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## Illegal drinks sellers owe thousands

# Feeling fine

Fines totalling more than €400,000 handed to illegal street and beach vendors in Benidorm are unlikely to ever be paid, police say.

The shocking claim comes after two officers were physically attacked by a dozen hawkers as they tried to issue a penalty, leading to a brawl.

Five policemen were eventually injured, with three assailants arrested and provisionally jailed as they await trial.

But a spokesperson for the local force said that the latter decision is just an "oasis in the desert of impunity" in which illegal vendors operate.

Almost 1,400 penalties, an average of 18 per day, have been lodged by Local Police in Benidorm since June 1, with hawkers caught on the street fined €1,200 and those on the beach €300.

However, as with the notori-



**SCOT-FREE:** Vendors habitually reoffend.

ous pea and potato men, con artists who set up illegal gambling games on the city streets, or the looky-looky men who sell counterfeit jewellery and clothing, a lack of firm legislation means that those who sell mojitos and other drinks on the

beach are unlikely to ever be punished.

Investigators say that because the hawkers have no payroll or declared income, they simply declare themselves insolvent on arrival at the station to pay a fine.

In addition, they never possess anything in their name meaning no property can be seized, and they continue to sell drinks.

The only solution appears to be to increase the number of officers patrolling the resort's sandy strips.



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**NEWS EXTRA**

**A target**

NEW-BUILD apartment complex Edificio Mar Jonica on the Les Marines road between Denia and Els Poblets has found itself the target of vandalism 'up to four times per week' in the past month.

**Love tourists**

**THE Association of Merchants and Employers (ACE) of Denia has launched a campaign to fight 'tourismphobia' - handing out stickers for local businesses to display with the slogan 'Yes, we love tourism.'**

**Not happy**

*AN argument has spilled from a shop in Portal de la Marina Shopping Centre in Ondara onto social networks after a shop assistant spoke to a Spanish tourist in Valencian and he likened it to Japanese.*

# Tower power!

By Matt Ford

ARCHAEOLOGISTS have uncovered a medieval defensive tower on Peñon de Ifach, Calpe.

The latest find comes as a team of 36 headed by experts from Alicante Archaeological Museum (MARQ) assisted by students from a number of Spanish and European universities prepares to complete a two-month dig on August 31.

It brings the total of towers identified at the site to 10, plus 800 metres of wall, as the 13th century medieval village continues to reveal itself.

The dig is the 13th organised by MARQ alongside Calpe Council and the Penyal d'Ifac Natural Park, and the tower is the most important discovery so far.

It is more than four metres wide and located close to the car park allowing walkers to enter the natural park.



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**UNEARTHED: The village of Ifach.**

MARQ technician Jose Luis Menendez said that its function was defence of the main entrance to the settlement, and that it can be seen in a famous 1809 engraving of the limestone outcrop by French traveller Alexander of Labourde.

The latter appears in a book entitled 'A Descriptive Itinerary of Spain,' the

original of which can be seen in the French Natural History Institute's library in Paris.

Rafael Perez, head of the provincial architectural department, has been a driving force behind exploring the remains of the town, which was built by

Calabrian Admiral Roger de Lluria.

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## Taste of freedom

ALICANTE National Police have deported Said Afif, who planned to blow up the National Court, after 10 years imprisonment.

In 2004, investigators uncovered a plot to blow up the National Court using a lorry full of explosives. The courts convicted 20 of the 43 arrested for the terrorist conspiracy, but were eventually overruled by the Supreme Court, which led to 14 of the accused being released.

In addition to his 10-year sentence for belonging to a terrorist organisation, Jean Provincial Court added 18 months after he attempted to escape from two police officers when taken to hospital.

Following his release from Villena prison, Afif was summoned to Alicante Court and informed that he was to be extradited to Morocco.

Afif was transferred from Alicante airport to Barajas airport to await transfer to his country.

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## Chilling out

THE inland town of Torremanzanas celebrated the last day of its town fiestas with the traditional midday banya when residents and visitors, either fully clothed or in fancy dress, throw buckets of water over each other. This year 2,000 participants used 60,000 litres of water and for the first time both the Guardia Civil and a medical team were on hand.

## Double responsibility

IRENE NAVARRO DIAZ became Petrer's first female mayor after her predecessor retired for health reasons. Aged 35 and mother of three-year-old twins, she is a qualified optician and returned to her home town in 2010 after living for five years in Malaga. As deputy mayor she automatically took over at the town hall, but admitted that "as a woman" her responsibility was doubled.

## Happy event

MEP Carolina Punset who married regional MP Alexis Mari in February, is pregnant. Punet now belongs to the Ciudadanos party but founded the CIPAL party in Altea in 2006 where she was a councillor until the June 2015 regional elections. Standing for the Ciudadanos party, she was elected to the Valencia parliament where she was party spokeswoman until leaving for Strasbourg.

## Weekly habit

A SAX supermarket was robbed at gunpoint in the second armed raid in a week.

The attacker, a young man wearing sunglasses, baseball cap and neck-warmer, ordered the cashier to hand over the takings and fled with €300. He drove off alone in a silver Audi, said shoppers in the supermarket, only 200 metres from an optician's he held up some days before.

## Fighting fruit flies for free

FARMERS in Benitachell have taken advantage of the Department of Agri-

## SPANISH FACTS OF LIFE... 26

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.

# Load of national pride

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.

culture's campaign to combat the annual plague of fruit flies, with 111 traps installed free of charge throughout the area since June. The pests wreak havoc on the crops year-on-year.

The traps last for four months and have been proven to rapidly reduce the effects of the flies.

## Marina Alta men live longer

MEN born in the Marina Alta live the longest in the Valencian region, according to figures released by the Valencian Health Observatory.

Life expectancy for men born in the Marina Alta is 80.91 years, ahead of Baix Segura (80.71 years) and Camé de Turia (80.55 years). Life expectancy for both sexes in the Valencian region is currently among the highest in Europe - it is 83.3 years in Spain, 82.3 in the Valencian region and 82.1 in Europe.

## Rescue success

A HELICOPTER was dispatched by the Alicante Fire Rescue Consortium in a search and rescue operation for a French hiker on the cliffs of Benitachell. The hiker, aged between 60 and 70, is reported to have lost his way. He was rescued in good health.

# Strike talks continue

TALKS between airport manager Aena and the security staff unions have been described as "positive" but the proposed national 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 expect-

ed 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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**NEWS EXTRA**

**Tumble-down**

MUNICIPALLY-OWNED housing, built decades ago for road workers in Villena and empty for 10 years, is now occupied by squatters, prompting calls for the council to demolish or restore the buildings.

**Splash time**

A RECORD 20,000 people used Elda's municipal swimming pools this summer, with an average daily occupation of 500 swimmers. There was also a 20 per cent increase in people taking lessons.

**Getting on**

MORE than 900,000 of the Valencian Community's population are over 65 and pensioners accounted for one in every three of the patients attending primary care health centres last year, official statistics revealed.

**Not caring**

A 34-YEAR-OLD Spanish man was arrested in El Verger after being caught masturbating in the common areas of the urbanisation where he lives 'while watching minors and not caring that they could see him,' according to sources.

# Death plunge witness sought

By Sean Campbell

AN alleged mystery witness is being sought after a hotel balcony death plummet.

Kirsty Maxwell fell to her death from the 10th floor of Apartamentos Payma during a Benidorm hen party in April, as reported in *Euro Weekly News* (Issue 1661).

Now her husband, Adam, is making a plea to help find a female witness.

Previous appeals for witnesses and information have been made since the tragedy occurred but Adam believes this woman, who he claims was staying on the same floor, could provide important information regarding his wife's final



Kirsty Maxwell Information Appeal/Facebook

**HELP NEEDED: Facebook page makes plea.**

moments.

Speaking to British newspapers, he said:

"This woman has been identified as a witness and we're asking her to come forward with information - we don't know her name.

"We also have been giv-

en hotel room numbers and we are desperate to speak to some of the people who stayed in these rooms."

A post has also gone up on the 'Kirsty Maxwell Information Appeal Facebook' page appealing for this apparent witness.

## Caretaker abuse allegations

A 59-YEAR-OLD Spanish man, accused of sexually abusing a girl of nine, was arrested in Campello.

Employed as a caretaker in the urbanisation where the girl lives, he allegedly went up to her as she played on the swings in the

gardens only to then act inappropriately.

Two more children saw what was happening, shouting at the man to allow for the girl's release. The caretaker was arrested and released on bail after he was brought up before a local judge.

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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.

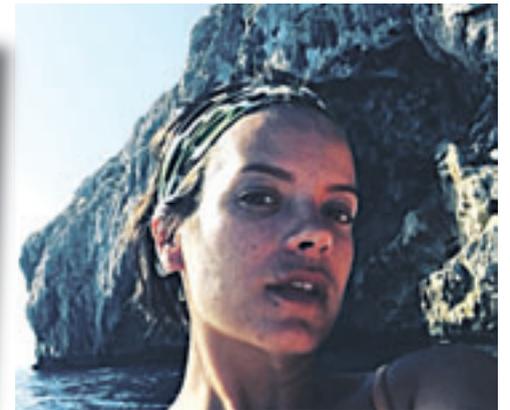
It appears that Vogue and Spencer Matthews, the reality star first seen on *Made in Chelsea*, are now inseparable, except when one or the other has to become involved in another TV programme.

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.



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**Julie and Sadie at Bono Beach.**

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# Tunnel breakdown brings traffic chaos

A CAR that broke down inside the San Juan tunnel caused a three-kilometre tailback that lasted 30 minutes.

The breakdown occurred at 7.40pm when the A-70 ring road was saturated with traffic. The driver attempted to

steer the vehicle to one side of the tunnel but instead it came to a halt across two lanes.

The traffic lights controlling each lane at the entrance function independently and both lights automatically changed to red as the car was

straddling two lanes.

Traffic in the Valencia direction continued to build up until the Guardia Civil arrived and succeeded in moving the car to one side, so that one lane was usable until it could be towed away.

# Baby hurt in blackspot collision

FOUR people including a baby of three months were seriously injured in a multiple collision on the N-344 in Villena.

Two others, including a minor, also suffered minor injuries in the crash involving two cars and a lorry.

According to witnesses the collision was caused by a fourth vehicle, a Mercedes which fled the scene, Emergency Services and Guardia Civil sources revealed.

Although the N-344 which links the A-31 and A-35 motorways with Fuente Higuera is a traffic black spot, the colli-

sion occurred at 2.40pm on a straight section of road with good visibility, the same sources said.

The Guardia Civil did not indicate the causes of the accident but confirmed that they were seeking a foreign-registered Mercedes.

At 8.30pm on the same day, a man of 40 lost his life in a head-on collision on the CV-800 road between Muchamiel and Jijona near the Bonalba by-pass. The other driver involved was taken with minor injuries to San Juan hospital, where he refused to undergo a breath-test.

  
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# All caged up

A RED CROSS rescue launch, alerted by Marine Rescue, set out to find a boat in distress off Altea.

When the launch LS Tabarca arrived shortly after midnight, the crew were amazed to find the boat entangled in a fish farm cage.

"We had to be really careful entering between the cages and then we saw that the boat was completely inside one of them," said Nia Olias, skipper of the Altea-based Tabarca.

The owner explained later it was very dark and he had no idea he was so close to the fish farm, as his GPS had given different coordinates for the installation off the Altea-Calpe coast. The boat's occupants, a couple in their 50's and their daughter of 10, were transferred to the Tabarca.

# Local connection to mystery death

By *Linda Hall*

ANTONIO NAVARRO CERDAN, found murdered in Valencia City over a week ago, was Novelda-born and only moved there a year ago, following his marriage.

His body was found by a neighbour in the garage of the apartment building where he lived in the Patraix district. First he noticed blood on a car bonnet and then saw Navarro Cerdan slumped between two cars with several stab wounds, one of which had pierced his heart, emergency services sources later revealed.

Aged 35 and a civil engineer with Ferrovial, he left work each day at 7am but his wife told police that by 3.30pm when his body was found she was already "very worried" as he had not answered his mobile phone all morning.

Investigators were unable to locate the weapon used or find a motive for the killing.

"He was absolutely normal and apparently had no problems," neighbours said, leading police to rule out a settling of accounts.



**NAVARRO CERDAN: Found murdered in Valencia City.**

## 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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## Snake, no ladder

A SMALL python that disappeared from a Torrente (Valencia) home was found days later under the sink.

The young snake named Reifel, which belonged to an 11-year-old boy, had disappeared from its terrarium earlier this month.

After searching their apartment without finding the 50-centimetre python, the boy's parents, who gave him the snake as a present, warned neighbours that it was missing but stressed that it was inoffensive.

They also called the Local Police who sent members of

their specialist unit to look for the snake although they, too, drew a blank.

The police told the family that they suspected the snake was still somewhere inside the apartment although, given its small size, it would be hard to spot. There was also the possibility that it had escaped down a drain or the lavatory, they said.

Instead, to the relief of neighbours who questioned the wisdom of giving a snake to an 11-year-old, the python reappeared, coiled on the pipe under the bathroom wash-basin.



DESERT DE LES PALMES: A fire was started by the injured hiker.

# Snowflake hiker causes forest fire

By Linda Hall

A HIKER was arrested in Benicassim (Castellon) after causing a fire that destroyed 500 square metres of pines and scrub.

He was slightly injured after falling and a companion set out to find help as neither was carrying a mobile. Meanwhile, and despite a region-wide ban on bonfires of any kind, the injured man lit a fire presumably intended to help rescuers pinpoint his location in the Desert de les Palmes.

The Emergency Services answered a call at

around 5pm, requesting help for someone who needed rescuing in the Desert de les Palmes. Fifteen minutes later they received another call, reporting a fire in the same area, which eventually required three firefighting aircraft and five fire engines to extinguish.

Sources later revealed that the injured person, who was able to leave the scene unaided, was arrested by the Guardia Civil.

The provincial Fire Consortium later emphasised the public's need to be aware of the risk of fire in woodland zones and above all in a protected area like Desert de les Palmes.

## NEWS EXTRA

### Dirty water

FIGURES due to be released estimate a 24 per cent rise in water contamination across the Marina Alta since 2009 - in 266 municipalities there are more than 50 milligrams of nitrate in each litre of tap water.

### Get naked

VILLAJOSYA Town Council has declared its two nudist beaches official - the coves at Raco de Conill and l'Esparrallo have long been famous for naked sunbathing and swimming.

### Walk free

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But Leo's latest MRI scan has confirmed the cancer has returned and is growing quickly in different areas of the original cavity.

Mum Karen said, "My baby boy is such a warrior, I could not be prouder of him.

# Leo the lion



**KEEPING HOPE:** Fighter, Leo whose cancer has unfortunately returned.

"Leo has been to hell and back, yet he still continues

to smile."

She added, "We are really trying to just enjoy and treasure the time with Leo now. I believe Leo was put here for a reason, he has made people see life differently and he has been an inspiration to thousands of people.

She added, "He has done nothing to deserve what is happening to him now. I just hope that the beautiful big smile on his face will continue to be there to the end what-

ever his destiny."

Karen also wants to thank everyone for all of the lovely gifts and messages the family receive on a daily basis, "We read each and every one of them.

"I know the next few months will be the most difficult but Team Leo will be there for us all."

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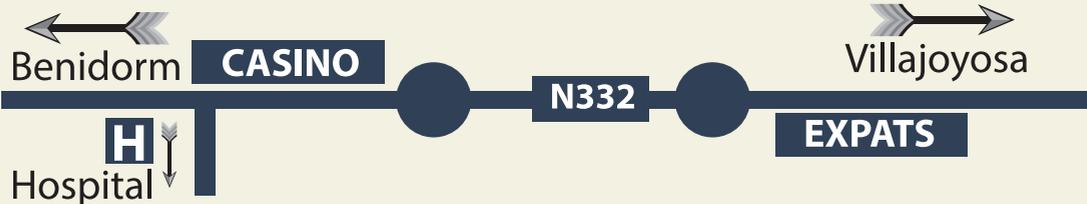
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**HONOUR:** Five minutes' silence for Barcelona victims.

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A five-minute silence was led by Mayor Toni Perez and was followed by a speech in which he sent condolences to the families and friends of the victims and the city itself, saying: "We have to continue striving for democracy and freedom... What these warriors want is not only to dampen our spirits, but to change our habits and we will not let this happen."

## La Vuelta take two

LA VUELTA will pass through Benidorm this Sunday.

Cyclists are expected to cross the Paseo de Poniente and the Parque de Foietes (Avenidas Jaime I, Alfonso Puchades and Comunidad Valenciana) at around 3.35pm during the ninth stage, which runs between Orihuela and Benitachell.

The race will be screened live to viewers in 190 countries worldwide, with 1.4 million people in Spain expected to tune in.

Around 90 minutes before the cyclists arrive in the city, La Vuelta representatives will hand out banners and flags to spectators.

Traffic will be cut in the streets where the race passes 30 minutes before the cyclists arrive and will be reopened 15 minutes later. Councillor Jose Ramon Gonzalez de Zarate has indicated that this should not cause too much disruption since it is a Sunday with less traffic.

Councillor of Sports Arturo Cabrillo said that "it is a real pleasure that La Vuelta will pass through Benidorm" whilst de Zarate thanked the Alicante Provincial Council for "sticking with the city," after it hosted the penultimate stage of the race last year.

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**FOLLOWERS:** Swarm goes where the queen goes.

# Bees off to beach

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First they cordoned off the area on the crowded Carrer la Mar beach and, each wearing apiarist headgear, carefully removed the bees which are a protected species.

Days earlier another swarm took refuge on Playa de San Juan, again on a

beach umbrella.

This occurred when the Local Police were called after a swarm of 50,000 bees was discovered at a Playa San Juan apartment. The police contacted an apiarist who was able to remove most of the bees early in the morning while they were still in the hive.

Later that day the remainder swarmed on the beach, choosing the beach umbrella

of a family who were in the water at the time.

This time firemen specialists were brought in and, as they did a week later in Campello, were able to box and remove the bees.

“Because they were moved from one place, the bees looked for another,” explained Charo Beresaluze, a biologist and environment technician from the Red Cross in Alicante.

“It would have been a young queen who chose the umbrella as a safe refuge,” she said.

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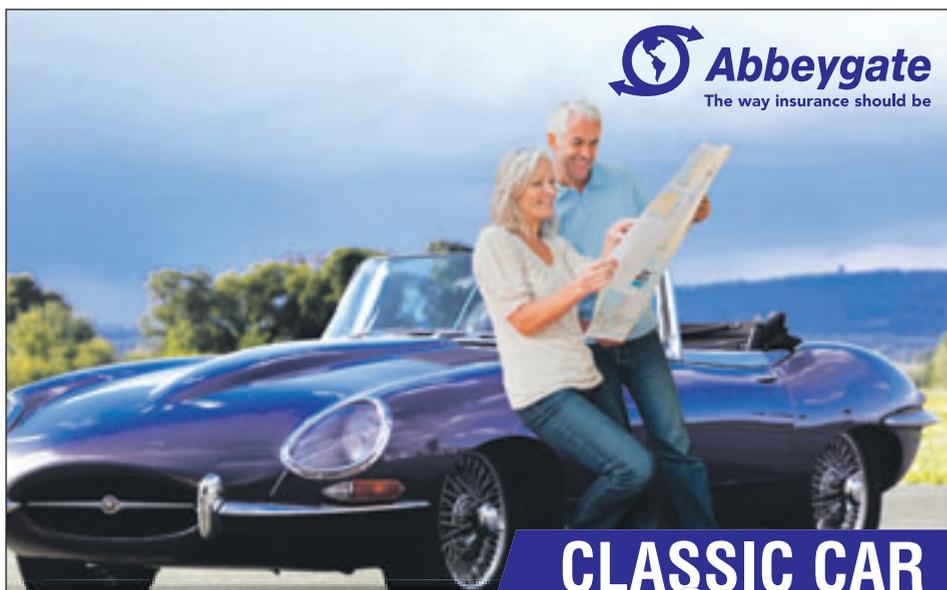
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**ADVICE:** Esther Donate and specialists visit a San Juan garden.

## Hunting down tiger mosquitoes

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The company contracted to control insects and vermin in L'Alacanti towns, accompanied by municipal technicians, has now visited three residential complexes, identifying focuses of the mosquitoes that are gradually spreading throughout the Costa Blanca.

The town hall carries out weekly inspections all year round, including drains, storm drains, manholes and areas where tiger mosquitoes are likely to be found, she said.

### NEWS EXTRA

#### 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

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## An agricultural emergency

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According to research carried out by the Agrarian Association of Young Farmers, Asaja, produce grown throughout the province has dropped by 35 per cent.

“The land devoted to growing potatoes will shrink to under 500 hectares this year, compared to the 888 used last year,” explained Eladio Anorte, president of the association.

“The winters are now warmer, it rains less and

heat waves are becoming increasingly more frequent,” he added.

In a bid to survive climate change, many farmers have opted for fruits that are better adapted to the heat, such as avocado or mango.

General Director of the Agricultural Counsel for the Valencian government, Maria Chafer, stated that the government are looking into reviving traditional crops to tackle the rising heat.

“The traditional crops of the province, such as grapes, olive trees or nuts, are more adapted to the heat, so it is necessary to consider facilitating their recovery,” Chafer explained.

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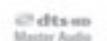


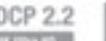

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18 MONTHS ON: The municipal archive relating to the building remains unused.

## Files incomplete

SAN VICENTE'S municipal archive is still unused, 18 months after the building was completed.

The Partido Popular party, in opposition on the local council, complained that documents and papers are

still stored in different municipal offices as well as rented premises.

The archive building cost €894,991 to build, of which €392,000 came from the provincial council, the Diputacion.

Human Resources councillor Manuel Martinez explained that the town hall would have to pay a monthly €5,500 to staff the archive in addition to overheads like electricity, water and internet.

In contrast, the only non-municipal premises that the town hall rented for the archive cost a more affordable €400 a month.

Meanwhile the archive would remain closed until the town hall could hire the necessary staff, Martinez said, although he confirmed that the requirements for the post of archivist have now been published. Terms for the secondary position of archive auxiliary would be published once these were agreed, the councillor said.

## NEWS EXTRA

### Courts moved

VILLAJOYOSA'S three courts will move to larger premises, occupying the former Health Centre which has stood empty for some years while the existing court building will revert to municipal use.

### Safety plea

THE AIVAV association of Valencian City traders called for more security in the weekly open-air markets, asking for bollards or other obstacles to prevent terrorist attacks with vehicles.

### Strike bound

PLAYA DE SAN JUAN residents criticised Alicante City Council for not collecting refuse including mattresses and furniture during a work-to-rule by employees of the rubbish collection concessionary.

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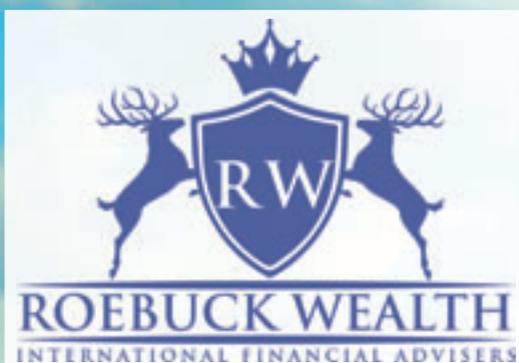
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**LINE 9:** Trains are older than they look.

# New trains for Line 9

LINE 9, which runs between Benidorm and Denia, is to have six entirely new trains.

The regional rail operator FGV has awarded Stadler Rail Valencia a €43.3 million contract to supply six dual-mode trains, replacing the existing diesel trains.

Although their bodywork is relatively new, the engines and chassis were originally built between 1966 and 1973 and require constant repairs.

The new fleet can also operate on electrified tracks, FGV said, and will still be usable when electrification eventually reaches Line 9.

The new trains' dual mode will also allow FGV to go ahead with plans for an electrified

tram system at the entrance to Denia, the rail operator said, with tracks integrated into urban surroundings for the benefit of pedestrians and vehicles.

Platforms at stations and halts along the 50 kilometres of track have been, or will be adapted to accommodate the new trains in Line 9's multimillion overhaul.

Modernising tracks, bridges, viaducts, safety systems and signals between Calpe and Denia was due to start last autumn but FGV instead closed the line in July 2016 on safety grounds, covering the route between both towns with buses.

All Line 9 work should be finished by 2019 when the new trains will come into service.



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# Third time unlucky

PARISH priests at Villajoyosa's Asuncion church confirmed that it could not be used for an October music festival.

For the last two years the church has been the setting for the Ateneu d'Historia d'Art's La Vila del Joy festival of ancient music.

The organisers had assumed that they would be allowed to use the church once more, but were informed in July that this would not be possible.

An online petition requesting a change of heart received 700 signatures but the priests once again refused, setting out their reasons in a two-page statement.

They indicated that according to diocesan guidelines, churches "could not be considered public places used for all types of meetings." The statement conceded that concerts could be held in churches in circumstances for "exclusively sacred or religious" music and pointed out that



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**ASUNCION CHURCH:** Villajoyosa's 16th century church.

this could not be said of all classical music.

It was not true that the Asuncion church turned its back on culture as the petition claimed, the statement contin-

ued. It also queried the association's claims that the parish received public money for the church's upkeep or that the previous concerts had raised money for restoration.



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## Pigging out

AN Alicante Province food investigation company found that holidaymakers can put on five kilos in a month.

A survey revealed almost 23 per cent of those questioned consumed more beer and sugary drinks on holiday. Thirty-five per cent admitted indulging in ice cream and fast food although another 36 per cent insisted they ate more fruit and vegetables in the summer.

## Yacht club fears for its future

AMENDED Generalitat fees could compromise the survival of Altea's Club Nautico.

Following an official inspection, the regional government plans to increase the club's current fees for occupying its seafront site by 700 per cent, said the club's president Jose Roman Zurutuza.

"We are being persecuted by the regional authorities," claimed Zurutuza who awaits the results of an appeal against the sevenfold rise.

As a result the club needed to modify its budget and cut down on spending for sporting activities while increasing tariffs and quotas, he warned.



Photo by Mónica

### CLUB NAUTICO: 'On the edge of the precipice.'

These measures were necessary to guarantee the viability of the club until 2020, although the last word rested with members, he said earlier when calling an extraordinary general meeting to debate the emergency plan.

After what Zurutuza described as a "multitudinous, intense and very enriching" meeting, club members voted in favour of the increase.

The change in economic circumstances meant that not only the Club Nautico in Altea but all of the region's non-

profitmaking yacht clubs "were on the edge of the precipice," he declared.

All were being hounded by a regional Administration that ignored the clubs' social and sporting functions, Zurutuza said.

"What is happening is unjust and the merciless attitude of the Valencia Administration compares unfavourably with policies in Balears and Murcia, where they are renewing yacht club licences because they are aware of their importance."

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

## Plenty of fish in the sea

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

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

The extra area will allow the fish farm to increase production to 1,050 tons of sea bass and gilthead bream and 1,400 tons of corvina.

The new section will cover 280,000 square metres on the seaward side of the present installation and the paper work is practically complete.

Once the Generalitat'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.



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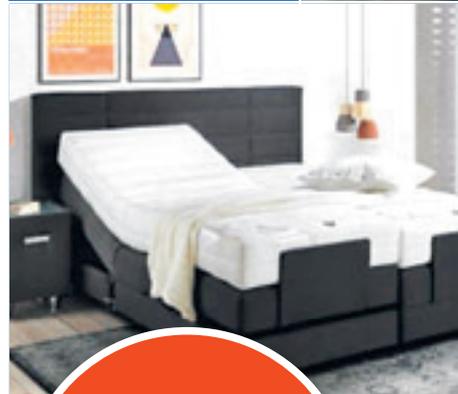





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It is usually a time when the children are not at school and family, parents and offspring spend more time together, and in some cases in unusual circumstances, different from the rest of the year, with other people, etc.

Thus, while on holiday it may be thought that having more free time without the stress produced by work, children's activities, etc, is an ideal time for couples and families, but the truth is that the numbers say otherwise, and it may simply be the fact that more time spent together provides more potential conflicts.

The truth is that this happens repeatedly every year after holi-



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day periods including January, and after the Christmas holidays.

It is essential to prepare the divorce or separation efficiently and ensure all the necessary documentation is in place.

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For residents in Spain, there are concepts of international law that may be of vital importance and could determine the law applicable for the divorce, the applicable matrimonial property regime, and the application of the rules of other countries that could be very relevant.

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separation process in their country, including assets in Spain, it is essential that an expert Spanish law firm assist them and their lawyers. For example, in divorces by mutual consent, drafting the agreements one way or another may involve higher costs or taxes to be paid, the possibility to register the court order directly and/or the direct change of ownership of properties in Spain at the Land Registry, etc.

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## Pay rise causes tension

THE four-party coalition at San Juan Town Hall approved an 8 per cent pay rise for councillors.

This will come into force once the 2017 Budget has been approved, but the news was not welcomed by all members of the council.

Three of the parties belonging to the coalition - the PSOE, Esquerra Unida and Decido - are in favour of the increase. The fourth member, Compromis considered that the extra €30,000 a year this will cost should be used for the benefit of San Juan's population.

Compromis also maintained that the salary increase breached the four-party pact signed after the 2015 municipal elections when it was agreed that wages would be reduced by 20 per cent.

The new mayor's monthly salary of €1,650 was slashed to

half of his predecessor's while full-time councillors received €1,550. The savings made were allocated to local employment and social welfare.

As policy decisions need the backing of three-quarters of the coalition members, the pay increase will go ahead despite opposition from Compromis.

San Juan's mayor Jaime Albero and Human Resources councillor Antoni Manel Giner expressed surprise at the stance taken by Compromis.

"This isn't a pay rise. It simply brings earnings into line with minimum wages which have risen 7 per cent for all Spanish employees, plus a 1 per cent cost of living increase," Giner said.

"The pact hasn't been modified by even one comma," he insisted.



**RABBITS:** Drought drove them from their habitat.

# Grapes for dessert

RABBITS are still proving a nuisance to Novelda grape growers.

Authorised hunting reduced the local rabbit population by 2,500 over the last month but there are still too many around.

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For the last six years, rabbits have been affecting local agriculture but the situation worsened

three or four years ago due to drought and food shortages.

Growers recently received the help of the local hunting association, Sociedad Cinegetica Noveldense, but the rabbits reproduce so quickly that the problem still exists.

The hunters are also encountering problems as there are fenced-off areas that they cannot enter and in others, they cannot take aim at the rabbits for fear of damaging the espaliered method used for growing the local dessert grapes.

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THE British government recognises that no-one in the UK has any experience in negotiating trade deals outside of the European Union.

For this reason therefore, it has appointed New Zealander Crawford Falconer as Chief Trade Negotiation Adviser and Second Permanent Secretary for the Department of International Trade.

The former ambassador to the World Trade Organisation (WTO) will be the principal adviser to the International Trade Secretary (Dr Fox) on striking trade agreements and market access deals with the UK's global trading partners.

A New Zealand/UK dual-national, he was recently Professor of Global Value Chains and Trade at Lincoln University following a career in New Zealand's Foreign Office, as Deputy Secretary for International Trade and Foreign Affairs.

# Next round of Brexit talks about to start



The two sides at a meeting last month.

IN anticipation of the next round of Brexit meetings due next week, Britain is in the process of publishing a number of position papers highlighting government hopes.

When the parties meet in Brussels, the Minister responsible for Exiting the European Union, David Davis will propose that goods already on the market should be allowed to remain on sale in the UK and EU without additional restrictions and wants to see existing consumer protections remain in place.

In addition, he will propose that both sides should continue to keep shared official confidential documents secret in the future.

On the face of things, these are both relatively benign requests which the EU should have no problem with, but the next paper concerning the European Court of Justice, could be the first of a number of hurdles which could stall talks even at this early stage.

Britain is intent on trying to obtain per-

mission to start to negotiate future trade deals prior to Brexit, but the EU has made it very clear that it will not agree to even discuss the possibility until the matters of citizens' rights, the UK's 'divorce bill' and the Northern Ireland border have been resolved.

Mr Davis appears confident that this series of position papers will be welcomed by the European Union negotiators and that this should allow talks to progress to what he refers to as the "next stage of talks."

The initial EU response is that the framework for negotiation has been set by the EU27 and that they currently have no intention of deviating from that structure, which once again leads back to the three main topics have been settled.

With week-long meetings once a month between the two parties, with one looking for agreement in one area and the other looking for concessions in a different area, meetings during the next 18 months could be contentious.

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VALLEY VOICES are enjoying the long summer break but with autumn just around the corner are looking forward to September 4 when their weekly rehearsals reconvene.

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## Vocal... join Valley Voices!

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For more details call Jennie Tolan on 966 480 062.

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VALLEY VOICES: Are looking forward to the autumn rehearsals.

# U3A Vall del Pop

## Thursday Explorers Mountain Walking Group

EACH year we promise ourselves that we will get out to see more of Spain and to improve our fitness, but all too often these good resolutions are soon abandoned or forgotten.

U3A Vall del Pop has options to help us address these two important life issues and to make new friends - new keep fit classes, a Wednesday Wanderers Group (half day gentle walk) and a Thursday Explorers Mountain Walking Group (full day more energetic walk).

Both walking groups will get you out into the fresh air and allow you to enjoy the beautiful scenery in our chosen part of Spain, and both conclude at a coffee shop or restaurant/bar, to enable you to toast your achievement.

## Why not come along and give it a try?

The Thursday group recently completed the following walks:

### 1. Bernia Circuit

A clockwise route, climbing to the Forat and returning via the fort, finishing at the refurbished Refugio Bar.

### 2. Fig Tree

This walk is quite exposed, so recommended when it is not too sunny, with one section through quite high undergrowth, but with good spots to enjoy a picnic lunch.

### 3. Bolulla Castle

This walk is very suitable for the warmer months, has plenty of spectacular scenery, but less climbing than on other walks.

### 4. Javea to Portichol

A gentle walk along the beach, followed by a walk around Cap Prim and then lunch on Portichol beach.



Photo by Vall del Pop

## GETTING FIT: Vall del Pop offers new opportunities.

Paul and Jan, who lead the Thursday Group, would welcome more like-minded people who enjoy exploring this fantastic walking area. If you would like to join them send an email to [pauleniston@hotmail.com](mailto:pauleniston@hotmail.com) and he will send you more details and their schedule.

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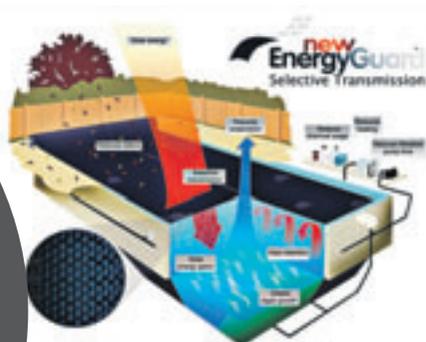
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## Special fiestas in Albir

ALBIR'S fiestas began with a street parade and drew to a close with High Mass on the last day.

As usual, the intervening three days were filled with the classic ingredients that each year make the Albir celebrations such a success, with dancing, paella for all, activities for young and old, processions and fireworks. "With these special fiestas we start to bid the summer farewell, which is even more reason for enjoying them," said Fiestas councillor Marisa Cortes.

## Pirate apartments crackdown

UNREGISTERED holiday accommodation is not a major problem in Alfaz and the town hall will prevent it from becoming one.

Last week local mayor Vicente Arques signed a collaboration agreement with the Valencian Tourism Agency (AVT) which is taking action to eradicate pirate rentals.

Earlier talks with the Association of Costa Blanca Tourist Apartments (APTUR) were followed by a recent meeting between the chief of Alfaz's Local Police and councillors for the Mayor's Office, Commerce, Public Safety.

Together they are planning and coordinating the measures the town hall will introduce to comply with its AVT commitments.

"Luckily there are few illegal rentals in Alfaz, as the APTUR meeting made clear,"



**PIRACY POLICY: Police chief, mayor and councillors discuss plans.**

Arques said. "To ensure that this does not change, we are creating a framework to keep the situation under control."

Rentals are a principal source of income for Alfaz's tourist industry and the town is a favourite long-term residential destination, continued Arques, who stressed that the

new measures would not affect local interests.

"The town hall is allied to the sector and its sole aim is bringing to light unfair competition that damages the efforts of those who work each day to offer high standards," Arques said.

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# NEWS

## Eucalyptus Park becomes bikers' paradise

ALMOST 1,000 bikers will be converging on Albir's Eucalyptus park this Sunday, August 27.

They will be taking part in the Costa Blanca Bike Show, an event which last year drew a crowd of 3,000 including moteros and aficionados.

Although the majority of the bikes that will be seen on Sunday are Harley Davidsons, the organisers stressed that the event is open to all types and makes of motorcycles.

The Eucalyptus Park will once again be thrumming with music, entertainment and the

unmistakeable ambiance that accompanies bikers and their machines.

This is the Costa Blanca Bike Show's seventh year and as on previous occasions the day's entertainment starts at 10am, feature live music, a barbecue, stalls and a host of activities complementing the meeting itself.

"Some of these bikes are practically works of art," said Alfraz's Sports councillor Luis Miguel Morant, urging residents and visitors to go along to Eucalyptus Park to enjoy the sights and sounds on August 27.



Alfraz town hall

**SUNDAY DATE:** Bikers and some very clean machines.

## Early start for water babies

TWO hundred children and young people participated in swimming and water sports courses at the municipal pool this summer.

The town hall was particularly keen to include even the youngest children, starting at two-and-a-half, in the classes. "In this area, where the contact with the sea and swimming pools is frequent, it's essential that children learn to swim as early as possible, to prevent accidents and tragedies," Sports department sources said.

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# Teulada Moraira NEWS

## No big deal

A SUPERMARKET on a Teulada-Moraira urbanisation reopened its doors on Monday after being temporarily shut down by Sanidad last week.

Concerns were raised over the supermarket not having the correct licences in place for their bakery and butchery departments and it was shut by Local Police last Thursday.

As the supermarket reopened on Monday, its owner confirmed to the Spanish press that the deficiencies had been resolved and this issue was due to a change of licences not having been made.

## Complaint against mayor

SOS Moraira has filed another complaint in the court of Denia against Head of the Provincial Service of the Coasts of Alicante - Rosa de los Rios, Teulada-Moraira mayor - Carlos Linares, Councillor Nieves Rodriguez and others who ordered the dissemination of 8,000 tonnes of artificial sand along the beach of Playa Portet.

The artificial sand was scattered in March in a bid to recover the beach after the January storms, despite the fact the beach did not suffer like others of the Marina Alta as the Cap d'Or protected it.

At the time, Ecologists in Action (EIA) demanded the halting of these actions which they warned would have a serious effect on the sur-



Photo credit: Turismo Teulada-Moraira

**WAS IT ALL A DREAM?:** The once turquoise waters of Playa Portet

rounding ecosystems of Moraira, specifically the posidonia meadows.

SOS Moraira believe that the posidonia meadows have now been affected.

Concerned residents have supported SOS Moraira, with at least 10 properties in the area adorned with home-made 'SOS el Portet' flags.

## Paula and Maria elected as new queens

THE municipal 'Queens of Fiestas' were elected last Saturday in the Sise Centenari attended by many.

The gala, organised by the Comision de Fiestas 2017, saw Paula Llobell elected as Senior Queen and Maria Bisquet elected as Junior Queen.

The crowd applauded as the names were announced and the election was followed by speeches.

In its 49th edition, the event ran a 1920s cabaret theme for the senior queen election and a circus theme for the junior queen election.



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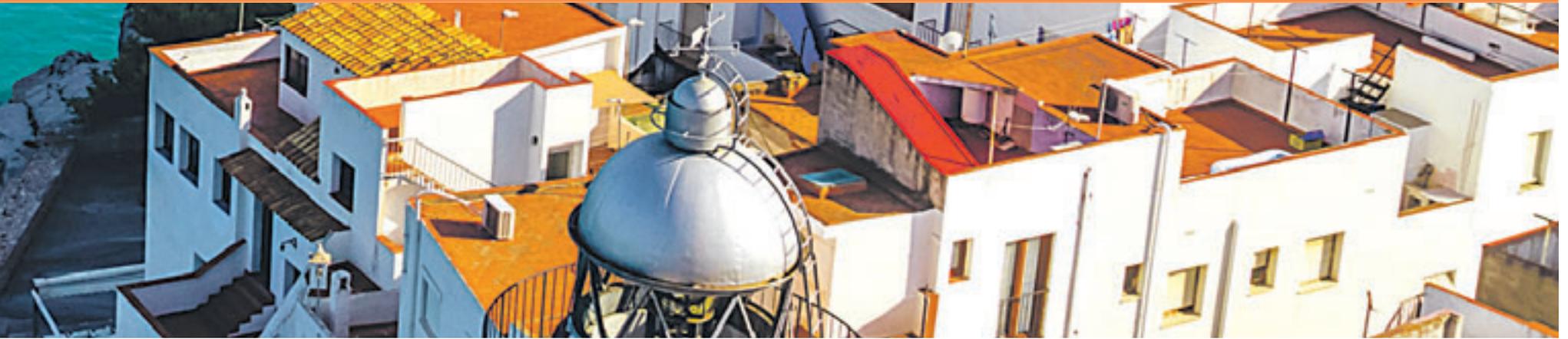
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# Copper thief caught

A 38-YEAR-OLD Bulgarian man was arrested for posing as a municipal gas engineer and stealing more than 700 kilos of copper pipes from residents in Teulada, Moraira and Benissa.

The thief caused over €20,000 damage stealing from at least 32 homes.

The investigation, led by the ROCA team in El Verger, learnt how the man had gone to considerable lengths to disguise himself as he fooled residents - wearing a uniform just like the ones municipal engineers wear as he made his way around urbanisations in a white Seat Toledo.



Photo credit Pixabay

**REPAIR JOB:** The thief caused over €20,000 damage stealing from at least 32 homes.

He took time to study the homes from which he would steal, before jumping the gates and cutting the copper pipes - which could have caused an explosion given the pipes were cut without the gas being shut-off.

The thief was caught on one occasion by a home-owner, who he fooled into thinking he'd been sent to the property with a municipal works order.

After several incidents, offi-

cers were able to obtain an image of the man from a security camera at one of the urbanisations.

With the image, officers visited local scrapyards where he had been trying to sell the pipes on.

At one of the scrapyards, where the thief had sold on a considerable number of the pipes, officers were able to fully identify him and contacted the

Bulgarian authorities, who verified his whereabouts.

The man was arrested at his home in Teulada and will be detained in prison before facing trial.

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# Sing along

MONTGO CHORALE invites anyone and everyone who loves to sing to "come and sing" with them on their annual open evening on Monday September 11.

The open evening will run from 6.45pm to 8.45pm at the Social Centre in Teulada, the idea being to give potential members a chance to experience the fun of singing with a mixed group of voices.

Montgo Chorale is about to enter its 11th year, now under the direction of Jan Dewland.

Since its inception the choir has performed many concerts, raising considerable funds for local charities such as Caritas and the Convent Day Centre in Javea.

The choir has members from a range

of nationalities of all ages. Their most recent concert in May was a resounding success attended by over 160 people.

Montgo Chorale is always keen to recruit new members. Their next concert will be a charity Christmas concert in the church of Loreto in Javea Port.

If you have ever considered singing for the sheer pleasure of it then Montgo Chorale encourages you along on the 11th to join in the fun.

At the end of the session there will be wine and nibbles so that new members can meet existing choir members.

For any further information and/or directions to the Social Centre, get in touch with Jan Dewland on [dewland-jan@hotmail.com](mailto:dewland-jan@hotmail.com).



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## Broken leg for teen daredevil

A 15-YEAR-OLD boy broke one of his legs after he jumped into the sea from the Cala de Ambolo last Sunday.

The emergency services were alerted to the scene at around 2.00pm.

The Red Cross rescued the boy and stabilised him before taking him to the Grandella where he was met by an ambulance and taken to the health centre.

He had miscalculated the depth of the sea and his leg broke on the rocks.

This is the third accident to have taken place this high summer season as bathers dare to jump into the sea from cliffs and coves.

## Donation for museum

THE Alvarez-Ossorio family of Javea recently donated an ancient amphora to the Soler Blasco Museum.

The amphora dates back to the first century and was part of the Alvarez-Ossorio family legacy.

It was recovered from the sea in the Cala Tango by a submariner decades ago, before laws regulated marine archaeological remains had to be delivered to the public administration.

The submariner gifted the amphora to the father of Alvarez Ossorio, who pre-



**SMILES ALL ROUND:** The Alvarez-Ossorio family were delighted to donate the amphora.

served it whilst he was alive and left instructions to his family to donate it to the Soler Blasco Museum when he died.

The municipal archaeologist confirmed that the amphora - a tall ancient jug with two handles and a narrow neck - is of Italian origin.

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# Avenida Lepanto boost

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The works are expected to be completed within two months, if not sooner.

The area will be restructured, with a new parking lot providing more spaces.

Once the works on Avenida Lepanto are completed, the council will take to the Puente de Triana, carrying out further improvements to complete the redevelopment to the port area of the town, improving access for all near the Casco



**WORTH IT:** Mayor Jose Chulvi presented the plans at a plenary session.

Historico and the Arenal.

Mayor Jose Chulvi said:

“In recent years, the Javea fishing district has been the scene of various urban redevelopment works - such as the improvements to Calle Caleta, the asphalt-

ing of Plaza Adolfo Suarez, lighting improvements etc. Some works have been necessary given storm damage and others have been in the interest of the locality as it continues to attract more and more tourists each high summer season.”

# Street vendors

THE Local Police arrested two street vendors in Javea and seized the fake goods they were selling.

In total, more than 40 pairs of fake Nike trainers were taken off the men along with 23 fake handbags made to look like Gucci/Michael Kors etc.

Street vending is prohibited in Javea.

# We've moved!

JAVEA'S Original Charity Shop has now moved to Calle Nancy 1 on the Arenal, Javea.

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# Get ready for La Vuelta

MORE than 50 people will warden the streets this Sunday as La Vuelta passes through Javea.

The route winds through the town during the ninth stage, which runs between Orihuela and Benitachell.

The town council has asked drivers to avoid driving through the municipality between 3.00pm and 5.00pm as the race enters via the Gata road, runs along Avenida Palmela, Calle Pla and through the Travesia Cansalades.

The wardens, made up of 20 police officers and 30 volunteers from local clubs



**ON YOUR MARKS:** Photo taken last Sunday as the cyclists sped off.

and associations will be on hand to ensure the safety of both the cyclists and the spectators.

La Vuelta is a UCI World Tour event, which means that the teams that compete in the race are mostly UCI

Pro Teams, with the exception of the wild card teams that the organisers can invite.



**LOST AT SEA:**  
The light yacht and crew.

## Double trouble

THE crew of the Maritime Rescue boat Salvamar Lepante have been hailed after performing a dramatic double rescue.

It unfolded after Red Cross Alicante received an urgent call advising that a tourist boat was adrift between Cap de Sant Antoni and Cap de San Martin. The vessel needed to be towed after its engine failed, with several of the 11 pleasure-seekers on board requiring treatment for sea-sickness while one had suffered a panic attack.

During the return journey, one of the rescuers spotted a capsized yacht close to which two men were struggling in the water. The stricken but unharmed pair were scooped up and taken to Javea port.

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**CURRY CLUB MEMBERS:** Enjoy their summer party meal at the Buddha Palace.

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A total of 18 members of the U3A's Curry Club enjoyed the double delights of the hot weather and their passion for spicy cuisine by getting together on the terrace of the Buddha Palace restaurant in Javea Plaza for their annual

summer party. Diners enjoyed the restaurant's special three-course menu, washed down with a beverage or two.

The evening was organised by group leaders James and Dodie Hodgkinson.

The event was a break from the usual routine, in which members normally hold dinner parties at their homes with hosts and guests creating cur-

ry-based dishes to set a theme or region.

For more information on the Curry Club and other U3A groups and activities, visit the website [www.u3ajavea.org](http://www.u3ajavea.org). Members can also join Javea U3A's closed Facebook page to see photos and reports of what's going on as well as joining in the discussion by posting their own comments.



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## Charge sheet

**45,000**

tons of plastic waste produced by Spanish greenhouses every year

**3,000**

tons of plastic on the Med

**291**

identified uncontrolled waste landfills across Spain

**90%**

of Mediterranean Sea turtles ingest plastic

**30%**

of plastic is recycled in Spain

**5.25**

trillion pieces of plastic waste in world's oceans

**5**

trillion plastic bags consumed each year across the world

*On land and at sea waste is more than an eye-sore*

# In need of plastic surgery...

*As record numbers of tourists touch down on Spain's shores, David Noon examines how the plastic problem is worse than ever*

**F**AMILIES basking in glorious sunshine, children digging for buried treasure beneath golden sands and loved-up couples frolicking in the shallows are all things you'd expect to find on Spain's beaches this summer.

However, there is one unwanted visitor that is making a repeat appearance: plastic. (And no, we don't mean TOWIE stars in Marbs or the latest batch of Love Islanders in Mallorca.)

This year - more so than ever before - tourists along Spain's coastlines and its islands are having to wade their way through plastic bottles, bags and packaging as they attempt to enjoy a dip in the Med.

In total, researchers estimate that there is around 3,000 tons of plastic floating on the surface of the Mediterranean Sea, with more added to the fray every year. (No doubt, the travel agents didn't mention that to the record number of tourists expected to touch down in Spain this summer.)

And because the Med is almost enclosed the plastic is effectively trapped, taking decades to be broken down.

However, it is not just the tourists affected by the plastic floaters. Marine life is also suffering as sea turtles mistake bottle tops for crustaceans and Mercadona bags for jellyfish.

**€0.05**

EU tax imposed on each plastic bag purchased

Scientists at the Society for the Protection of Turtles have been keeping a close watch on the Med and are alarmed by what they are seeing.

Robin Snape, project co-ordinator for the group, said: "In the green turtle (the presence of plastic is) really common. The vast majority of them have some plastic in their gastro-intestinal tract. It's more than 90 per cent of the population."

And it is not just turtles that are mistakenly chomping down on the plastic at sea.

In 2013, a whale beached in Almeria with 17kg of plastic waste inside its stomach.

The sheets of plastic discovered inside the whale were strikingly similar to those used in Almeria's infamous

plastic greenhouses - of which 45,000 tons of plastic waste is produced each year.

Conservationists are attempting to compensate for the deaths of the sea turtles by protecting nesting sites that are often dug up by dogs and foxes. But is that really the answer? Shouldn't we all be doing more to prevent the plastic waste in the first place?

While the likes of US president Donald Trump dismiss plastic waste, ocean pollution and global warming as 'fake news,' there are others doing their best to raise awareness.

In Mallorca, conservation group OceanCare is attempting to raise awareness through its 'I Care' campaign.

"People are becoming increasingly aware that our throw-away plastic culture needs to change fundamentally," Fabienne McLellan of OceanCare said.

"This is why OceanCare launched the 'I Care' movement which unites people around the world who want to tackle one of the most pressing challenges of our time: to put an end to the age of single-use plastic and thereby limiting the amount of plastic debris ending up in our oceans."

One (unconventional) way in which OceanCare is attempting to motivate people to join the cause is through

## Dirty little secret

SPAIN has almost 300 known illegal landfill sites, according to the EU.

Earlier this year, the EU courts ruled that Spain was in breach of the European body's Waste Framework Directive for failing to bring 61 landfill sites in line with EU environmental safety rules.

Moreover, the EU has alerted Madrid to a further 230 landfill sites that are in breach of environmental regulations.

The European Commission has been attempting to stamp down on Spain's landfill problems for more than a decade.

In 'an effort to urge Spain to speed up the process' of dealing with its landfill sites, the Court of Justice of the EU has ordered the 61 illegal landfills to be 'closed, sealed and restored, without fur-

ther delays.'

In the meantime, the EU expects Spain to look into further illegal waste sites after an EU executive sent a formal notice to Madrid over 'at least 291 identified uncontrolled waste landfills across Spain.'

But as policy officer for Zero Waste Europe Ferran Rosa says, the problem is not just limited to Spain.

"The Spanish case highlights a problem that exists to a varying degree across Europe, and the difficulty of enforcing existing legislation, said Rosa.

"Just taking this example, the infringement procedure for Spain is open since 2007 and even if the commission is willing to push for the implementation, potential sanctions take years to come," Rosa said.



NOT SO GREEN: Almeria's plastic greenhouses are an environmental disaster



Photo OceanCare

ON VIDEO: Shooting taking place in Mallorca.

**PLASTIC BEACH:** Rubbish washed up on shore is a common sight.

the medium of rock music.

Collaborating with German rock band Itchy, OceanCare supported the band's efforts to shoot its video for campaign song 'The Sea.'

Set in Mallorca, the German rockers' music video attempted to motivate its young fans by exposing the consequences of plastic pollution.

McLellan added: "With these activities, we not only wish to raise awareness, but to also invite people to rethink their behaviour and join our movement - without pointing fingers but rather, with empowering them."

But while OceanCare is doing its bit in the Balearics, the mainland is facing a slap on the wrists for failing to meet an EU order on plastic bags.

Supermarkets across the country may have started implementing a five cents charge per bag, but that falls far short of the EU's Plastic Bag Directive.

The EU Commission has sent Spain a final warning, informing the member state that it must either implement EU rules on lightweight plastic carrier bags or face infringement proceedings before the European Court of Justice.

Spain - along with Greece, Italy, Poland and Cyprus - now has just

two months to satisfy the Commission if it wishes to stave off a court case.

The Commission maintains that the member states have not properly implemented the Plastic Bags Directive which is intended to dramatically cut the consumption of carrier bags with a wall thickness of less than 50 microns within the EU.

And in typical 'mañana, mañana' fashion, Spain has missed the deadline and some. Adopted more than two years ago, the deadline for transposition expired on November 27, 2016. Nine months later and Spain is still dragging its heels.

In the long run, the ruling hopes to drastically cut down the number of plastic bags circulated in Europe.

The Directive obligates member states to take measures which may include requiring that a price be charged for these bags and/or introducing national reduction targets that ensure that no more than 90 lightweight carrier bags are consumed per person and year by the end of 2019 and no more than 40 bags by the end of 2025.

Spain may or may not receive a financial telling off by the EU courts for its failure to curb the plastic flow. But it is not the public coffers nor the politicians who are the real sufferers here.

For every day that plastic regulations are ignored, the Mediterranean's remarkable sea life will continue depleting.

## Eating your problems

EVERYONE has been guilty of tucking into a tub of Ben & Jerry's or gorging on a packet of crisps in an attempt to eat their problems away.

Now scientists think they have discovered one hungry critter who is ready, and willing, to eat away our plastic problems.

Wax moth larvae are usually bred as fish bait, but a chance discovery has revealed their taste for plastic - which could be used to beat polluting seas.

In the wild wax worms live on beeswax, making them a constant pest for beekeepers across Europe.

When Federica Bertocchini - a scientist and amateur beekeeper - removed an infestation from one of her hives and put them in a plastic bag, the worms simply ate their way out.

"I went back to the room where I had left the worms and I found that they were everywhere," she said. "The bag was full of holes."

The prison break led Bertoc-



**PROBLEM SOLVER?:** Plastic-eating worms.

chini, a researcher at the Spanish National Research Council, to investigate the feeding habits of the centimetre-long Galleria mellonella grubs.

To her surprise lab tests revealed that 100 worms can devour 92 milligrams of polyethylene in as little as 12 hours.

With such a voracious appetite for plastic, the worms could be put to good use, the scientists reasoned.

And with 3,000 tons of plastic floating atop the Med and thousands more tons sitting in landfills in Spain and across Europe, scientists are now pushing these plastic-eating

worms as a way to tackle the waste.

"We want to know if they're munching the plastic to use as a food, or just because they want to escape," said fellow researcher Paolo Bombelli. "If they just want to escape, they are going to get fed up very soon. But if they're munching it to use as an energy source it's a completely different ball game. We are not yet able to answer this, but we're working on it."

While more tests are currently being carried out, a beekeepers nightmare could soon be heralded as an environmental saviour.

**IN DANGER:** 90% of sea turtles have ingested plastic in the Med.



**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.

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

**NATO funding**

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

**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.

**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.

**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.

**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.

**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.

**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.

**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.



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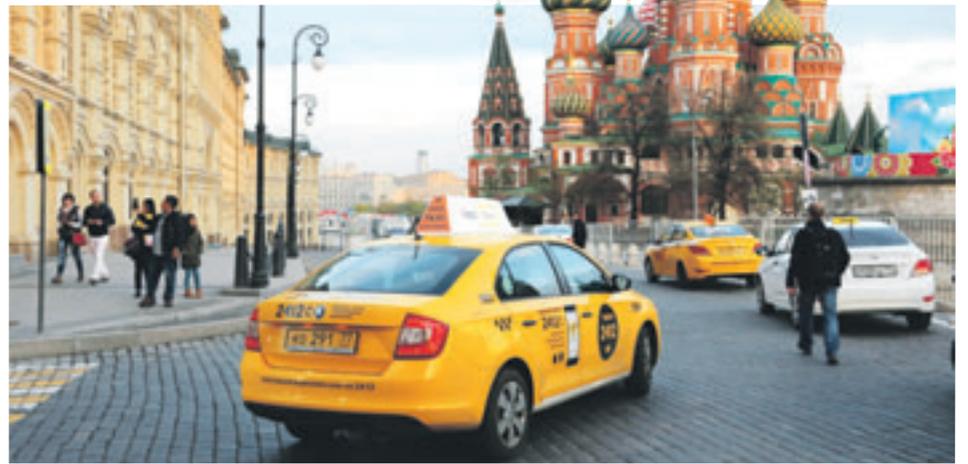
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# Cheap rates

■ TAXIS in Moscow are among the cheapest of the world's major cities according to the 2017 Taxi Price Index. Moscow taxis cost an average of 23 cents per kilometre. In Zurich the price is €4.44 per kilometre. Prices have plunged due to increased competition from Yandex and Uber drivers.

## Plot backfires

■ A JUDGE from Stavropol landed himself in hot water trying to sell his job to an unqualified lawyer for four million rubles (€60,000). The lawyer contacted police who set up an undercover meeting. The judge was filmed discussing how he could forge his credentials and put the lawyer in his place.

## Never forget

■ AN activist who attached a plaque to the home of a former Gulag prisoner was arrested. Dmitry Kozlov is a leader of the Last Address project, which seeks to commemorate the millions of victims of Soviet political purges by placing small plaques outside their last known addresses.

## Relic riddle

■ NEW archaeological findings could push back the consensus view of when Moscow was established by a century. The city's head archaeologist Leonid Kondrashev said that new evidence suggests Moscow was a thriving town during the reign of Prince Iziaslav I. He ruled 100 years earlier than the accepted date of 1147.

## Topless challenge

■ THOUSANDS of Russian men of all shapes and sizes have been whipping off their tops to pose for Putin-style photos. The humorous campaign was inspired by the president's recent Siberia holiday which was spent half-naked by a lake. The #PutinShirtlessChallenge forbids flexing and photoshop manipulation.

## Poet battle

■ A VIDEO of two Russian rappers battling each other with lyrics gained more than 10 million views in just 24 hours. Veteran rapper Oxxxymiron was defeated by Slava KPSS by dint of public reaction. The pair skillfully insulted one another in Russian-flavoured English rhyme.



**TRIUMPH:** Crimea's return to Russia welcomed by patriots.

## Silent film

■ A BLOCKBUSTER film about the Russian annexation of Crimea is unlikely to receive international release. Western and Ukrainian fury about the 2014 move means the film is set to be screened only in Russia and Belarus. It depicts a love story amid the return of Crimea to Russian control.

## 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.



Evan-Amos Wikimedia

### » 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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Imperial Brands	3,250.00	80.50	2.54	30,918.43
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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
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
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AMERICAN EXPRESS	85,380	-0.82	-710	75.474
APPLE	157,500	-0.23	-360	862.694
BOEING	235,770	+0.08	1,180	139.360
CATERPILLAR	113,920	+0.69	780	67.324
CHEVRON TEXACO	106,480	+0.53	560	201.780
COCA-COLA	45,670	-0.41	-190	194.796
CISCO SYSTEMS	30,370	-2.16	-670	152.752
DU PONT	81,180	+0.40	320	70.448
EXXON MOBIL	76,640	+0.50	380	324.732
GENERAL ELECTRIC	24,550	-0.81	-200	212.553
GOLDMAN SACH	222,150	+0.33	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	-160	165.317
JOHNSON & JOHNSON	132,630	-0.31	-410	355.979
JP MORGAN CHASE	90,740	+0.10	90	319.311
MCDONALDS	157,760	-0.08	-130	127.785
MERCK	61,490	-0.52	-320	167.705
MICROSOFT	72,490	+0.12	90	569.805
NIKE	54,950	-4.37	-2,510	72.103
PFIZER	32,670	-0.85	-280	194.300
PROCTER & GAMBLE	92,470	+0.43	400	235.800
ST. PAUL TRV	127,890	-0.23	-300	35.291
UNITED TECHNOLOGIES	115,480	-0.53	-620	92.242
UNITEDHEALTH	190,820	-0.98	-1,880	184.496
VERIZON	47,690	-0.42	-200	194.547
VISA CLASS A	102,510	+0.34	350	187.529
WAL-MART	79,310	-0.49	-390	239.080
WALT DISNEY	100,700	-0.67	-680	155.429

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CLOSING PRICES AUGUST 21

COMPANY	PRICE	CHANGE NET / %
<b>Most Advanced</b>		
Sportsman's Warehouse Holdings, Inc.	\$ 4.34	0.88 ▲ 25.43%
Amyris, Inc.	\$ 2.41	0.39 ▲ 19.31%
China Finance Online Co. Limited	\$ 2.31	0.31 ▲ 15.50%
Xunlei Limited	\$ 4.60	0.55 ▲ 13.58%
Ross Stores, Inc.	\$ 59.02	5.69 ▲ 10.67%
Yangtze River Development Limited	\$ 10.73	0.94 ▲ 9.60%
ProQR Therapeutics N.V.	\$ 4.75	0.40 ▲ 9.20%
Control4 Corporation	\$ 24.31	2.04 ▲ 9.16%
QuinStreet, Inc.	\$ 4.64	0.38 ▲ 8.92%
21Vianet Group, Inc.	\$ 4.72	0.36 ▲ 8.26%
Lincoln Educational Services Corporation	\$ 3.13	0.23 ▲ 7.93%
<b>Most Declined</b>		
Applied Genetic Technologies Corporation	\$ 4.80	0.45 ▼ 8.57%
Viacom Inc.	\$ 38.80	3.60 ▼ 8.49%
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%
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 Multi Asset Growth B GBP  
 Multi Asset Growth B EUR

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 €0.9578 ..... -€0.0007  
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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:**  
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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.

# 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-



Photo Credit: YouTube

**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.

## 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.

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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

by Stone  
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Charlotte Macdonald

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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

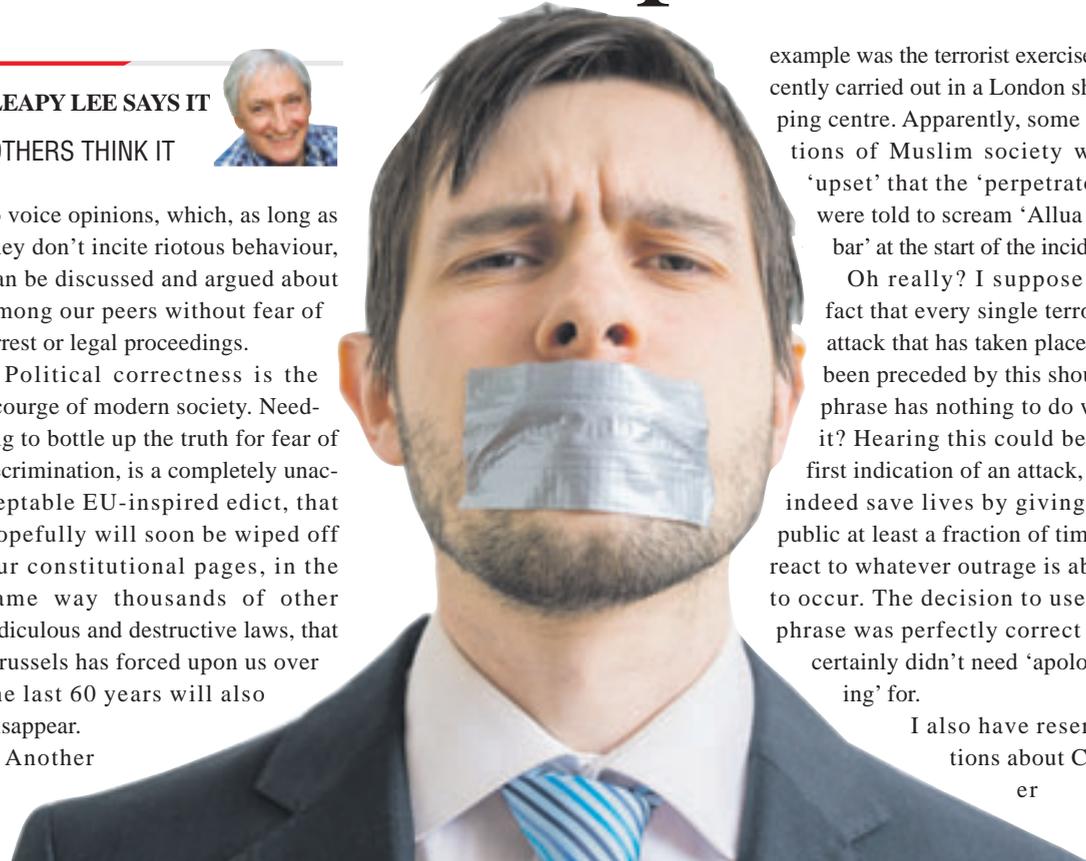


to voice opinions, which, as long as they don't incite riotous behaviour, can be discussed and argued about among our peers without fear of arrest or legal proceedings.

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

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



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 Ak-bar' 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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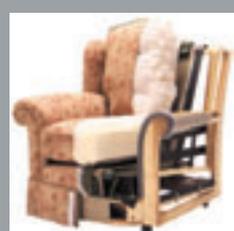
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2:00pm	A to Z of TV Gardening
2:15pm	Two Tribes
2:45pm	Cars 2
4:25pm	Coast Australia
5:15pm	Planet Earth
6:15pm	Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is
7:00pm	Eggheads
7:30pm	Royal Recipes
8:00pm	Celebrity Antiques Road Trip
9:00pm	The Pacemakers
10:00pm	Top of the Lake
11:00pm	The Premier League Show
11:30pm	Newsnight
12:15am	No More Boys and Girls: Can Our Kids Go Gender Free?
1:15am	Is it Safe to be Gay in the UK?
2:15am	10 Puppies and Us

**BBC FOUR**

8:00pm	World News Today <i>The latest national and international news, exploring the day's events from a global perspective.</i>
8:30pm	Top of the Pops
9:00pm	Sword, Musket and Machine Gun: Britain's Armed History
10:00pm	Andrew Marr's The Making of Modern Britain <i>The third film in Andrew Marr's epic six-part series charting the events that shaped Britain.</i>
11:00pm	Wonders of the Universe
12:00am	Horizon
1:00am	Top of the Pops
1:30am	Wonders of the Universe
2:30am	A History of Art in Three Colours
3:30am	Sword, Musket and Machine Gun: Britain's Armed History
4:30am	This is BBC Four

**CHANNEL 4**

7:00am	Countdown
7:45am	Will and Grace
8:10am	Will and Grace
8:35am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:00am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:30am	Frasier
10:00am	Frasier
10:30am	Frasier
11:00am	The Big Bang Theory
11:30am	The Big Bang Theory
12:00pm	The Simpsons
12:30pm	The Simpsons
1:00pm	Channel 4 News
1:05pm	Couples Come Dine with Me
2:05pm	Posh Pawn
3:10pm	Countdown
4:00pm	Cheap Cheap Cheap
5:00pm	A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun
6:00pm	Come Dine with Me
6:30pm	Streetmate
7:00pm	The Simpsons
7:30pm	Hollyoaks
8:00pm	Channel 4 News
9:00pm	Lego Masters
10:00pm	24 Hours in A and E
11:00pm	Wasting Away
12:00am	Britain's Benefit Tenants

**CHANNEL 5**

8:05am	Shimmer and Shine
8:20am	Noddy: Toyland Detective
8:35am	Paw Patrol
8:50am	Rusty Rivets
9:05am	Digby Dragon
9:15am	Peppa Pig
9:25am	Peppa Pig
9:35am	Mofy
9:45am	Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom
10:00am	Floogals
10:15am	The Wright Stuff
12:15pm	The Yorkshire Vet
1:10pm	5 News Lunchtime
1:15pm	Celebrity Big Brother
2:15pm	Home and Away
2:45pm	Neighbours
3:15pm	NCIS
4:10pm	A Wife's Suspicion
6:00pm	5 News at 5
6:30pm	Neighbours
7:00pm	Home and Away
7:30pm	5 News Tonight
8:00pm	All New Traffic Cops
9:00pm	Named and Shamed
10:00pm	Celebrity Big Brother
11:00pm	Celeb Trolls: We're Coming to Get You
12:05am	Celebrity Big Brother's Bit on the Side
1:05am	Super Casino

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8:00am	Made in Chelsea
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8:30pm	Coach Trip
9:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
9:30pm	Kevin Can Wait
10:00pm	Body Fixers
11:00pm	The Inbetweeners
11:35pm	The Inbetweeners
12:10am	The Big Bang Theory

**sky sports main event**

7:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
7:30am	Good Morning Sports Fans
8:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
8:30am	Good Morning Sports Fans
9:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
9:30am	Good Morning Sports Fans
10:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
11:00am	Live European Tour Golf
3:00pm	Day one of Made in Denmark, hosted at Himmerland Golf and Spa Resort.
1:00pm	Sky Sports Today All the news from the Premier League and beyond.
2:00pm	Sky Sports Today
3:00pm	Live European Tour Golf
5:00pm	Sky Sports Today
6:00pm	Sky Sports News
7:00pm	Sky Sports News
7:30pm	Live T20 Blast
11:15pm	Boxing
12:00am	Through the Night
1:00am	Through the Night

**itv**

7:00am	Good Morning Britain
9:30am	Good Morning Britain
10:25am	The Jeremy Kyle Show
11:30am	This Morning
1:30pm	Loose Women
2:00pm	ITV Lunchtime News
2:20pm	ITV News London
2:30pm	ITV Racing Live York Ebor Festival.
5:00pm	Tipping Point
6:00pm	Cash Trapped
7:00pm	ITV News London
7:30pm	ITV Evening News
8:00pm	Emmerdale
8:30pm	Can Crooks Hack Your Home? Tonight
9:00pm	Emmerdale
9:30pm	James Martin's French Adventure
10:00pm	The Brighton Police
11:00pm	ITV News at Ten and Weather
11:30pm	ITV News London
11:40pm	Easyjet: Inside the Cockpit
12:40am	Bear Grylls: Mission Survive
1:35am	Jackpot247
4:00am	Can Crooks Hack Your Home? Tonight

**itv2**

7:35am	Below Deck
8:20am	The Ellen DeGeneres Show
9:00am	Emmerdale
9:30am	Coronation Street
10:00am	You've Been Framed! Gold
11:00am	Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records
11:30am	The Great Indoors
12:00pm	The Great Indoors
12:25pm	Below Deck
1:20pm	Emmerdale
1:55pm	Coronation Street
2:30pm	You've Been Framed! Gold
3:00pm	The Ellen DeGeneres Show
3:50pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show
4:55pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show
6:00pm	Judge Rinder
7:00pm	You've Been Framed!
8:00pm	Best of You've Been Framed! Gold
9:00pm	Two and a Half Men
9:30pm	Two and a Half Men
10:00pm	The Expendables
11:00pm	FYI Daily
11:05pm	The Expendables
12:05am	Family Guy

**itv3**

7:00am	Judge Judy
7:20am	Judge Judy
7:40am	The Royal
8:40am	Heartbeat
9:40am	Where the Heart is <i>Drama series following the lives of community nurses in a small Yorkshire town.</i>
10:40am	Judge Judy
11:05am	Judge Judy
11:35am	Judge Judy
12:00pm	Rising Damp
12:30pm	You're Only Young Twice
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6:25pm	Rising Damp
6:55pm	Heartbeat
8:00pm	Murder, She Wrote
9:00pm	Endeavour
11:00pm	Law and Order: UK
12:00am	The Ivy
1:00am	Mrs Biggs
2:25am	Marchlands

**itv4**

7:00am	The Chase
7:50am	Storage Wars Texas
8:10am	Storage Wars Texas
8:40am	Ironsides
9:45am	Quincy, M.E.
10:50am	Minder
11:50am	Minder
12:50pm	The Professionals <i>Action-packed drama series about two criminal-intelligence agents.</i>
1:55pm	Cycling
2:55pm	Ironsides
4:00pm	Quincy, M.E.
5:00pm	Minder
6:00pm	The Professionals
7:00pm	Storage Wars Texas
7:35pm	Storage Wars Texas
8:00pm	Cycling
9:00pm	World Superbike Highlights
10:00pm	The Krays
11:05pm	FYI Daily <i>A round-up of the latest entertainment news.</i>
11:10pm	The Krays
12:30am	Rambo III
1:30am	FYI Daily

**sky CINEMA ACTION & ADVENTURE**

10:40am	The Bourne Identity
12:40pm	The Bourne Supremacy
2:40pm	The Magnificent Seven
4:50pm	The Karate Kid
7:00pm	G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra
9:00pm	The Bourne Identity
11:00pm	The Bourne Supremacy
12:55am	Behind Enemy Lines

**sky CINEMA COMEDY**

7:00am	Ghostbusters: Special
7:30am	Turner and Hooch
9:15am	I-Spy
11:00am	Mr. Right
12:45pm	Ghostbusters: Special
1:15pm	Me, Myself and Irene
3:20pm	Mrs. Brown's Boys D'Movie
5:05pm	Bridget Jones's Baby
7:15pm	Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story
9:00pm	Mrs. Brown's Boys D'Movie
10:40pm	Bridget Jones's Baby
12:50am	How to be Single

**sky CINEMA PREMIERE**

7:00am	The Joshua Tree
8:40am	Ibiza Undead
10:25am	Kubo and the Two Strings
12:10pm	Keeping up with the Joneses
2:10pm	The Veil
3:50pm	Kill Me Three Times <i>When a job goes south a hit man finds himself in a twisted tale of murder, blackmail and revenge.</i>
5:30pm	Ibiza Undead
7:15pm	Kubo and the Two Strings <i>Superb stop-motion animation about a young boy who embarks on an epic quest when he inadvertently summons vengeful spirits from his past.</i>
9:00pm	Keeping up with the Joneses
10:50pm	The Veil
12:30am	The Confirmation
2:25am	The Innocents
4:30am	Kill Me Three Times

**sky sports football**

8:00am	Football Years
8:30am	Football Countdowns
9:00am	Football's Greatest
9:30am	Football's Greatest Teams
10:00am	EFL Greatest Games
10:15am	EFL Greatest Games
10:30am	SPFL Greatest Games
10:45am	La Liga Greatest Games
11:00am	Carabao Cup
1:30pm	EFL Greatest Games
1:45pm	EFL Greatest Games
2:00pm	Eredivisie Round Up
3:00pm	Carabao Cup
5:30pm	SPFL Greatest Games
5:45pm	La Liga Greatest Games
6:00pm	Football Years
6:30pm	Football Countdowns
7:00pm	Eredivisie Round Up
8:00pm	Football Years
8:30pm	Football Years
9:00pm	EFL Matters
9:30pm	EFL Greatest Games
9:45pm	EFL Greatest Games
10:00pm	Eredivisie Round Up
11:00pm	La Liga Show
11:30pm	Football Years
12:00am	EFL Matters
12:30am	EFL Greatest Games

# 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 prudent 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.

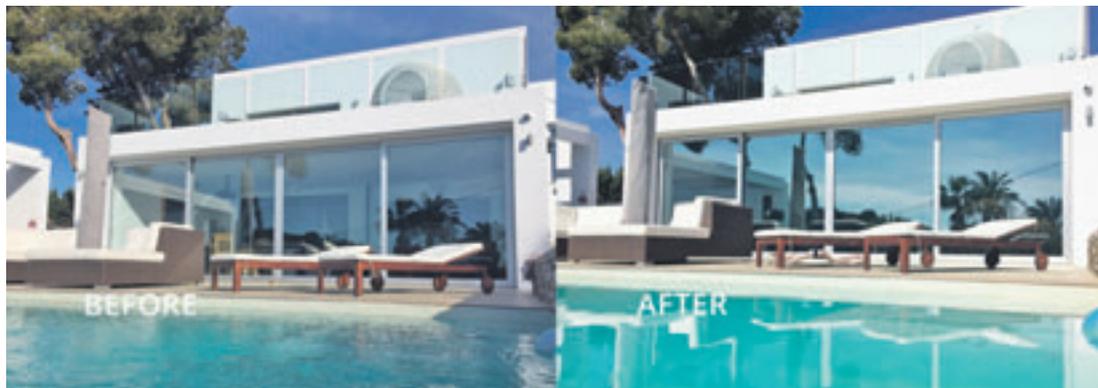
In the national primaries last May, Sanchez suffered resounding defeat only in Andalucía, the home ground of his rival candidate, the regional president Susana Diaz.

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.

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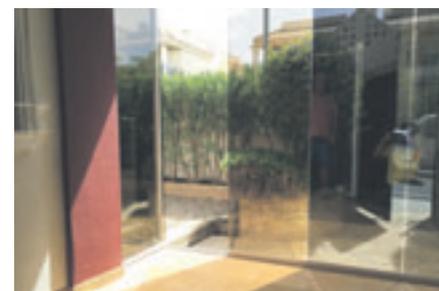
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## BBC one

7:00am	Breakfast
10:15am	Wanted Down Under
11:00am	Homes Under the Hammer
12:00pm	Heir Hunters
12:45pm	Close Calls: On Camera
1:15pm	Bargain Hunt
2:00pm	BBC News at One
2:30pm	BBC London News
2:45pm	Red Rock
3:30pm	Impossible
4:15pm	Escape to the Continent
5:15pm	Flog It!
6:15pm	Pointless
7:00pm	BBC News at Six
7:30pm	BBC London News
8:00pm	The One Show
8:30pm	A Question of Sport
9:00pm	EastEnders
9:30pm	Celebrity MasterChef
11:00pm	BBC News at Ten
11:25pm	BBC London News
11:35pm	The Ronnie Barker Comedy Lecture with Ben Elton
12:20am	Miranda
12:50am	Up in the Air
2:30am	Weather for the Week Ahead

## BBC TWO

7:00am	The World's Most Photographed
7:30am	Heir Hunters
8:15am	Bargain Hunt
9:00am	Gardeners' World
10:00am	Victoria Derbyshire
12:00pm	BBC Newsroom Live
2:00pm	Two Tribes
2:30pm	Planes
3:55pm	The Hairy Bikers' Pubs That Built Britain
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8:00pm	Celebrity Antiques Road Trip
9:00pm	Mastermind
9:30pm	Only Connect
10:00pm	Gardeners' World
11:00pm	QI
11:30pm	Newsnight
12:05am	Dragons' Den
1:05am	Normal for Norfolk
1:35am	Inside the Factory
2:35am	Going Back Giving Back

## BBC FOUR

8:00pm	World News Today
8:30pm	BBC Proms 2017
10:40pm	Blondie's New York... And the Making of Parallel Lines
11:30pm	Reading Festival 2017
	<i>Huw Stephens introduces the headline performance by crowd-pleasers and festival favourites, Leicester's own rock 'n' roll kings, Kasabian.</i>
1:00am	Totally British
2:00am	Totally British
3:00am	It's Only Rock 'N' Roll: Rock 'N' Roll at the BBC
4:00am	This is BBC Four
	<i>BBC Four is the BBC channel for people who want more. More depth, more range, more to stimulate the mind.</i>

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7:30pm	Hollyoaks
8:00pm	Channel 4 News
9:00pm	The Crystal Maze
10:00pm	8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown
11:00pm	Naked Attraction
12:05am	Rude Tube
1:05am	The Stag

## CHANNEL 5

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11:00am	Cricket
	<i>Day one of the second Test between England and West Indies at Headingley.</i>
7:45pm	Masterclass: Tammy Beaumont
8:00pm	Football
	<i>Bristol City v Aston Villa.</i>
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7:30pm	ITV Evening News
8:00pm	Emmerdale
8:30pm	Coronation Street
9:00pm	Teach My Pet to Do That
9:30pm	Coronation Street
10:00pm	Benidorm
11:00pm	ITV News at Ten and Weather
11:30pm	ITV News London
11:40pm	Piers Morgan's Life Stories
12:40am	Tipping Point
1:35am	Jackpot247
4:00am	Storage Hoarders
4:50am	ITV Nightscreen

## itv2

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1:20am	FYI Daily

## itv4

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5:00pm	Minder
6:00pm	The Professionals
7:00pm	Storage Wars Texas
7:30pm	The Darts Show
8:00pm	Cycling
9:00pm	World Series of Darts
	<i>The PDC World Series of Darts continues as eight top players face eight of Australasia's finest on day one of the Perth Darts Masters.</i>
1:00am	Another 48 Hrs
2:00am	FYI Daily
2:05am	Another 48 Hrs
2:55am	Minder

## sky CINEMA ACTION &amp; ADVENTURE

10:10am	The Terminator
12:00pm	The Patriot
2:50pm	The Karate Kid, Part II
4:45pm	Fantastic Four
6:30pm	True Lies
9:00pm	The Terminator
11:00pm	Inglourious Basterds
1:35am	Avengers
3:00am	Confidential: Black Widow and Punisher
	The Mummy Returns

## sky CINEMA COMEDY

7:45am	Billy Madison
9:25am	Stakeout
11:30am	Grandma
1:00pm	Scouts Guide to the Zombie Apocalypse
2:40pm	Ride Along 2
4:30pm	Central Intelligence
6:25pm	Daddy's Home
8:10pm	Ride Along 2
10:00pm	Central Intelligence
12:00am	Daddy's Home
1:45am	Brüno
3:15am	Jackass 3.5
4:50am	Loser

## sky CINEMA PREMIERE

7:00am	The Veil
8:50am	Independence Day
9:20am	Kubo and the Two Strings
11:15am	Keeping up with the Joneses
1:15pm	Allied
	<i>Wartime thriller about a daring Canadian intelligence officer who falls for a beautiful French resistance fighter.</i>
3:25pm	The Confirmation
5:20pm	Kubo and the Two Strings
	<i>Superb stop-motion animation about a young boy who embarks on an epic quest when he inadvertently summons vengeful spirits from his past.</i>
7:15pm	Kill Me Three Times
9:00pm	Allied
11:10pm	Keeping up with the Joneses
1:00am	The Veil

## sky sports football

10:00am	EFL Greatest Games
10:30am	SPFL Greatest Games
10:45am	La Liga Greatest Games
11:00am	Carabao Cup Highlights
12:00pm	La Liga Show
12:30pm	Football Years
1:00pm	EFL Matters
1:30pm	La Liga Show
2:00pm	Carabao Cup Highlights
3:00pm	Football Years
3:30pm	La Liga Show
4:00pm	Football's Greatest
4:30pm	Football's Greatest Teams
5:00pm	EFL Greatest Games
5:30pm	SPFL Greatest Games
5:45pm	La Liga Greatest Games
6:00pm	Football Years
6:30pm	Football Countdowns
7:00pm	La Liga Show
7:30pm	SPFL Matters
8:00pm	Football
11:15pm	SPFL Matters
11:45pm	When Guillem Met Andy Murray
12:30am	Football Countdowns

## 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.

For more news and articles visit [www.n332.es](http://www.n332.es) or search N332 on Facebook.

## 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

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You and the Law  
in Spain



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

not have this, he can be subjected 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.

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

## 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).



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**BBC one**

7:00am	Breakfast
11:00am	Saturday Kitchen
12:30pm	Nadiya's British Food Adventure
1:00pm	Football Focus
2:00pm	BBC News
2:10pm	Weather
2:15pm	Athletics
3:00pm	Rugby League Challenge Cup Final
6:30pm	Flog It!
7:30pm	BBC News
7:40pm	Regional News
7:43pm	Weather
7:45pm	Len Goodman's Partners in Rhyme
8:20pm	Pointless
9:05pm	Who Dares Wins
9:45pm	Casualty
10:35pm	Mrs. Brown's Boys
11:05pm	BBC News
11:20pm	Weather
11:25pm	Match of the Day
12:55am	People Just Do Nothing
1:25am	In the Electric Mist
3:15am	Weather for the Week Ahead
3:20am	BBC News

**BBC TWO**

8:20am	The Man in the White Suit
9:45am	The Magnificent Ambersons
11:10am	Homes Under the Hammer
11:55am	Beavers Behaving Badly - Natural World
12:55pm	Bedknobs and Broomsticks
2:50pm	Wanted Down Under
3:20pm	Mastermind
3:50pm	Only Connect
4:20pm	Gardeners' World
5:20pm	Final Score
6:20pm	University Challenge
6:50pm	The Big Family Cooking Showdown
7:50pm	BBC Proms Extra
8:30pm	Nina Conti's Edinburgh Festival
9:00pm	Iolo's Great Welsh Parks
9:30pm	Dad's Army
10:00pm	Festival Tales: Edinburgh at 70
11:00pm	Performance Live: Get a Round
11:40pm	The Help
2:00am	The German Doctor

**BBC FOUR**

8:00pm	The Brain with David Eagleman <i>Dr David Eagleman explores how the brain conjures up the world we take for granted.</i>
9:00pm	Fossil Wonderlands: Nature's Hidden Treasures
10:00pm	Inspector Montalbano <i>Inspector Montalbano investigates cases in the town of Vigata in Sicily.</i>
11:45pm	Top of the Pops Special 20th anniversary edition of the pop chart programme, first broadcast on 5 January 1984.
12:15am	Billy Fury: The Sound of Fury
1:45am	Britain's Most Fragile Treasure
2:45am	The World's Most Expensive Stolen Paintings

**CHANNEL 4**

7:00am	Mobil 1 The Grid
7:30am	Motorsport
8:00am	Motorsport
8:25am	Everybody Loves Raymond
8:50am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:20am	Frasier
9:50am	Frasier
10:20am	Frasier
10:55am	Formula 1
12:25pm	F1: Grand Prix
12:55pm	Formula 1
3:30pm	World's Most Expensive Cars
4:35pm	A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun
5:35pm	Big House, Little House
6:35pm	Kirstie and Phil's Love it or List it
7:30pm	Channel 4 News
7:55pm	Ender's Game
10:00pm	Dumb and Dumber To
12:10am	Ted
2:10am	Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA
3:00am	Hollyoaks Omnibus
5:10am	Location, Location, Location

**CHANNEL 5**

7:00am	Milkshake!
11:10am	Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles
11:35am	Make You Laugh Out Loud
12:00pm	Police Interceptors
1:00pm	Police Interceptors
2:00pm	Bargain Loving Brits in the Sun
3:00pm	Bargain Loving Brits in the Sun
4:00pm	Nightmare Tenants, Slum Landlords
5:00pm	Nightmare Tenants, Slum Landlords
6:00pm	Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
7:00pm	Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
8:00pm	Cricket on 5
9:00pm	Supernatural Nazis
9:55pm	5 News
10:00pm	Football on 5
11:00pm	Football on 5
11:30pm	Britain's Favourite Abba Songs
1:00am	Access
1:10am	Super Casino
4:10am	Delete
5:30am	Access
5:40am	Great Scientists

**4**

7:00am	The Goldbergs
7:25am	The Goldbergs
7:50am	The Goldbergs
8:25am	Coach Trip
8:55am	Coach Trip
9:30am	Coach Trip
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11:00am	Made in Chelsea
12:05pm	Don't Tell the Bride
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7:45pm	Shallow Hal
10:00pm	Immortals
12:10am	Gogglebox
1:10am	Gogglebox
2:15am	Tattoo Fixers
3:20am	Rude Tube
4:15am	Gogglebox

**sky sports main event**

7:00am	Through the Night
8:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
9:00am	Rugby Union <i>New Zealand face Australia at Forsyth Barr Stadium in the 2017 Rugby Championship.</i>
12:00pm	Soccer Saturday Pre-Match
12:30pm	Football <i>Bournemouth v Manchester City</i>
4:15pm	Cricket <i>Day two of the second Test between England and West Indies at Headingley.</i>
6:15pm	Football <i>Nottingham Forest v Leeds United.</i>
8:40pm	Live PGA Tour Golf <i>Day three of the Northern Trust from Glen Oaks Club in Old Westbury, New York.</i>
12:00am	Through the Night
1:00am	Through the Night
2:00am	Through the Night
3:00am	Through the Night

**itv**

7:00am	CITV
9:25am	ITV News
9:30am	Weekend
10:25am	ITV Racing: The Opening Show
11:20am	Gok's Lunchbox
12:15pm	1000 Heartbeats
1:15pm	ITV News and Weather
1:25pm	The Chase
2:30pm	ITV Racing Live <i>York Ebor Festival.</i>
4:55pm	Tipping Point
5:55pm	Little Big Shots USA
6:50pm	Local News and Weather
7:00pm	ITV News and Weather
7:15pm	You've Been Framed!
8:15pm	Catchphrase
9:00pm	Les Dawson Forever
11:00pm	ITV News and Weather
11:15pm	Captain Phillips
1:45am	Jackpot247 <i>Join the presenters live and play roulette on your telly.</i>
4:00am	Hungry Sailors
4:50am	Nightscreen

**itv2**

7:25am	Emmerdale Omnibus
10:00am	Coronation Street Omnibus
12:35pm	Take Me Out
1:35pm	Harry Hill's Alien Fun Capsule
2:05pm	You've Been Framed Gold! Framed and Famous
3:10pm	Honey
4:10pm	FYI Daily
4:15pm	Honey
5:05pm	Looney Tunes: Back in Action
6:05pm	FYI Daily
6:10pm	Looney Tunes: Back in Action
6:55pm	Nanny McPhee and the Big Bang
7:55pm	FYI Daily
8:00pm	Nanny McPhee and the Big Bang
9:00pm	The Fast and the Furious: Tokyo Drift
10:00pm	FYI Daily
10:05pm	The Fast and the Furious: Tokyo Drift
11:10pm	Family Guy
11:40pm	Family Guy
12:10am	Family Guy

**itv3**

7:00am	Murder, She Wrote
7:50am	Murder, She Wrote
9:50am	The Baby and the Battleship
10:50am	FYI Daily
10:55am	The Baby and the Battleship
11:50am	Heidi
2:00pm	Anne of Green Gables...
3:45pm	Casablanca
4:45pm	FYI Daily
4:50pm	Casablanca
5:55pm	Royal Stories
6:25pm	Royal Stories
7:00pm	Rosemary and Thyme
8:00pm	Midsomer Murders
10:00pm	Foyle's War
12:00am	Law and Order: UK
1:00am	Law and Order: UK
2:05am	Wycliffe
3:00am	Rising Damp
3:25am	ITV3 Nightscreen
3:30am	Teleshopping <i>Innovative, value-for-money products brought directly to you at home.</i>

**itv4**

7:00am	Goals of the 90's
7:10am	Motorsport UK
8:00am	Tommy Cooper
8:30am	Minder
9:35am	River Monsters
10:40am	River Monsters
11:45am	Quincy, M.E.
12:50pm	Cycling
1:50pm	Minder
2:50pm	The Professionals <i>Action-packed drama series about two criminal-intelligence agents.</i>
3:50pm	The Darts Show
4:15pm	World Series of Darts
8:15pm	Women's Rugby World Cup Final
11:15pm	Cycling <i>Coverage of a cycling event.</i>
12:15am	The Krays
1:20am	FYI Daily
1:25am	The Krays
2:40am	Minder
3:45am	Sporting Funnies
3:50am	ITV4 Nightscreen
4:00am	Teleshopping

**sky CINEMA ACTION & ADVENTURE**

10:45am	Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice
1:20pm	Hitman
3:00pm	Green Zone
5:00pm	The Bourne Ultimatum
7:00pm	The Huntsman: Winter's War
9:00pm	Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice
11:35pm	End of Days
1:40am	Face/Off

**sky CINEMA COMEDY**

7:00am	Welcome to Me
8:35am	Mean Girls
10:20am	Bridesmaids
12:30pm	Ghostbusters
2:30pm	The Boss
4:15pm	Back to the Future
6:15pm	Rush Hour 2
7:50pm	Bridesmaids
10:00pm	Ghostbusters
12:00am	The Boss
1:50am	Starsky and Hutch
3:40am	Awkward Sexy People
5:25am	Trapped

**sky CINEMA PREMIERE**

7:00am	Keeping up with the Joneses
8:50am	Kubo and the Two Strings
10:35am	Trolls
12:10pm	The Confirmation
1:55pm	Allied <i>Wartime thriller about a daring Canadian intelligence officer who falls for a beautiful French resistance fighter.</i>
4:05pm	Kill Me Three Times <i>When a job goes south a hit man finds himself in a twisted tale of murder, blackmail and revenge.</i>
7:25pm	Trolls
9:00pm	Allied
11:10pm	Keeping up with the Joneses
1:00am	Ibiza Undead
2:45am	The Veil
4:35am	The Confirmation

**sky sports football**

7:00am	EFL Greatest Games
7:15am	Football
10:30am	SPFL Matters
11:00am	Soccer A.M.
12:30pm	SPFL Matters
1:00pm	La Liga Icons
1:15pm	La Liga Icons
1:30pm	La Liga Icons
1:45pm	La Liga Icons
2:00pm	EFL Greatest Games
2:15pm	EFL Greatest Games
2:30pm	Ronaldo
3:00pm	Magical Messi
4:00pm	Football's Greatest Teams
4:30pm	Football's Greatest Teams
5:00pm	La Liga Icons
5:15pm	La Liga Icons
5:30pm	La Liga Icons
5:45pm	La Liga Icons
6:00pm	EFL Greatest Games
6:15pm	Football
8:40pm	Football <i>Girona v Malaga.</i>
10:10pm	Football <i>Las Palmas v Atletico Madrid.</i>
12:10am	EFL Goals: Championship
12:40am	La Liga Icons

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8:35am	Match of the Day
10:00am	BBC News
11:00am	Sunday Morning Live
12:00pm	Homes Under the Hammer
1:00pm	Bargain Hunt
2:00pm	BBC News
2:10pm	Weather for the Week Ahead
2:15pm	Fake or Fortune
3:15pm	Money for Nothing
4:15pm	Escape to the Country
5:00pm	Songs of Praise
5:35pm	Toy Story 2
7:05pm	BBC News
7:20pm	Regional News
7:25pm	Weather
7:30pm	Countryfile
8:30pm	Diana
10:05pm	Strike
11:05pm	BBC News
11:25pm	Regional News
11:30pm	Weather
11:35pm	Match of the Day 2
12:35am	Live at the Apollo
1:20am	Weather for the Week Ahead
1:25am	BBC News

**BBC TWO**

7:15am	The Instant Gardener
8:00am	Garden Rescue
8:45am	Gardeners' World
9:45am	The Beechgrove Garden
	<i>Scotland's favourite gardening programme.</i>
10:15am	Countryfile
11:15am	Saturday Kitchen
	Best Bites
12:45pm	Lorraine's Fast, Fresh and Easy Food
1:15pm	MOTD2 Extra
	<i>MOTD2 Extra presents the latest football action.</i>
2:00pm	Coast
2:45pm	Triathlon World Series
4:30pm	Equestrian
7:00pm	Tribes, Predators and Me
8:00pm	Gordon Buchanan: Elephant Family and Me
9:00pm	Dragons' Den
10:00pm	Astronauts: Do You Have What it Takes?
11:00pm	Ill Behaviour
12:00am	Ides of March

**BBC FOUR**

8:00pm	BBC Proms 2017
10:00pm	Gluck
	<i>The untold story of Britain's cross-dressing high society painter. Gluck was one of the British Establishment's go-to portrait painters of the 1930s.</i>
11:00pm	Metal at the BBC
11:30pm	Muse at Reading Festival 2017
	<i>Huw Stephens introduces the headline set from a band hailed as one of the best live acts in the world, masters of stadium rock, Muse.</i>
1:00am	Queen: From Rags to Rhapsody
2:00am	Jeff Lynne's ELO in Concert
3:00am	Metal at the BBC
3:30am	Gluck

**CHANNEL 4**

7:00am	Para Triathlon: Superhero Tri
8:00am	Everybody Loves Raymond
8:25am	Everybody Loves Raymond
8:55am	Frasier
9:25am	Frasier
10:00am	Sunday Brunch
1:00pm	Formula 1
1:35pm	Formula 1
	<i>Belgium Grand Prix Live.</i>
4:10pm	Formula 1
5:00pm	The Crystal Maze
6:00pm	Channel 4 News
6:30pm	The World's Greatest Kids' Films
8:00pm	Amazing Spaces
	Shed of the Year
9:00pm	From Russia to Iran: Crossing the Wild Frontier
10:00pm	Taken 3
12:15am	The Wolf of Wall Street
3:30am	Speed with Guy Martin
4:55am	Gillette World Sport
5:25am	KOTV Boxing Weekly
5:50am	Mobil 1 The Grid

**CHANNEL 5**

7:00am	Milkshake!
	<i>Programming aimed at children aged two to seven years old.</i>
11:10am	Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles
11:40am	Football on 5
12:30pm	Football on 5
1:00pm	Toddlers Make You Laugh Out Loud
2:00pm	Puppies Make You Laugh Out Loud
3:00pm	Cats Make You Laugh Out Loud 3
4:00pm	Traffic Cops
5:00pm	Traffic Cops
6:00pm	Traffic Cops
7:00pm	Traffic Cops
8:00pm	Cricket on 5
9:00pm	Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
9:55pm	5 News
	<i>The latest news coverage.</i>
10:00pm	Funny Women
11:30pm	Sue Perkins' Comedy Greats: The Entertainers
1:20am	Named and Shamed
2:10am	Super Casino
4:10am	Delete

**4**

7:00am	Kevin Can Wait
7:25am	Couples Come Dine with Me
8:25am	Couples Come Dine with Me
9:25am	Hollyoaks Omnibus
12:00pm	Made in Chelsea
1:00pm	Don't Tell the Bride
2:00pm	Streetmate
2:35pm	Streetmate
3:05pm	Muppet Treasure Island
5:05pm	The Goldbergs
5:35pm	The Goldbergs
6:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
6:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
7:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
7:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
8:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
8:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
9:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
9:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
10:00pm	Predators
12:05am	Tattoo Fixers on Holiday
1:10am	Don't Tell the Bride
2:15am	Body Fixers
3:20am	Gogglebox
4:15am	Rude Tube
4:40am	Hollyoaks Omnibus

**sky sports main event**

7:00am	Through the Night
8:00am	Total Goals
	<i>Enjoy all the goals from the Sky Bet Championship and beyond.</i>
9:00am	Total Goals
10:00am	Cricket Writers on TV
11:00am	Cricket
	<i>Day three of the second Test between England and West Indies at Headingley.</i>
1:30pm	Live Belgian GP: Race
	<i>The 2017 Belgian Grand Prix, held at Circuit de Spa-Francorchamps.</i>
4:30pm	Live Nissan Super Sunday
	<i>Liverpool v Arsenal.</i>
8:00pm	Live PGA Tour Golf
	<i>Day four of the Northern Trust from the Glen Oaks Club in Old Westbury, New York.</i>
12:00am	Through the Night
1:00am	Through the Night
2:00am	Through the Night
3:00am	Through the Night

**itv**

7:00am	CITV
9:25am	ITV News
9:30am	Weekend
10:25am	K-9
12:15pm	Love Your Garden
1:15pm	ITV News and Weather
1:25pm	James Martin's French Adventure
1:55pm	Joanna Lumley's Postcards
2:25pm	Catchphrase
3:10pm	Long Lost Family
4:10pm	Bear Gryll's Survival School
4:40pm	Superman
7:30pm	Local News and Weather
7:40pm	ITV News and Weather
8:00pm	Possibly...The Best Adverts in the World
10:05pm	Victoria
11:10pm	ITV News and Weather
11:20pm	Judge Rinder's Crime Stories
12:20am	Five Gold Rings
1:15am	Jackpot247
4:00am	Motorsport UK

**itv2**

7:00am	Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records
7:20am	Mr. Bean
7:50am	Emmerdale Omnibus
10:35am	Coronation Street Omnibus
1:00pm	Ninja Warrior
2:00pm	Mr. Bean
2:35pm	Mr. Bean
3:05pm	You've Been Framed Gold!
3:40pm	Totally You've Been Framed!
4:40pm	Around the World in Eighty Days
5:40pm	FYI Daily
5:45pm	Around the World in Eighty Days
7:00pm	Despicable Me
8:00pm	FYI Daily
8:05pm	Despicable Me
8:55pm	Pacific Rim
9:55pm	FYI Daily
10:00pm	Pacific Rim
11:30pm	Family Guy
12:00am	Family Guy
12:30am	Family Guy
1:00am	Family Guy
1:30am	American Dad!

**itv3**

7:00am	The Baby and the Battleship
8:00am	FYI Daily
8:05am	The Baby and the Battleship
8:50am	Heartbeat
9:50am	Heartbeat
10:55am	The Darling Buds of May
12:10pm	Carry on Girls
1:10pm	FYI Daily
1:15pm	Carry on Girls
2:00pm	Foyle's War
	<i>Wartime detective drama series.</i>
4:00pm	The Young Victoria
5:00pm	FYI Daily
5:05pm	The Young Victoria
6:15pm	The Queen
7:15pm	FYI Daily
7:20pm	The Queen
8:30pm	Diana, Our Mother: Her Life and Legacy
10:00pm	Sunday Night at the Palladium
11:00pm	Law and Order: UK
12:00am	Law and Order: UK
1:00am	The English Patient
2:00am	FYI Daily
2:05am	The English Patient

**itv4**

7:00am	The Big Fish Off
	<i>Sports gameshow pitting two celebrities against each other in a battle to become top fisherman.</i>
8:00am	Cycling
9:00am	World Cup Top Goalscorers
9:15am	Pawn Stars
9:45am	World Superbike Highlights
10:45am	British Superbike Highlights
11:45am	MSA British Touring Car Championship
6:45pm	British Touring Car Crashes and Smashes
7:00pm	Storage Wars
7:30pm	Storage Wars
8:00pm	Cycling
9:00pm	World Series of Darts
1:00am	Clear and Present Danger
2:00am	FYI Daily
2:05am	Clear and Present Danger
3:45am	ITV4 Nightscreen

**sky CINEMA ACTION & ADVENTURE**

7:30am	G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra
9:40am	300
11:40am	Jurassic Park
1:50pm	Suicide Squad
3:55pm	The Great Escape
6:50pm	Jurassic Park
9:00pm	300
11:00pm	Suicide Squad
1:05am	Rocky V
2:55am	Rocky Balboa
4:40am	The Blue Max

**sky CINEMA COMEDY**

7:25am	Robin Hood: Men in Tights
9:20am	Ghostbusters: Special
9:50am	Police Academy
11:35am	Date Night
1:15pm	Bridget Jones's Baby
3:30pm	Ghostbusters: Special
4:00pm	Bad Neighbours 2
5:40pm	Sausage Party
7:20pm	Date Night
9:00pm	Bridget Jones's Baby
11:10pm	Bad Neighbours 2
12:50am	Sausage Party
2:30am	Grimsby

**sky CINEMA PREMIERE**

7:00am	Kill Me Three Times
8:35am	Kubo and the Two Strings
10:20am	Trolls
11:55am	Allied
2:05pm	Ouija: Origin of Evil
	<i>When a Ouija board is introduced to a scam seance act it does far more than spice up a stale routine.</i>
3:50pm	Kubo and the Two Strings
5:35pm	Keeping up with the Joneses
7:25pm	Trolls
	<i>A pair of fuzzy-headed trolls embark on a daring rescue mission when members of their tribe are kidnapped.</i>
9:00pm	Allied
11:10pm	Ouija: Origin of Evil
1:00am	The Veil
2:40am	Keeping up with the Joneses
4:35am	The Confirmation

**sky sports football**

10:00am	EFL Goals: League One and League Two
10:30am	The Sunday Supplement
12:00pm	EFL Goals: Championship
12:30pm	EFL Goals: League One and League Two
1:00pm	La Liga Highlights: Barcelona
1:15pm	Football
	<i>Dundee v Hibernian.</i>
3:45pm	La Liga Highlights: Barcelona
4:00pm	Magical Messi
5:00pm	La Liga Highlights: Barcelona
5:15pm	20 Years of El Clasico
6:00pm	La Liga Greatest Games
6:10pm	Football
	<i>Eibar v Athletic Bilbao.</i>
8:10pm	Football
	<i>Getafe v Sevilla.</i>
10:10pm	Football
	<i>Real Madrid v Valencia.</i>
12:10am	La Liga Icons

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**BBC one**

10:45am	Homes Under the Hammer
11:45am	Britain's Home Truths
12:30pm	Close Calls: On Camera
1:00pm	Bargain Hunt
2:00pm	BBC News
2:20pm	Regional News
2:25pm	Weather
2:30pm	Red Rock
3:10pm	Impossible
3:55pm	Escape to the Country
4:30pm	Garden Rescue
5:15pm	Flog It!
6:15pm	Pointless
7:00pm	BBC News
7:20pm	Regional News
7:25pm	Weather
7:30pm	The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo
8:30pm	Wallace and Gromit: A Close Shave
9:00pm	EastEnders
9:30pm	Would I Lie to You?
10:00pm	Strike
11:00pm	BBC News
11:20pm	Regional News
11:25pm	Weather
11:30pm	Imagine...
12:30am	Frankenstein

**BBC TWO**

8:15am	Bargain Hunt
9:00am	The Big Family Cooking Showdown
10:00am	Over the Hedge
11:15am	Hammy's Boomerang Adventure
11:20am	Mr Peabody and Sherman
12:45pm	Jungle Animal Hospital: Natural World
1:45pm	Athletics
2:30pm	Talking Pictures
3:15pm	The Long Ships
5:15pm	Planet Earth
6:15pm	Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is
7:00pm	Eggheads
7:30pm	Royal Recipes
8:00pm	Gordon Buchanan: Elephant Family and Me
9:00pm	University Challenge
9:30pm	Nadiya's British Food Adventure
10:00pm	Dangerous Borders
11:00pm	Normal for Norfolk
11:30pm	Midnight's Children
1:45am	Astronauts: Do You Have What it Takes?

**BBC FOUR**

8:00pm	World News Today
8:30pm	World War I at Home
9:00pm	Chris Jackson follows a community project creating a unique picture of the impact of conflict on those living and working on Tyneside with rarely-seen footage.
10:00pm	The Normans
11:00pm	Blood and Gold: The Making of Spain with Simon Sebag Montefiore
12:00am	Storyville
1:30am	Fabric of Britain

**CHANNEL 4**

7:15am	Kirstie's Vintage Gems
7:25am	Will and Grace
8:10am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:00am	Frasier
9:55am	The Big Bang Theory
11:15am	Step Up 4: Miami Heat
1:05pm	The Simpsons
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5:00pm	A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun
6:00pm	Come Dine with Me
6:30pm	Streetmate
7:00pm	The Simpsons
7:30pm	Hollyoaks
8:00pm	Channel 4 News
8:30pm	Dispatches
9:00pm	Jamie's Quick and Easy Food
9:30pm	Superfoods: The Real Story
10:00pm	999: What's Your Emergency?
11:00pm	The Secret Life of the Holiday Resort
12:05am	Naked Attraction
1:00am	Random Acts

**CHANNEL 5**

8:00am	Milkshake Monkey
8:05am	Shimmer and Shine
8:20am	Noddy: Toyland Detective
8:35am	Paw Patrol
8:50am	Rusty Rivets
9:05am	Digby Dragon
9:15am	Peppa Pig
9:25am	Peppa Pig
9:35am	Mofy
9:45am	Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom
10:00am	Floogals
10:15am	The Wright Stuff
12:15pm	Home and Away
12:45pm	Neighbours
1:15pm	5 News
1:20pm	Rio Lobo
3:35pm	The Searchers
6:00pm	Home and Away
6:30pm	Neighbours
7:00pm	Ultimate Strongman: Battle of Britain
7:55pm	5 News
8:00pm	Cricket on 5
9:00pm	All New Traffic Cops
10:00pm	In Solitary: The Anti-Social Experiment
11:30pm	When Live TV Goes Horribly Wrong
2:15am	Super Casino

**4**

7:00am	Hollyoaks
7:30am	Coach Trip
8:00am	Made in Chelsea
9:00am	Melissa and Joey
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6:00pm	Rio
8:00pm	Hollyoaks
8:30pm	Coach Trip
9:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
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10:00pm	Made in Chelsea
11:00pm	Celebrity First Dates
12:05am	The Big Bang Theory

**sky sports main event**

7:00am	Through the Night
8:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
8:30am	Good Morning Sports Fans
9:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
9:30am	Good Morning Sports Fans
10:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
11:00am	Premier League Daily
11:30am	Cricket
8:00pm	Transfer Centre
8:30pm	Sky Sports Tonight
9:00pm	Sky Sports Tonight
10:00pm	Sky Sports Tonight
11:00pm	The Debate - Live
12:00am	Through the Night
1:00am	Through the Night
2:00am	Live WWE Late Night Raw
5:15am	WWE From the Vault

**itv**

7:00am	Good Morning Britain
9:30am	Good Morning Britain
10:25am	The Jeremy Kyle Show
11:30am	This Morning
1:30pm	Loose Women
2:45pm	ITV Lunchtime News
3:00pm	Judge Rinder
4:00pm	Dickinson's Real Deal
5:00pm	Tipping Point
6:00pm	Cash Trapped
7:00pm	Best Walks with a View with Julia Bradbury
7:25pm	Local News and Weather
7:40pm	ITV Evening News
8:00pm	Emmerdale
8:30pm	Coronation Street
9:00pm	Countrywise
9:30pm	Coronation Street
10:00pm	Fp: The Theory of Everything
12:20am	ITV News and Weather
12:40am	Britain's Busiest Motorway

**itv2**

7:00am	Totally Bonkers
7:50am	The Cube
8:35am	Emmerdale
9:05am	Coronation Street
9:35am	Coronation Street
10:05am	You've Been Framed Gold! Kids Special
11:05am	Space Chimps
12:05pm	FYI Daily
12:10pm	Space Chimps
12:50pm	Emmerdale
1:20pm	Coronation Street
1:50pm	Coronation Street
2:20pm	Catchphrase
3:20pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show
6:40pm	Best of You've Been Framed Gold!
7:45pm	Charlie and the Chocolate Factory
8:45pm	FYI Daily
8:50pm	Charlie and the Chocolate Factory
10:00pm	Family Guy
10:30pm	Family Guy
11:00pm	American Dad!
12:00am	Family Guy

**itv3**

7:00am	On the Buses
7:25am	The Royal
8:20am	Heartbeat
9:20am	Where the Heart is
10:25am	Judge Judy
11:50am	Rising Damp
12:20pm	You're Only Young
12:50pm	The Darling Buds of May
2:00pm	Heartbeat
3:00pm	The Royal
4:05pm	The Darling Buds of May
5:15pm	You're Only Young
5:50pm	On the Buses
6:20pm	Rising Damp
6:55pm	Heartbeat
8:00pm	Murder, She Wrote
9:00pm	Midsomer Murders
11:00pm	Law and Order: UK
12:00am	The Street

**itv4**

7:00am	The Chase
7:50am	Storage Wars Texas
8:10am	The Darts Show
8:40am	The Saint
9:40am	Ironsides
10:45am	Quincy, M.E.
11:45am	Minder
12:50pm	The Professionals
1:50pm	Cycling
2:50pm	Every Which Way But Loose
3:55pm	FYI Daily
4:00pm	Every Which Way But Loose
5:05pm	Superman
6:20pm	FYI Daily
6:25pm	Superman
8:00pm	Pawn Stars
8:30pm	Pawn Stars
9:00pm	River Monsters
10:00pm	Car Crash Global
11:00pm	Patriot Games
12:05am	FYI Daily
12:10am	Patriot Games
1:25am	Motorsport UK
2:25am	The Professionals
3:20am	Tommy Cooper
3:45am	ITV4 Nightscreen
4:00am	Teleshopping

**sky CINEMA ACTION & ADVENTURE**

7:20am	Jack Reacher: Never Go Back
9:25am	Captain America: Civil War
12:00pm	X-Men: Apocalypse
2:30pm	Braveheart
5:30pm	Captain America: Civil War
8:00pm	Jack Reacher: Never Go Back
10:00pm	X-Men: Apocalypse
12:30am	xXx2: The Next Level

**sky CINEMA COMEDY**

7:20am	Drillbit Taylor
9:10am	Talladega Nights: The Ballad of Ricky Bobby
11:15am	Popstar: Never Stop Never Stopping
12:50pm	Bridesmaids
3:00pm	Knocked Up
5:15pm	Superbad
7:15pm	Walk Hard: The Dewey Cox Story
9:00pm	Popstar: Never Stop Never Stopping
10:35pm	Bridesmaids
12:50am	Knocked Up

**sky CINEMA PREMIERE**

7:00am	Ibiza Undead
8:55am	Kubo and the Two Strings
10:40am	Trolls
12:15pm	Blinky Bill
1:50pm	Allied
4:00pm	Ouija: Origin of Evil
5:45pm	Trolls
7:25pm	Blinky Bill
9:00pm	Allied
11:10pm	Ouija: Origin of Evil
1:00am	The Veil
2:40am	The Confirmation
4:40am	The Top Ten Show 2017
5:00am	Kubo and the Two Strings

**sky sports football**

3:30pm	La Liga Icons
4:00pm	Football's Greatest
5:00pm	La Liga Highlights: Real Madrid
5:15pm	La Liga Highlights: Barcelona
5:30pm	SPFL Greatest Games
5:45pm	La Liga Greatest Games
6:00pm	Football Years
6:30pm	Football Countdowns
7:00pm	La Liga Highlights: Real Madrid
7:15pm	La Liga Highlights: Barcelona
7:30pm	SPFL Greatest Games
7:45pm	La Liga Greatest Games
8:00pm	Soccer A.M.
8:30pm	Football Years
9:00pm	WCQ Round Up: Matchday
10:00pm	Soccer A.M.
10:30pm	Football Years
11:00pm	SPFL Round Up 2017/18
11:15pm	SPFL Greatest Games
11:30pm	MLS Round Up Show
12:00am	Soccer A.M.

Advertising feature

# Insurance with a personal touch

INSURANCE can be a bit of a minefield. It is something we all need but hope we never actually have to use, however if you do, having a friendly voice at the end of the phone ready and willing to help, can make all the difference. This is where Elaine Kaufmann comes in.

Elaine has been working in the ever-changing insurance industry in Spain for 30 years. Based in Altea, she is the Managing Director of Plus Ultra Seguros Altea, being an exclusive agent for Plus Ultra Seguros under her agency name of Insurance Altea SL.

Plus Ultra Seguros Altea are a large international Spanish insurance company with over 1,350 offices across Spain. However, visiting Elaine in her Altea office, you don't get lost within a large company as clients receive a very personal service: "I deal with every client personally and promptly" said Elaine: "I will give immediate or same day service whether you call into the office, phone or e-mail us."

This makes a refreshing change from some companies where you can be kept waiting in call queuing systems before speaking to someone who may only have the most basic knowledge of the company and the products they sell. Compare that with immediate service by an expert and you can see for yourself the contrast.



**PERSONAL TOUCH:** Elaine Kaufmann offers a friendly and professional service at Plus Ultra Seguros Altea.

When you combine this personal service with the security of Elaine being part of such a large and financially secure insurer it really is a very strong combination. Plus Ultra Seguros Altea cover all main types of insurance including house, motor, boat and life insurance. They also offer funeral plans which include repatriation. Their house insurance is particularly competitive and they will even pay for water damage

repairs prior to the damage actually occurring, as a preventative measure.

Unlike most large insurance companies you can just pop in and see Elaine, in fact this is her preferred way of doing business, emphasising the personal touch that makes Plus Ultra Seguros Altea stand out from the crowd.

The office is located in Altea town centre at Calle Conde de Altea 65 or call 965 840 753 or

email [elaine@insurancealtea.es](mailto:elaine@insurancealtea.es).

Elaine has policy holders from all over Spain so if Altea isn't handy for your location just give her a call and she will be happy to help and find the right insurance policy for you.

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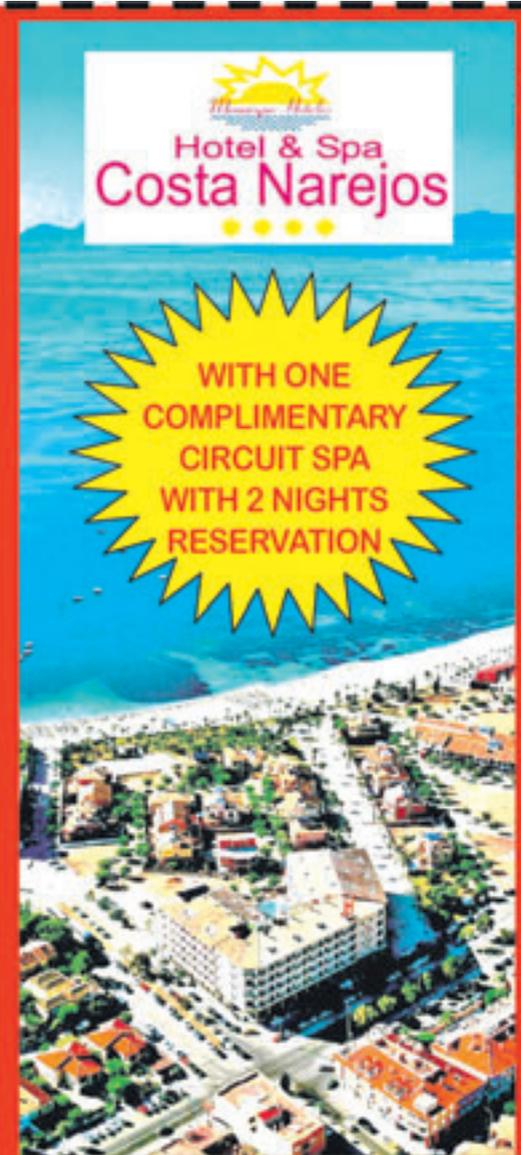
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7:00pm	BBC News
7:30pm	Regional News
8:00pm	The One Show
8:30pm	EastEnders
9:00pm	Holby City
10:00pm	Trust Me
11:00pm	BBC News
11:30pm	Regional News
11:40pm	Weather
11:45pm	New Tricks
12:45am	Ambulance

**BBC TWO**

7:00am	Flog It!
7:30am	Countryfile Summer Diaries
8:15am	Britain's Home Truths
9:00am	The Farmers' Country Showdown
9:30am	Great British Menu
10:00am	Victoria Derbyshire
12:00pm	BBC Newsroom Live
2:00pm	Badminton
3:00pm	Bedtime Stories
4:30pm	Coast
5:15pm	Planet Earth
6:15pm	Put Your Money
7:00pm	Eggheads
7:30pm	Royal Recipes
8:00pm	Celebrity Antiques Road Trip
9:00pm	Saving Lives at Sea
10:00pm	Horizon
11:00pm	Quacks
11:30pm	Newsnight
12:10am	Weather
12:15am	Dangerous Borders

**BBC FOUR**

8:00pm	World News Today
8:30pm	World War I at Home
9:00pm	India's Frontier Railways
10:00pm	Frank Lloyd Wright Inspector Montalbano
11:00pm	Inspector Montalbano
12:45am	The Brain with David Eagleman
1:45am	A History of Art in Three Colours
2:45am	India's Frontier Railways
3:45am	Frank Lloyd Wright

**CHANNEL 4**

9:00am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:30am	Everybody Loves Raymond
10:00am	Frasier
10:30am	Frasier
11:00am	The Big Bang Theory
11:30am	The Big Bang Theory
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12:30pm	The Simpsons
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6:00pm	Come Dine with Me
6:30pm	Streetmate
7:00pm	The Simpsons
7:30pm	Hollyoaks
8:00pm	Channel 4 News
9:00pm	The Great British Bake Off
10:15pm	Celebrity Island with Bear Grylls
11:20pm	Married to a Celebrity: The Survival Guide
12:25am	Sarah Millican

**CHANNEL 5**

7:00am	Milkshake!
10:15am	The Wright Stuff
12:15pm	The Yorkshire Vet
1:10pm	5 News
1:15pm	The Hotel Inspector
2:10pm	Access
2:15pm	Home and Away
2:45pm	Neighbours
3:15pm	NCIS
4:15pm	Til Death Do Us Part
6:00pm	5 News
6:30pm	Neighbours
7:00pm	Home and Away
7:30pm	5 News
8:00pm	Cricket on 5
9:00pm	The Dog Rescuers with Alan Davies
10:00pm	Inside Balmoral
11:00pm	Diana: 7 Days That Shook the Windsors
1:00am	MotoGP
2:00am	Super Casino

**4**

9:30am	Melissa and Joey
10:00am	Black-Ish
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9:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
9:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
10:00pm	Tattoo Fixers on Holiday
11:00pm	8 Out of 10 Cats
11:55pm	Predators

**sky sports main event**

7:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
7:30am	Good Morning Sports Fans
8:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
8:30am	Good Morning Sports Fans
9:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
9:30am	Good Morning Sports Fans
10:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
11:00am	Premier League Daily
11:30am	Cricket
7:30pm	Cricket
8:00pm	Transfer Centre
8:30pm	Sky Sports Tonight
9:00pm	Sky Sports Tonight
10:00pm	Sky Sports Tonight
11:00pm	The Debate - Live
12:00am	Through the Night

**itv**

7:00am	Good Morning Britain
9:30am	Good Morning Britain
10:25am	The Jeremy Kyle Show
11:30am	This Morning
1:30pm	Loose Women
2:30pm	ITV Lunchtime News
3:00pm	Judge Rinder
4:00pm	Dickinson's Real Deal
5:00pm	Tipping Point
6:00pm	Cash Trapped
7:00pm	Local News and Weather
7:30pm	ITV Evening News
8:00pm	Emmerdale
8:30pm	Britain as Seen on ITV
9:00pm	Diana
10:00pm	Manchester: 100 Days After the Attack
11:00pm	ITV News
11:40pm	The Brighton Police
12:40am	Lethal Weapon
1:30am	Jackpot247

**itv2**

11:30am	The Great Indoors
12:00pm	The Great Indoors
12:25pm	Below Deck
12:55pm	You've Been Framed Gold!
1:20pm	Emmerdale
1:55pm	Coronation Street
2:30pm	Coronation Street
3:00pm	The Ellen DeGeneres Show
3:50pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show
4:55pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show
6:00pm	Judge Rinder
7:00pm	You've Been Framed Gold!
7:30pm	You've Been Framed Gold!
8:00pm	You've Been Framed Gold!
8:30pm	You've Been Framed Gold!
9:00pm	Two and a Half Men
9:30pm	Two and a Half Men
10:00pm	Shaun of the Dead
11:00pm	FYI Daily
11:05pm	Shaun of the Dead
11:05pm	Family Guy
12:05am	Family Guy
12:35am	Family Guy

**itv3**

7:00am	Judge Judy
7:20am	Judge Judy
7:40am	The Royal
8:40am	Heartbeat
9:30am	Where the Heart is
10:40am	Judge Judy
11:05am	Judge Judy
11:30am	Judge Judy
11:55am	Rising Damp
12:30pm	You're Only Young Twice
1:00pm	The Darling Buds of May
2:05pm	Heartbeat
3:05pm	The Royal
4:10pm	The Darling Buds of May
5:15pm	You're Only Young Twice
5:50pm	On the Buses
6:25pm	Rising Damp
6:55pm	Heartbeat
8:00pm	Murder, She Wrote
9:00pm	Midsomer Murders
11:00pm	Law and Order: UK
12:00am	Cold Blood
1:35am	Wycliffe

**itv4**

7:00am	The Chase
7:50am	The Chase
8:40am	Minder
9:45am	The Saint
10:50am	Cash Cowboys
11:50am	Pawn Stars
12:20pm	Pawn Stars
12:45pm	Minder
1:50pm	The Saint
2:50pm	Ironsides
3:55pm	Quincy, M.E.
4:55pm	Minder
6:00pm	The Professionals
7:00pm	Storage Wars Texas
7:30pm	Storage Wars Texas
8:00pm	Cycling
9:00pm	The Chase: Celebrity Special
10:00pm	Benidorm
11:05pm	Another 48 Hrs
12:10am	Another 48 Hrs
1:10am	River Monsters
2:15am	Minder
3:05am	Ax Men
3:55am	ITV4 Nightscreen

**sky CINEMA ACTION & ADVENTURE**

1:20pm	Lawrence of Arabia
4:55pm	In the Heart of the Sea
7:00pm	The Bourne Supremacy
9:00pm	Mission: Impossible - Ghost Protocol
11:00pm	Inglourious Basterds
1:35am	Lucky Number Slevin
3:30am	Face/Off

**sky CINEMA COMEDY**

7:00am	Ghostbusters: Special
7:30am	Alien Autopsy
9:15am	Click
11:15am	Big Daddy
1:00pm	Miss Congeniality
3:00pm	Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous
5:00pm	Patch Adams
7:00pm	Couples Retreat
9:00pm	Miss Congeniality
11:00pm	Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous
1:00am	Dirty 30

**sky CINEMA PREMIERE**

7:00am	Kill Me Three Times
8:45am	Blinky Bill
10:25am	Allied
12:35pm	Trolls
2:15pm	Kill the King
3:55pm	Ouija: Origin of Evil
5:45pm	Blinky Bill
7:20pm	Trolls
9:00pm	Allied
11:10pm	Kill the King
12:45am	Ouija: Origin of Evil
2:30am	The Veil
4:20am	The Top Ten Show 2017

**sky sports football**

8:30am	Football Countdowns
9:00am	Football's Greatest
9:30am	Football's Greatest Teams
10:00am	MLS Round Up Show
10:30am	SPFL Greatest Games
10:45am	La Liga Greatest Games
11:00am	Football
1:00pm	Football
3:00pm	Football
5:00pm	MLS Round Up Show
5:30pm	SPFL Greatest Games
5:45pm	La Liga Greatest Games
6:00pm	Football Years
6:30pm	Football Countdowns
7:00pm	Soccer A.M.
7:30pm	MLS Round Up Show
8:00pm	MLS Round Up Show
8:30pm	Soccer A.M.
9:00pm	WCQ Round Up: Matchday
10:00pm	WCQ Round Up: Matchday
11:00pm	Revista de la Liga
11:30pm	La Liga World
12:00am	Football Years

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**BBC one**

7:00am	Breakfast
10:15am	Countryfile Summer Diaries
11:00am	Homes Under the Hammer
12:00pm	Britain's Home Truths
12:45pm	Close Calls: On Camera
1:15pm	Bargain Hunt
2:00pm	BBC News
2:30pm	Regional News
2:45pm	Red Rock
3:30pm	Impossible
4:15pm	Escape to the Continent
5:15pm	Flog It!
6:15pm	Pointless
7:00pm	BBC News
7:30pm	Regional News
8:00pm	The One Show
8:30pm	Fake Britain
9:00pm	Celebrity MasterChef
10:00pm	The Week the Landlords Moved in
11:00pm	BBC News
11:30pm	Regional News
11:40pm	Weather
11:45pm	A Question of Sport
12:15am	Live From the BBC
12:45am	Who Do You Think You Are?
1:45am	Weather for the Week Ahead

**BBC TWO**

7:00am	Flog It!
7:30am	Countryfile Summer Diaries
8:15am	Britain's Home Truths
9:00am	Scotland's Model Teenager
9:30am	Great British Menu
10:00am	Victoria Derbyshire
12:00pm	BBC Newsroom Live
2:00pm	Perfection
2:45pm	The Muppets
4:20pm	Countryfile
4:25pm	Coast Australia
5:15pm	Planet Earth
6:15pm	Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is
7:00pm	Eggheads
7:30pm	Royal Recipes
8:00pm	Celebrity Antiques Road Trip
9:00pm	World's Busiest Cities: Hong Kong
10:00pm	Mountain Life at the Extreme.
11:00pm	Live at the Apollo
11:30pm	Newsnight
12:10am	Weather
12:15am	Horizon
1:15am	Who Do You Think You Are?
2:15am	Seven Days in Summer
3:15am	This is BBC Two

**BBC FOUR**

8:00pm	World News Today
8:30pm	World War I at Home
9:00pm	Storm Troupers: The Fight to Forecast the Weather
10:00pm	Awesome Beauty
11:00pm	Tales From the National Parks
12:00am	How it Works <i>From the Stone Age to the Silicon Age, materials have helped drive forward our civilisation.</i>
1:00am	Storm Troupers: The Fight to Forecast the Weather
2:00am	Fabric of Britain <i>Paul Martin presents the surprisingly compelling story of wallpaper.</i>
3:00am	Tales From the National Parks
4:00am	Awesome Beauty

**CHANNEL 4**

7:00am	Countdown
7:45am	Will and Grace
8:10am	King of Queens
8:35am	King of Queens
9:00am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:30am	Everybody Loves Raymond
10:00am	Frasier
10:30am	Frasier
11:00am	The Big Bang Theory
11:30am	The Big Bang Theory
12:00pm	The Simpsons
12:30pm	The Simpsons
1:00pm	Channel 4 News
1:05pm	Couples Come Dine with Me
2:05pm	French Collection
3:10pm	Countdown
4:00pm	Cheap Cheap Cheap
5:00pm	A Place in the Sun
6:00pm	Come Dine with Me
6:30pm	Streetmate
7:00pm	The Simpsons
7:30pm	Hollyoaks
8:00pm	Channel 4 News
9:00pm	Location, Location, Location
10:00pm	24 Hours in A and E
11:00pm	Bring Me Back to Life
12:00am	999: What's Your Emergency?

**CHANNEL 5**

7:00am	Milkshake!
10:15am	The Wright Stuff
12:15pm	The Yorkshire Vet
1:10pm	5 News
1:15pm	The Hotel Inspector
2:10pm	Access
2:15pm	Home and Away
2:45pm	Neighbours
3:15pm	NCIS
4:15pm	The Preacher's Mistress
6:00pm	5 News
6:30pm	Neighbours
7:00pm	Home and Away
7:30pm	5 News
8:00pm	Starting Up Starting Over
9:00pm	GP's: Behind Closed Doors
10:00pm	Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
11:00pm	Nightmare New Builds
12:00am	The Nightmare Neighbour Next Door
1:00am	Titanic: Draining the Wreck
2:00am	Super Casino
4:10am	Supernatural Nazis
5:00am	Witches: A Century of Murder
5:45am	House Doctor

**4**

7:00am	Hollyoaks
7:30am	Coach Trip
8:00am	Made in Chelsea
9:00am	Melissa and Joey
9:30am	Melissa and Joey
10:00am	Black-Ish
10:30am	Black-Ish: Just Christmas, Baby
11:00am	Baby Daddy
11:30am	Baby Daddy
12:00pm	How I Met Your Mother
1:00pm	The Goldbergs
1:30pm	The Goldbergs
2:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
2:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
3:00pm	Melissa and Joey
3:30pm	Melissa and Joey
4:00pm	Baby Daddy
4:30pm	Baby Daddy
5:00pm	Black-Ish
5:30pm	Black-Ish
6:00pm	The Goldbergs
6:30pm	The Goldbergs
7:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
7:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
8:00pm	Hollyoaks
8:30pm	Coach Trip
9:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
9:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
10:00pm	Don't Tell the Bride
11:00pm	Made Over By
12:05am	The Big Bang Theory

**sky sports main event**

7:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
7:30am	Good Morning Sports Fans
8:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
8:30am	Good Morning Sports Fans
9:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
9:30am	Good Morning Sports Fans
10:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
11:00am	Premier League Daily
12:00pm	Transfer Centre
12:30pm	Sky Sports Now
1:00pm	Sky Sports Today
2:00pm	Sky Sports Today
3:00pm	Sky Sports Today
8:00pm	Transfer Centre
8:30pm	Sky Sports Tonight
9:00pm	Sky Sports Tonight
11:00pm	Sky Sports News at Ten
12:00am	Through the Night
4:00am	Through the Night
5:00am	Through the Night <i>A comprehensive review of all the night's football news, plus a look ahead to the morning headlines.</i>

**itv**

7:00am	Good Morning Britain
9:30am	Good Morning Britain
10:25am	The Jeremy Kyle Show
11:30am	This Morning
1:30pm	Loose Women
2:30pm	ITV Lunchtime News
3:00pm	Judge Rinder
4:00pm	Dickinson's Real Deal
5:00pm	Tipping Point
6:00pm	Cash Trapped
7:00pm	Local News and Weather
7:30pm	ITV Evening News
8:00pm	Emmerdale
8:30pm	Coronation Street
9:00pm	Love Your Home and Garden
10:00pm	Long Lost Family
11:00pm	ITV News
11:40pm	The Brighton Police
12:40am	River Monsters
1:35am	Jackpot247 <i>Join the presenters live and play roulette on your telly.</i>
4:00am	May the Best House Win
4:50am	Nightscreen

**itv2**

8:00am	Below Deck
8:20am	The Ellen DeGeneres Show
9:00am	Emmerdale
9:30am	The Cube
10:30am	You've Been Framed Gold!
11:00am	Totally Bonkers
11:30am	Guinness World Records
11:30am	The Great Indoors
12:25pm	Below Deck
1:20pm	Emmerdale
1:55pm	You've Been Framed Gold! Top 100 Kids
3:00pm	The Ellen DeGeneres Show
3:50pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show
4:55pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show
6:00pm	Judge Rinder
7:00pm	You've Been Framed Gold!
9:00pm	Two and a Half Men
10:00pm	The 40 Year Old Virgin
11:00pm	FYI Daily
11:05pm	The 40 Year Old Virgin
12:20am	Family Guy
12:50am	Family Guy
1:20am	American Dad!

**itv3**

7:00am	Judge Judy
7:20am	Judge Judy
7:40am	The Royal
8:40am	Heartbeat
9:30am	Where the Heart is
10:35am	Judge Judy
11:05am	Judge Judy
11:30am	Judge Judy
12:00pm	Rising Damp
12:30pm	You're Only Young Twice
1:00pm	The Darling Buds of May
2:05pm	Heartbeat
3:05pm	The Royal
4:10pm	The Darling Buds of May
5:20pm	You're Only Young Twice
5:55pm	On the Buses
6:25pm	Rising Damp
6:55pm	Heartbeat
8:00pm	Murder, She Wrote
9:00pm	Lewis
11:00pm	Law and Order: UK
12:00am	Captain Corelli's Mandolin
1:00am	FYI Daily
1:05am	Captain Corelli's Mandolin
2:30am	Judge Judy
2:50am	Rising Damp
3:15am	ITV3 Nightscreen

**itv4**

7:00am	The Chase
7:50am	Storage Wars Texas
8:10am	Storage Wars Texas
8:35am	The Saint
9:40am	Ironsides
10:45am	Quincy, M.E.
11:50am	Minder
12:50pm	The Professionals
1:55pm	Cycling
2:55pm	Ironsides
4:00pm	Quincy, M.E.
5:00pm	Minder
7:00pm	Storage Wars Texas
7:30pm	Storage Wars Texas
8:00pm	Cycling
9:00pm	Parking Wars
10:00pm	The Krays
11:05pm	FYI Daily
11:10pm	The Krays
12:25am	Maximum Conviction
1:30am	FYI Daily
1:35am	Maximum Conviction
2:35am	Minder
3:30am	Tommy Cooper
3:55am	ITV4 Nightscreen
4:00am	Teleshopping <i>Innovative, value-for-money products brought directly to you at home.</i>

**sky CINEMA ACTION & ADVENTURE**

9:55am	Hitman
11:35am	Mission: Impossible II
1:45pm	The Magnificent Seven
4:00pm	Troy
6:50pm	The Mummy
9:00pm	Mission: Impossible II
11:10pm	300
1:10am	Underworld
3:15am	Con Air
5:15am	The Magnificent Seven

**sky CINEMA COMEDY**

8:00am	Rock the Kasbah
9:50am	When Harry Met Sally
11:35am	Dad's Army
1:20pm	The Top Ten Show 2017
1:40pm	Mike and Dave Need Wedding Dates
3:25pm	Ride Along 2
5:15pm	Barbershop: The Next Cut
7:15pm	Dad's Army
9:00pm	Mike and Dave Need Wedding Dates
10:45pm	Ride Along 2
12:35am	Barbershop: The Next Cut

**sky CINEMA PREMIERE**

7:00am	Kill the King
8:35am	The Veil
10:15am	Blinky Bill
11:55am	Trolls
1:40pm	Allied
3:55pm	Blinky Bill
5:30pm	Ouija: Origin of Evil
7:15pm	Trolls
9:00pm	Allied
11:10pm	Apprentice
1:00am	Ouija: Origin of Evil <i>When a Ouija board is introduced to a scam seance act it does far more than spice up a stale routine.</i>
2:50am	Kill the King
4:30am	The Top Ten Show 2017
4:45am	The Veil <i>The lone survivor of a mass cult suicide returns to the scene of the tragedy with a documentary crew in tow. Supernatural horror with Jessica Alba and Thomas Jane.</i>

**sky sports football**

10:45am	La Liga Greatest Games
11:00am	Revista de la Liga
11:30am	La Liga World
12:00pm	WCQ Round Up: Matchday
1:00pm	Revista de la Liga
1:30pm	La Liga World
2:00pm	WCQ Round Up: Matchday
3:00pm	Revista de la Liga
3:30pm	La Liga World
4:00pm	Football's Greatest
5:00pm	EFL Greatest Games
5:30pm	SPFL Greatest Games
5:45pm	La Liga Greatest Games
6:00pm	Football Years
6:30pm	Football Countdowns
7:00pm	Revista de la Liga
7:30pm	La Liga World
8:00pm	El Classico Memories
8:45pm	La Liga Archive
9:00pm	WCQ Round Up: Matchday
10:00pm	WCQ Round Up: Matchday
11:00pm	Eredivisie Round Up
12:00am	Revista de la Liga
12:30am	Football Countdowns
1:00am	Eredivisie Round Up
2:00am	Revista de la Liga



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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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## Women's wit

“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.”

## MADDOCKS' VIEW ON LIFE



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GOOD GAME, GOOD GAME! '

# 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?

# 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 Mitica, 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 Caida Libre with its huge drop as well as the totally spooky Mansion del Terror.

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(39) (46)	(19) (23)	(30) (35)	(39) (42)	(35) (37)	(18) (35)
(52) (55)	(37) (40)	(46)	(45)	(43) (48)	(50)
<b>BONUS BALL</b>	<b>BONUS BALL</b>	<b>LUCKY STARS</b>	<b>LUCKY STARS</b>	<b>REINTEGRO</b>	<b>REINTEGRO</b>
(3)	(31)	(4) (10)	(2) (8)	(34) (7)	(5)

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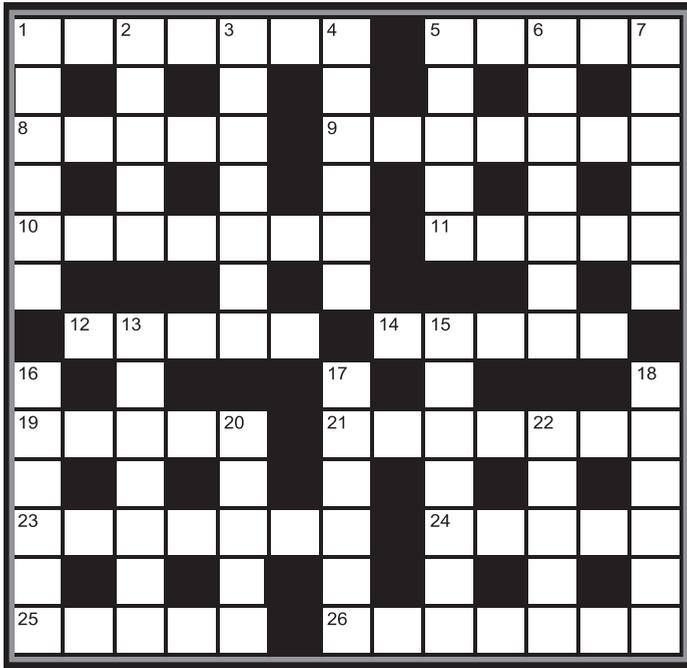
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**Cryptic**

- 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)

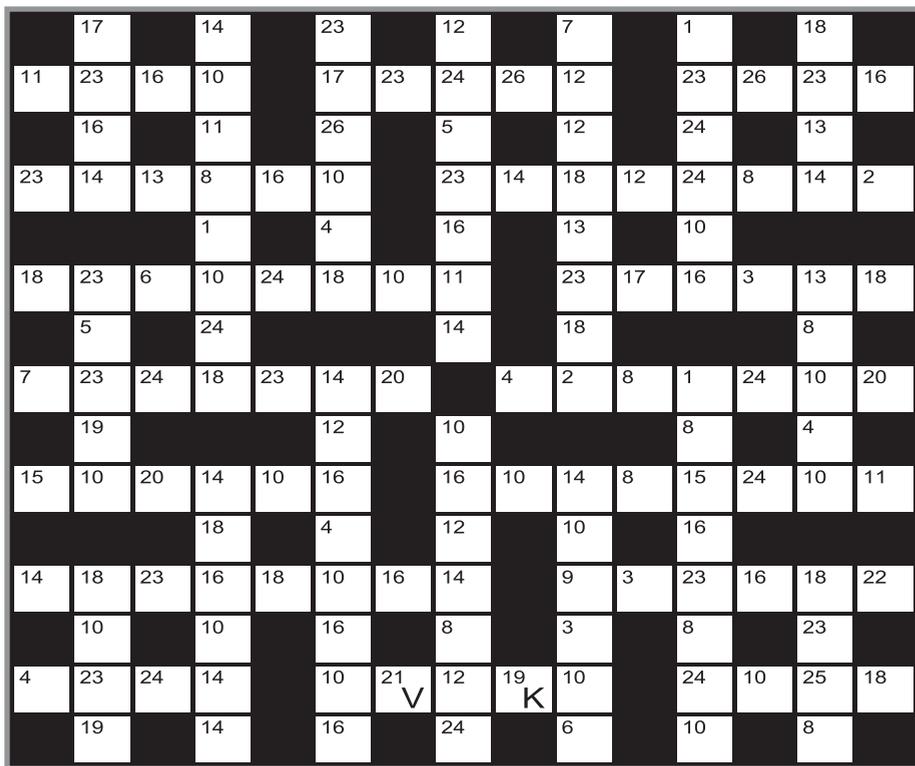
- Down**  
 1 Some catfish are delicious when cut up (6)  
 2 Drink alcohol a German provides (5)  
 3 Odd trinkets containing uranium (7)  
 4 Show some amusement when a sober chap gets in a row (6)  
 5 Vegetables are running out of water, by the sound of it (5)



- 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**

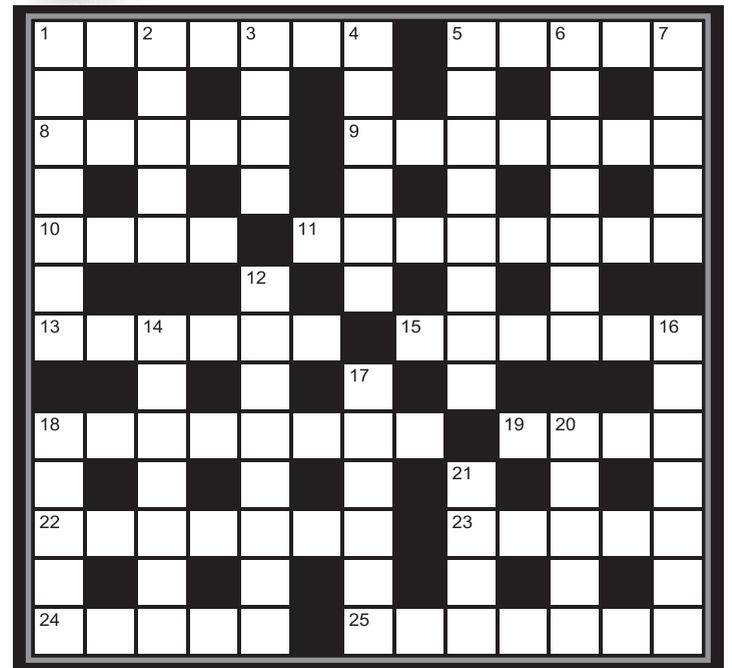
Each number in the Code Breaker grid represents a different letter of the alphabet. In this week's puzzle, 19 represents K and 21 represents V, so fill in K every time the figure 19 appears and V every time the figure 21 appears. Now, using your knowledge of the English language, work out which letters 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
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION FACING PAGE

**Quick**

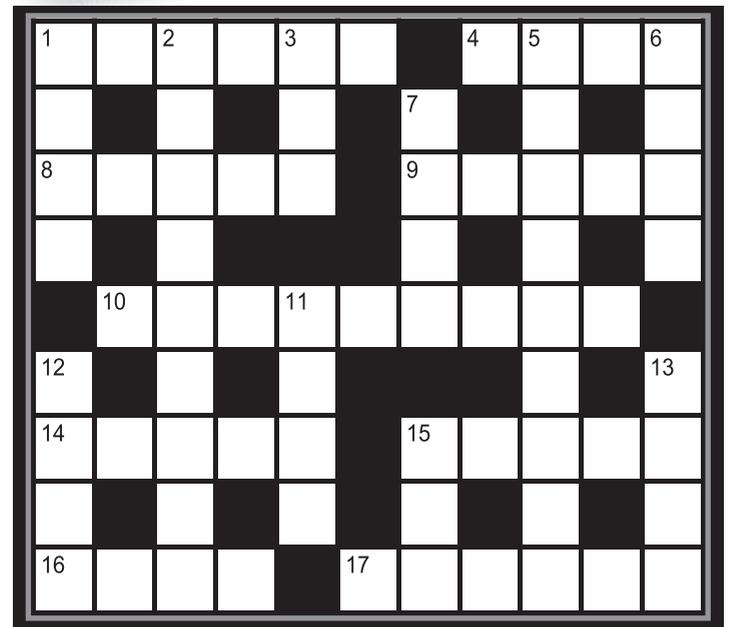


- Across**  
 1 Wants (7)  
 5 Marine carnivorous fish (5)  
 8 Large seagoing vessels (5)  
 9 Worthless matter (7)  
 10 Long-tailed rodents (4)  
 11 Messages informing of danger (8)  
 13 Repetition of sounds by reflection (6)  
 15 Not in physical motion (6)  
 18 Got temporarily (8)  
 19 Alone (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)  
 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)
- Down**  
 1 Arena (tierra) (4)  
 2 Computer (9)  
 3 Mentira (embuste) (3)  
 5 Bibliotecario (9)

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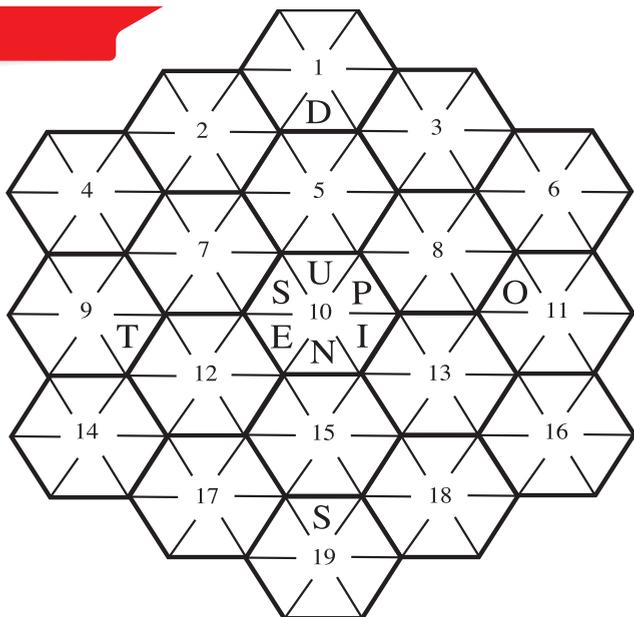
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## Hexagram

- ANOMIE
- ARREST
- ATTIRE
- CENTER
- 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.

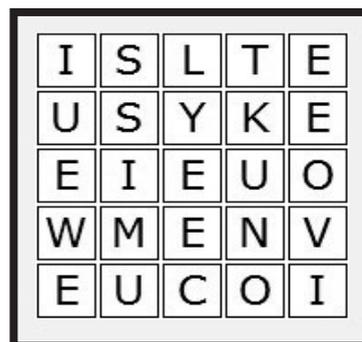
### LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

- 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  
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:

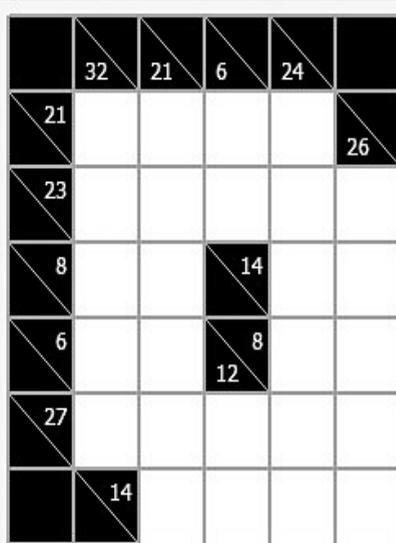
- Average: 6
- Good: 8
- Very good: 12
- Excellent: 16

### LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

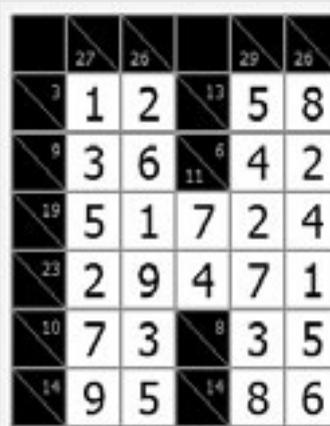
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poet pont port rant rapt rate rent riot rite root rota rote tape tare tarn taro tarp tear  
tern tier tine tire tiro tone toon tope topi tore tori torn trap trio trip antre aport apter  
atone atrip inapt inept inert inter intro irate niter nitre nitro noter oaten orate paint  
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pertain pointer portion pronate protean protein repaint tropine atropine OPERATION

## 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

1	D	2	L	3	P	4	O	5	W	6	R	7	H	8	G	9	J	10	Z	11	X	12	S	13	M
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



### LANDMARK

This app allows you to draw graffiti onto the real world, without requiring you to physically paint. The augmented reality app lets you leave a 'tag' wherever you are and using geolocation, leaves the drawing there for you and others to see.



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# 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 effect 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 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 al-

most 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.



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

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# Stay safe this summer

TANNING is a natural mechanism of skin protection from the sun's harmful rays with sunburns caused by excessive exposure to the ultraviolet (UV) rays. Whilst they may

appear to be only a temporary irritation, they can actually cause life-long damage, due to the 'memory' of the skin.

The American Skin Cancer Foundation says that the most

vulnerable are children and those who suffer from blisters caused by sunburn in childhood or adolescence have double the risk and chances of developing melanoma later.

The Spanish Academy of Dermatology and Venereology (AEDV) adds that a person's risk of developing melanoma also doubles if they have five or more burns during their lifetime as melanomas are associated with intermittent and very intense exposures to the sun. The AEDV explains that sunburns take place because the 'ultraviolet B' radiation causes a lesion of the epidermal cells. This can be in the form of redness or the appearance of blisters, which would be a classed as a second degree burn.

When treating these burns there are a number

**SKIN DAMAGE:**  
Exposure to strong sunlight can cause lasting damage to skin.

of tips to advise on the best skin care:

Hydrate both inside and out. Drink plenty of water and also treat the burn with calming products such as aloe vera and store in the fridge for an even better cooling sensation. In the case of serious burns, a doctor may prescribe something stronger to help reduce inflammation and ease the pain.

Avoid the sun. Following

serious sunburn avoid further exposure.

Wear clothes with natural fibres to avoid further irritation to the skin, particularly at bed time when sunburn pain can become more prevalent.

But the AEDV advises prevention is always better than cure and you should always wear a high protection sunscreen and if your cream is lasting the whole summer you are not using enough of it.

## Incentives no good

STRUGGLING to find the motivation to get to the gym? It seems even being paid won't get people to break a sweat every day.

Researchers said that adults who signed up for a new gym membership made just the equivalent of seven extra sessions on the treadmill each year with the promise of financial rewards. The findings have led the authors of the study at the Case Western Reserve University in Ohio, USA, to conclude that perhaps the best way to get people to go is to leave them alone.

Their findings come after an Australian study warned that going to the gym could give you body dysmorphia with those exposed to muscle-bound bodies in the gym distorting people's body perceptions.



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# Bowel cancer deaths fall

THE number of people dying from bowel cancer in the UK has fallen more than 30 per cent in the last 20 years.

According to new figures from Cancer Research UK in 1995 the disease caused 38 deaths per 100,000 people which fell to 26 deaths per 100,000 people by 2015, with experts believing better treatment is behind the drop along with better awareness and bowel

screening with early diagnosis crucial for survival.

However, despite the figures, bowel cancer is still the second most common cause of cancer death in the UK.

Both men and women have an almost equal risk of developing bowel cancer and it usually occurs in those aged over 60. The latest figures show that 8,613 men and 7,152 women died from it in 2015, but if caught early there is a strong chance of survival.

There are some main symptoms which if any are present for a continual period, you should seek medical advice; first, if you regularly have blood in stools; a persistent change in toilet habits, lower abdominal pain and bloating and unexplained weight loss.

UK residents aged between 60 and 74 are invited to have bowel cancer screening every two years to check for signs.

**LOWER FIGURES:** Early diagnosis is improving bowel cancer prognosis.

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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.

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

**Nora Johnson**  
*Breaking Views*

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

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) available from Amazon. Profits to Cudeca.*

## THURSDAY THOUGHTS

By Angus Sylvie

### "It's a vicious circus"

VI 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@euroweeklynews.com](mailto:editorial@euroweeklynews.com).*

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# Safe bet

IT'S a sobering thought that last summer brought attacks on our doorstep including the tragic Bastille Day in Nice, Istanbul Ataturk Airport and this season we have already experienced the indiscriminate attacks at London Bridge and Manchester, and now Las Ramblas and Cambrils. Our hearts go out to all those effected by these atrocities.

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



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Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) website, [www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice](http://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice). Earlier this summer the Met Police also issued safety advice in the unlikely event that you are caught up in an incident. Their mantra is 'Run, Hide, Tell.' View their short video by visiting [www.npcc.police.uk](http://www.npcc.police.uk).

On the assumption that you are a savvy traveller and purchase Travel Insurance, make sure your policy provides financial protection in the event of conflict, or terror attacks breaking out where you are booked

to travel. Some policies don't provide this cover, whereas Globelink Comprehensive policies provide essential financial protection as standard.

If you are venturing to the UK this summer, what could be safer than staying in a sea fort, or a castle? My two great tips, if you fancy treating yourself to a luxury hotel getaway are No Mans Fort in the Solent, originally a sea fort, built between 1865 and 1880, it's now been converted into a unique, luxury hotel that you reach by boat.

Or Thornbury Castle in the Cotswolds, England's only Tudor Castle Hotel constructed 500 years ago with previous guests including Henry VIII, Anne Boleyn and Mary I. Both offer a truly luxury, unique experience where you can get away from it all.

Finally, thanks for the great Travel Tips

you have emailed Globelink already! Our favourites:

- 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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# Rice, rice and more rice

VILLAJYOYOSA is again showcasing paella and rice dishes in the seventh edition of the Setmana de l'Arros (Rice Week).

The event held from September 11-17 is organised by the town hall and local restaurateurs who are now preparing the menus which will have a set price of €20. This includes two starters, a main course of paella, dessert and coffee but not wine.

The Setmana de l'Arros was of great impor-

tance to the town, explained Villajoyosa's Economy and Tourism department, Marta Selles, and demonstrated how much could be done with something as simple as rice.

The ingredients of the dishes and the way that they are made have many years of history behind them. "They define us as a people," she said.

**PAELLA:** Shows how much can be done with rice.



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**BIG RACE:** Cyclists taking part in the 2015 Vuelta.

## Chance to see cycling greats

AS IN 2015, the Vuelta a España bicycle race will cross Altea on its route to Benitachell on August 27.

The cyclists set out from Orihuela at approximately 1.30pm, reaching Altea between 3.45pm and 4pm. This will be the ninth of the 21 stages in the race, which left Nimes (France) on Saturday August 19 and finishes in Madrid on September 10.

Nairo Quintana, last year's winner is not competing, but there will be a chance to see British rider Chris

Fróome, three times winner of the Tour de France. This year he is hoping for victory in the Vuelta which has until now eluded him.

It will also be the last-ever race for Alberto Contador, the Spanish rider who twice won Italy's Giro, the Tour de France and the Vuelta in the same year.

Altea's Sports councillor Pere Barber called on residents and visitors to line the N-332 on August 27.

"This will be a unique chance to see

some of the best cyclists in the world," Barber said, although he pointed out that the winner of this ninth stage would almost certainly be decided in the gruelling ascent of Puig Llorença in Benitachell.

Traffic will be halted on the N-332 for some time before the cyclists arrive and all crossings and traffic lights would be controlled by the Local Police. "The best way of helping them and avoiding unnecessary hold-ups is by not using the N-332," Barber added.

## Going with a bang at Ibi festival

IBI has issued 342 licences to use gunpowder in next month's Moors and Christians celebrations.

Despite stricter rules and an obligatory course in the correct use of explosives, there was no fall in applications, municipal sources said.

Ibi will be the first town in the province to allocate four ki-

los of gunpowder to each of the participants using muzzle-loading weapons during the mock Moors and Christians' battles.

The town hall will distribute the gunpowder in two quotas to comply with the law which bars fiestas' members from having explosives in their own homes for more than 72 hours.

# MJ is honoured the Latin way

BENIDORM'S Auditorio Julio Iglesias will host Unity: The Latin Tribute To Michael Jackson on Saturday September 2.

Unity: The Latin Tribute To Michael Jackson is a testament to the power of music and one man's indomitable spirit.

The passion project of Peruvian-born, Miami-raised producer/multi-instrumentalist/arranger Tony Succar, Unity features more than 100 musicians, such Latin superstars as Tito Nieves, Jon Secada and Obie Bermudez and the mixing magic of Jackson's legendary engineer Bruce Swedien in the first ever Latin salute to The King of Pop.

When Michael Jackson died on June 25, 2009 Succar was in the final year of a graduate programme at Florida International University.

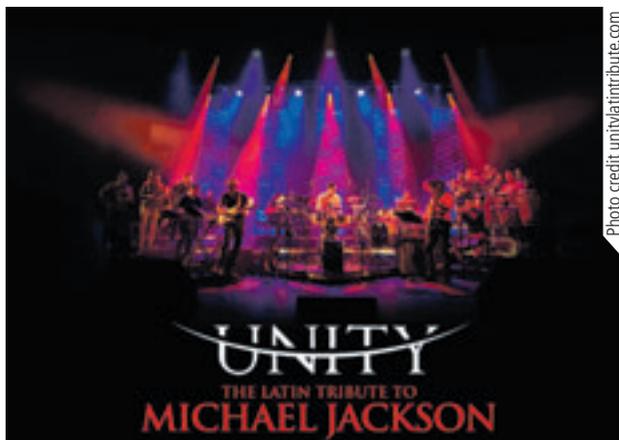


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**IMPRESSIVE ENSEMBLE:** Unity features more than 100 musicians and Latin superstars.

In October of that year Succar was planning a Halloween concert when the client asked him to close the performance with Jackson's song Thriller.

At the time Succar had a predominantly Salsa band, so he decided to create and perform a

Salsa arrangement of Thriller. The song was well received by the audience and Succar decided to produce an album of Jackson covers as a tribute.

Tickets for the show are via <http://www.xn--unityenespaakhb.es/entradas.html>.

# The King is back

TICKETS are still available to see Ben Portsmouth - the world's number one Elvis tribute artist - perform at the Espai Rambleta in Valencia on Saturday September 2.

Ben, a multi-talented musician, singer and songwriter had Elvis's DNA in his blood from an early age. His father was an avid Elvis fan and Ben grew up on a diet of Elvis songs.

Having honed his musical talent Ben started his journey as an Elvis tribute artist in 2005 when he formed the Taking care of Elvis band.

Ben looked like Elvis, sang like Elvis and had an on-stage charisma that had audiences believing at times they were watching the King himself.

In August 2012, Ben made history when he won the Elvis Presley Enterprises Ultimate Elvis

Tribute Artist Contest which took place in Memphis, crowning Ben as the 'Worldwide Ultimate Elvis Tribute Artist,' the only artist from outside the USA to ever win this prestigious title.

Fans from all over the world declare Ben Portsmouth as the closest they have ever seen to Elvis Presley.

Social media forums are overwhelmed with fans demanding his return to their country.

On the first Saturday in September, the audience at the Espai Rambleta will enjoy the live performance that left David Letterman at a loss for words exclaiming, "Oh my God, oh my God!" when Ben headlined his show in February of 2013.

Tickets available via <http://www.entradas.com>.

# Celebrating female talent

SHE'S THE FEST - the three-day music festival dedicated to female talent - will celebrate its third year in Valencia next month.

The festival will take place each night from September 21 - 23 at the Espai Rambleta and honours the feminine spirit, praising the creative work of women in different disciplines.

The impressive line-up fea-

tures the likes of Maria Arnal i Marcel Bages, Christina Roseninge, Hinds, Iseo & Dodosound, Svper, Catnapp, Mynth along with Sona la Dipu as Odd Cherry Pie, Gem and The Seafood Special.

She's the Fest took home an award at the Fest Awards last year for its efforts in promoting diversity and gender equality and improving the visibility of the creative work

of women in different disciplines.

Doors will open from 8.30pm each night for the shows to start at 9.30pm.

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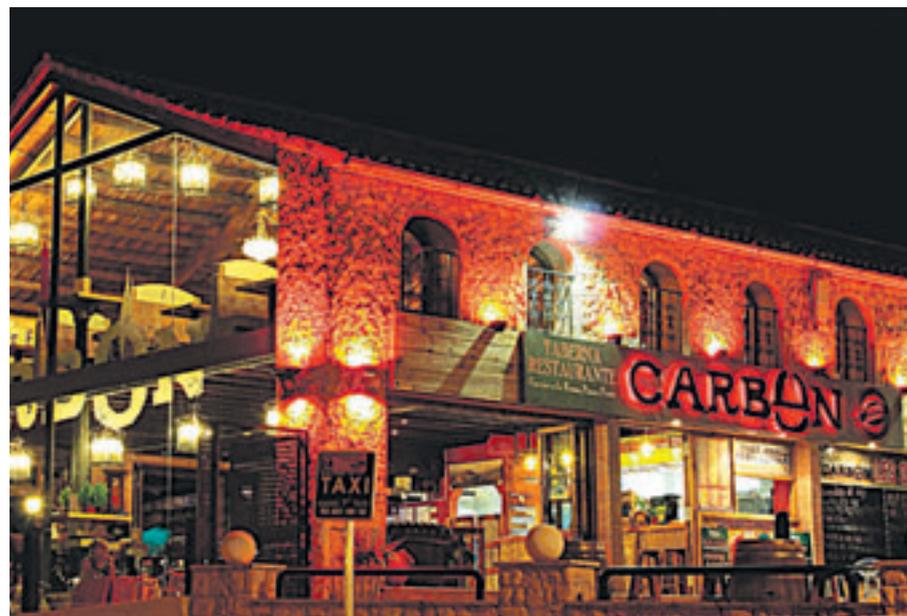
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# Things I hate - or don't like very much

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**W**ITHOUT 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 commercial - 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.

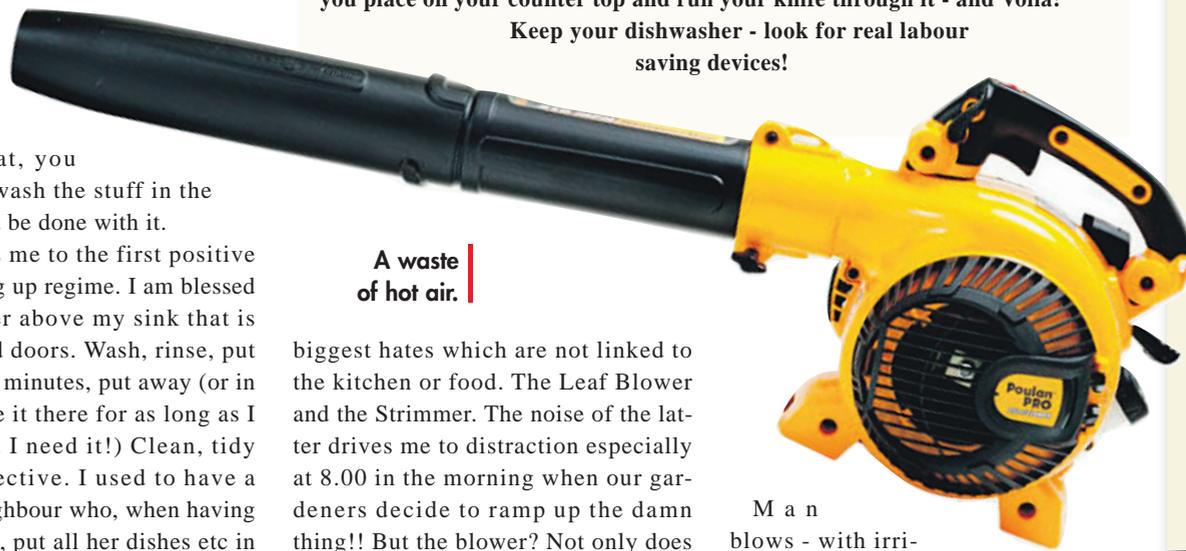
## On a positive side

**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 Josphine 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.

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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-

## Chilling out in the casa

sized conditioner recycling air for five or six 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 also adding value.

Proper awning for instance is growing in popularity. 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 hum along almost in silence.

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

## Against landlord goldmine



**UPMARKET:** Classic central Madrid flats losing touch with residents.

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 Spain's major metropolises.

In both Madrid and Barcelona, city centres are reserved for offices, the wealthy and tourists. Protests from residents fight-

ing 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's 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.



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# Espalier: a two dimensional garden

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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 al-

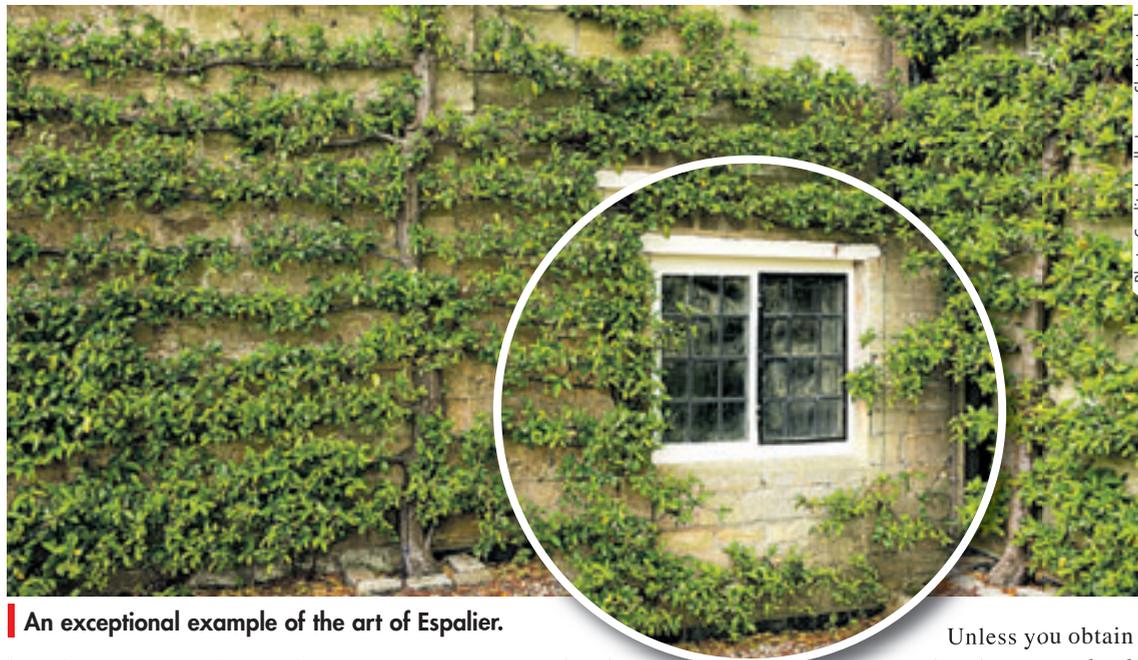


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An exceptional example of the art of Espalier.

lowed to grow up and across but not 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 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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## Damp in Spanish homes

MANY British expatriates may believe that the year-round sun in Spain means waving goodbye to damp problems but those under that illusion are likely to learn otherwise if enjoying a prolonged stay on the continent.

Each year, the average Spanish home copes with around 45,000 gallons of rain water and as many homes are old or not constructed with damp proofing, it can become a problem.

As a tourist destination, the

prominence of high rise hotels and apartment blocks are prone to rising damp as fungal spores can spread through walls and ceilings. Older buildings in particular are more prone.

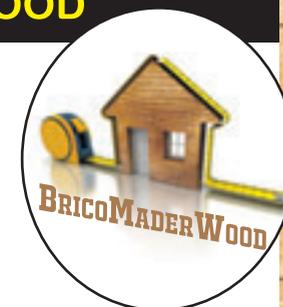
Signs to look out for include water marks or salt deposits on the inside of walls, stained decoration and damaged and crumbling plaster. This can be gradual but widespread.

As well as making a property cold and miserable, it can aggravate respiratory problems.

The best way to eliminate rising damp is to completely scrape off all effected plaster and allow the wall to dry out completely.

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# Roses can be a tough process



GROWING roses in Spain can be a tough process.

The intense heat of the sun can be too much and can cause shrivelling, especially in the height of summer.

Ideally, they are best placed in an area which becomes shaded for several hours such as next to a wall or in front of some hedging. A quality compost and a good mulch (layer of soil surface material) are recommended for optimal

water retention with seaweed and pine needles being ideal ingredients.

The Mediterranean climate means a long growing and flowering season which lasts approximately from Easter to Christmas.

**BLOOMING:**  
Roses are beautiful if properly cared for.

Yet with this climate comes a number of problems such as powdery mildew and rust. The wind carries these fungal diseases which can sit on the soil for some time and then be transferred to the plant during rain showers or when it is watered.

If left untreated they can cause considerable harm to the plant, preventing growth and budding. Sprays can stop the problem but it must be totally eliminated or it will soon return again.

Hot weather also brings more insects and a wider range of the critters. Green, white and black aphids can decimate a rose overnight if in high enough numbers and insecticide sprays are a necessity.

A lot of effort is needed to get the best out of these garden treasures and, if cultivated with care, blooming marvellous results can be enjoyed.

# Garlic: an age - old remedy

GARLIC is a staple part of the Spanish diet just as a whole range of other naturally healthy herbs and spices and can create a beautiful odour when mixed with balmy summer air.

As well as adding delicious flavour to food, these pungent cloves have a range of fantastic health benefits. Heart disease, strokes, cancer and infections are the four main causes of death worldwide and the good news is this cheap and highly available garden bulb can help treat all of them.

Garlic can unclog build-up in arteries and scientists even attribute it to helping to prevent certain cancers. High blood pressure



**PREVENTATIVE MEDICINE:** Garlic can be useful to prevent various illnesses.

can be lowered thanks to the polysulfides found within garlic that promote the opening and widening of blood vessels.

Reducing cholesterol and encouraging circulation, it can even help treat diabetes as it mediates blood sugar levels.

On a smaller scale, antimicrobial, antiviral and antifungal properties make it ideal for treating colds and infections and it can also be used to help treat hair loss.

The antioxidants found in garlic can support the body's protective mechanisms.

With the heat of summer still looming, it might be a relief to know that pesky mosquitoes are deterred by garlic so nasty bites and possible infections resulting from them can be potentially eliminated just by adding a little extra to food.

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# Food secrets



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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 Performance.

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 Performance 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.



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## Motoring shorts

## A special edition

A SPECIAL edition of its 2018 GT supercar has been unleashed by Ford amid 50th anniversary celebrations over the GT40 Mark IV's Le Mans victory.

An extremely limited number of the '67 Heritage edition will be produced. Ford has developed a range of collectible supercars lately aimed solely at connoisseurs and investors.

It is designed exactly like a classic race car and pays homage to the iconic 24-hour race winner with glossy red paint, white stripes and numbered plaques.

Ford has revealed a special edition of its 2018 GT supercar in celebration of the GT40 Mark IV race car driven to victory in the 1967 Le Mans 24-Hour race.

It is the second Ford Heritage edition. Design manager Garen Nicoghosian said a 21st century-tweaked remake of the GT40 Mark IV "was simply something we needed to do."

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“Having a twin turbo V12 diesel is like turning your central heating off and keeping warm by burning Rembrandts.”

Some might say...



## Pebble Beach classics on fire

by Matthew Elliott

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.

Organizers say investors and speculators are taking a brief hiatus from the

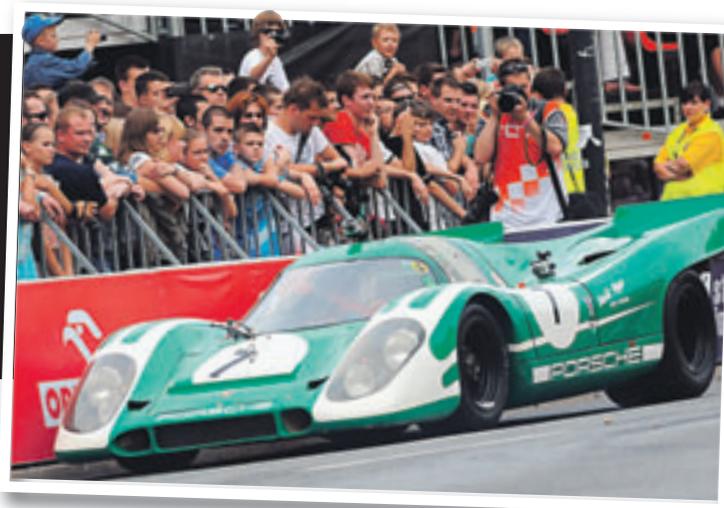
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classic car market. Despite the lower turnover, Pebble Beach has thus become closer to motoring purists.

To hammer that point home the world's only street-legal BMW M1 Procar, produced in 1979, was spotted lounging 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 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

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

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 very first of the only five DBR1s to have ever been produced. It won the 1959 Le Mans race and was driven by Stirling Moss.

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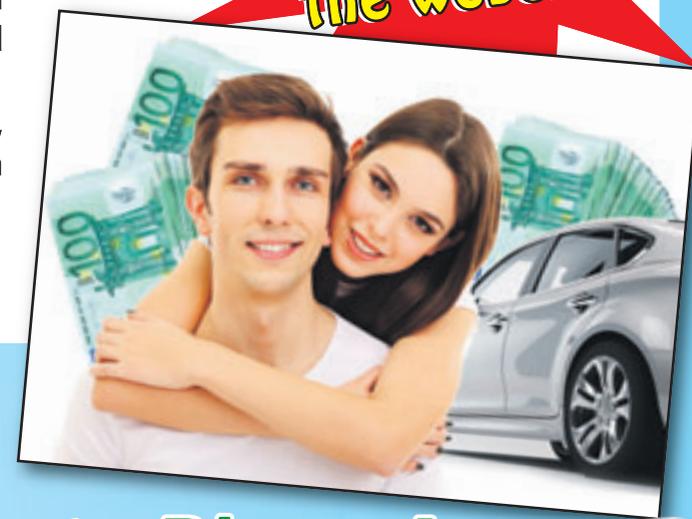
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**ROAD TEST** by Nick Fletcher

# Lexus IS300h

LEXUS is not at all modest about its latest IS 300h model, describing it as 'the most efficient sports saloon available today.'

Hard-headed motoring journalists like to challenge such sweeping statements, but in this instance, it is difficult to dispute. The hybrid Lexus IS competes against more mainstream compact executive saloons such as the Audi A4, Jaguar XE, Mercedes C Class and BMW 3 Series but not all are available in comparable hybrid form and those that are tend to cost more or offer less standard kit.

The IS 300h - also available in non-hybrid turbo-petrol form - is priced from €33,065 (£30,105) and comes with distinctive styling, is laden with equipment, beautifully built and finished.

Its driving experience is quick and quiet and the only minor downside is perhaps that it is so refined, it is not as exciting to drive than some of its rivals. But then the Lexus scores highly for relatively low running costs - 23.2 kpl (65.7 mpg) and very low emissions.

The car has potent styling - the deep gaping grille and narrow headlights make rivals such as the Jaguar XE appear



**LEXUS IS 300H: Has a strong business-user appeal.**

quite muted - and its performance figures underpin its sporty look with 0-100 kph in 8.4 seconds, top speed 201 kph (125 mph).

The 2.5 litre petrol engine offers 178 hp boosted to 220 hp by an electric motor, and with a revised chassis and slightly firmer suspension, the overall result is smooth rapid progress with seamless multi-mode CVT gearshifts and composed handling.

The cabin has a luxury look which suggests it might belong to a class above, and the seating is exceptionally comfortable. The dashboard looks less conventional than most, with stepped styling dominated by a big 26cm (10.3 inch) screen.

There's good head and leg room front and rear and the

430 litre boot capacity is good given that some space has been sacrificed to accommodate the hybrid batteries. A useful feature on this saloon is split-fold rear seats which means longer items too large for a normal boot can still be loaded.

Standard equipment on the test model (€38,853 - £35,375) includes keyless entry and push-button start, dual zone climate control, adaptive cruise control, front and rear parking sensors and rear view camera, alloy wheels, LED lights, leather upholstery, DAB radio/CD, Bluetooth and USB ports. My test model also had Premium sat-nav with remote computer-mouse style control.

The Lexus IS 300 hybrid is a refined executive express with strong business-user appeal.

*Model tested is UK-specification and equipment levels and prices may vary in other markets.*

## Swanky saloon is a class act

MERCEDES has updated its S-Class for the 2017 market. Adaptations include enhanced safety features, sleeker looks, and a powerful V8 twin-turbocharged engine boasting 600bhp and a fierce 900Nm of torque.

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 new autonomous technologies. 'Active Distance' and 'Active Steering' controls help out on motorways, even automatically reducing speed on tighter bends. The fiery engine allows for a top speed of 155mph and the new S-Class can crack the 60mph mark from a standstill in 3.3 seconds.

Mercedes are pitching the 2017 model as the classiest, most powerful saloon on the market today costing upwards of €130,000.

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## Pego play a Texas Scramble

LAST week saw the lowest turnout of the year with just 23 members and one guest, Andrew McLaren, for a Texas scramble. The group was lucky with the weather in so much that rain lashed down just up the road in Oliva but the players remained dry. Nearest the pin on hole 3 was Martin Livesey with 3.74mtrs and hole 16 was Iain Campbell with 3.3mtrs.

There were only two 'two's' and they went to Steve Patton and Dave O'Connor.

The winners were: 1st with a net 61.4 David Blakeley, Jon Bruun, John Guest and Paul Trigwell, 2nd with a net 61.7 Brendan Young, Brian Barden, Martin Livesey, and Paul Singh, 3rd with a net 65.2 Penny Barden, Roger Brown, and Adrian Marsh.



**MEMBERS:** The golf was of an excellent standard and the putting was red hot.

## Villadigna golfers

FIRSTLY, I'd like to say I was very disappointed not to be with you for our August game due to circumstances beyond my control.

I did however send along my ghost writer and freelance photographers to take in all the highlights of the day.

It was a perfect golfing day as the weather was slightly cooler for August. The golf was of an excellent standard and the putting was red hot which gave us a very close match overall. There were no points separating the top three it was purely on a handicap basis.

A special thanks to Mark for volunteering to reduce his handicap after a number of recent wins but still came in with a very respectable 31 points, well done Mark.

The results were as follows firstly the members:

First was Pat Bradden with 35 points playing off 18, second was Les Mason also with 35 points playing off 20, third was Trevor Nash yet again with 35 points playing off 26, fourth was Don Cubbon coming in with 34 points playing off 33.

Now the guests' scores: First was Dan Meek coming in with 29 points off 18, second was Nick Lock with 28 points off 10.

The nearest the pins went

to Trevor Nash on the third. Tigger 'the tree iron specialist' on the 5th, Hans Benzler on the 14th, Carl Randall on the 15th and 16th, and Don Cubbon the 17th.

The Longest Drive on the 11th (in two) went to Paul Beamish-Knight and the Longest Drive on the 12th (using only a three-wood) went to Carl Randall.

Finally only 68 balls in total were given up to La

Galiana which made Steve Arnold €27 better off.

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