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## Winning streak revealed



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**NAKED BEAUTY:**  
Cantarrijan beach.

NATURIST sun-worshippers are set to bathe in bliss after a Maro nudist beach became the first of its kind in Spain to receive an international environmental management award.

The Cantarrijan sandy strip in the Maro-Cerro Gordo Natural Park is also among the first 10 beaches in Andalusia to be handed the ISO 14001 certification.

It comes after months of planning by Almuñecar Council and a specialised advisory team.

During a ceremony at which a special flag was raised to mark the achievement, Almuñecar's Environment and Beaches councillor, Luis Aragon, explained how the lengthy project culminated in an external audit which confirmed the gong.

Beachgoers will now find signage including a guide to proper environmental practice, plus new bins including a recycling point in the car park, while municipal staff have received special training in respect of cleaning the beach and how to deal with ecological accidents and emergencies.

# Expatriate home demolished Hammer blow

By Matt Ford

A furious British couple whose rural home in Almayate is being torn down may take the case to the European Court of Human Rights.

As first reported in the *Euro Weekly News* (Issue 1673), Gill and Bob Ward have been fighting the demolition of the 50 square metre property with the help of the Save Our Homes Axarquía (SOHA) campaign group.

They were not present as the bulldozing began last Monday, their daughter Emma saying that "they are in a bad state psychologically and preferred not to come," after being refused entry to collect the last of their personal belongings.

"The Local Police refused to let me in," she told reporters, before confirming that the family "will continue to fight this injustice and make the case more well-known."

"We will now contact the British Consulate in Spain to see what kind of help they can offer us, and if the Spanish justice system ignores us we will go to the European Court of Human Rights in Strasbourg."



**ILLEGAL:** The Wards' former home.

The pair bought the building, part of an old farmhouse, in 2004 and began renovating it in 2006 but the original façade collapsed during the makeover, rendering the work illegal according to Velez-Málaga Council.

Believing their new home to be licensed, the Wards received no advice from the town hall until 2013, when Gill received a court summons and pleaded guilty on the advice of her solicitor, subsequently

paying a €1,000 fine and in 2015 applying for legalisation.

The demolition comes after the family and SOHA submitted a number of appeals to the council in re-

cent weeks, and leaves them homeless.

They are currently staying at a friend's home in Torre del Mar while they seek an affordable rental property.

## Catch me if you can

AN 18-year-old pick-pocket who targeted bathers has been held in Torre del Mar after trying to escape on a bicycle.

Investigators seized four mobile phones, six key rings including car keys, two pairs of designer sunglasses, a pair of high-end headphones, various items of clothing and €32 in cash from the thief's rucksack.

The robberies took place on Poniente beach, with a Local Police patrol mounting a search after one of the victims placed a call.

Having spotted the suspect from afar due to him matching a witness description, the officers were able to track him with the help of a life-guard as he pedalled towards Nerja.

But as they approached the looter fled in the opposite direction, leading one to chase him on foot, eventually grabbing him after he was held up by a group of pedestrians.

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**NEWS EXTRA****Top beach**

NERJA Council has declared its beaches the best after holiday website Trivago announced its beaches have the best reputation on the Costa del Sol from across 175 million reviews.

**Solidarity**

**WORKERS, residents and tourists in Nerja came together to hold a three-minute silence for those wounded in last week's terrorist attacks in Barcelona and Cambrils.**

**Hard times**

*FOOD BANK, Bancosol, has warned it is helping 52,000 people in the Malaga area who cannot afford food, saying food bank use has increased 6 per cent in the last year.*

# Strike arrests

By Sally Underwood

NATIONAL POLICE have arrested a number of people on suspicion of coercion, property damage, assault and threats following Malaga's taxi strike.

Those arrested have since been charged and released but National Police are keeping the investigation open and have not ruled out further arrests.

The five-day strike over the proliferation of private hire vehicles ended after the Junta de Andalucía agreed temporary proposals to control numbers

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**EXPOSURE:** Recent taxi strikes have led to numbers of arrests.

with further meetings to agree permanent measures. Union leaders want the ratio of private hire cabs to taxis to reach 1:30, a figure the Junta described as "impossible."

The strike has caused tension throughout Mala-

ga and 10 arrests. Five detained were held over their alleged role in attacking Eduardo Martin, president of the VTC (private hire licence) association, who claimed on Monday he was attacked by taxi drivers at Malaga Airport.

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days - the maximum expected lifespan of a female mosquito (the ones that bite).

## Political chaos continues

POLITICAL wrangling in Nerja continues after the Partido Popular (PP) has put further pressure on party Ciudadanos to join them in filing a vote of no confidence against Mayor Rosa Arrabal.

Juanma Moreno, PP president in the Andalusian Parliament, has said they are trying to return the municipality to "institutional normality."

Nerja's governing three-party council lost a recent vote to approve its €31 million budget.

Ciudadanos had previously told the tripartite team, comprising PSOE, Izquierda Unida (IU) and EVA-Podemos, they planned to vote against their financial proposal because the council was not doing enough to meet residents' needs who were regularly complaining.

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## Phone faker caught

A 42-YEAR-OLD Colombian woman has been arrested in Malaga for filing a false police report claiming her two mobile phones were stolen in a sexual assault. The woman had told officers she had been approached by men in a vehicle in the Gaudalhorce estate, who attempted to sexually assault her and stole her phones. Officers allege the woman had used her phone later that day.

## Sexist restaurant

A VELEZ-MALAGA politician was accused of sexism after advertising his restaurant with a poster of two waitresses with the message, 'all ready, just come and enjoy.' Miguel Angel Molina, a councillor for the Partido Popular (PP), posted the advert for his business on Facebook, leading opposition councillor, Zoila Martin from party PSOE to declare it sexist, prompting Molina to bring it down.

## Cultural exchange

AROUND 150 people from Cajiz and Almayate have taken part in a tour of Velez-Malaga's historic sites as part of the town's campaign, #notepierdas Velez-Malaga (Don't forget Velez-Malaga, which aims to make residents of Axarquía more aware of the town's heritage. Residents from Benajarafe, Chilches, Triana and Trapiche will also be given the opportunity to visit Velez-Malaga over the coming weeks.

## Life on the ocean wave

SAILING enthusiasts will soon be able to learn how to captain a boat after Malaga Port opened an abandoned area to be used by a charter business. The site, which is next to the fishing port, will offer five moorings as well as leisure space for clients and events, where company Sail and Fun will offer private charter trips.

## €900,000 employment boom

THE Provincial Council has invested almost €1 million in helping under-30's get their first job. The organisation has worked with universities to help 79 un-

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## Load of national pride

The Osborne group - founded in 1772 and now the second oldest business in Spain - may be famous for its brandy-sherry, but it's the Osborne Bull silhouettes that constantly steal the national limelight.

THE Osborne Bull is a symbol of Spanish culture, both nationally and abroad.

With black bull silhouettes on hilltops and roadsides in many, but not all regions of Spain, the first was erected 60 years ago, 12 months after the Osborne group of wineries - originally founded in Cadiz - ordered an artist to promote a 'Veteran' brandy.

It was set in motion by Manolo Prieto, a prolific Andalusian artist who died in 1991. He remains famous for the roadside monuments even though a personal source of disappointment given other works of which he was proud failed to gain recognition.

The Osborne Bull silhouettes started life as four-metre-high wooden figures, but in 1961 they were made from metal sheets to better withstand the weather and their height was increased to seven metres.

However, one year later new advertising rules forced the Osborne company to move them away from roadsides, and they were consequently increased in size to their present-day 14 metres so that they would be more visible.

Then in 1994 the EU banned roadside advertising of alcohol, but despite an initial campaign to see all the bulls re-



**CREATOR:** Artist Manolo Prieto who designed and commissioned the symbol

moved, public outcry saw them retained, but blacked out to remove all reference to the original advertisers.

The ruling in their favour was on the grounds that they had become part of the landscape with 'aesthetic or cultural significance.'

Their wide distribution means the Osborne bull is now associated with Spain itself, with its silhouette seen on national football flags, t-shirts, caps, towels and key-rings.

## Where to find the bulls

Osborne Bulls in Spain include those in the following locations:

23: Andalucia, 14: Castilla y Leon, 13: Castilla-La Mancha, 11: Valencia, 6: Aragon, 3: Asturias, Extremadura and Galicia, 2: La Rioja and Madrid, 1: Basque country, Canary Islands, Mallorca, Melitta, and Navarre.

In addition a few are in Mexico, though with a different design and with an advertising function rather than a symbol of past culture!



**SPANISH SILHOUETTE:** The Osborne bull stands proudly throughout Spain.

dergraduates find a role within companies in Malaga, funding 70 per cent of their salary and social security payments. The majority of employers were looking for graduates in engineering, marketing and architecture, offering full-time work for one year.

## Minute's silence

VELEZ-MALAGA'S Council has

joined town halls across Spain in honouring the victims of last week's terrorist attacks in Barcelona and Cambrils. The town's mayor, Antonio Moreno Ferrer, explained "we want to show we reject violence, fanaticism and barbarity, sending a message of solidarity to the victims and relatives who have suffered in these terror attacks, as well as the Catalan community."

## Utter rubbish

BEAUTY SPOT, La Caleta de Maro has become an eyesore after hundreds of rubbish bags have been left to pile up. Nerja Council do not collect rubbish daily at the site, which is of ecological importance and visible to visitors on the beach. Tourists and residents have now begun throwing waste in front of the full bins, creating a dumping ground.

## Fire risk

RESIDENTS in Malaga have raised concerns over an abandoned lot on Calle Flamencos where they say dry vegetation has built up, posing a fire risk.

# Strike one, strike two

TALKS between airport manager Aena and the security staff unions have been described as "positive" but the proposed airport strikes have not been called off.

Both Aena and the air navigation manager ENAIRE have agreed that there needs to be increases in wages and staff numbers, and have already forwarded plans to Hacienda in order to implement them.

They state the increased air traffic, which is expected to keep growing over the next few years, as the main

reason more staff is needed.

More meetings have been scheduled, one with the secretary of State Transport, Infrastructure and Housing, Julio Gomez-Pomar.

Aena has said that dialogue between the unions and its company will always remain open.

Although these talks continue, security staff who are threatening the strikes are actually employed by private contractors appointed by Aena.

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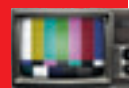
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# Onwards and ever upwards

THIS year has seen success all the way for EWN Online, with record-breaking figures across the board.

The latest statistics clearly spell out that the website and social media are now seen as go-to sources of accurate and up-to-date news from Spain in English, attracting millions of views.

A concerted effort from the dedicated online team since the turn of the year, coupled with a commitment to honest, timely reporting has seen numbers fly, with a staggering 55,000 hits received on just a single day earlier this month.

Social media platforms have demonstrated a similarly impressive rise with Facebook followers now

### Spanish airports to be hit by 25 days of strikes as unions announce dates

numbering close to 22,000, far outstripping traditional rivals, and audience participation at an all-time high.

From here it can only be onwards and ever upwards!

**STORY OF THE YEAR: This article attracted 42,000 views.**

## This year so far

THE hard work and dedication of the EWN Online team has been rewarded with a bumper boost in website users, with a record 2.5 million visits so far this year.

As the internet is constantly evolving, it is important to adapt, and with more than 50 per cent of readers visiting the EWN website via their mobile phones in 2017, compared to 37 per cent in 2016, it is clear that

changes can occur quickly with the right approach.

And with nearly 22,000 strong followers on Facebook - and 10,400 on Twitter - the EWN is and will continue to be highly engaged with the expatriate community.

From this solid base the aim is now to continue to grow and offer factual news, as it happens, while consolidating the hard fought position of Spain's best online English-language newspaper.

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The Vatican's Swiss Guard still wears a uniform inspired by the Renaissance painter Raphael Sanzio, who lived 1483-1520.



In a twist of irony, Louis XVI of France felt former ways of execution were inhumane, so he encouraged doctors to create a new method, which led to the guillotine. He was later beheaded by the very same device.

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## OUR VIEW

### Catalonia mourns

SADLY it was bound to happen in Spain at some time, but the terrorist attack in Catalonia certainly grabbed headline news around the world.

If there is any consolation coming out of this dreadful sad affair as well as the subsequent knifings in Finland is that these are simply not as organised or as successful as those attacks that took place in 2015 and 2016.

As Daesh finds itself being pushed back within Iraq and Syria this appears to be affecting its commander's ability to recruit organised fighters in Europe and is having to rely on incompetents, some of whom even managed to blow themselves up.

One of the very disappointing things about these attacks in Spain is the fact that it appears that all of those involved as well as most of the hundred plus who have been arrested over the past few years have been Moroccan.

For many years, Moroccan immigrants have settled within Spain and of course Gibraltar, becoming part of the local communities whilst still holding on to their own heritage, religion and identity.

There is now a radical dichotomy between those who want to come to Spain to find what they perceive to be a better life for themselves and their families and those misguided puppets who simply want to eradicate the so-called 'Crusaders.'

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### Stab victim improves

A 30-YEAR-OLD man injured in a knifing at the Malaga feria is making good progress.

The stab victim remains in Intensive Care (ICU) at the Malaga Regional Hospital but is now breathing without medical intervention and is expected to be moved out of the ICU.

The young man received multiple stab wounds to his neck, chest and abdomen at around 10pm at the feria between Postigo de Arance and Calle Carretera.

At last year's feria, police confiscated 21 knives and seized 417 narcotic substances. This year, the Local Police carried out an average of 448 duties daily to avoid any incidents, while 346 extra members of the National Police were also on hand in addition to the 900 members working in the city normally.



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## Argy bargy



JAMES ARGENT: Moving to Spain.

JAMES 'ARG' ARGENT, one of the best-loved original cast-members of ITV's *The Only Way is Essex* (TOWIE), is permanently swapping the UK for Spain after being offered a residency in Marbella.

The slimmed-down star has told fans he is looking for somewhere to live on the Costa del Sol after accepting a job at pal and former co-star, Elliot Wright's, restaurant, Olivia's La Cala.

Arg, who lost considerable amounts of weight after entering rehab in Thailand earlier this year for substance abuse, explained he is looking forward to moving to sunnier climes, telling a publication, "I've been offered a residency next year at Olivia's, I accepted the offer straight away. I'm in the process of finding a property in Spain and I'm going to be moving there. The residency will be for the whole summer. I'm so excited, it's a fresh start."

## Come on, Vogue

TV presenter and model Vogue Williams has arrived in Ibiza with the man she met taking part in *The Jump* where she was injured and he was declared winner.

It appears that Vogue and Spencer Matthews, the reality star first seen on *Made in Chelsea*, are now inseparable, except when one or the other has to become involved in another TV programme.

They are however making up for lost time whilst soaking up the sun and cruising on this Ibiza holiday.



Photo Credit: Vogue Williams Instagram

VOGUE: Shows off her model looks whilst at sea.



LIL ALLEN: On holiday in Ibiza.

## Allen aboard

LILY ALLEN was photographed queuing with other passengers as she jetted home from her Ibiza holiday.

The 32-year-old *Smile and Not Fair* singer was spotted looking loved-up with her boyfriend, DJ Daniel London, who she has been with since splitting with her husband, Sam Cooper, in June last year.

The songstress, who was holidaying without her children, Marnie, aged four, and Ethel, five, updated her Instagram followers on her trip, posting photos of herself looking toned in a bronze-coloured bikini, and posing on a rock. The brunette appeared to have enjoyed a fun-filled holiday, going on a yacht trip, as well as horse-riding and snorkelling.

Heading back to the UK, the singer's boyfriend helped keep her entertained in the airport's long queues and was pictured wrapping his arms around her as she checked her phone.

## Beach babes

SADIE STUART, fiancée of reality TV personality and restaurateur Elliott Wright and her mother Julie were spotted sunbathing at Bono Beach.

Accompanying them were TV cameras as they were being filmed for the new ITVBE special, Elliott Wright: *The Wedding* which will be broadcast later this year.



Photo Credit: SM

Julie and Sadie at Bono Beach.

(She's his)  
Wonderwall

NOEL GALLAGHER has been spotted in Formentera kissing his wife of 17 years, Sara MacDonald.

The 50-year-old Oasis and High Flying Birds star is holidaying on the island after he met his 43-year-old wife in Ibiza in 2000, claiming it was "love at first sight." The pair have since had two children, Sonny, aged four, and Donovan, seven.

The Scottish stunner showcased her toned physique in a red, two-piece, bandeau-style bikini before leaning over her

husband to kiss him as he lounged on a sunbed. The pair were later snapped chatting intently as Sara rested her head on Noel's knee.

The rocker is preparing to tour with his band, High Flying Birds, and is working on their next album.

His producer, David Holmes, told reporters, "Yeah, it's going really good. We're a good bit into it now, we've got nearly five tracks done now. People are going to be surprised."

## Yacht's up

POP and reality TV star Peter Andre has been photographed enjoying a yacht trip to celebrate his wife's 28th birthday.

The 44-year-old was in Marbella with squeeze Emily MacDonagh, where the pair were spotted drinking pink Champagne as they celebrated the occasion. The couple share two children.

## Selfie storm

ASPIRING pop star, Tallia Storm, took time out of her Marbella holiday to promote her career, taking a series of selfies in a black and gold Moschino bikini. The 18-year-old teamed her outfit with gold hoop earrings and sky-high heeled espadrilles. The singer was first discovered by Elton John, aged 13.

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**LA HERRADURA BEACH: Man was resuscitated after going into cardiac arrest.**

## Bather saved

By Sally Underwood

LIEFGUARDS and paramedics helped resuscitate a bather on La Herradura Beach after he went into cardiac arrest.

The man was transferred to the Almuñécar Health Centre after 30 minutes of CPR before then being moved to hospital.

The incident, which occurred at around 7pm, involved the Beach Service's emergency vehicle, a health worker, several nurses and an intensive care doctor who was on the beach at the time working to save the person's life after receiving a call saying he was in a "serious condition."

Health workers used a defibrillator and oxygen, eventually bringing the person around.

La Herradura and Almuñécar's beaches have been particularly busy this summer, with the council putting in place a rota of lifeguards to protect bathers.

Earlier this month, San Cristobal and La Herradura beaches were both awarded a Q quality flag for their commitment to cleanliness and protecting the environment.

In order to qualify for the flags, councils must submit the coastal spots to a maintenance audit every year, and 'a more exhaustive renewal process every two years.'

Beaches councillor Caballero explained the process is tough, saying, "the requirements increase every year and are increasingly demanding."

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# System saves 50% water

ANTONIO RICO VIL-LENA, a 77-year-old Torrox resident, has patented an irrigation system, which he claims can cut waste water by half.

Antonio and his son, Ernesto, have developed a system called Deep Drop which solves the issue of dripping on drip irrigation systems by checking whether water is circulating properly and detects blockages, and is suitable for both farming and parks and gardens.

Ernesto explained, "Our model is a subway, so it deposits the water and fertilizer in the subsoil, maximising its use and avoiding

losses by evaporation associated with surface irrigation systems, saving 50 per cent of water," Ernesto explains.

The system carries water and fertiliser to plants' roots, which lessens the problem of evaporation, therefore saving money and water. It also protects the environment by preventing birds from drinking water from plants mixed with chemicals.

Deep Drop uses an underground tube which a small meter which checks the system's proper functioning and allows water to flow into the subsoil.

The product's promoters say the system is easy to install and can improve soil moisture and nutrients and reduce weeds. According to Rico, "the water goes to the root of the plant, making the tree or species of crop work to find water, favouring rooting."

After reaching an agreement with a specialist manufacturer, the Rico men are hoping to start selling the product as soon as possible and have asked the Mediterranean Horticultural Institute to carry out a trial on its effectiveness to back up their claims.

Ernesto explained, "it is a waste to see drip irrigation systems or sprinklers on roundabouts in many cities which throw most of the water on to the road and do not take measures to avoid wastage, when the underground model not only avoids these situations, but also improves irrigation and reduces the amount of water resources needed."

The invention comes after it was announced La Vinuela's reservoir has now reached its drought threshold, with only around a third of its water remaining and farmers forced to halt irrigation one day a week.

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## NEWS EXTRA

### 70% complete

VELEZ-MALAGA'S Council is complying with 70 per cent of the aims with the Municipal Plan against Homophobia and Transphobia, according to Zoila Martin, councillor for Equality.

### (Un)fun fair

FRANCISCO DE LA TORRE, Malaga's mayor, has claimed the city's feria, which ended on Saturday, has lost popularity in 2017, with revellers instead choosing to visit the Real de Cortijo de Torres.

### 3 Cultures

FRIGILGIANA'S famous Festival of 3 Cultures will celebrate its 12th edition from August 24 to 27 August with over 35,000 people expected to attend. The festival will include food stalls, music and a souk.

### High-flyer

MALAGA-born 33-year-old, Carlos Perez, has been chosen by NASA to join the Cassini spacecraft's last mission. The vessel, which was launched to explore Saturn in 1997, will make its final flight on September 11.

### Hard times

FOOD BANK, Bancosol, has warned it is helping 52,000 people in the Malaga area who cannot afford food, saying food bank use has increased 6 per cent in the last year.

### Pool party

WORKS to Rincon de la Victoria's first heated indoor pool are almost complete, at 75 per cent completion. The council explained they are confident it will open in early 2018.

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MALAGA cleaning company Limasa has saved thousands of euros in a pilot scheme to improve fuel efficiency in its vehicles.

The project has seen Limasa using 34 volunteer drivers to trial the new technology, which uses the Canubus system to monitor emissions data, saving 5.5 per cent of fuel across its 12 cars.

# €14,500 fuel saving

The scheme, which was launched in 2014 alongside technology company AND and involved six cars, was extended in 2016 to 12 vehicles, in a collaboration deal with Vatia.

According to the City Council, fuel efficiency results are expected to improve as the scheme continues. Currently CO2 savings are thought to have reached 10.1 per cent, even though

vehicles increased their speed by an average of 1.7 per cent. This resulted in 25,300 kilograms of CO2 savings, equating to the amount of oxygen produced by 2,100 trees in one year.

Limasa claimed the project has also increased driver safety as control of occupational hazards was increased.

The company explained it is now considering expanding the number of vehicles

in the scheme to 50, which would reportedly save €47,250 and 177,000 tons of CO2 a year.

The Canubus system allows drivers to modify their driving habits, including acceleration and braking, in response to data, allowing them to maintain the most efficient speed for their route.



Ayuntamiento de Velez Malaga

**COUNCILLORS:** Sign the agreement to fund a rainwater collection project.

## €1,019,698 flood funding

THE Provincial Council has agreed to fund a rainwater collection project in Torre del Mar, helping to alleviate the town's flooding problem.

Antonio Moreno Ferrer, Velez-Málaga's mayor, alongside the deputy mayor of Torre del Mar, Jesus Perez Atencia, and the councillor for Infrastructures, Juan Carlos Ruiz Pretel, has used the investment to sign an agreement with company Peninsular de Contratas SA for the works.

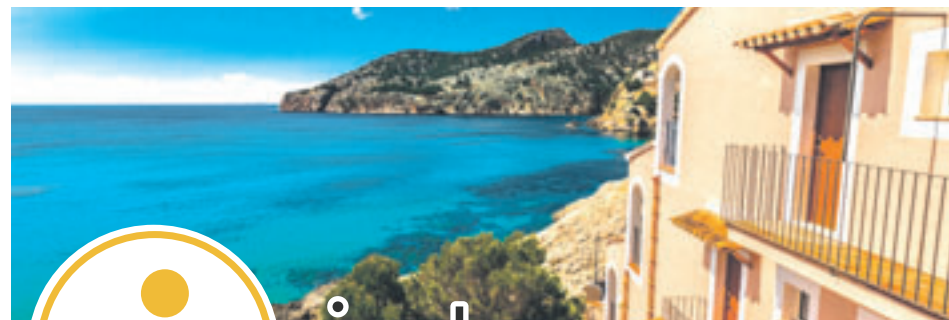
The project, which will begin within a week, is expected to take around nine months and was put in place in response to 'great demand' from residents, according to the Velez-Málaga Council.

The works involve building a rainwater collection pipe from the intersection of the N-340 and Calle Azucarera running north to south to Calle

Las Arenas. Further plans include extending the pipe to the east along the north of the N-340. The new collection system will remove storm water to Calle Las Arenas rather than pumping it out to sea as it currently is.

Antonio Moreno Ferrer explained the project will alleviate "the problem of insufficient rainwater collection resulting in flooding whenever we have heavy rainfall." Currently there are two collection points on Avenida de Columbus and Calle Las Arenas which do not have the capacity to get rid of the water coming to them from smaller collection points.

Excavation works, which will begin this week, will involve demolishing an eight-metre strip of road on the N-340.



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# Lux Mundi, Torre del Mar

**MONDAY September 4** - Half Orange 'Bring and Share' Lunch, widows, widowers and singles group. You are welcome to join the group and make and meet new friends at the Centre. The group also meets on the other Mondays of the month for coffee, walks, visits to places of interest, etc. Time 1pm.

**Tuesday September 5 and 19** - Photography Group. From 'Good Shot' to 'Great Shot,' why not come and learn the art of photography with Bob Bell Photography. A fun and informal group to help you to get more from your camera and photos. Open to all, from beginners to the more experienced photographer, regardless of the type of camera and use. This season will be looking at the various styles of photography and computer software with monthly themes and photo challenges. Don't forget to bring your camera. Time 4pm.

**Monday September 18** - Spanish groups restart. Please register at the Centre to learn Spanish.

**Thursday September 21** - Coach Excursion to Gibraltar. Why not join Lux Mundi, Torre del Mar and visit



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will find the Historic Tunnels dating from 1779-1783 and St Michael's Cave. Both of these have guided tours. In the town can be seen the

Gibraltar Museum, Government House and in the Southern area are key historical sites. All information may be obtained from the Tourist Office.

It is also an opportunity to purchase Duty Free items and typical English items of food, etc, from the Morrisons supermarket. Ticket price €12 available at the Centre. Proceeds for fundraising. Departure times Puente don Manuel (Bar Mis Tapitas) 6.45am, Algarrobo (Lidl) 7.15am, Caleta (Vets) 7.20am and Torre Del Mar (Bus Station) 7.30am. Depart Gibraltar 3.30pm approximately. **PASSPORTS / ID REQUIRED.**

**Monday to Friday September 25 - 29** - Coach Excursion to Caceres, Merida and Badajoz. Information sent previously due to reserving hotel rooms.

For further information and bookings please contact the Centre, Torre del Mar Tel 952 543 334 E-mail: [luxmundi@lux-mundi.org](mailto:luxmundi@lux-mundi.org). Please note you are unable to make bookings through the website and sorry cards are not accepted.



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**WHITE BEAUTY:**  
Delicious ajoblanco to be tasted in Almachar.

## All things garlic

ON September 2, Almachar will see the 49th celebration of the Fiesta del Ajoblanco (White Garlic Festival).

On this day, the town will pay homage to the humble dish, which helped pave the way for the development of a new motorway connecting the town and pulled it out of isolation.

Ajoblanco was traditionally eaten by peasants to withstand the laborious working conditions found in the countryside. It is a cold soup containing almonds, garlic, olive oil, salt and vinegar with optional breadcrumbs.

In 1968, the first festival was organised to celebrate it, inviting politicians of the era. It served as an excuse to encourage politicians to make civil changes to the town, particularly the development of the road which was to link Almachar with Malaga, situated some 60km away.

This year in typical style, the town hall have announced that the festival will begin at 5pm, lasting until the early hours of the morning and that visitors and party-goers alike will be able to enjoy free portions of the dish as well as enjoying the various acts on offer including flamenco, dancing and free tapas and sangria on offer from 11pm onwards.

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# Phoenix Club trip to Cadiz

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Baelo Claudia is an ancient Roman town situated on the Costa de la Luz, some 15km north of Tarifa, next to the town of Bolonia. Its history lies in the trade routes serving Europe and North Africa, and the town's strategic position on the coast near the Straits of Gibraltar made it a crucial stopping-off point between the two continents. The ruins, with their impressive temple, forum and basilica, and especially the large fish-salting factory, show how important the town was.

Deriving its wealth from the fishing industry, Baelo Claudia supplied the popular Roman delicacy garum (fish paste) to the whole Roman Empire. It was thriving at the time of Emperor Claudius (41-45 AD), who gave the town his name.

By the second century the town was in decline and was nearly destroyed by an earthquake. By the sixth century AD, Baelo Claudia was abandoned.

The town follows the classic urban planning model of Rome, with streets running from east to west, and north to south; you can still walk along remaining parts of these.

The visitor centre is housed in a simple, stunning building overlooking the



**BAELO CLAUDIA:** The town follows the classic urban planning model of Rome.

sea; you pass through it before entering the archaeological site. It has interactive displays to explain about the city's geographical location and context (important nearby cities included Cadiz and Malaga), in terms of shipping routes (both rivers and sea) and other communication within Hispania. You can also learn about society and daily life, including funerary rites and religion, and see the recreation of a Roman bedroom. With each audio-visual presentation, there are artefacts to complement, such as funerary urns and fishing equipment.

You can walk round the site following the suggested route, which takes you from

the museum, past the east aqueduct and towards the salting vats on the seashore (still being restored). Then you can see the forum and the basilica (with many columns intact), followed by administrative buildings and shops. Further along, the path takes you to the market and baths, and finally, at the top of town, the theatre - with its complex system of doors and passageways, for each section of audience, arranged into three areas by class - and temples.

Courtesy of *Andalucia.com*.

The price of €36 includes coach fare, three-course meal at Tarifa (€12), visit to the Brewery at Manilva (€3)

and driver's gratuity €1.

The bus leaves from Algarrobo Lidl at 7.30am. It will be a long day but an interesting one!

For more information on trips or events call Gail on

951 067 723, email [phoenixsocialclub@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:phoenixsocialclub@yahoo.co.uk) or see [www.phoenixsocialclub.co.uk](http://www.phoenixsocialclub.co.uk).

The Phoenix club is a registered charitable association raising funds for three local

charities and SSAFA in the UK. Members meet every Tuesday throughout the year between 12-2pm at Bar La Vega in Torre del Mar and you can book or pay from 12.15 onwards.

## Ladies First in Nerja

YOU are invited to join The Ladies First Club for their 'End of Summer' Charity Dinner Dance this year, on Friday September 29 at 7pm for 7.30 pm. The event promises to be an elegant evening of delicious food, wine, fabulous live music, and dancing under the stars! A gorgeous evening in store set on the magnificent terrace, overlooking the Mediterranean at the newly-managed Restaurant Marbella in the picturesque Plaza Cavana, Nerja.

Restaurant Marbella, in years gone by, was home to many, many fabulous dinner dances, and judging by talks with the

manager there is a fantastic evening in store.

Guests will be greeted in the Cocktail lounge, with drinks - Cava, wine, beer, soft drinks, water - and delicious canapes, followed by a four-course dinner on the terrace (menu choices available shortly) with drinks included throughout the meal, until coffee and cava is served!

Tickets are priced at €48 and will be available soon from Donna, at Monroe's II, Nerja - or call Donna on 952 522 518 or Jean 622 477 177.

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## NEWS FROM OUR FIVE OTHER EDITIONS

# Plenty more fish in the sea

## ■ COSTA BLANCA NORTH



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**FISH FARM:** More cages could be added to Villajoyosa installation.

➤ THE regional government is expected to rubberstamp an application to enlarge a fish farm off the Villajoyosa coast.

Another 12 cages, each with a 38-metre diameter, will be added to the existing 30 cages where sea bass, gilthead bream and corvina are raised.

Once the regional government's permission comes through, those opposed to the scheme will have a month in which to appeal.

There is less opposition to this extension than plans for an entirely new installation in front of La Vila's El Centro beach.

This has been challenged not only by Villajoyosa Town Hall and the local fishing guild but national and international archaeologists and academics. A new fish farm would adversely affect the Bou Ferrer wreck, a sunken Roman galley still laden with amphorae and lead ingots. Now a protected archaeological site, this would be rendered "unviable" by another fish farm, the Heritage General Directorate announced.

## ■ COSTA BLANCA SOUTH

### Plain police

LOCAL POLICE in Callosa are reportedly driving around in an unmarked car and one that is being rented. The only official police vehicle with blue lights is unroadworthy.

### Break begins

SHOPS, restaurants and even politicians in Orihuela City centre have begun their annual holidays to coincide with most of the local residents who are taking theirs.

### Oil recycled

OVER 3,200 tons of oil used in Murcia's factories and workshops is being recycled which accounts for 44 per cent of the annual consumption of industry and the vehicle fleet.

### Time to wait

WAITING lists in Murcia for surgical procedures have dropped by 17 days but the average waiting time is still more than three months in the Area II health authority.

### 'Moor' spaces

TORREVIEJA now leads the way with the amount of moorings in the Valencian Community. The marina can now accommodate up to 2,500 boats of varying shapes and sizes.

### Rain to blame

EXCESS rainfall in the Vega Baja during the winter season has affected the growth and supply of pomegranates. Farmers are expected to be offered some extra growing land.

## ■ COSTA DEL SOL

### High-flyer

MALAGA-born 33-year-old, Carlos Perez, has been chosen by NASA to join the Cassini spacecraft's last mission. The vessel, which was launched to explore Saturn in 1997, will make its final flight on September 11.

### EWN India

ONE of the regular *Euro Weekly News* writers John Smith appeared on Indian TV last week to comment on the Barcelona terrorist attack. English speaking WION needed an insight from this country and naturally contacted Spain's largest English language newspaper.

### New fizz

A POPULAR non-alcoholic Champagne has set up its base of operations in Marbella. 'Mirage' will be supplied to Spain and Arabian countries. The high-end, zero per cent beverage is similar to cava and includes an edition with edible gold.

### High sales

MORE than 1,000 properties were sold in three months. The first quarter of 2017 saw Marbella come second only to Madrid in property sales.

### No bulldozing

A FINE of €4,000 was levied for unauthorised bulldozer use in an important archaeological site. The council imposed the sanction for the unapproved use of machinery at the Basilica Paleocristiana Vega del Mar in San Pedro.

## ■ COSTA DE ALMERÍA

### Green rush

CUCUMBER export prices from Almeria shot up by 42.4 per cent from January to May, raising a record €214.9 million, despite production falling. Olive oil and avocados also performed well.

### Clocking off

A 35-HOUR working week is within sight for Almeria's public workers. After years of working 37.5 weeks due to the recession, they'd won a reduction, but the move was opposed by Madrid.

### Bath body

THE body of a man, aged 67 and identified as Miguel LC, was found in the bath of his Almeria farmhouse. Police don't suspect any foul play.

### Greedy girls

TWO teenage girls were arrested for shoplifting from a plush El Ejido department store. They tried to smuggle out almost €500 worth of clothes and fled when the shop's alarms rang.

### Oven baked

MAJOR investment will bring efficient air conditioning systems to schools across Almeria. Before term ended students were sitting exams in sweltering 35-degree classrooms, despite laws introduced to protect them.

## ■ MALLORCA

### Shabby spy

A SWISS man was arrested after he tried to fool Andratx police with a fake Maltese diplomatic passport. A suspicious officer called his bluff and checked the passport number with the central computer.

### Poet queen

A YOUNG English teacher and scientist from Palma has won Spain's national poetry slam contest. Margalida Calahorra Bover will travel to Paris next year to compete against the world's best spoken-word poets.

### Arson attack

FIRES destroyed large forest areas in Sant Elm and Puig d'en Trobat, both in Andratx. Police suspect arson and have launched an investigation. Fortunately there were no injuries.

### Belly full

A HUNGRY crowd in Porreres devoured a giant Ensaimada pastry weighing 80 kilos within just two minutes. The deluxe dessert took 120 eggs, 36 kilos of flour and 12 litres of water to make.

### Filth fine

THE number of fines issued for disposing of waste incorrectly is set to more than double this year. Offences include pumping wastewater into rivers, burning dangerous items and illegal dumping.

## ■ COSTA BLANCA NORTH

### Big brother

ALCOY Council responded to local manufacturers' requests by tendering a €171,989 contract for CCTV cameras and number-plate readers for the city's six local industrial estates.

### On view

MOUNTAIN village Guadalest, which receives as many visitors as the El Prado art gallery in Madrid, has a registered population of 220 and boasts nine museums, Spain's highest proportion.

### Day off

VILLAJOYOSA Council voted to include St James' Day on July 25 as a local bank holiday as this falls during the Moors and Christians fiestas that traditionally begin on July 29.

### What's up?

CAMPELLO'S Youth department now sends information on courses, services and alerts via WhatsApp. Those interested need only send a WhatsApp message to 627 258 500 to be included in the service.

### No frills

A 16TH CENTURY painting of Virgen de Loreto was displayed for two days in Muchamiel without its usual surround of lace and adornments after its reliquary was removed for cleaning.



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## DENMARK

### Best university

THE University of Copenhagen came 30th in the Academic Ranking of World Universities and was the highest-ranking Scandinavian university in the latest edition.

### Foodie paradise

COPENHAGEN'S Cooking and Food Festival welcomed over 200 events during 10 days as thousands descended on the city for the event.

### First day

IT was a case of first day nerves for Prince Vincent as he prepared to head



GOING UP: University of Copenhagen is highest ranking.

off to school. However his twin sister seemed more confident and was all smiles as they posed for traditional 'first-day' photos with Crown Prince Frederik and Crown Princess Mary.

### Study choices

A STUDY at the University of Copenhagen believes that same-sex siblings are less likely to make gender-stereotyped education choices.

## GERMANY

### Liveable city

A REPORT on global liveability by the *Economist* has named Hamburg the most liveable city in Germany and 10th in the world, thanks to its health care and its infrastructure.

### NATO funding

GERMANY has pledged to increase its funding to NATO with Angela Merkel

announcing plans to assign 2 per cent of the country's GDP by 2024, an increase from its current 1.2 per cent.

### No locals

TENSIONS are reported to be increasing in Berlin with locals raising concerns and frustrations at the number of restaurants where staff speak no Ger-

man, with English being the preferred language.

### Airline talks

CASH strapped Air Berlin is in talks with three competitors to buy up its assets and offer Air Berlin a secure future. The government has already stepped in with a €150 million bridging loan.

## FRANCE

### Ram raid

A TEENAGE girl was killed after a car crashed into a pizzeria. Thirteen other people were injured as police say it was a deliberate act, but are not treating it as a terror attack.

### Privacy invaded

PRESIDENT Emmanuel Macron has made a legal complaint against a photographer who he claimed harassed and invaded his privacy during his holiday in Marseille.

### Lost yachts

OFFICIALS on the French Riviera have complained to President Macron that yacht owners are fleeing the area due to high taxes and are opting for cheaper Italy and Spain. The port of Saint-Tropez has lost 30 per cent of its business this year.

### Delivery pay

AROUND 50 bicycle couriers working for takeaway service 'Deliveroo' have been protesting in cities over the company's decision to scrap their hourly rate and pay per delivery.

## BELGIUM

### Belgium trial

THE suspect in the 2015 attacks on Paris, Salah Abdeslam, will also face trial in Belgium over a police shoot which occurred at his suspected hideout in Brussels.

### Ancient cemetery

A FOSSIL cemetery has been found off the coast of Zeebrugge. The site has the remains of around 50-100 animals with half being walrus remains from the Pleistocene era. Sea mammal remains could be some 40 million years old.

### Barcelona victim

A BELGIAN woman has been named as one of the victims who died in the Barcelona terrorist attack when a man drove a van into crowds along Las Ramblas. The Foreign Minister said two other Belgians were injured.

### Safe or not?

BRUSSELS' biggest skate park could face closure after a study by the new owner of the site found there were stability problems, however Planet Park's president said the problems only affect a part of the site not in use.

## NETHERLANDS

### Murders down

THE Netherlands experienced fewer killings last year with 110 people murdered, 10 less than in 2015. Figures show that a quarter of the men murdered in the past five years died in gang-related violence.

### Egg crisis

MPs are returning from their summer break early to discuss the growing egg crisis with millions of eggs believed to be contaminated with a fertiliser. It is estimated the crisis is set to cost the Dutch egg industry €150 million.

### Booming breweries

AROUND 500 breweries are now based in the Netherlands thanks to the increase in small local beer markets. At the beginning of the 1980s there were just 20 breweries.

### Radio hostage

A WOMAN was held hostage at a radio station after an armed man stormed the building. The 3FM station continued broadcasting as police brought the situation under control and arrested the man.

## SWEDEN

### Asylum rejected

ONE of the world's oldest asylum seekers could be deported back to her home in Afghanistan. The 106-year-old fled her home in 2015 with her son and grandson but it seems her asylum application has been rejected by authorities.

### Rare find

IMAGES have been captured of Sweden's rare white moose by a man who spent three years trying to spot it. There are around 400,000 moose in the country but only around 100 of them are white.

### Summer snow

WHILST Spain still basks in summer, Sweden has experienced its first snow fall of the season. It was registered at Sweden's highest mountain station at 1,228m above sea level.

### Maternity protests

PROTESTS are planned against the 'chaos' in maternity care. Demonstrations have been organised in 15 towns and cities to highlight the strain in the industry amid cost-cutting measures.

## NORWAY

### Poll results

AHEAD of the elections, the latest opinion polls have shown the opposition Labour Party has its worst poll results in four years. The poll showed just 27.1 per cent of voters supporting Labour.

### English concern

CONCERNS have been raised by the Language Council of Norway over the amount of English used in courses at Norwegian universities and colleges, with some being entirely taught in English.

### Pay inequality

FEMALE managers and executives earn around 77 per cent of what their male colleagues earn in the same positions according to a report highlighting wage inequality.

### Clean energy

AN energy think tank believes Norway can become the world's first fully electric-powered country by 2050. Hydro power provides over 96 per cent of Norway's electricity and there are more than 110,000 electric cars already in use.



## More Indian tourists

WHILST much is made of the love that fellow Europeans have for Spain as a holiday destination, an estimated 1.8 million travellers from India are expected in 2017.

With such a huge population and a growth in an affluent middle class, many Indians have decided to take holidays in Europe and can obtain Schengen visas relatively easily which will often allow them to travel between countries once they are in the Schengen zone.

# Spaniards will emigrate

RESEARCH suggests that up to 60 per cent of Spain's workforce would be prepared to move overseas to take up a new position should the opportunity arise.

This means that if the answers received are accurate, some 11 million Spanish workers would be quite content to move abroad if their ideal job became available.

When one considers the high unemployment rate amongst younger people, it is not surprising that the analysis by Randstad - a leading company in human resources solu-

By John Smith

tions in Spain - identifies the under-25s as the group most likely to look to travel abroad for work.

In the 1960s and 1970s, a large number of Spaniards travelled across Europe to find work which resulted in many waiters and hotel staff arriving in the UK, saving money and in many cases returning to their homeland to retire.

The situation today is somewhat different as those who have moved through to higher education in Spain

have studied one or more foreign languages which means that they are better equipped than their parents and grandparents to find work abroad and apart from the UK, many who speak English and Spanish are attracted to the USA.

Understandably, the older workers grow, the less inclined they are to want to cope with the upheaval of moving abroad but overall, Spaniards appear to be the most likely to be prepared to move to a new country when compared to citizens of most other Western European countries.

## Outrage affects bonds

INVESTORS have started to take a major interest in what are known as 'safe haven' bonds within the eurozone.

This move towards euro bonds reflects certain investor worries about the US economy and has been exacerbated by the Catalan terrorist attacks.

Money tends to flow into what are regarded as secure areas during times of economic or general turmoil which has meant Spanish government bonds will have to increase rates to attract new sales.

### Quote of the Week

*"I am worried that the political system of this country will take us in a direction that, in my opinion is very dangerous."* Stanley Fischer vice-president of the US Federal Reserve on calls to relax banking regulations.



## Walnut whipped off treat

WHILST the economy of Extremadura is said to be fragile, one piece of good news will please walnut growers in the region who account for 20 per cent of world production.

A poor crop in Chile, a growing demand for the nut and a weakening of the pound

means that UK prices for walnuts have increased by a fifth in the last few months.

This price rise has had a knock-on effect on the production of Walnut Whips - a British favourite for more than 100 years - making manufacturers Nestlé introduce a new range of Whips flavoured with caramel, mint and vanilla but without the traditional nut on their peak.

The traditional Whip, complete with walnut will continue to be sold singly and at Christmas, there will be a special six-pack.

The original Walnut Whip.



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### » BUSINESS EXTRA

## Iberia Airline

THE Spanish flag carrier airline Iberia has formally confirmed that it is looking to reduce staff by slightly less than 6 per cent. This will be the third round of redundancies in four years.

## Trendy brew

SPANISH beer has grown in popularity throughout the world in the past decade and exports have increased by 261 per cent. The main target audiences are China, Portugal and the UK with San Miguel being much sought after.

## Banco Popular

BOND holders who lost €850 million following the handover of Banco Popular to Santander have now launched an action in the European Court of Justice. They hope to demonstrate that the sale was unnecessary and should be reversed.

## Spanish airline shares fall

TERRORIST attacks in Barcelona immediately caused a drop in the value of shares in Spanish airlines as well as airlines who serve Spanish airports.

This only adds to the perceived problems of travelling in and out of Spain by air with record

queues of people waiting to have their passports checked and a decision by security staff to hold 25 days of strikes leading up to the Christmas holidays.

It is hoped that some settlement will be reached before the next peak travel season.

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COMPANY	PRICE(P)	CHANGE(P)	% CHG.	NET VOL
Anglo American	1,277.50	-2.50	-0.20	17,964.91
Associated British Foods	2,950.00	-190.00	-6.05	25,175.24
Admiral Group	1,944.00	-21.00	-1.07	5,695.65
Ashtead Group	1,622.50	51.50	3.28	7,887.77
Antofagasta	926.50	-17.00	-1.80	9,311.42
Aviva	531.00	9.00	1.72	21,222.83
AstraZeneca	4,450.00	3.00	0.07	56,720.27
BAE Systems	593.50	10.00	1.71	18,838.17
Babcock International Group	882.50	67.50	8.28	4,247.01
Bardays	194.50	-1.15	-0.59	33,601.99
British American Tobacco	4,837.50	85.50	1.80	110,822.29
Barratt Developments	612.50	2.50	0.41	6,174.02
British Land Co	624.00	13.00	2.13	6,401.20
BHP Billiton	1,350.00	-1.00	-0.07	28,766.42
Bunzl	2,278.50	-27.50	-1.19	7,832.56
BP	443.50	3.50	0.80	87,563.80
Burberry Group	1,751.00	5.00	0.29	7,603.77
BT Group	293.50	1.00	0.34	29,117.23
Coca-Cola HBC	2,582.00	28.00	1.10	9,417.66
Carnival	5,145.00	-145.00	-2.74	11,427.00
Centrica	207.50	5.90	2.93	11,419.63
Compass Group	1,665.00	35.00	2.15	26,109.27
Croda International	3,853.00	45.00	1.18	5,032.34
CRH	2,601.00	-70.00	-2.62	22,773.62
ConvaTec Group	286.30	0.69	0.24	5,643.66
DCC	6,815.00	-4.74	-0.07	6,195.40
Diageo	2,579.25	29.75	1.17	65,103.57
Direct Line Insurance Group	377.55	-7.55	-1.96	5,346.00
Experian	1,487.50	-27.50	-1.82	14,280.05
easyJet	1,302.50	12.50	0.97	5,167.68
Ferguson Ord 10 5366p	4,763.50	183.50	4.01	11,728.17
Fresnillo	1,586.00	53.00	3.46	11,539.75
G4S	324.15	25.85	8.67	4,665.64
GKN	324.50	8.80	2.79	5,480.29
Glencore	337.00	-6.45	-1.88	49,661.86
GlaxoSmithKline	1,492.50	2.50	0.17	74,072.28
Hargreaves Lansdown	1,420.00	80.00	5.97	6,370.10
Hammerson	566.00	-0.81	-0.14	4,549.12
HSBC Holdings	737.50	1.30	0.18	148,533.80
International Consolidated Air	603.00	-8.50	-1.39	12,979.53
InterContinental Hotels Grp	3,924.00	0.00	0.00	7,576.81
3i Group	955.50	15.00	1.59	9,276.10
Imperial Brands	3,250.00	80.50	2.54	30,918.43
Informa	672.00	-25.00	-3.59	5,862.80
Intertek Group	4,558.50	-275.50	-5.70	7,824.21
ITV	171.95	5.25	3.15	6,819.04
Johnson Matthey	2,910.00	129.00	4.64	5,453.77
Kingfisher	308.50	15.40	5.25	6,454.90
Land Securities Group	1,017.50	15.50	1.55	8,089.41
Legal & General Group	268.50	1.70	0.64	15,947.15

COMPANY	PRICE(P)	CHANGE(P)	% CHG.	NET VOL
Lloyds Banking Group ORD	65.06	1.15	1.80	46,311.82
London Stock Exchange Grp	3,887.00	-57.00	-1.45	13,668.41
Micro Focus International	2,137.50	-36.50	-1.68	5,081.89
Mediclinic International	802.75	82.25	11.42	5,389.25
Merlin Entertainments	465.00	4.50	0.98	4,717.42
Marks & Spencer Group	334.75	17.65	5.57	5,184.52
Mondi	1,944.00	-124.00	-6.00	10,007.26
Morrison (Wm) Supermarkets	248.25	4.65	1.91	5,797.96
National Grid	967.50	7.20	0.75	33,037.76
Next	4,064.50	-85.50	-2.06	6,182.26
Old Mutual Group	204.50	0.80	0.39	10,175.20
Provident Financial	2,075.00	223.00	12.04	2,799.86
Paddy Power Betfair	7,482.50	302.50	4.21	6,306.30
Prudential	1,827.50	16.50	0.91	46,894.63
Persimmon	2,463.00	-58.00	-2.30	7,814.37
Pearson	650.00	45.00	7.44	5,061.75
Reckitt Benckiser Group	7,325.00	68.00	0.94	51,734.36
Royal Bank of Scotland Group	251.50	-6.00	-2.33	30,727.69
Royal Dutch Shell	2,122.50	8.00	0.38	95,850.63
Royal Dutch Shell	2,175.00	29.50	1.37	80,939.97
RELX	1,541.50	-128.50	-7.69	18,095.38
Rio Tinto	3,441.00	11.50	0.34	47,155.71
Royal Mail	406.10	13.90	3.54	4,003.00
Rolls-Royce Group	904.50	3.50	0.39	16,776.88
Randgold Resources	7,300.00	-195.00	-2.60	6,961.22
RSA Insurance Group	700.75	48.75	7.48	6,642.42
Rentokil Initial	262.50	-33.00	-11.17	5,365.01
Sainsbury (J)	237.00	-0.10	-0.04	5,249.16
Schroders	3,497.00	117.00	3.46	7,677.98
Sage Group (The)	695.00	1.00	0.14	7,566.22
Segro	537.50	15.50	2.97	5,302.16
Shire	3,897.25	132.75	3.53	35,153.10
Smurfit Kappa Group	2,177.50	-106.50	-4.66	5,463.81
Sky	866.00	-86.00	-9.03	16,425.21
Standard Life Aberdeen	430.00	-1.60	-0.37	12,843.77
Smiths Group	1,565.00	16.00	1.03	6,177.35
Scottish Mortgage Invstmnt Trst	413.00	-7.50	-1.78	5,936.78
Smith & Nephew	1,375.00	7.00	0.51	12,102.57
SSE	1,425.00	-12.00	-0.84	14,344.87
Standard Chartered	748.50	-2.90	-0.39	24,851.75
St James's Place	1,160.50	-28.50	-2.40	6,295.84
Severn Trent	2,221.00	5.83	0.26	5,310.39
Tesco	178.50	1.95	1.10	14,645.40
TUI AG	1,341.00	16.00	1.21	7,831.09
Taylor Wimpey	196.40	3.60	1.87	6,324.75
Unilever	4,338.50	-115.00	-2.58	56,383.48
United Utilities Group	990.25	92.75	10.33	6,167.68
Vodafone Group	219.70	0.65	0.30	58,682.41
Worldpay Group	402.50	-21.10	-4.98	8,460.00
WPP Group	1,585.50	21.50	1.37	20,315.52
Whitbread	3,801.00	8.00	0.21	7,041.24

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AMERICAN EXPRESS	85,380	-0.82	-0,710	75.474
APPLE	157,500	-0.23	-0,360	862.694
BOEING	235,770	+0.08	0,180	139.360
CATERPILLAR	113,920	+0.69	0,780	67.324
CHEVRON TEXACO	106,480	+0.53	0,560	201.780
COCA-COLA	45,670	-0.41	-0,190	194.796
CISCO SYSTEMS	30,370	-2.16	-0,670	152.752
DU PONT	81,180	+0.40	0,320	70.448
EXXON MOBIL	76,640	+0.50	0,380	324.732
GENERAL ELECTRIC	24,550	-0.81	-0,200	212.553
GOLDMAN SACH	222,150	+0.33	0,730	85.944
HOME DEPOT	147,490	-1.46	-2,180	176.332
IBM	139,700	-0.71	-1,000	130.192
INTEL	35,010	-0.45	-0,160	165.317
JOHNSON & JOHNSON	132,630	-0.31	-0,410	355.979
JP MORGAN CHASE	90,740	+0.10	0,090	319.311
MCDONALDS	157,760	-0.08	-0,130	127.785
MERCK	61,490	-0.52	-0,320	167.705
MICROSOFT	72,490	+0.12	0,090	569.805
NIKE	54,950	-4.37	-2,510	72.103
PFIZER	32,670	-0.85	-0,280	194.300
PROCTER & GAMBLE	92,470	+0.43	0,400	235.800
ST. PAUL TRV	127,890	-0.23	-0,300	35.291
UNITED TECHNOLOGIES	115,480	-0.53	-0,620	92.242
UNITEDHEALTH	190,820	-0.98	-1,880	184.496
VERIZON	47,690	-0.42	-0,200	194.547
VISA CLASS A	102,510	+0.34	0,350	187.529
WAL-MART	79,310	-0.49	-0,390	239.080
WALT DISNEY	100,700	-0.67	-0,680	155.429

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Quotient Limited	\$ 3.58	0.33 ▼ 8.44%
The Finish Line, Inc.	\$ 11.01	0.98 ▼ 8.17%
Atlantic Capital Bancshares, Inc.	\$ 17.20	1.35 ▼ 7.28%
Zion Oil & Gas Inc	\$ 2.68	0.21 ▼ 7.27%
MyoKardia, Inc.	\$ 40.375	3.125 ▼ 7.18%
Shoe Carnival, Inc.	\$ 15.78	1.08 ▼ 6.41%
Westmoreland Coal Company	\$ 2.05	0.14 ▼ 6.39%
Altisource Portfolio Solutions S.A.	\$ 19.93	1.27 ▼ 5.99%
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# ONLINE SHOPPING BECOMES EASIER

## Retailers build better sites

By John Smith

A NEW report suggests that with up to 80 per cent of the Spanish population having access to the internet, e-commerce is about to accelerate dramatically.

Currently Amazon Spain is estimated to be the largest internet seller in the country with turnover in excess of €3 trillion, followed surprisingly by Chinese site Alibaba which operates in Spain under the name Aliexpress at just over €1 billion, whilst el Corte Ingles trails in third place at €530 million.

As more retailers offer an online purchasing service, so more consumers are purchasing through them but what isn't known or even understood is how many of these sales would have been made in store and therefore how profitable these sites really are.

For small retailers online outlets such as Amazon are without doubt an ideal option as consumers can compare prices and read service reviews.

This also becomes an attractive option for larger stores but whilst they benefit from their strength in purchasing in bulk, they have to ensure that their operating costs don't make them uncompetitive.

Stores such as those owned by the Inditex and Mango groups are able to reach customers in areas where shops are spread thinly and they have invested large amounts into ensuring that their sites are quick, efficient and easy to use.

Supermarket sites, which are very popular in the UK, are perhaps not so profitable here and appear in some cases to have been introduced for the sake of having an online site rather than actually planning them out properly.

The Mercadona group is a perfect example as it has had to be re-designed and responsibility for this has been handed to the founder's



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**ONLINE SHOPPING:**  
The trolley on your desk.

youngest daughter Juana Roig, but the results suggest Mercadona is well ahead of its competitors with growing purchases online.

Having said this, it is estimated that total turnover is somewhere between €170 million and €190 million which is just 1 per cent of annual turnover and this division currently trades at a loss.

Conversely however, customers tend to buy larger amounts of goods than they would in store in order to justify the delivery and handling charges.

Those with an eye for a bargain however have discovered that some (although not all) sites outside Spain will deliver via couriers, often free of charge, so it is possible to purchase perfume from the UK, costume jewellery from Germany or even clothing from Debenhams online with substantial savings over Spanish retail prices.

## Beatles' relics still popular

ALTHOUGH it is nearly 50 years since the Beatles split up, they are still the most collected group worldwide with a page of lyrics likely to sell for €20,000.

This is the amount expected to be paid in auction in September for Paul McCartney's handwritten score of Eleanor Rigby which has been signed by the 'fifth Beatle,' producer, the late Sir George Martin.

This is believed to be a piece handed to one of the backing octet consisting of violins, violas and cellos who helped record the original version of the song.

Coincidentally, a bible owned by Eleanor Rigby - whose name on a gravestone inspired the song - has just been found and is also included in the auction.

John Lennon famously spent some time in Spain and who knows whether other forgotten Beatles' treasures are waiting to be found here and in the UK.

## Repsol share forecasts

BARCLAY'S BANK differs from other investment advisors although downgrading its forecast for Spanish oil company Repsol.

Whilst it doesn't believe that Repsol will generate large amounts of dividend in the immediate future it has indicated a target price of €19 which is hugely higher than any other forecast.

According to the British Bank, it expects to see a growth by Repsol of 35 per cent and its share forecast price compares to an average of €14.57 and a low of €10.89.

At the time of writing, the actual share price was €14.01 and had seen some decent growth in the last few weeks but it is unusual to see such diverse opinion amongst investment houses.

# AMERICANS BEEF UP MARKET

## Huge growth for burger chains

A SIMPLE piece of minced beef in a bun is fuelling a whole new revolution in the fast food market in Spain.

For generations, the vast majority of restaurants and food outlets in Spain sold traditional Spanish food and to a great extent older generations of Spaniards have remained loyal to this cuisine.

As with so many other European countries however, the American way of eating started to spread and by the middle of the 1980s, both Burger King and McDonald's were firmly entrenched in the Spanish psyche.

The concept of this type of fast food spawned a number of local eateries such as Vip although other American food outlets including KFC and Friday's promoted the opening of franchise operations around the country.

The two big burger giants saw off the presence of Wendy's American burgers but are now facing an onslaught of beefy competition.

In many towns, local, un-franchised burger restaurants with names like Gourmet Burger and American Burger have opened up. These offer a burger ex-



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**Model Nina Agdal promotes Carl Jr burgers.**

perience rather than simple fast food and attract a trendy audience.

Having seen the success of McDonald's with its 500 branches and Burger King with 700, at least three US chains have now decided that the time has come to expand their empires within Spain.

Although not household names in Europe, Steak 'N Shake with 544 outlets in the USA, Five Guys with 700 and Carl's Jr leading the way with 1,385 have started to test the Spanish waters by opening restaurants in some

of the main cities in Spain.

Clearly if these are successful then there is likely to be a massive expansion especially in areas with shopping centres where each of these operations would fit in well.

One of the problems that the existing companies running burger outlets may face is the cost of franchising as it appears that the 'new boys on the block' are prepared to undercut McDonald's and Burger King with lower start-up costs in order to gain a speedy increase in market share.

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# RYANAIR ACCUSES GERMAN GOVERNMENT OF CARVE UP Angry at Lufthansa support

ACCUSATIONS are flying across borders as one of the main carriers of German tourists to Spain applies for liquidation.

Air Berlin which was the largest carrier serving the Balearics and Mallorca in particular was supported for some time by Abu Dhabi-based airline Etihad but with their financial backing withdrawn, the airline can't continue.

It has already passed some of its routes to former subsidiary Austrian airline Niki (originally founded by Formula 1 driver Niki Lauda) and now with a €150 million grant from the German government, it hopes to continue to fly until it is taken over by Lufthansa.

This support has infuriated Ryanair which is currently the second largest operator in Mallorca and the Irish company has accused the German airlines and government of what it calls 'a carve up' which will be to the advantage of Lufthansa.

In a statement, a spokesperson for Ryanair said "This artificially created



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## Ryanair eyes on expanding German business.

insolvency has obviously been set up so that Lufthansa can take over a debt-free Air Berlin and this is contrary to all competition rules of Germany and the EU."

In accordance with this belief, the company has filed a complaint with the German Federal Cartel Office as well

as with the EU Competition Commission.

Ryanair which has been trying to increase the number of airports in Germany from which it can operate suggests that the demise of Air Berlin and take-over of 'cheap aircraft' by Lufthansa will reduce competition and see higher fares on routes which were previously run on a competitive basis.

The German government rejects all of Ryanair's accusations but the European Commission decision may play an important part in seeing how matters progress in the German market which is so important to Lufthansa.

Unions at Eurowings, a low cost carrier which is a subsidiary of Lufthansa also criticise the deal, believing that it will allow the German parent to take over Air Berlin staff on terms which are potentially worse than those who work for the company.

Cabin crew are now considering whether it would be appropriate to take strike action in support of their pay claims which have coincidentally broken down recently.

## Go slow at airports

AS the strike of security staff at Barcelona El Prat airport is called off temporarily, staff at other Aena managed Spanish airports have announced their own programme.

Whilst Barcelona was the touch paper and an arbitrator is likely to be appointed by central government, the explosion of anger by staff could bring a winter of delays and irritation to passengers.

It is expected that Marcos Peña, who was involved in trying to resolve the recent Stevedore's dispute will be appointed to try to get the parties to agree on a way forward.

If the staff in Barcelona can be placated, then it is possible that staff in the other airports will be likely to settle.

# Losing mental capacity whilst living abroad

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

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

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



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

### What is an LPA?

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

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

Your attorney can be a professional,

such as a solicitor or a family member or friend.

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

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

### Why should you get an LPA?

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

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

### Will my LPA be recognised in Spain?

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

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# I truly am very fed up with being told to call a spade a fork

THIS latest travesty, which resulted in the resignation of MP Sarah Champion is a glaring example.

Ms Champion had the 'nerve' to state that Pakistani men were targeting white British girls for sexual exploitation. In the light of the recent evidence and subsequent prosecutions, to most minds the only thing this MP was guilty of was stating the blatantly obvious. Naturally the Corbyn'ites didn't agree.

The first priority in the forming of a dictatorial state is the suppression of free speech. It is therefore no surprise that Corbyn cynically forced out one of his own, perfectly capable party members purely for speaking the truth. (A statement which also wouldn't of course win his party many future ethnic votes!)

Freedom of expression is at the very core of a democratic society. To suppress it results in frustration, social unrest and ultimately, without that valve of non-physical release, violence. We have to be able

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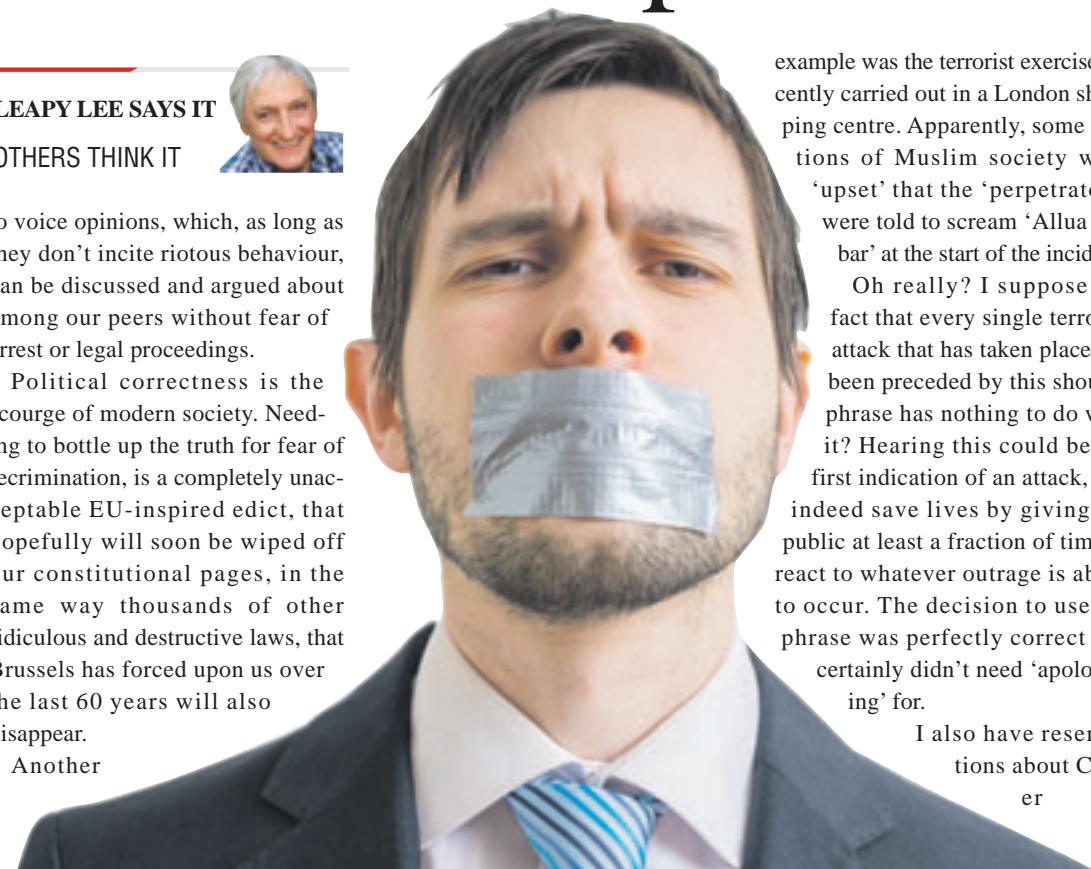
OTHERS THINK IT



to voice opinions, which, as long as they don't incite riotous behaviour, can be discussed and argued about among our peers without fear of arrest or legal proceedings.

Political correctness is the scourge of modern society. Needing to bottle up the truth for fear of recrimination, is a completely unacceptable EU-inspired edict, that hopefully will soon be wiped off our constitutional pages, in the same way thousands of other ridiculous and destructive laws, that Brussels has forced upon us over the last 60 years will also disappear.

Another



example was the terrorist exercise recently carried out in a London shopping centre. Apparently, some factions of Muslim society were 'upset' that the 'perpetrators' were told to scream 'Allua Akbar' at the start of the incident.

Oh really? I suppose the fact that every single terrorist attack that has taken place has been preceded by this shouted phrase has nothing to do with it? Hearing this could be the first indication of an attack, and indeed save lives by giving the public at least a fraction of time to react to whatever outrage is about to occur. The decision to use the phrase was perfectly correct and certainly didn't need 'apologising' for.

I also have reservations about Cast-er Se-

menya, the Olympic gold-medalist runner who won gold in the women's 800 metres in the recent World championships. Due to a condition called Hyperandrogenism, she has testosterone levels three time higher than a female, no female organs and internal testes. She is in fact considered Intersex.

Whatever gender she prefers, as is her right, I consider it completely unfair to allow her to compete against women in these events. Female toilets, women's armed forces and even her recent marriage (to a female!) are fine, but unless she agrees on medication to lower her testosterone levels, physical competition should never be allowed.

I know many will disagree, but to me it simply isn't on. Just another example of PC madness, which left unchecked will be the end of society as we know it.

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**FREEDOM OF SPEECH: Political correctness has gone to the extreme.**

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## Sounds like a lot of money

**Mike Senker**

*In my opinion*

*Views of a Grumpy Old Man*



THIS week I'm going to mention again a certain airline that, if you don't pay extra to select a seat, will make sure that you and your travelling companion do not sit together.

A friend of mine called Bill, who is much wiser and smarter than I, has come up with a solution that he has tried and which has worked and I'm going to pass it on to you. Even if it doesn't work I'd have to try it. Here we go.

When you get on the plane don't stress - take your allocated seat, which will most likely be a middle seat, because that's how they punish you. Then when everyone is seated get up and go to your partner, wherever they are sitting, and say to them, 'How you feeling?' Then produce a sick bag or even a carrier bag and say, 'Look make sure when you throw up, that you get it all in the bag.' By now the people each side are going to be looking a bit uncomfortable and usually, if they are travelling alone, one will say, 'Would you like to sit here?' because no one wants to sit next to someone who is going to

be sick on a flight. Worth a try!

I saw this week that they are now not building a new bridge over the Thames. Well, that's OK then, except it's already cost £50 million. That's right, £50 million has already been spent. How? Where? Please explain to me how this happens. Someone has made a nice few quid out of this and it's scandalous. And how about that HS2 train network. It's going to add 350 miles of new track all at the knock down price of £55 billion - that's £157,142, 857.1428571 per mile. Now that sounds like a lot of money to me.

All that to cut an hour off your journey time to get to Manchester. I'll tell you what - spend the money on hospitals and health and let all the punters for the fast train get up an hour earlier. And don't be under any illusion - the first bits of snow or rain or a few dodgy leaves on the line and it will all grind to a halt and, of course, you just know it will run over budget too.

I have a message for Mr Donald J Trump this week. You CANNOT over react to Nazis walking through the streets of the USA or any country come to that. Did you not hear their chants? Did you not see the burning torches they were carrying? You are an embarrassment and should be removed from office immediately. If anyone has any comments my email is [mikesenker@gmail.com](mailto:mikesenker@gmail.com).

## LEGALLY SPEAKING

### Documents to carry

**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.



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**DON'T FORGET: The necessary documentation to have in your car.**

A COMMON question that often crops up for drivers in Spain is what documents must be carried in the car with you. Here the N-332 team have the answers...

#### *The ITV card*

This is the official document which relates to the technical inspection of the vehicle.

#### *ITV report*

Once your vehicle is four years old it is required to have the mandatory ITV test and the report which states what happened during the inspection and confirms it is road worthy, and it must be carried in the vehicle.

#### *Permiso de Circulacion*

The Permiso de Circulacion is similar to a log book for a vehicle and contains information such as the number plate, vehicle owner and other details relating to the vehicle.

There are also some other documents which are not compulsory, but it is advisable that you carry them with you. These include:

#### *Insurance policy*

This is not compulsory as all the information is contained on a central computer, however, if you are involved in an accident you will need to know your policy details so it is easier to have them to hand.

#### *European Accident Agreement*

Again, this is not compulsory, but it is advisable to carry the European Accident form as it will help you ensure data is recorded correctly in the event of an incident. The forms are available in a number of languages but are all laid out the same so it bridges any language gaps.

Copies of your Suma annual tax which is paid to municipal town halls is also not compulsory.

Remember that the documents you carry must be the originals, not photocopies. Notarised copies are allowed, but this is the only exception.

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## How to quiet noisy renters?

**Q.** We need your advice on a problem with a detached property behind our house with private pool. The owner lives in Scandinavia and rents out this property for most of the year. It is advertised on websites. They have a local property manager who welcomes the people and handles cleaning. We and other neighbours have been kept awake by loud partying around the pool long after midnight.

**Who is responsible?**

**Should we notify the town hall or the police?**

**As this is a business, is there a way to formally complain?**

**Should the house be registered with the local authority for rental and how can we check if it is?**

*P S (By email)*

**A.** Try phoning the property manager after midnight when the noise becomes loud. Then call the Local Police. Encourage your neighbours to call too. If your absent owner advertises on

**David Searl**

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the web, his advert must feature his registration number for tourist rentals. If he does

not have this, he can be subject to heavy fines. The website can also be fined. If your property manager is a business, you can complain to the OMIC, consumer advice municipal office.

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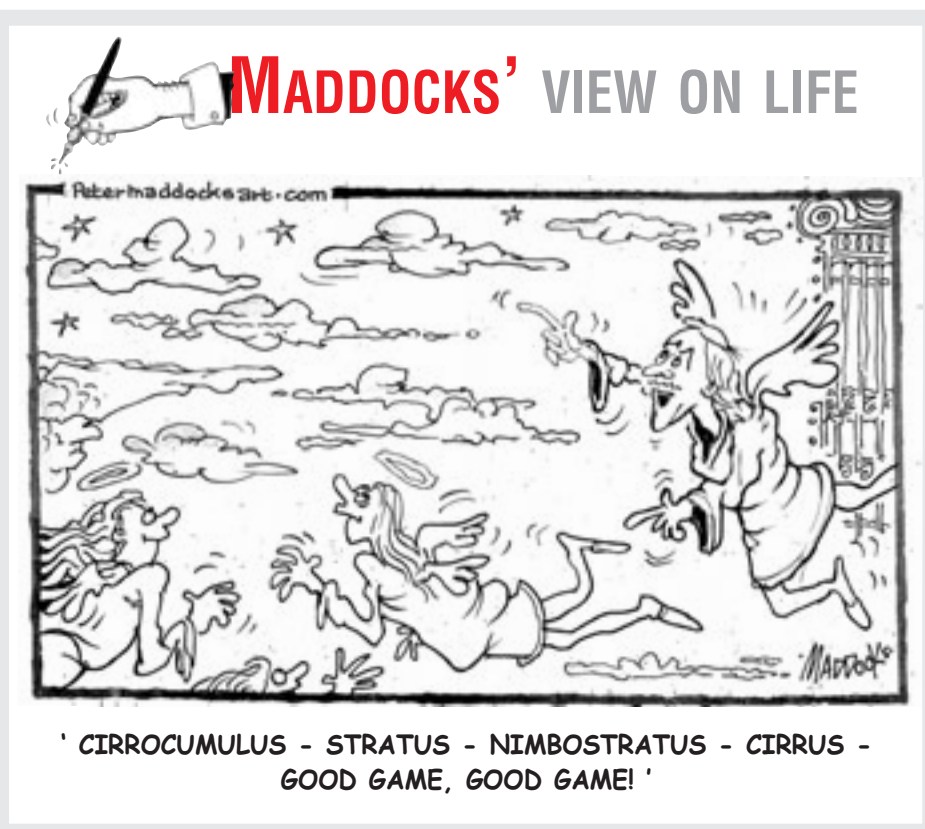
“Carry out a random act of kindness, with no expectation of reward, safe in the knowledge that one day someone might do the same for you.”

*Diana, Princess of Wales***Famous quote**

“You're only given a little spark of madness. You mustn't lose it.”

*Robin Williams**Actor and Comedian***World of English**

“Children should be seen and not heard.”



# Theme parks in Spain

TOP 5

**1. Portaventura, Salou, Costa Dorada**

A huge, action-packed, multi-themed park in the popular tourist destination of Salou. Home to a variety of wild rides including Dragon Khan with eight loops and Shambhala with its thrill-inducing drops, the park also boasts a variety of family shows from a wild-west stunt show to the fiery Temple del Fuego experience.

**2. Terra Mítica, Benidorm, Costa Blanca**

A real gem in the heart of the Valencian community. Boasting five different themed areas and an array of rides to suit thrill-seekers and families alike. The giant wooden rollercoaster of Magnus Colossus is sure to provide participants with a windswept grin whilst Titanide now features a virtual reality option.

**3. Warner Brothers Park, Madrid**

Warner Brothers has given the world a host of great entertainment from cartoons to films to comic book franchises so it doesn't get much better than a theme park that celebrates all of this. Hollywood Boulevard, Cartoon Village and Movie World Studios are some of the fun themed sectors to visit as well as DC Super Heroes World.

**4. Parque de Atracciones, Madrid**

One of Spain's oldest theme parks, it has stood



Photo credit: Costa blog.

**VERY BENDY:** The eight loops of Dragon Khan, Port Aventura, are something to behold.

the test of time and still attracts high numbers. Combining thrills with nature, this park has five zones. Naturaleza Zone is home to two famously wet and wild water rides whilst Maquinisimo Zone houses the Abismo roller coaster as well as the Tarantula. With the addition of the new Nickolodeon Zone, it promises fun for the entire family.

**5. Tivoli World, Benalmadena, Costa del Sol**

One of Malaga's top attractions, the Benalmadena-based theme park is a big hit and draws huge crowds from all across the Costa del Sol and beyond. Ideal for families, the park is home to a host of super fun rides including the Torre de Caída Libre with its huge drop as well as the totally spooky Mansion del Terror.

## YOUR STARS FOR NEXT 7 DAYS

**AQUARIUS**

(January 21 - February 19)

Yours is a big ship. You are able to take a lot on board but you don't have to. In this special week, when you see things so clearly, be selective. Allow into your life only that which is valuable and worthwhile. This is not selfishness, it is providing a source of inspiration for the present and the future.

**PISCES**

(February 20 - March 20)

Your old shoes are comfortable and still have a lot of wear in them but someone is suggesting that you should buy some new shoes and throw the old ones away. They are no longer shiny. They are no longer fashionable. They do, however, provide all that you need.

**ARIES**

(March 21 - April 20)

That little bit of extra cash has made you realise something. Not everything is as simple as you would wish it to be, and throwing money at a problem will not make it go away entirely. There are some things that you need to come to terms with. It is much easier to incorporate the uneasy into your life if you take a more relaxed attitude.

**TAURUS**

(April 21 - May 21)

Sometimes, when we are making a journey, it is not the usual route that is best. Something has changed in your sphere and there is a need to adjust to it. There are other options that will bring the same result and maybe even a more convenient one. You will need to do two things. The first is to open your mind to the possibilities.

**GEMINI**

(May 22 - June 21)

Someone needs to learn to stand on their own two feet. It isn't you, but it's close. Finding a balance between helping and idly standing by while mistakes are made is necessary. It's not easy but it has to be done. You may break into a sweat this week and it won't suit your nerves, but you'll get through.

**CANCER**

(June 22 - July 23)

A way opens up before you that can bring wealth. Branching off from that is a path to certain happiness. Which will you take? If having that money means changing your nature (or trying to) is that going to make you happy? On the other hand, if you sidestep the money can you still be happy? Keep things simple. You know where you are.

**LEO**

(July 24 - August 23)

Are you looking for guidance? Maybe you are thinking that a recent acquaintance will be able to provide it. You ran something by a few friends and they are not so sure.

That is because this is a situation where you need an expert, not a well-wisher. Best not to waste your time and jangle your nerves. Get that expert even if it costs a few pennies.

**VIRGO**

(August 24 - September 23)

It appears at times that you are in the middle of a play. The lights are on you, the mike's wired, your audience awaits, then nothing. Not that you are lost for words.

You know exactly what to say and do.

What you are wondering is why you are there in the first place. Maybe where you are was not intended.

**LIBRA**

(September 24 - October 23)

There's a lot of buzzing going on in your head. No, it isn't tinnitus, it's something quite different. You know it's a great time to get ideas and act on them.

However, trying to act on too many at once is causing some confusion. Maybe there's too much going on.

**SCORPIO**

(October 24 - November 22)

You've been working hard, maybe in the dark some of the time. This week someone shines a torch on your situation and you see exactly where you are. Are you surprised? You shouldn't be.

**SAGITTARIUS**

(November 23 - December 21)

Getting a creative project started has opened your eyes to many things. Perhaps you question why you did not do it before. The fact is that it doesn't matter. You are where you are right here and not because that was where you were heading. Enjoy the feeling, the praise and the satisfaction.

**CAPRICORN**

(December 22 - January 20)

Just imagine for one day that you have achieved everything your heart has desired. When you wake up in the morning believe it is so. Feel how your spirits lift and your heart sings. Carry that feeling through the week and beyond. If you believe that you are a success you can be. Why stop when it feels so good?

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**BONUS BALL**

(31)

**EURO MILLIONS**

Tuesday August 15

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(30) (35)  
(46)

**LUCKY STARS**

(4) (10)

Friday August 18

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(45)

**LUCKY STARS**

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Saturday August 19

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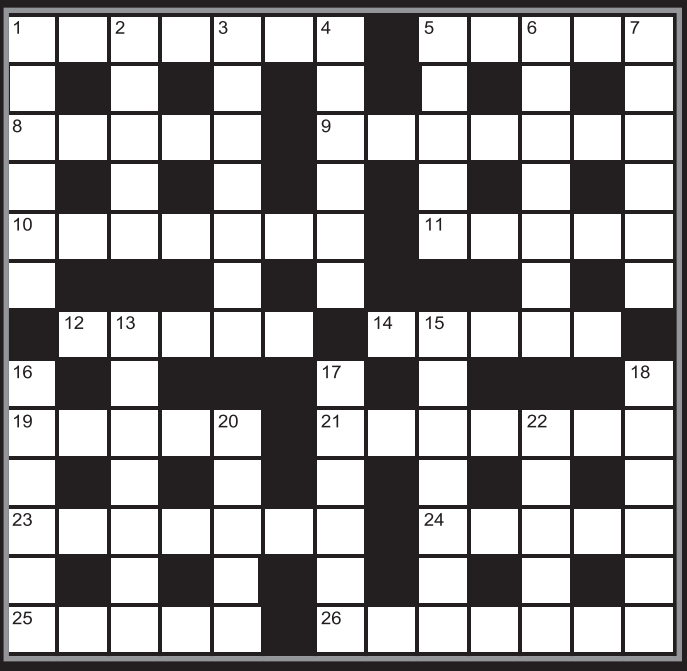
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**Cryptic**

- Across**  
1 Request treatment of colitis (7)  
5 Wants to be lenient by the sound of it (5)  
8 The heat in a strange relationship (5)  
9 Foot part ruined elation (7)  
10 Nobleman with award for part of listener (7)  
11 Point ties out on locations (5)  
12 A fat profit (5)  
14 Completed before time, it's obvious (5)  
19 Fiend starts a demonstration (5)  
21 Becomes aware of a new section (7)  
23 Has dire trouble being more unsavoury (7)  
24 Clothing right for a frolic (5)  
25 Saltpetre is awfully inert (5)  
26 Princes treated nippers (7)

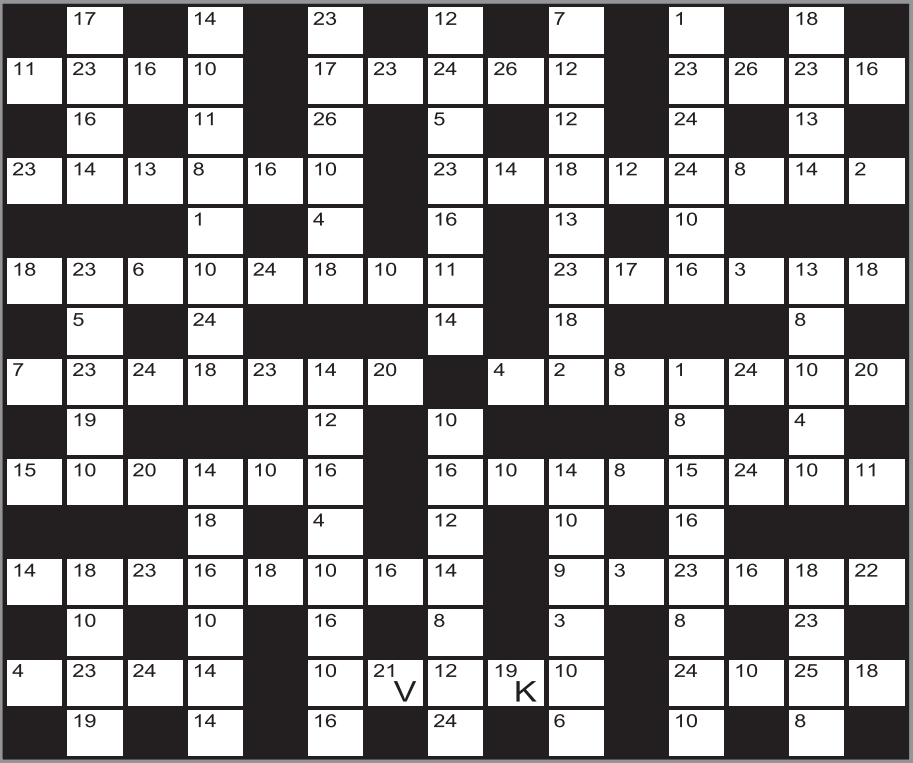
- Down**  
1 Some catfish are delicious when cut up (6)  
2 Drink alcohol a German provides (5)  
3 Odd trinkets containing uranium (7)  
4 Show some amusement when a sober chap gets in a row (6)  
5 Vegetables are running out of water, by the sound of it (5)



- 6 A novel division of a religious community (7)  
7 Betting the Spanish silence is a sensation (6)  
13 Runaway sheep and doggy breath (7)  
15 Wine vessel I am able to find in religious palace (7)  
16 Inventor backed no side (6)  
17 Trick intoxicated parent (6)  
18 Is, is or not exactly an Egyptian god (6)  
20 The sound in a piano is exhilarating (5)  
22 Small group of trees policemen reported (5)

**Code Breaker**

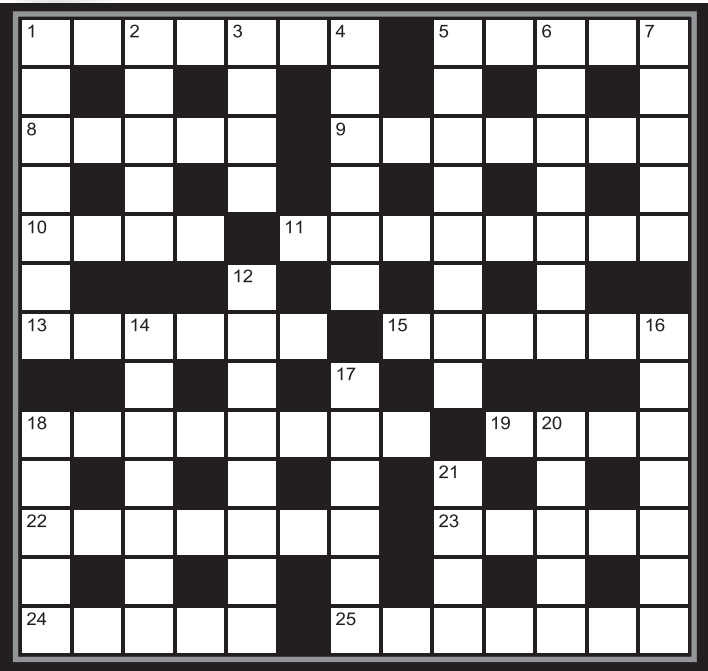
Each number in the Code Breaker grid represents a different letter of the alphabet. In this week's puzzle, 19 represents K and 21 represents V, so fill in K every time the figure 19 appears and V every time the figure 21 appears. Now, using your knowledge of the English language, work out which letters should go in the missing squares. As you discover the letters, fill in other squares with the same number in the main grid and the control grid.



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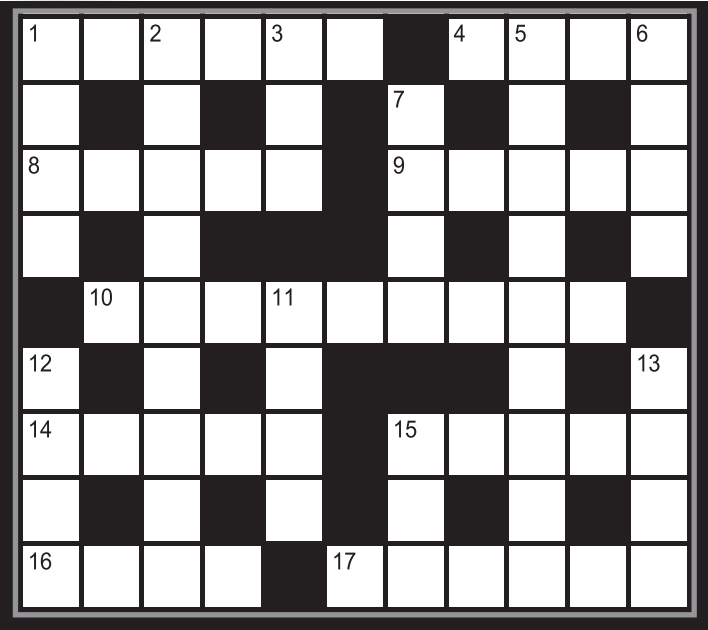


- Across**  
1 Wants (7)  
5 Marine carnivorous fish (5)  
8 Large seagoing vessels (5)  
9 Worthless matter (7)  
10 Long-tailed rodents (4)  
11 Messages informing of danger (8)  
13 Repetition of sounds by reflection (6)  
15 Not in physical motion (6)  
18 Got temporarily (8)  
19 Alone (4)  
22 Tales (7)  
23 Rows (5)  
24 Apologetic (5)  
25 Domestic beasts of burden (7)

- Down**  
1 Earn (7)  
2 Garment worn on the upper half of the body (5)  
3 Repose (4)  
4 Indicator (6)  
5 Power (8)  
6 Opposed to (7)  
7 Retains (5)  
12 Speed (8)  
14 Refuge or shelter (7)  
16 Selects (7)  
17 Came to an end (6)  
18 Foundation (5)  
20 Snow leopard (5)  
21 Give a broad smile (4)

**English - Spanish**

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



- Across**  
1 Lentamente (6)  
4 Flower (4)  
8 Nobody (5)  
9 Skillful (5)  
10 To find (9)  
14 To walk (5)  
15 Sonrisa (5)

- 16 Parrot (4)  
17 Press (newspapers) (6)  
**Down**  
1 Arena (tierra) (4)  
2 Computer (9)  
3 Mentira (embuste) (3)  
5 Bibliotecario (9)

- 6 Rollo (de tela, papel, cuerda fina, cable fina) (4)  
7 ¿Qué? (interrogativo) (4)  
11 Work (4)  
12 Clavo (de carpintero) (4)  
13 Eyebrow (4)  
15 Southern (side, part) (3)

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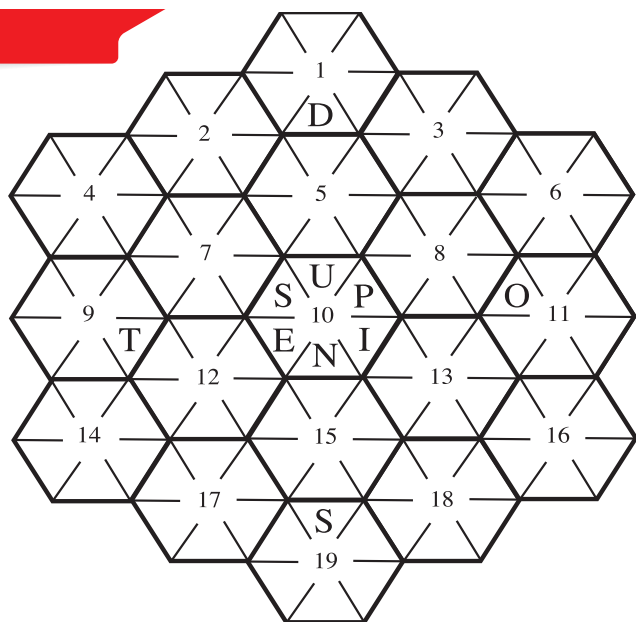
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## Hexagram

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EARWIG  
GINGER  
GORGON  
INGEST  
LAYOUT  
ODIOUS  
POMPON  
PONDER  
REMEDY  
RUSSET  
SUPINE (10)  
TEEING  
TEETER  
TRAVEL  
WHITEN



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 (**SUPINE**) and one letter in four other cells are given as clues.

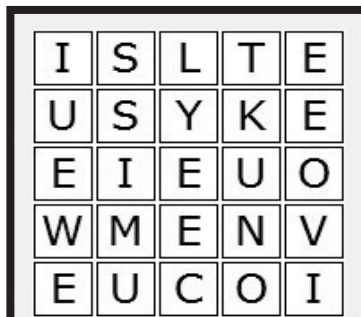
### LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

1 Eyeful 2 Reside 3 Mirage 4 Droopy  
5 Glossy 6 Carrot 7 Hubris 8 Pillar  
9 Goober 10 Holdup 11 Apathy  
12 Upside 13 Redial 14 Retard  
15 Tissue 16 Homily 17 Grisly 18 Triton  
19 Linkup.

## 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: 20
- Very good: 28
- Good: 40
- Excellent: 52

### SCORING:

4 letters: 1 point 7 letters: 5 points  
5 letters: 2 points 8 or more letters: 11 points  
6 letters: 3 points

### LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

neep neeps dept depend depends deep  
deepen deepens deeps dens dent dense  
desk desks tens tend tends tense tepee  
tepees tees pend pendent pedes pees pens  
pent pends peen peed peens peek peeks  
ends ekes knee knees kens kept keep keeps  
skep skeet skied skies skis teen teed teens  
spend sped spent spends speed sent send  
sends sense sept seep seeped seen seed  
seek seeks eked

## Nonagram

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



### TARGET:

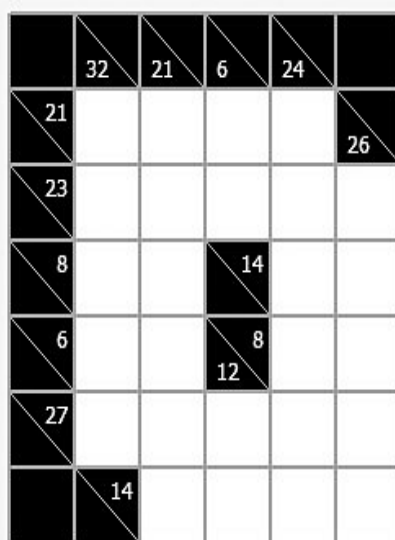
- Average: 6
- Good: 8
- Very good: 12
- Excellent: 16

### LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

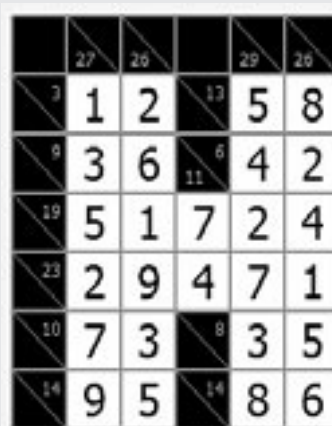
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## Kakuro

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 Cesped, 4 Opal, 8 Among,  
9 Stiff, 10 Llamada, 14 Abeja,  
15 Cueva, 16 Push, 17 Sprain.

#### Down:

1 Claw, 2 Shoulders,  
3/15 Egg cup, 5 Primavera,  
6 Left, 7 Isla, 11 Abad,  
12 Damp, 13 Warn.

### CODE BREAKER

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14	C	15	B	16	Y	17	V	18	U	19	K	20	T	21	A	22	Q	23	E	24	I	25	N	26	F

### CRYPTIC

#### Across:

1 Sabres, 3 Thebes, 8 Orderly, 10 Lions,  
11 Cheap, 12 Lattice, 13 Revel, 15 Cadet,  
20 Epitome, 22 Barge, 24 Beard,  
25 Elegant, 26 Adhere, 27 Watson.

#### Down:

1 Scorch, 2 Budge, 4 Helot, 5 Bromide,  
6 Sister, 7 Cycle, 9 Rupee, 14 Epitaph,  
16 Amble, 17 Serbia, 18 Newer,  
19 Merton, 21 Order, 23 Roams.

### QUICK

#### Across:

1 Scatter, 5 Cargo, 8 Appeals, 9 Venus,  
10 Fresh, 11 Soldier, 12 Afford, 14 Single,  
17 Against, 19 Songs, 22 Thorn,  
23 Tractor, 24 Dirty, 25 Satisfy.

#### Down:

1 Staff, 2 Apple, 3 Teacher, 4 Resist,  
5 Civil, 6 Running, 7 Observe, 12 Adapted,  
13 Flavour, 15 Instant, 16 Status,  
18 Nanny, 20 Notes, 21 Stray.

## App of the week



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## Tourist quality, not quantity

TOO much tourism in Spain seems to be focused around attracting cheap and cheerful!

This is clearly displayed with the recent Ryanair ban (*EWN Issue 1676*) on passengers on certain routes (including to Ibiza) boarding flights with duty-free drinks in their baggage. It must go into the hold, or be left.

And the boozy antics do not just stop on landing, nor are they merely a reflection of younger tourists.

Too many visiting Spain put cheap alcohol as a major foundation to their holidays, often leading to bad public behaviour including rowdiness and at times even violence.

Millions of tourists are well-behaved, but I am in favour of any moves for the ones who fly in for a boozy holiday to be brought to heel!

Quality not just quantity must be the way forward.

*L Powell, San Pedro*

### Fire! Just beware

THE article about the risk of summer wild fires (*Issue 1675*) was timely.

How sad that we annually have to not only face up to, but equally deal with wild fires that at times (as highlighted) lead to the loss of life and end in people losing their homes, and at times livelihoods.

Some fires are accidental, but so many are through stupid and at times criminal behaviour with individuals holding summer BBQs in risk areas, discarded cigarettes, and burning of garden waste,

As a retired UK fireman, I appeal to all... take responsibility and help Spain face up to the harsh fact of summer.

*S Furness, Albox*



### Empty feeling

I CONSTANTLY see new housing developments being started at a time when thousands of properties remain empty, and unsold.

Each slice of land that offers potential sea views continues to be built on, despite such clear and crass planning decisions in recent decades leading to much of southern Spain looking like concrete jungles in parts.

Ravaged and savaged, sadly so much of what was so beautiful in our surrounds - along with the annual weather - has been spoiled for ever.

With the recession over the construction industry is facing better times, but the national government should keep a close check on the number of plans approved for more new holiday and residential homes against the need to sell and fill the thousands of remaining empty ones.

*S Wardman, Elche*

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## Reversed racism threat (Leapy Lee)

YOU'RE nicely integrated in Spain, then, Graham? Fluent in Spanish? Conversant in current affairs (albeit with apparently no opinion on them)? Watch Spanish (not British) TV? After all, you're an immigrant and you admit ghetto lifestyles are undesirable.

The Grenfell victims' origins were not stated as they're utterly irrelevant. But they included Brazilians and gallegos who'd lived in the UK for 40+ years (longer than I or your nephew ever did).

*Kally*

SORRY but do I think the fact that those residents that lived in the tower block mainly consisted of non-white British citizens is relevant,

The local councils are not making any effort to integrate the immigrants within Britain today and as a result of these actions by the councils we have far too many areas now within cities that could be classed as ghettos or no go areas.

*Tony*

### Death of seven-year-old confirmed (Barcelona)

IT'S so awful. Poor little boy and his family must feel devastated. There are no words to make it better. RIP

*Melissa Baker*

### Comments from EWN online

UNBEARABLE. The whole situation is beyond belief, but to lose your little boy like this is unbearable. Very very sad.

*Mabel Winterburn*

### Two wildfires on the Costa del Sol

INFOCA are fantastic, we watch often when there are numerous fires especially at this time of year, as we can see into the valley and their response time is incredible. Well done lads.

*Ken Clarke*

### Police kill five bomb vest attackers

RIP to all victims that lost their lives. Sincere condolences to the families and we have to pay tribute to security services

for the hard work they do in preventing attacks. We know there will always be attacks we are not prepared for and sadly there will be casualties and we were made aware Europe and holiday spots would be targeted earlier on in the year. Why scumbags want to harm others is beyond me and beggars belief they are now using vehicles to attack

*Elizabeth Green*

LARGE towns and cities need concrete bollards to be placed alongside the road and pedestrianised streets should be blocked off to traffic. Emergency vehicles can enter by way of a gate which will open only by the driver of police, ambulance, fire brigade swiping a card. My family were in Zaragoza two weeks ago and the ease in which a terrorist could drive a car around the Pilar where hundreds of people were walking around was frightening.

*Michael Heame*

### Bathers harass dolphin to death

THEY should be at least fined, I personally would put them in prison for a couple of months or more and see how they like that. They are complete morons.

*Gerrie Lewis*

### Need answers

WHAT a laugh when Grenville Tower fire victims in Kensington, London, actually turn down alternative council accommodation saying 15 minutes walk away from their homes is too far.

Have they become spoiled living in such a high-class area?

But whose idea was it in the first place to build council homes in such a wealthy zone of London... and why so little information about the innocent deep freeze said to have caused the fire outbreak?

There are so many questions for the planned inquiry to find answers to.

*Name and address supplied*

### Singled out

I WAS dismissed like a dog when I tried to rent a sunbed in Fuengirola because I was single. They only accepted couples.

Can the Spanish do what they want?

What's next that single people are denied; perhaps no service at restaurants because they want to fill up the table?

Visiting as a single lady from Norway, I once experienced that too during winter time with no guests in sight.

*Fed Up*




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**FRIDAY - 25 AUGUST**

BBC ONE		BBC TWO		BBC FOUR		CHANNEL 4		CHANNEL 5	
7:00am	Breakfast	7:00am	The World's Most Photographed	8:00pm	World News Today	7:00am	Countdown	8:50am	Rusty Rivets
10:15am	Wanted Down Under	7:30am	Heir Hunters	8:30pm	BBC Proms 2017	7:45am	Will and Grace	9:05am	Digby Dragon
11:00am	Homes Under the Hammer	8:15am	Bargain Hunt	10:40pm	Blondie's New York... And the Making of Parallel Lines	8:05am	Will and Grace	9:15am	Peppa Pig
12:00pm	Heir Hunters	9:00am	Gardeners' World			8:30am	Everybody Loves Raymond	9:25am	Peppa Pig
12:45pm	Close Calls: On Camera	10:00am	Victoria Derbyshire	11:30pm	Reading Festival 2017	8:55am	Everybody Loves Raymond	9:35am	Mofy
1:15pm	Bargain Hunt	12:00pm	BBC Newsroom Live		<i>Huw Stephens introduces the headline performance by crowd-pleasers and festival favourites, Leicester's own rock 'n' roll kings, Kasabian.</i>	9:25am	Frasier	9:45am	Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom
2:00pm	BBC News at One	2:00pm	Two Tribes			9:55am	Formula 1	10:00am	Floogals
2:30pm	BBC London News	2:30pm	Planes			11:35am	The Simpsons	10:15am	The Wright Stuff
2:45pm	Red Rock	3:55pm	The Hair Bikers' Pubs That Built Britain			12:00pm	The Simpsons	12:15pm	The Yorkshire Vet
3:30pm	Impossible	4:25pm	Coast Australia			12:30pm	The Simpsons	1:10pm	5 News Lunchtime
4:15pm	Escape to the Continent	5:15pm	Planet Earth			1:00pm	Channel 4 News	1:15pm	Celebrity Big Brother
5:15pm	Flog It!	6:15pm	Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is			1:05pm	Couples Come Dine with Me	2:15pm	Home and Away
6:15pm	Pointless			1:00am	Totally British	1:55pm	Formula 1	2:45pm	Neighbours
7:00pm	BBC News at Six	7:00pm	Eggheads	2:00am	Totally British	3:35pm	F1: Grand Prix	3:20pm	NCIS
7:30pm	BBC London News	7:30pm	Royal Recipes	3:00am	It's Only Rock 'N' Roll: Rock 'N' Roll at the BBC	4:00pm	Cheap Cheap Cheap	4:15pm	Jesse Stone: Thin Ice
8:00pm	The One Show	8:00pm	Celebrity Antiques Road Trip	4:00am	This is BBC Four	6:00pm	Come Dine with Me	6:00pm	5 News at 5
8:30pm	A Question of Sport	9:00pm	Mastermind		<i>BBC Four is the BBC channel for people who want more. More depth, more range, more to stimulate the mind.</i>	6:30pm	Streemate	6:30pm	Neighbours
9:00pm	EastEnders	9:30pm	Only Connect			7:00pm	The Simpsons	7:00pm	Home and Away
9:30pm	Celebrity MasterChef	10:00pm	Gardeners' World			7:30pm	Hollyoaks	7:30pm	5 News Tonight
11:00pm	BBC News at Ten	11:00pm	QI			8:00pm	Channel 4 News	8:00pm	Cricket on 5
11:25pm	BBC London News	11:30pm	Newsnight			9:00pm	The Crystal Maze	9:00pm	Titanic: Draining the Wreck
11:35pm	The Ronnie Barker Comedy Lecture with Ben Elton	12:05am	Dragons' Den			10:00pm	Does Countdown	10:00pm	Celebrity Big Brother
12:20am	Miranda	1:05am	Normal for Norfolk			11:00pm	Naked Attraction	11:45pm	Celebrity Big Brother's Bit on the Side
12:50am	Up in the Air	1:35am	Inside the Factory Documentary series.			12:05am	Rude Tube	1:15am	Super Casino
		2:35am	Going Back Giving Back			1:05am	The Stag		
7:00am	Good Morning Britain	8:20am	The Ellen DeGeneres Show	7:00am	Judge Judy	7:00am	The Chase	7:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
9:30am	Good Morning Britain	9:00am	Emmerdale	7:20am	Judge Judy	7:50am	Storage Wars Texas	7:30am	Good Morning Sports Fans
10:25am	The Jeremy Kyle Show	9:30am	Emmerdale	7:40am	The Royal Heartbeat	8:10am	Storage Wars Texas	8:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
11:30am	This Morning	10:00am	You've Been Framed! Gold	8:40am	Where the Heart is	8:35am	The Professionals	8:30am	Good Morning Sports Fans
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2:30pm	ITV Racing Live	12:00pm	The Great Indoors	11:35am	Judge Judy	12:50pm	The Professionals	9:30am	Good Morning Sports Fans
5:00pm	Tipping Point	12:25pm	Below Deck	12:00pm	Rising Damp	1:55pm	Cycling	10:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
6:00pm	Cash Trapped	1:20pm	Emmerdale	12:30pm	You're Only Young Twice	2:55pm	Ironsides	11:00am	Day one of the second Test between England and West Indies at Headingley.
7:00pm	ITV Evening News	1:55pm	Emmerdale	1:00pm	The Darling Buds of May	3:55pm	Quincy, M.E.	7:45pm	Masterclass: Tammy Beaumont
8:00pm	Emmerdale	2:30pm	You've Been Framed! Gold	2:05pm	Heartbeat	5:00pm	Minder	8:00pm	Football Bristol City v Aston Villa.
8:30pm	Coronation Street	3:00pm	The Ellen DeGeneres Show	3:10pm	The Royal	6:00pm	The Professionals	11:30pm	Boxing Sky Sports News at Ten
9:00pm	Teach My Pet to Do That	3:50pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show	4:10pm	The Darling Buds of May	7:00pm	Storage Wars Texas	12:00am	Through the Night
9:30pm	Coronation Street	4:55pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show	5:20pm	You're Only Young Twice	7:30pm	The Darts Show	2:00am	Through the Night
10:00pm	Benidorm	5:55pm	On the Buses	5:55pm	On the Buses	8:00pm	Cycling World Series of Darts		
11:00pm	ITV News at Ten and Weather	6:00pm	Judge Rinder	6:25pm	Rising Damp	9:00pm	The PDC World Series of Darts		
11:30pm	ITV News London	7:00pm	You've Been Framed!	6:55pm	Heartbeat	continues as eight top players face eight of Australasia's finest on day one of the Perth Darts Masters.			
11:40pm	Piers Morgan's Life Stories	8:00pm	You've Been Framed!	8:00pm	Murder, She Wrote	1:00am	Another 48 Hrs	11:00pm	Boxing Sky Sports News at Ten
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		12:00am	Family Guy	1:20am	FYI Daily				



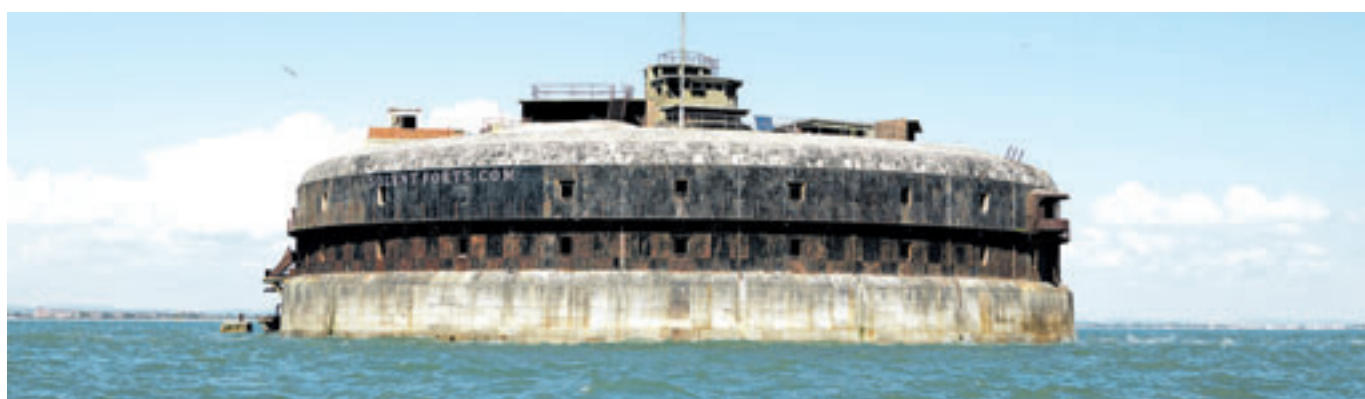
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Despite the ongoing threat of these indiscriminate assaults, the consistent theme that binds us together is our determination to carry on enjoying what life has to offer and maintaining our characteristic resilience in the face of adversity.

So for those shortly heading off on their travels, or to see family and friends this summer, how do we protect ourselves against these unsavoury manifestations of today? In truth, nowhere is completely risk free, however, you can review the latest travel advice to make an informed choice about your next destination by checking the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO)



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- Rhonda Kimberley: Pour a few drops of tea tree oil on to a cotton hankie and inhale from time to time to ward off germs (especially useful on a long haul flight with recycled air and the risk of infection).

- Sally Phillips: Always carry a couple of days worth of your prescription medication in your hand luggage, just in case your luggage goes astray.

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# Compensation gravy train isn't grinding to a halt any time soon

**Nora Johnson**  
*Breaking Views*

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A HOLIDAYMAKER'S claim that she suffered 'nausea and diarrhoea' during an all-inclusive Thomas Cook holiday in Egypt has been branded a lie. During the period when she was supposedly 'trotting back and forth to the toilet,' she was posting on social media about being in 'luxury.'

This follows another £10,000 bogus food poisoning claim against Thomas Cook by tourists who didn't mention food poisoning at the time, had no medical verification, and after their return (from Gran Canaria) returned to work and their children to school.

What is wrong with people? I know of a woman who sued a



**BAD HOLIDAY? More and more holidaymakers are making false compensation claims.**

previous employer because she slipped on a staircase in the workplace and hurt herself (no broken bones). She also sued the local council because she had fallen after tripping on an uneven paving stone. Why? Sometimes it isn't anyone's fault. Other than, occasionally, someone's own clumsiness.

The whiplash industry and its successor, the holiday enteritis industry, form part of the UK's ever growing compensation

culture where companies actively try to encourage people to make bogus claims. And you don't need to have been in any sort of accident - car crash scammers call at random.

I've written about this before. About British travel agents said to operate an annual £1m fighting fund to cope with huge personal injury payouts to 'aggrieved' holidaymakers. About teaching staff securing major compensation for minor acci-

dents and likewise illegal immigrants for 'unlawful detention' while awaiting deportation.

I've said this before as well but I'll say it again anyway the UK's thriving compensation culture is not only still keeping the door wide open for all these claimants but continuing to carry them over the threshold too. Solution? Make it harder for those keen to exploit the system for profit at the slightest excuse.

Enough to drive the rest of us crazy! Which reminds me of a joke. A pair of cows are talking in a field. One says, "Have you heard about the mad cow disease that's going around?" "Yeah." The other cow says, "I'm glad I'm a penguin."

Nora Johnson's psychological crime thrillers 'The Girl in the Red Dress,' 'No Way Back,' 'Landscape of Lies,' 'Retribution,' 'Soul Stealer,' 'The De Clerambault Code' ([www.nora-johnson.net](http://www.nora-johnson.net)) available from Amazon. Profits to Cudeca.

## THURSDAY THOUGHTS

By Angus Sylvie

### "It's a vicious circus"

I HAVE a relative who regularly creates sentences that sound fine in her head but when they emerge from her mouth contain unintended or mixed-up words that can either render the sentence meaningless or amusing, or both.

Here are some examples. She once finished an argument with what she triumphantly thought was the decisive question "How would you like it if the foot was on the other shoe?" which had the unintended consequence of causing the object of her anger to collapse in fits of laughter. After complaining of a pain in her wrist, she announced "I think I've got repetitive arm syndrome." She wanted to listen to her radio so asked "Do you mind if I put my headstones on?" We were watching some football. Bored, she asked "is it half-term yet?" Yes, she meant half-time. Recounting a debt collection documentary she had watched, she announced "In the end they had to send the bayleaves round!"

TV programmes do not escape her verbal mangling. Keen to catch a comedy TV show, she said "I need to get home so I can watch Have I Been Framed For You." Then there was the time I was trying to end a phone call so I could watch World's Strongest Man. She guessed this and said "I suppose you want to watch The World's Biggest Man now?" which would be a very short programme as all you would need are some scales and a tape measure.

Why is it that some people's brains work like this and don't seem to learn from their mistakes? Indeed my relative feels that the more mistakes she makes, the worse she gets. As she herself says "It's a vicious circus."

Readers interested in submitting articles for this guest column should send articles of around 300 words on topics felt to be of interest to the cosmopolitan EWN readership to [editorial@euroweeklynnews.com](mailto:editorial@euroweeklynnews.com).

# The CUP has runneth over

**Cassandra Nash**  
*A weekly look*

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

THE CUP party is anti-system, anti-capitalist and anti-everything except Catalan independence.

Its 10 seats currently shore up Junts pel Si in the regional parliament because DXJpS - a coalition of centre-right PDeCat and Oriol Junqueras' left-wing nationalists ERC - failed to win a majority in the 2015 regional elections.

These were called early with the intention of obtaining an independence mandate which did not materialise and the coalition is in power only thanks to CUP.

The price of CUP's support was the exit of the PDeCat leader and regional president Artur Mas, who was substituted by Carles Puigdemont.

If PDeCat and ERC were unlikely bedfellows, the threesome with

## A helping hand

THE Partido Popular would still be the most-voted party in an election, while the PSOE has made a modest comeback and Podemos marks time.

Ciudadanos led by Albert Rivera did reasonably well in the last CIS poll but is dawdling compared with the others.



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Rivera once said he would rather be helpful than famous, which he demonstrated by trying to help Pedro Sanchez form a government in March 2016. Seven months later Rivera's help and Ciudadanos' parliamentary seats put Mariano Rajoy back in the Moncloa Palace.

**RIVERA: Ciudadanos popularity is rising but still not leading.**

anarchical CUP is a monumental mismatch that forces even the politically prurient avert to their eyes.

CUP are clearly holding Junts pel Si hostage while Carles Puigdemont and Oriol Junqueras are happily unaware that they are in the clutches of Stockholm Syndrome.

## Action stations

MARIANO RAJOY must come up with something regarding Cataluña. Inaction, the Spanish president's usual plan of action in a crisis, has seen him through until now. But unless he pulls something out of the

bag before Cataluña's independence referendum planned for October 1, soon it will be all action and big trouble.

## Kicked out

CUP's pro-Referendum poster entitled 'Sweep them out!' is based on a 1920s' Soviet poster that showed Lenin brushing away the enemies of the people.

This version shows not only the usual suspects - the King, Mariano Rajoy, Cardinal Rouco, Jose Maria Aznar, Ana Botin and Artur Mas - getting the old heave-ho from the Paisos Catalan but also Florentino Perez.

He is present not because of his position as president of Real Madrid but as boss of the multinational ACS. So it has nothing to do with Madrid's current superiority over Barça, has it? Of course not.

## Life in the hive

PSOE secretary general Pedro

Sanchez hopes to wedge his own people onto provincial committees, come the primaries in Andalucía's eight provinces next month.

In the national primaries last May, Sanchez suffered resounding defeat only in Andalucía, the home ground of his rival candidate, the regional president Susana Diaz.

Tipping the balance towards him on the provincial committees promises to be more complicated than in other regions, as candidates will need pledges from 20 per cent of the registered party members.

These pledges are later translated into votes, which has caused considerable chuntering at party headquarters in Calle Ferraz in Madrid because Sanchistas are unlikely to get a look-in.

Pedro Sanchez's political stock is rising, his ratings are increasing and he reigns supreme in the party but Diaz is still queen bee in Andalucía.



# Is too much TV affecting your health?

IS binge-watching your favourite TV shows affecting your sleep?

With an increase in the popularity of being able to watch several episodes of TV shows in one go through internet streaming and the likes of Netflix, it can have a negative ef-

fect on your health compared to watching TV for shorter periods of time.

Researchers at the University of Michigan in the USA and the Leuven School for Mass Communication Research in Belgium found that binge-viewing can lead to poorer sleep quality



**TV SHOWS:** Can have a negative effect.

and increased insomnia.

They surveyed over 400 adults between the ages of 18 to 25 about their TV habits in the past month to learn about how this affected their sleep quality, insomnia and fatigue.

The study found that 81 per cent had binge-watched and 28 per cent did so more than once and 7 per cent admitted they did it nearly every day. Men were found to do it less but when they did their viewing sessions were almost double those of women.

Researchers said that many shows are created to entice the viewer to want to continue watching the next episode and with this, many get absorbed into the show delaying their

sleep and affecting their natural sleep pattern.

Other studies have shown that binge-watching can have other numerous effects. Researchers from the University of Queensland found that it led to a lower muscle strength in participants who watched a lot of TV in one go and another study from the University of Toledo found watching two or more hours of television a day was linked to higher levels of depression, anxiety and stress. Researchers at the National Cancer Institute in Michigan said that those who watch more than three-and-a-half hours of television a day are at a higher risk of cancer and heart disease.

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## Sea urchins



**SPECIALIST:** Doctor Luis Perez Belmonte.

### WHAT are sea urchins?

Sea urchins are some of the strangest animals known due to their physical characteristics. Starting from the Echinodea family, the sea urchin has been around for more than 200 million years.

### Where are they usually found?

They are usually found on the sea bed, close to coastlines. Bathers tend to find them after they have trodden on one of their spines. They can live up to 2,500 metres below sea level and are usually found in between rocks and crevices.

### Is their sting dangerous?

Sea urchins are covered in large, sharp spines and are sometimes venomous. Touching or treading on them is usually very painful as they tend to break off and become lodged in a person's skin. This can

lead to chronic pain and swelling if they are not removed. They can also cause pain in a person's muscles and eruptions on the skin.

### How can you treat their sting?

A sea urchin sting needs to be removed immediately. Vinegar dissolves most spines, and washing or bathing the area in it should usually be enough to treat the area unless it has gone deep into the skin. For lodged spines, surgery may be necessary. Soaking the area in warm water will alleviate the pain. Sometimes anti-inflammatories, analgesics and antihistamines are also needed to manage symptoms.

### Should you seek medical aid if you are stung?

Whenever you are stung by a sea urchin you must go to the nearest medical centre so they can assess the situation.

*If you have any questions for Dr Perez Belmonte, please send them to:*  
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# Artisanal festival

TOMORROW and Saturday, Velez-Málaga will be hosting its Festibalix festival.

The festival will see Velez-Málaga's main cultural areas (23) open for free from 8pm to midnight, while a series of concerts will take place in Plaza de la Constitucion.

Cultural councillor, Cynthia Garcia, and Youth and Business councillor, Maria Santana, said the event will "promote our historic centre and the town itself bringing the cultural offering of Velez-Málaga to all visitors with workshops and folkloric and musical performances."

The festival will see a wide range of events including a workshop area in Plaza el Espinar and a children's area in Plaza de San Juan de Dios, while Calle Las Tiendas will host a

handicraft area and an Arte de Velez-Málaga area will be set up in front of the Camarin de la Piedad.

In the Muvel City Museum, there will be two showings of story 'Perripato has discovered a patio' at 8.30pm and 10pm, as well as guided tours, while in Plaza de San Francisco, dancer Helena Lopez will be performing at 8.30pm, and at 10.30pm Miguel Pino's puppet theatre will be performing La Ventura de Peneque el Valiente (The adventure of Peneque the brave).

At the Camarin de la Piedad there will be guided tours from 8pm to midnight, while Arte de Velez-Málaga will host several performances and dances on Calle de Las Tiendas, with acts including Maria del Carmen Cabello, Cristina Gallardo, the FIT-Axarquía sports

club from Benajárafe, the New Crew dance group and dancers from the Virgen del Carmen academy.

Crafts will also feature heavily at the event, with exhibitors manning stalls from 8pm to 2am in Plaza El Espinar, specialising in wicker and ceramics, while on Calle Real de la Villa in the Casa de la Pintora, craft fans will be able to take part in one of three binding workshops from 9pm, each with a maximum of 12 participants.

Those interested in registering for the course can do so by emailing [terucapapel@gmail.com](mailto:terucapapel@gmail.com). Further up the town in the historic centre, the church of Santa Maria will be offering guided tours and showcasing examples of local craftsmanship with workshops.

In the town's famous fortress, participants will be

able to take part in guided tours of the tower and walls, in which group The House of Titas will provide a series of theatrical tours bringing the monument to life at 8.30pm, 10pm and 11pm.

In the San Francisco area, guided tours of the Casa Cervantes will be offered by an actor who will play the figure of Cervantes, while in the Convent of San Francisco, between guided tours, there will be two performances of violin and flamenco fusion in the courtyard by Andrea and Margot Torres at 8.30pm and 9.30pm.

Councillor for Trade and Youth, Maria Santana, added there will be the official tribute to Sabina 500 Noches, as well as performance by groups Contrabanda and Ley Seca.

On Saturday, August 26,



Credit: Ayuntamiento de Velez Malaga

Santana (L) and Garcia (R): explain the festival's itinerary.

according to Santana, a series of Indie concerts will take place, with bands Neuman, Napoleon Solo and Break the Senses performing.

She added a food tasting area will be installed in Plaza Joaquin Lobato and Plaza San Francisco as well as food trucks in Plaza de la Constitucion.

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# Vuelta a España



**VUELTA ESPAÑA:** The event sees hundreds of cyclists take part each year.

CYCLE enthusiasts are in luck over the coming weeks while Spain's 3,300 kilometre race, Vuelta a España, is in town.

The event, which takes place until September 10, will pass through Axarquía on Thursday August 31 and Friday September 1.

The race's 12th stage runs through Malaga Province, leaving Motril to cycle through Maro, Nerja, Torrox Costa,

El Morche, Lagos, Algarrobo Costa, Caleta de Velez, Torre del Mar, Benajárafe, Torre de Benagalbon, Rincon de la Victoria, La Cala del Moral and El Palo, finishing with a 7.6 kilometre climb over 530 metres of uneven terrain up to Antequera, a UNESCO World Heritage site since 2016.

Eighteen UCI teams automatically participate in the race with four other

teams being invited to participate. Among those racing this year are France's AG2R La Mondiale, America's BMC Racing Team, Germany's Bora - Hansgrohe, Belgium's Lotto Soudal, Holland's Team Lotto NL - Jumbo, the UK's Team Sky, Germany's Team Sunweb, America's Trek - Segafredo and Ireland's Aqua Blue Sport.

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# Things I hate - or don't like very much

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GARRY WAITE



WITHOUT sounding too much like my esteemed co-contributor Mike Senker, I want to have a bit of a moan. There are certain bits of equipment that I found annoying and pointless. I have never been a lover of dishwashers.

The domestic version I mean. We couldn't do without them commercially - but in the home? I accept that, not being a family man, there is normally only one or two of us contributing to dirty cutlery and crockery in my household so it is no hard task to wash by hand and of course saves piling the machine daily until you have sufficient to turn on a machine that is going to take hours to complete to say nothing of water and electric consumption!

The only time that there would be more is if I hold the occasional dinner party, but even then I tend to try and wash up as I go. It must date back to when these machines first became popular. If I remember rightly one used to have to swill plates etc before putting them in the machine. This seemed a double whammy as far as I was concerned. If you are going to do that, you may as well wash the stuff in the first place and be done with it.

This brings me to the first positive in my washing up regime. I am blessed with a drainer above my sink that is behind closed doors. Wash, rinse, put up - dry in 10 minutes, put away (or in my case leave it there for as long as I want or until I need it!) Clean, tidy and very effective. I used to have a next door neighbour who, when having a dinner party, put all her dishes etc in the empty oven until she could be bothered to put them in - yes you've guessed it - the dishwasher!

Before I get to a couple of items that I have in my kitchen that I would not do without, I will mention my two



My kind of dishwasher.

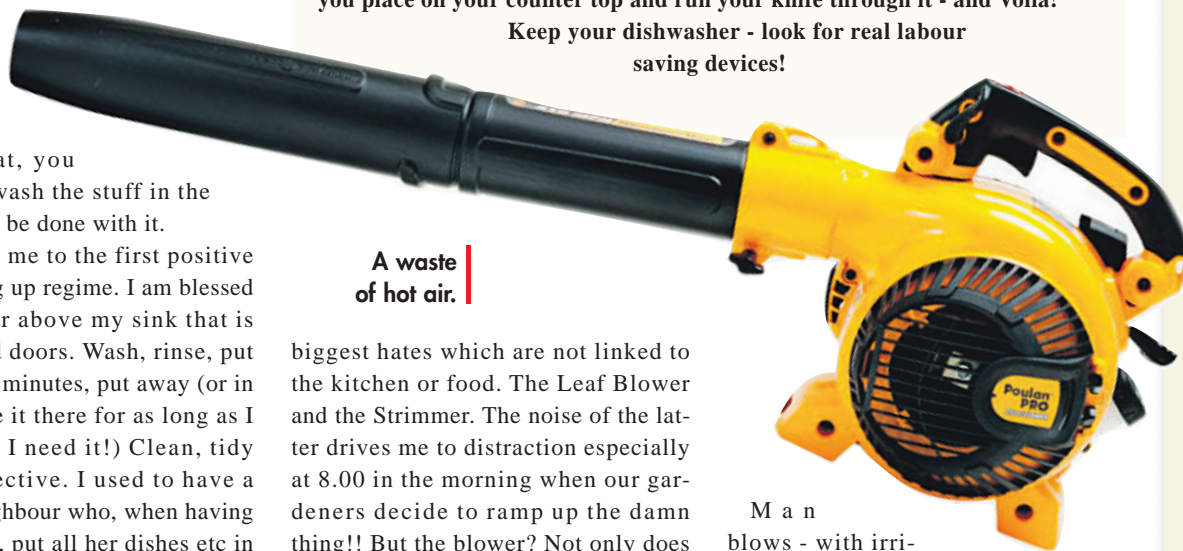
## On a positive side

I HAVE three pieces of equipment in my kitchen that are without doubt some of the least recognised labour saving devices ever invented. Remember grating cheese and having to clean the cheese from all those horrible little holes. Or mashing potatoes with the usual masher and having to rid the piece of equipment of its stuck-on potato. Or even sharpening a knife?

There are many new methods that are available now, but my Father always did his sharpening on a stone, and I, a 'steel'!

But let me tell you dear reader, I have the most amazing cheese grater, probably 40 years old. It is made with Teflon. It just swills off! A potato masher, about the same age, with the same coating - same thing, warm soapy water and its off!! As for the knife sharpener, a hand held V-shaped device which you place on your counter top and run your knife through it - and Voila!

Keep your dishwasher - look for real labour saving devices!



A waste of hot air.

biggest hates which are not linked to the kitchen or food. The Leaf Blower and the Strimmer. The noise of the latter drives me to distraction especially at 8.00 in the morning when our gardeners decide to ramp up the damn thing!! But the blower? Not only does it make a helluva noise I really don't see the point! Living on a golf course it would appear to be one of the green keeper's favourite machines. The noise it makes belies its inefficiency. Imagine a fairway full of autumn leaves?

Man blows - with irritating machine - all the leaves to the side of said fairways, only to have a slight gust of wind - blow them all back. Absolute waste of time. Why not a mechanical vacuum cleaner?

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

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**“** I learned that you don't take dishes from the table to the dishwasher; you have to rinse them first. I think that's stupid because I don't go out in the back yard and hose off before taking a shower.  
*Bill Engvall*

## There is some good news

DESPITE talks of Brexit, recessions, double dips et al more



Keeping Lenny Henry in work for the foreseeable future.

than 7,500 hotel bedrooms opened in the UK during the first half of 2017 - the highest figure for the first six months of the year since 2012.

The number of openings is also 40 per cent higher when compared to the same period last year, according to the Q2 2017 Hotel Bulletin.

The figures are slightly behind those forecast in the Q4 2016 Hotel Bulletin that suggested 20,000 hotel bedrooms would open in the UK during 2017, representing a supply growth of 3.3 per cent, which is more than double the average net increase of 1.6 per cent.

The budget sector has continued to account for a significant proportion of new hotels and is expected to continue to do so in the future, with 43 per cent of all openings over the next three years expected to be budget properties.

Budget hotels currently make up 33 per cent of the

current hotel supply, with the four- and five-star sectors accounting for 31 per cent and 5 per cent of the market respectively. The four- and five-star sectors are forecast to make up 32 per cent and 9 per cent of all new openings between now and 2020.

Premier Inn, the UK's largest hotel brand with 67,000 bedrooms across more than 760 hotels, is highlighted in the report as continuing its 'unyielding brand roll-out.' Key openings for the Whitbread-owned brand in Q2 2017 included a 613-bedroom hotel at London Heathrow Airport Terminal 4 and the fifth Hub by Premier Inn with 389-bedrooms in London's King's Cross.

Premier Inn intends to have 85,000 bedrooms open by 2020. Should keep Lenny Henry busy!!

*(Some content courtesy of the Caterer and Hotelkeeper)*

**1887** The year that Jospheine Cochrane invented the dishwasher.

**1950** The year that the first dishwashers were on sale to the public.

**79%** The number of people surveyed who said they re-ran their dishwasher rather than empty it.

**42%** The number of people who rewashed their dishes as they were not happy with the results first time around.



# Against landlord goldmine

THE debate over Airbnb is heating up after the American company revealed it connects properties in every single neighbourhood in Madrid to tourists. There are 13,335 homes in the capital being used to accommodate travellers on the Airbnb platform alone.

The firm's main competitors, HomeAway and Rentalia, are no slacks either. The result is tens of thousands of properties are now almost exclusively devoted to the tourist market.

Just three years ago Airbnb had less than 5,000 homes. They have since tripled their supply and no single district of Spain's biggest city is free from Airbnb apartments.

Madrid's situation, and that of Barcelona, is profoundly different to that experienced by smaller cities across Spain. The original aim of Airbnb tourists - renting an apartment to escape the city centre hotel experience - still holds true on the costas and campo, but not in



UPMARKET: Classic central Madrid flats losing touch with residents.

Spain's major metropolises.

In both Madrid and Barcelona, city centres are reserved for offices, the wealthy and tourists. Protests from residents fighting expulsion to the outskirts of the city have convulsed the Catalan capital but been absent in Madrid.

That looks set to change as the scale of Airbnb's impact on Madrid becomes clear. Last week it was revealed more than 23,000 long term residents have been forced to leave central neighbourhoods since 2010.

Such is the demand that even quieter working-class districts just outside the city centre are being swamped with tourist apartments. More than 640,000 Airbnb'ers visited Madrid last year, an increase of 78 per cent on 2015.

The city's powerful hotel lobby has taken note. They are seeing little profit from the huge rise in tourist numbers and are piling pressure on the government to impose a crackdown.

AMID heatwaves and regular high temperatures, Spanish homeowners are hunting for alternatives to air conditioning. Formerly considered a God-send in the summer months, air con now stands accused of all manner of crimes.

There is growing awareness in Spain over its effects on health. Cheaper systems in particular can cause throat pain, muscular contractions, even lead to pneumonia. Meanwhile a standard-sized conditioner recycling air for five or six

## Chilling out in the casa

hours during a hot August day can set a household back by €60 a month.

Enter a growing number of Spanish companies offering specialised tweaks to more efficiently chill homes, while adding value to the property.

Proper awning for instance is growing in pop-

ularity. It can reduce the need for electric air conditioners by up to 80 per cent simply by neutralising the sun's rays.

A more traditional method, the fan, is also making a comeback. Slow spinning and whirring ceiling fans are a thing of the past. Today's contraptions can adapt their motion and

speed to take account of room dimensions. They have far greater range and are almost silent.

Spanish homeowners are also experiencing the benefits of aluminium windows. Modern version use crystals to protect the windows from high temperatures.

This smart glass also works to fend off the cold, acting as a dual-purpose system that shaves a huge amount from both heating and air conditioning bills.

## A second British invasion underway

WAVES of retired Brits are set to settle in Spain and other sunny EU countries as a final Brexit deal looms in the near future.

Since the referendum websites and property portals advertising Spanish homes have seen the number of British visitors skyrocket.

Nor is the phenomenon restricted to pensioners. Young professionals willing to dive head first into a new life abroad while keeping their EU passports are also gazing enviously at Spain's thriving property market.

But Brits who have long eyed a sun-soaked retirement are the likeliest buyers. Thou-

sands who were planning to move in the next decade or two now have just a few years to decide as any final deal looks certain to make a fresh start harder and more expensive.

Whether Spain would welcome and provide services for an older cohort of immigrants, boosting the local economy but not joining the workforce is the question. Madrid may leverage its acceptance of British expatriates against the ease Spanish workers can reside in the UK.

Regardless of the eventual Brexit deal, the news is good for sellers and real estate agents based in Spain, who



GOLDRUSH: Brits racing to snap up dream Spanish homes.

can expect buyer interest to rise substantially as the negotiations crack on.

Spain dominates online searches for properties abroad among British nationals, well

ahead of France, Portugal and Italy. On property portal Rightmove more than 2.5 million searches for Spanish homes are made from UK computers every month.



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THERE are so many different opportunities to garden in the Mediterranean that the keen gardener may find that they don't have enough space for all the plants they would like to have growing.

Nothing tastes better than fresh fruit from your own garden but of course a fruit tree can take up a lot of space and usually has more fruit than necessary when mature.

Fruit trees are therefore often a lower priority in the garden unless you have a big garden area and the time to maintain it.

A proficient gardener doesn't let this drive him up the wall though, instead he will train the fruit trees or other space taking ornamental plants up the wall using the art of espalier.

Espalier makes a tree two-dimensional by training it to grow against a wall or support by selectively pruning all but the desired branches to form the pattern required to fit the space selected for it to grow. The tree is allowed to grow up and across but not



**An exceptional example of the art of Espalier.**

out from the wall.

It is an ancient garden art form used by the Egyptians, Greeks and Romans that has been well used in Europe for centuries. It requires some skill and understanding of the nature of the trees' growth patterns and of pruning so you may need to do some research but it is worth the effort to be able to grow trees in this way.

As the trees are more controlled, fruit trees often have bigger and better fruit than standard trees as the energy from the roots is supplied to fewer fruits.

Unless you obtain a tree already prepared to be planted as an espalier, you will need to start with a maiden tree of a year old with no side branching or with branching in the appropriate

places. This is to ensure it will have branching that aligns with the supports provided on the wall or structure they are to grow on.

Typically the central trunk will have branching growing horizontally on both sides at the same height and there would be three to five such branching from the trunk at about 30 - 40 cm distance apart up the trunk.

Branches need to be tied to the wall or support wires to maintain the integrity of the design for supporting the weight, including the fruit and the direction of growth.

Some trees do not grow naturally to this typical form due to excessive branch forming so it may be necessary to create a fan shape with branches spreading out from the trunk at different angles or other design forms that may be suitable to allow the tree to grow two-dimensionally.

This is where research and imagination are required to

form a suitable pattern for the trees natural growth thus making it an art form. It will take more time and planning to get a plant established but once the

form is developed it can be less work to maintain than a standard tree and it will display the skills of a proficient gardener.



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DOG foods do vary in quality. So do the companies that make the foods. To some companies quality is only a word. To others, it's a way of life many include rice which has no value whatsoever.

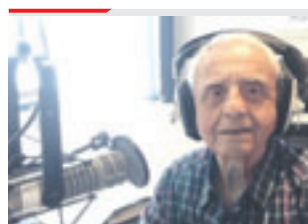
Ultimately, the quality of a dog food is best measured by your dog. How your dog performs on the food, how he looks, feels and acts are the best measures of the quality of any food. At least 80 per cent of my clients that report behavioural problems find a change of food changes the unwanted behaviour.

No matter what a food company claims unless your dog has bright eyes, silky hair and supple skin, and is not overweight, then the food is not right for him.

Not all dogs do well on a particular brand of food some dogs simply do better than others.

Most foods are categorised as Economy, Regular, Premium, Super Premium and Per-

# Food secrets



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formance.

Regular and Premium foods are not formulated like a Super Premium or Performance food.

Dogs have simple stomachs and short digestive tracts for digesting meat. They also

lack the saliva enzyme amylase, which is necessary for pre-digesting starch. Dogs have adapted to foods with high vegetable protein levels, however they perform better when fed foods high in meat protein and animal fats.

Checking the label of a Super Premium or Performance food an animal protein will be listed as the first or second major ingredient.

These should include either chicken, or turkey meat, or poultry by-products meals, meat or pork meals or other animal by-products. A least two sources of fat or oil should be included for adequate energy and essential fatty acids.

Fat in food is the dog's source of energy. Animal fat

contains essential and non-essential fatty acids as well as provides a highly digestible and easily metabolised energy source. Generally, poultry, turkey or chicken fat are higher in quality because they have more unsaturated fatty acids and are more digestible than animal tallow.

Vegetable oils, such as soybean oil, lecithin corn oil, wheat germ oil, sesame seed oil or linseed oil all contain high levels of linoleic acid, an essential fatty acid for dogs. These should be combined with animal fats for the best long-term results of a glossy hair-coat and soft pliable skin.

Carbohydrates are the third most important nutrient and ingredient class in modern Super Premium and Perfor-

mance foods. Simple carbohydrates in dog food come from quality sources like rice, oatmeal, corn or wheat. These are easily digested when properly cooked.

Fibre, a complex carbohydrate is essential for proper digestion and stool formation. Beet pulp and tomato pomace are both high in fibre. Other sources of fibre include rice, soy hulls, oat hulls, wheat bran and peanut hulls.

All these come from the external portion of the seed coat. These sources except peanut hulls have microscopic sharp edges, which can cause small cuts in the intestine.

This reduces the intestine's effectiveness in nutrient digestion. Peanut hulls on the

other hand, have the potential of being contaminated with aflatoxins and should never be used in a quality dog or cat food.

Vitamin and mineral fortification is an absolute necessity in nutritionally balancing any food for dogs. While the vitamins and minerals generally, make up less than 2 per cent of the total food by weight, they provide some of the most crucial nutrients.

These include 12 to 16 vitamins and 15 to 25 minerals. Often the list of these micro nutrients is much longer than the list of major ingredients. Expect this list in all dog foods.

Super Premium usually feature more than one source for each vitamin and mineral. The ingredient list will be longer compared to non-premium foods.

It is not recommended that you add anything by way of food supplement, or vitamin to Super Premium Foods.



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# Pebble Beach classics on fire

STEVE MCQUEEN'S old Porsche was among five cars sold for more than €10 million at the classic Pebble Beach auction in California last weekend. His 1970-built 917K was used in the legend's race film Le Mans and became the most expensive Porsche ever sold, going for around €15 million.

With the cash still rolling in, an estimated €250 million worth of classic cars were flogged at one of the globe's hottest auctions. That figure is down substantially from the highs of 2014 when almost €400 million was raked in.

Organisers say investors and speculators are tak-

by Matthew Elliott

ing a brief hiatus from the classic car market. Despite the lower turnover, Pebble Beach has thus become closer to motoring purists.

To hammer that point home the world's only street-legal BMW M1 Procar, produced in 1979, was spotted around the luxurious golf course.

There were also eight cars and motorbikes from the collection of music legend J Geils, who passed away recently. Among them were a 1967 Lancia Flaminia with a 3.0 litre V12 engine and a Fiat Dino



**BULLITT:** A Porsche 917K once owned by Steve McQueen sold for a fortune.

Spyder from the same year, both in mint condition. His 1983 Benelli 900 SEI and 1970 Ducati 350 Demo were also up for grabs.

Over the weekend 18 Porsches, 10 Aston Martins and 29 Ferraris were sold. Aside from the five valued at over €10 million, another 89 cars secured bids surpassing the €1 million mark.

A huge cohort of cars valued at less than €100,000 were snapped up by a new breed of buyers, professionals in the 30-40 age bracket.

The star of the show was a 1956 Aston Martin DBR1 which went for just over €20 million. It is the first of only five DBR1s to have been made. It won the 1959 Le Mans race driven by Stirling Moss.



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## Swanky saloon a class act

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There are LED headlamps, improved radiator airflow, and four exhaust pipes. Inside, passengers enjoy vastly more legroom and heated seats. Boot size remains the same at a relatively deep 510 litres.

There is a 12.5-inch control panel in the front. All seats are made with fine leather, and those in the front can enjoy a massage on their warm bottoms.

Drivers can make use of a range of



**SALOON STYLE:** Mercedes S63 AMG is getting a swanky upgrade.

new autonomous technologies. 'Active Distance' and 'Active Steering' controls help out on motorways, even auto-

matically reducing speed on tighter bends. Pedestrian sensors, set to be all the rage next year, allow for an Active Emergency Stop control, to make reversing over shoppers nearly impossible.

The fiery engine allows for a top speed of 155mph and the new S-Class can, unusually for a saloon, crack the 60mph mark from a standstill in just 3.3 seconds.

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**W**HILST the heat of August seems to continue relentlessly, it hasn't deterred members of the Classic Car Club of Andalucia from having fun and enjoying their classic cars!

The monthly club night was enjoyed by many at Treetops restaurant at El Chaparral Golf club with dinner served on the beautiful terrace there with views out over the Med. It made for a super atmosphere and a most convivial evening. Non members are welcome to attend the monthly dinner which is held, always, on the first Tuesday of the month.

The following Saturday saw Club members getting their classic cars out to enjoy the monthly Club classic car run. A large contingent of around 30 cars and over 60 people turned out at the Restaurante Los Brocales, near Torremolinos, for what was promised to be a short run. Considering the heat, and that so many members are away in August, this was considered a very good turnout.

First time organiser, Claudia Langer, had done a great job of putting everything together for the

# Hot August events!

*Motoring correspondent Ian Giles reports on the latest news from the Andalucia Classic Car Club, the most successful such society in the area and probably in Spain with over 600 members.*

to Avenida España, rejoining the main A7 coast road to finish at Meson del Pueblo Restaurante in Las Chapas.

Antonio, the proprietor of Meson del Pueblo, provided everyone with refreshing drinks on arrival, canapés and then a superb lunch with three excellent courses, wines, beers, waters and coffee and all for only €30 per person fully inclusive. This marvellous restaurant, which Antonio has owned and run for 27 years, is most certainly now on the Club's recommended list!

Claudia Langer was congratulated by all for doing such a good job, particularly as it was the first time for her and she did it all alone, and for giving everyone such an enjoyable day out in the warm sunshine.

From there a short dash down the main road towards, and into, Entrerrios where the cars then turned up towards La Cala Hills. It wasn't long before another coffee and beer stop was enjoyed at La Cala Resort golf club.

From here the crews headed over the top of La Mairena before descending towards Elviria and in-



## Coming Soon: - 9 -

AS always, the CCCA has plenty happening in the coming weeks and months. The Club reaches the ripe old age of nine years young next month and there will be special commemorative events taking place to celebrate this. There will be a party and dinner at Treetops, El Chaparral, on the first Tuesday of September and there will be a special classic car run followed by a party at Avanto beach Club on Saturday, September 9. The fabulous Memphis Trio have already been booked for the Saturday afternoon party. More details on that will be in our next page in two weeks' time.

## Tour D' Extremadura

IN October, probably the last week of that month, the Club will be running its next long tour 'The Tour D' Extremadura.' This fabulous six-day run will take in some spectacular hotels and countryside in and around the famous and beautiful area that is Extremadura. The event will start near Malaga with its first night stop at the Parador in Cordoba. More information in our next page.



## Classic Car insurance

INSURANCE for classic cars is something that I am asked about a lot, by CCCA members and non-members alike. To be considered for classic car insurance a car does not necessarily have to be 25 years old. Although it varies from one insurance company to another, many will grant these policies to owners of cars that are older than 20 years. There are also some companies that will provide low mileage insurances to those vehicles that are over 15 years old.

Classic car insurance policies are usually very inexpensive but they come with an agreed annual mileage limit. Basic insurance policies for classics can be had for

as little as €110 but, for comprehensive policies with an agreed replacement value, these are a lot more expensive although still outstanding value when compared with policies for modern cars both in the UK and Spain.

To qualify for these insurances one must be a member of a classic car club. And there is only one to consider in Spain...!!

CCCA President, Ian Giles, has negotiated special terms and policies for members of the CCCA with a specialist classic car broker in Madrid. This company will give year-round classic car policies for most European registered cars, certainly UK cars, without problem. Members can contact Ian for more information. As there are some companies here that one needs to steer clear of, he will also tell you who NOT to insure with....

*Ian Giles*  
MOTORING

Further information on Classic Car Club of Andalucia events can be found on the Club's website [www.cccandalucia.com](http://www.cccandalucia.com).  
Membership of this vibrant club is open to anyone owning a genuine classic car here in Spain. Saca tu coche clásico del garaje y diviértete con el.





IN Las Vegas on Saturday, Floyd Mayweather junior fights Conor McGregor in the 'farce' of a light-middleweight contest.

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OVER the next week (or so) there will be enough action going on to suit everyone, yes everyone, with athletics, cricket, football, rugby (both codes), boxing, cycling, triathlon, motor sport, tennis, gymnastics and golf ... And there are a few more indoor events taking place as well.

### CRICKET

England completely outplayed (thrashed) the West Indies in the first day-night Test match in the UK – winning by an innings and 209 runs at Edgbaston. Alastair Cook (243) and skipper Joe Root (136) top-scored in England's total of 514-8 declared. The Windies (W Indies) were then 'blown away' twice, dismissed for 168 and 137, losing 19 wickets on the third day with bowlers Jimmy Anderson and Stuart Broad effectively doing all the damage.

Anderson is now only eight wickets away from reaching the

milestone of 500 in Tests, while Broad (384 wickets) has overtaken Ian Botham to go second in the rankings. The next Test starts tomorrow in Leeds.

In the domestic T20 blast competition, the first five teams - Birmingham (Bears), Derbyshire, Leicester, Somerset and Surrey - are into the last eight... finals day is at Edgbaston on September 2.

The former Glamorgan bowler Don Shepherd, who took 2,218 first-class wickets during a wonderful career, has died, aged 91.

### FOOTBALL

Last weekend, Manchester United made it two successive 4-0 PL wins by crushing Swansea. There were also victories for second-placed Huddersfield (1-0 v Newcastle), Leicester (2-0 v Brighton), Southampton (3-2 with a late Charlie Austin penalty against 10-man West Ham), Stoke (1-0 v Arsenal), Watford (2-0 v

Bournemouth) and WBA (1-0 v Burnley). Manchester City met Everton on Monday.

After four games, unbeaten Cardiff (excellent 2-1 winners at Wolves), Wigan, Swindon and Celtic top the Championship, Leagues 1 and 2 and the SPL respectively.

On Tuesday/Wednesday we saw action in the League Cup and the top PL matches are on Saturday, Bournemouth - Manchester City, Chelsea - Everton, Huddersfield - Southampton, Manchester United - Leicester, Newcastle - West Ham and Tottenham - Burnley and on Sunday, it's Liverpool - Arsenal and WBA - Stoke.

Reigning Serie 'A' champions Juventus, whose goalkeeper Gianluigi Buffon saved a penalty, opened their season with a 3-0 win over

Cagliari and Real Madrid and Barcelona both won their opening La Liga games. Last night, Everton (2-0) played the second leg of their Europa League qualifier against Hajduk Split in Croatia.

Real Madrid's Cristiano Ronaldo, sent-off in the first leg of the Super-Copa

against Barcelona, received a five-match ban and £3,200 fine. Real lifted the trophy after winning both legs by 3-1 and 2-0. And Barcelona have offered £130m for Liverpool's Philippe Coutinho; Manchester City want Alexis Sanchez from Arsenal and Chelsea are seeking three Southampton players.



**ENGLAND: Beat the West Indies in the first day-night Test match.**

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