restaurateurs need some help or advice, please do not hesitate to contact me.

7 billion

The number of hot dogs consumed during the peak season in the US - from Memorial Day to Labour Day - which adds up to 818 every second.

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



BARCELONA: Rents have shot up.

A LOOMING battle is pitting Spanish professionals and families eager to rent properties against the growing number of tourists holidaying in apartments rather than hotels.

A recent survey found that more than half of people searching for a rental home in Spain in the past year believe the tourist trade is directly responsible for sharply rising prices.

The majority opinion conflicts with data from Fotocasa, a major property portal, which suggests the tourist rental trade influences price rises but is far from the main cause. Market tensions and wider economic shifts are behind the startling 10.5 per cent rental price rises seen across Spain in 2016 according to their analysis.

But that does little to affect perceptions on the ground. The survey found that 75 per cent of would-be renters believe renting to tourists is economically advantageous for landlords. Six out of 10 want tougher restrictions on the tourist rental trade, including higher taxes.

Tenants versus tourists

Solutions are already being posited on a local level. In Madrid plans to allow neighbourhood communities to vote

on whether homeowners should be allowed to rent properties to tourists are in motion.


If the majority of residents

are opposed then no property owner within that territory will be allowed to advertise tourists. Compromises, such


as price fixing or type of tourist rental, could also be imposed.

Though rents have shot up

across Spain in the past year, only in six regional capitals are they higher than before the crisis. With the exception of Barcelona, Madrid, Palma, Las Palmas, San Sebastian and Girona, major Spanish cities actually have lower rents than in 2007.



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Sweet basil - the king of herbs

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IF you have a Mediterranean garden of any size or even just space for a few pot plants, then you should seriously consider growing a Basil plant (*Ocimum basilicum*).

It is one of the most popular herbal plants in the Mediterranean for a number of reasons. There is a large number of Basil type species and varieties with a range of uses, forms and flavours from all around the world.

Its use dates back thousands of years with its earliest reference in Indian literature where the Indian Sacred Basil is recognised as holy plant. The stem is used to make the prayer beads for the reciting of mantras on a mala in a similar way to the rosary. It is widely grown in temples and Indian home gardens for its various benefits. It is not widely used in Indian cuisine but is popular in Thai cooking.

The most popular species in the Mediterranean however is the Sweet Basil. Spanish, Italian and Greek cooking would not be the same without Sweet Basil. Having a plant allows you to add



SWEET BASIL: Can be grown in a pot.

fresh leaves to garnish and flavour a wide range of recipes to give them a Mediterranean flavour. The leaves can be dried to bring out more flavours before adding to recipes or used as a herbal tea between meals.

Basil is also used to make essential oils with many

benefits and for flavouring vinegar.

The Spanish have a tradition of placing the small leaved Basil (*Albahaca*) on window sills to keep away flies and mosquitoes. The leaves can also be used to make a natural insect repellent just by using leaves

prepared with water and alcohol.

Placing leaves in the bath will make it more refreshing and may relieve mental fatigue. A few leaves can also be placed in a glass of wine and left to steep for a while to add more flavour to the wine.

Basil has been used in herbal and ayurvedic medicine for a wide range of benefits.

Just having a plant in the garden, on the balcony or window sill adds aroma to the environment that is refreshing and wholesome. In the garden they can be used as

“ Plants are readily available in nurseries or supermarkets.

border plants that will make a stroll through the garden more worthwhile.

It is easy to grow but is generally an annual unless in tropical like conditions with year round warmth. It grows quickly from spring to autumn in the Mediterranean. It can be grown from seed in a well drained rich soil in a position with plenty of sunlight to partial shade.

Plants are readily available in plant nurseries or even some supermarkets. A range of interestingly different varieties are available from seed suppliers.

Basil will need the soil to be kept moist but not waterlogged to do best.

The name Basil is derived from Greek origin meaning Royal or Kingly plant. It is sometimes known as Saint-Joseph's-wort. Wort meaning a plant that has been recognised as food or medicinally beneficial.

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other plants from being smothered, pathways from being partially blocked and terraces from becoming partially unusable.

Summer salad crops

Provided summer salad crops, especially cut and come again leaf and herb crops such as basil, are located in natural shade for the hottest parts of the day or sheltered with a woven plastic shade they can be nursed through July provided they are watered every day and stems showing

AFTER a sweltering June, weather forecasts, unexpectedly, now indicate that we may have at least two weeks of cooler weather and a few timely thunderstorms to replenish garden water tables.

But we will still need to be daily vigilant as to the survival state of flowering plants, recently planted shrubs and vegetables and water more frequently and deeply where and when required. The compost heap would also benefit from a soaking preferably after a turn.

Apart from the danger of plants drying out there are three other frequently occurring problems to watch out for during July.

Insect attacks of fruit trees. As soon as they occur spray trees with neem or garlic solutions. If some ends of branches are heavily infested prune off and burn.

Honey fungus attacks of pip and stone fruit trees. Honey fungus appears as drips or lumps of a orangey gluey resin emerging from branches or trunks or covering the clumps of leaves. The easiest ecological natural treatment is a spray or painting of affected areas with propolis solutions or painting of affected areas with neat propolis. Heavily affected and dying wood is often best cut out and burned.

Mildew attacks of fruit vegetables, including courgettes, squash, tomatoes, peppers and aubergines. The easiest treatment is a light dusting of plants with yellow sulphur powder as a preventive treatment or as soon as a problem rears its head.

If weeds were cleared before or during June these should cause few problems during July but the rampant growth of climbers will need controlling to prevent



signs of starting to go to seed are eaten first or used for omelettes or soups.

I have now relocated my salad tub garden to make it surround for a boules court depending on ages and fitness of potential players.

Today I was able to prepare a salad with 30 ingredients from the tubs or nearby raised beds.

Ideas of what can be eaten or drunk from a holistic garden are detailed in the

Amazon Create book 'Living well from our garden Mediterranean style.'

Looking ahead to the autumn and even Christmas harvests, brassicas seeds can be sown now to produce plantlets for early autumn planting out. Autumn beans can also be sown now in pots or directly in the soil.

Fortunately some cooler weeks are now forecast so do enjoy your garden to the full.

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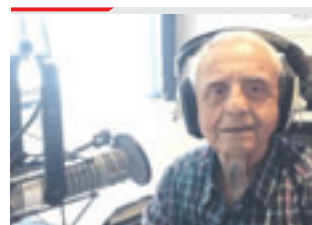
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Never send your dog away to be trained, do it yourself

ers. Great satisfaction can be derived from training a dog. It is not time consuming and most training can be done whilst exercising the dog.

If you do not have the time to exercise your dog then you should not keep a dog.

Training classes undoubtedly contribute to better training of dogs. One great advantage of classes is that they accustom the puppy or young dog to meeting other dogs and owners get an opportunity to meet people with a common interest and often a common problem.

Many people are regarded as

experts when they have trained a dog of one breed to a very high standard. Faced with a difficult dog they would not know where to start. Training methods vary just as much as dogs and their owners do. There are however, many accepted exercises that form a useful basis for most dogs and most owners.

Many people do not fully realise their responsibilities and try very hard to comply and end up with a dog that will bite, causes a road accident, etc, why?

Few owners understand canine mentality.

Owners must not regard dogs as 'almost human' this is an insult to our canine friend. Dog has become man's best friend, not because he is 'almost human' but because he can do so many things that we cannot do. In this day and age we still do not know how dogs do some of these things, such as detecting mines and drugs. Intelligence is not an important factor in a dog's make up.

It is a fact that nearly all problem dogs are very intelligent and certainly a fact that few dog owners understand canine instincts and their impor-

tance in the man/dog relationship.

Dogs and indeed all animals learn by association of ideas, animals do not reason at all, they simply react to what is happening and do not think what has happened or is about to happen. It is believed that they do sometimes work out a problem for themselves.

All training should be based on the assumption that the dog does not reason and that he learnt by association of ideas.

For training purposes we try to create associations we want and avoid those we do not

want, by what is known as correction and reward. Correction does not mean beating the dog or jerking him on a choke chain it means any act, which forces the dog to obey, like pushing him into the sit position.

Many dog owners will never know or have any idea of the pleasure they are losing in not having a dog that is trained to be a faithful companion and partner.

A dog will accept a human's a substitute for a canine leader and this willingness to accept a human makes him easier to train than most other animals.

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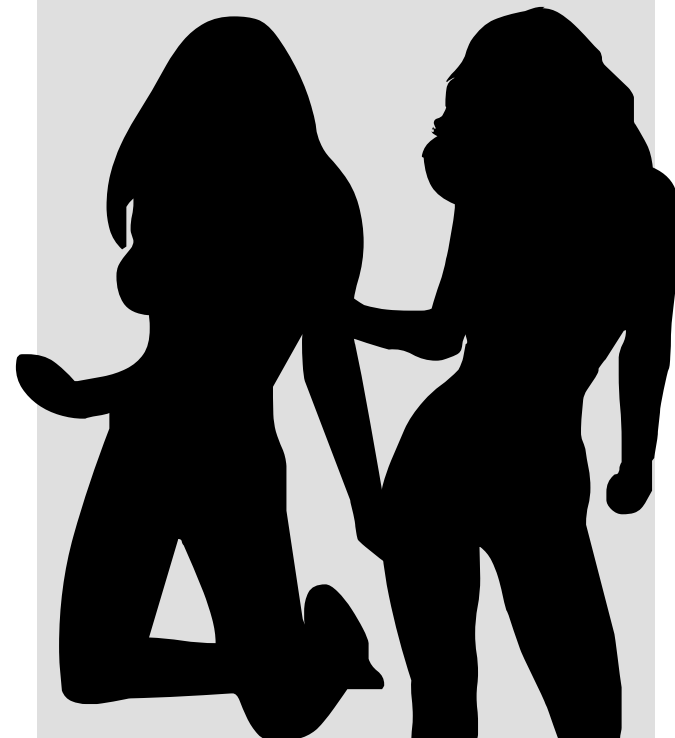
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Volvo has admitted that, 18 months into its Australian-based kangaroo detection and collision avoidance research, they still can't guarantee that self-driving cars won't wallop a wallaby.

Onboard tech is confused by the hopping antics of kangaroos which makes them seem smaller when in mid-air. The emergency brake and steer function isn't applied until the animal lands and it is too late.

Volvo hopes to safeguard all its latest models against kangaroo collisions. There are an estimated 20,000 each year in Australia with tens of millions in insurance claims.

Precision engineering

BRITISH luxury supercar firm Aston Martin has produced its first model using a Mercedes engine, a 510hp 4.0 litre twin-turbo. The new DB11 V8 can hit 301kph and reach 100kph from a deadstart in

four seconds.

The Mercedes AMG engine is even specifically designed to sound like an Aston Martin. The British brand say the V8

engine option complements the in-house V12 for the DB11 range.

As well as offering more variety, the V8 is greener, with far less emissions than the V12 and a better score on EU

testing.

To the untrained eye both engines and cars will look exactly the same. Only the driver will feel the difference. More economical, Aston Martin hopes the V8 option will spark renewed interest in the DB11 range across the world.

China especially is a key

target. The country has a booming luxury car market and thousands of businessmen, who sit just under the super-rich bracket. They can fund a supercar but draw the line at over €200,000 for a V12.

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Aston Martin has also worked with Formula One experts Williams Advanced Engineering to develop its first electric car. The RapidE will have a production run of just 150 units set to be released in 2019. An electric SUV is also in the pipeline.



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ROAD TEST by Nick Fletcher

SEAT Leon Xcellence Technology

THE SEAT Leon is a smart, sporty hatchback based on the architecture of its stablemate the VW Golf, and that is a very good starting point.

The Golf is noted for its poised and agile chassis and sets class standards for build-integrity. SEAT takes those credentials and adds some stylish Spanish flair with a distinctly sporting edge.

The Leon range includes a racy SC coupe and a practical estate but the big-seller is the five-door hatch, which starts at €19,759 (£17,455). There is a wide choice of engines - 1.0 to 1.8 litre petrol units

and 1.6 and 2.0 litre diesels.

My test model was a 2.0 litre 148 hp diesel in upper range Xcellence Technology trim and priced at €26,975 (£23,830). Standard kit is extensive and highlights include auto lights and wipers, keyless entry, alloy wheels, 8-inch touchscreen with sat-nav, DAB radio/CD, and connectivity features, climate and cruise control, rear parking sensors and useful smartphone charger pad.

The Leon was revamped last year and has a subtle new look, but its major plus-point is its superb driving dynam-

ics. It is quick, responsive, nimble, composed and has outstanding handling - an overall package very hard to beat in the sector.

The 2.0 litre diesel in the test model delivered its power smoothly and eagerly, and the six-speed gearshift was slick and precise, underlined by a 0-100 kph time of just 8.4 seconds and top speed of 215 kph (134 mph).

However, fuel economy is still exceptionally good - 25.6 kpl (72.4 mpg).

The Leon has a sleek exterior which does pull some admiring glances and the revised cabin, which at a glance appears unexceptional, proves to be well thought out, with all the controls easy to find and use. The driving position is

about as good as you can get, lots of seat and steering adjustment and excellent all-round visibility.

Cabin space is very good, with generous room for four adults, wide rear doors for easy access and a big boot - 380 litres expandable to 1,210 litres with the rear seats folded. And - rare in this sector - they do fold flat which aids loading, especially for larger items.

SEAT's reputation for producing value for money models with a sporty persona is well-established and this latest Leon dutifully upholds that with its engaging driving feel and charismatic presence.

Stats panel:

Model: SEAT Leon Xcellence Technology

Engine: 2.0 litre diesel

Transmission: 6 speed manual

Performance: 0-100 kph 8.4 seconds, top speed 215 kph (134 mph)

Economy: 25.6 kpl (72.4 mpg)

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SEAT LEON:
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MOTORING will be massive on the telly in the next few months with new seasons of both Top Gear and The Grand Tour set to hit the airwaves. The competition will kickstart an excellent summer for car lovers who can watch Clarkson and Co on Amazon and Top Gear's latest American edition.

Top Gear America! launches later this month and stars American actor William Fichtner, Top Fuel Drag driver Antron Brown and car journalist Tom Ford. It's the very first season of the rejigged US version of the hit British show, itself breaking new ground post Jeremy Clarkson and after the disastrous reign of Chris Evans.

The series starts on July 30 and has promised action from NASCAR, stunt racing, the world's fastest SUV and other madness. The trailer is now viewable online.

The Grand Tour teaser trailer is slated for a July 11 release with the second season the hit Amazon Prime show scheduled for later in the summer. The release date was pushed back after co-star and former Top Gear presenter, Richard Hammond, narrowly escaped death and needed surgery following a high speed crash.

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With the highest shot difference, the BBC ladies took the extra two points needed for the overall win over the two matches.

Walton Trophy - BBC Men v Javea Green Men

The BBC men playing the Walton Trophy held a 12-4 lead over Javea Green going into the second leg, but had to concede a two-point concession because of a reduced team number. The second leg saw Javea Green take 10 points from the game levelling the scores overall, but won the match on the higher shot difference.

Aussie pairs



LEFT TO RIGHT: Greg Sperring, Mary Cockell, Bob Cockell, Gail Chick, Brenda Burgess and Harry Chick.

'Rolling Bones' claimed a two point win in the Fred Harris BBC Friday Evening Aussie Pairs, from 'What's Occurring' in second place and the 'Seagulls' in third place due to the shot difference.

Lions roar back as the Tour de France and Wimbledon begin

Tony Matthews

International Sports

A former player, Tony is now the world's most prolific author of football books with 150 published since 1975. He has also been a PE teacher and a policeman, and is now a quiz-organiser, fund-raiser, for various charities, and sports correspondent for Spectrum Radio.

Costa de Almeria

ANOTHER terrific week of sport has passed and as I've said before, there's a load more to come, enough to suit everybody, young and old, male and female!

RUGBY UNION

Last Saturday, in a tough, physical encounter, the British & Irish Lions beat New Zealand's All Blacks 24-21 to level the series at 1-1. The hosts had Sonny Bill Williams sent-off in the 20th minute while 'Lion' Billy Vunipola gave away five penalties and was then yellow-carded. The Lions scored two tries and Owen Farrell kicked 14 points while Beauden Barrett struck all of NZ's points. The final Test in Auckland on Saturday will be quite a game - watch it on Sky Sport.

TENNIS

Wimbledon fortnight started on Monday and already there's been some terrific action. In the men's singles, Andy Murray, Roger Federer, Novak Djokovic (after winning in

Eastbourne - his first title this year) and Rafael Nadal, will remain apart until the semi-finals, while Simona Halep, Angelique Kerber, Garbine Muguruza (Spain), Karolina Pliskova (also fresh after a recent Eastbourne victory), Elina Svitolina and Johanna Konta (if fit) should all do well in the women's section. And, of course, there's Jamie Murray in the doubles!

Venus Williams is facing a lawsuit in connection with a car crash in Florida which resulted in the death of a 78-year-old man.

Ex-Italian footballer Paolo Maldini lost his first game as a tennis professional; beaten with his colleague Stefano Landonio in the Milan doubles by Tomasz Bednarek and David Peel in 42 just minutes.

FOOTBALL

Germany defeated favourites Spain 1-0 in last Friday's European U21 Championship final, having ousted England on penalties (again) in the semi-final.

The Germans then completed a 'summer' double by beating Chile to win the Confederation Cup final.

Arsenal could break their transfer record by signing Alexandre Lacazette from French club Lyon for £45m+; WBA have recruited Jay Ro-

driguez from Southampton for £12m; Liverpool want £70m-rated Naby Keita from RB Leipzig and Chelsea have signed goalkeeper Willy Caballero (35) from Manchester City.

CYCLING

The 104th Tour de France started on Saturday in Dusseldorf (Germany) and Geraint Thomas became the first Welshman ever to wear the yellow jersey after winning the first stage. The 198 riders, including three-time winner Chris Froome who crashed on day two but recovered, will ride 3,600km (2,200 miles) before the race ends in Paris on July 23.

MOTOR SPORT

This weekend we have the Austrian F1 Grand Prix from Spielberg.

And Ron Dennis has left McLaren after 37 years with the team.

Meanwhile, last Sunday it was Marc Marquez, Jonas Folger and Dani Pedrosa 1-2-3 in the German MotoGP.

CRICKET

Joe Root captains England for the first time in the opening Test against South Africa which starts today at Lords.

Henry Blofeld (77), on BBC's Test Match Special for 45 years, retires in September.

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Pego Golf Society

ON A DAY when the weather confused just about everyone, Pego and their guest Alastair Taylor played a team accumulator.

There was also one match-play in which John Evans beat Roger Miller 3&1.

The only two went to Steve Boyes.

Nearest the pin on hole 5, Bill Pike, with 2.07 metres and hole 16 Steve Jones, with 3.04 metres.

Results Tuesday June 27:

1st with 115 pts Graham Borley, Paul Singh, John

TMGS at El Plantio



EL PLANTIO:
Gold category
winners.

THIRTY-TWO members travelled along the N332, towards the blistering heat of El Plantio, on June 28.

The temperature may have been in the mid 30's but the green fee was surprisingly lower, at a very attractive price of just €30 per player, including the buggy. Is it the cheapest golf on the Costas they wondered? OK so the fairways weren't exactly US Open standard and the greens were a little on the slow side but more than acceptable. They have seen them in worse condition and paid considerably more

and were thankful to El Plantio for the pleasant surprise.

Although the course played well, the scoring suffered a little from the extremely high winds. Any player who managed 30 points should not have been disappointed with their game.

Results: NTP's hole 7 A Rickers, hole 9 Nada, hole 14 G Sorby, hole 18 Nada.

The two's pot was rolled over from last week and contained a very nice €60, this was shared between Alan Rickers, Alan Rixson and G Hagan.

Unusually they didn't have

any visitors this week.

Bronze category; 3rd G Hagan 30 pts, 2nd M Myhrvold 33 pts, 1st R Nilsen 34 pts.

Silver category, 3rd L Jorung 30 pts, 2nd J Hettrick 32 pts, 1st A Rixson 32 pts on L/H.

Gold category, 3rd J Eyre 33 pts, 2nd H Steele 33 pts, 1st K Winton 33 pts decided on L/H.

Visitors are always welcome and you can find more information about at www.tmgs.org [www.Facebook/TMGSGOLF](https://www.facebook.com/TMGSGOLF) or @TMGSGOLF.

Secretary Joe Dean can be contacted on 661 524 101.

Aussie Pairs winners

THE winners of the SK Underwriting Aussie Pairs Final at Javea Green, was ultimately decided by an umpire's measure!

Forty-eight bowlers competing in round robin groups, of six teams, albeit in very hot conditions, enjoyed two fabulous days of bowls. The four group winners went through to the semi-finals where Brian Booker and Clive English narrowly defeated Carol Davey and Mike O'Neill, and Alan Stephens and Doug Bacon, who held off a strong challenge from Dave Carvath and Brian Taylor.

The final saw some fabulous bowls from all four players and the last end started with Brian and Clive one shot ahead. When Doug came to bowl the last wood of the match neither team was sure who was holding.

Doug decided he needed to draw close to guarantee an extra end or take the match if he won the measure. Unfortunately he failed narrowly to draw the shot and also just nudged his team's closest wood further away. The



BOWLERS: Played fabulous bowls.

measure went against him and Brian and Clive were declared champions.

The competition closed with a BBQ and disco, with music played by our own Neil Fagin.

At the presentation, SK Underwriting were thanked for their very generous funding of over €1,000 in prize money.

Mike O'Neill was congratulated for organising his first competition as Match Secretary.

Orba Warblers play La Sella

ON Wednesday June 28, a smaller number of Orba Warblers turned out for this week's Stableford at La Sella.

Gusty winds made play a little challenging for some but as usual, they all had a good day out.

There was only one Division this week :
1st place John Daniels (Hcap 18.2) with 33pts.

2nd Barbara Pollitt (Hcap 23.4) with 32pts.

Also with 32pts 3rd on c/b Ron Steele (Hcap 19.1).

NTP's went to John Daniels on Hole 4 - out and Steve Smith on Hole 9 - back.

Two two's were recorded : Hole 6 - Steve Smith and Hole 10 - John Daniels.

The Football card went to Peter Gibson with Bristol.

Next week, July 12 will be at Alicante. First tee time 9.20am so please arrive by 8.35am for registration.

Guests are welcome subject to space and current Handicap Certificate. To book please contact Mike Taylor on: mjt@stylespms.com or phone 639 242 896.



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