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€41,500 update complete

IMPROVEMENT works to Torre del Mar's municipal pool have drawn to a close.

The 15-day project, which saw tens of thousands of Euros being invested in the site, has been completed successfully, according to Velez-Malaga Council.

Maria Jose Roberto, councillor for Sports, visited the complex, commenting, "we are certain we will now be able to offer a better quality of service and therefore keep the pool's 1,600 visitors a month happy."

She added, "one of the main problems we had was shower water inexplicably came out boiling hot or freezing cold. After several technical studies it emerged there had been a problem with the installation."

The councillor explained three pumps, costing €2,486.33, had been installed alongside new mixers, totalling €4,427.12, to solve the issue. She added, "another important problem was that since the opening of the complex the dehumidifier had not been repaired or maintained, so we had to carry work on it totalling €9,558.10."

In addition to improvements to water temperature, a new PH and chlorine control panel has been installed, as well as new LED lights which it is hoped will increase energy sustainability and solve the problem of voltage surges.

According to Councillor Roberto, "another demand from the users we have addressed was the creation of two independent dressing rooms in the women's and men's locker rooms."

Farmers demand water answers High and dry

By Sally Underwood

Sixty-seven fruit-growing communities have formed a group demanding action over Axarquía's growing drought problem.

But it has emerged that only six of them have their documentation in order, calling into question the legality of a local industry that generates thousands of jobs and last year was worth €150 million.

Water was the main issue at the first meeting of the group, however, with the paperwork problem apparently pushed aside.

La Viñuela reservoir is only 27.7 per cent full, with 45.84 cubic hectometres remaining, and it looks likely farmers will face irrigation bans over the autumn.

The growers, who are already prevented from watering one day a week, have demanded that the Water Board carries out a series of works which would prevent further irrigation cuts.

The group came together "to provide a single voice in the face of these bodies, on behalf of those who have been demanding emergency work for at least two years."

The farmers, who have been putting pressure on the Water Board over the summer, have already had one



Credit: Gonzalo Martinez/Twitter

LA VIÑUELA: Has breached its drought threshold.

win, with work resuming to the Rubite channel, which connects water supplies with La Viñuela, potentially bringing in an extra five cubic hectometres of water. Work has also begun to connect the reservoir with the Rio Chillar in Nerja, adding a potential three cubic hectometres.

Meanwhile, the group of farmers has also put forward a list of local names to take

part in the Central Irrigation Board, lending further strength to the group's cause.

Cultivation of water-thirsty fruits, including mangoes and avocados, has more than doubled in the past 10 years, putting pressure on Axarquía's water supply.

In July, La Viñuela reservoir reached its drought threshold, with only around a third of its water remaining.

At the time, farmers called for further connections with reservoirs in Velez-Malaga, Algarrobo and Torrox, which they believe would bring in a further 10 cubic hectometres of water at a cost of €800,000.

Jose Fiscal, councillor for the Environment, admitted the increasing lack of water in La Viñuela was "beginning to take its toll."

Stabbing suspect on trial

A MAN in Malaga faces 12 years in prison for stabbing his roommate to death.

The alleged killer is due to go on trial after knifing his victim in the stomach up to six times following an argument.

The man underwent surgery in hospital but died of complications from his injuries four and a half months later.

Prosecutors are now seeking a jail sentence as well as €100,000 in compensation to each of the victim's children.

The deceased died from multiorgan failure brought on by the stabbing and exacerbated by his poor health, according to prosecutors.

They now accuse his alleged killer of murder and the man is due to be tried by jury on October 2.

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NEWS EXTRA**Brothers
in arms**

HEALTH unions have protested over plans to increase working hours after several unions met outside Malaga's Carlos Haya Hospital to protest a proposed 37.5 hour working week.

Surf's up!

RESIDENTS in Nerja are set to benefit from faster mobile and internet reception after 4G coverage has rolled out across the municipality using the 800MHz frequency previously used for television.

What waste

ALMUNECAR'S Council has put in place its winter garbage collection service with collection of waste from shopping centres and areas after receiving help with collection from residents over the summer.

NERJA'S Council risks losing EU funding after infighting prevented several projects.

The town's precarious political situation has seen three coalition parties at each other's throats and unable to approve a budget and jeopardising EU funds handed over to support the council's environmental projects.

The multi-million Euro investment was granted in October 2016 and would see the EU front up 80 per cent of the funds for various projects, with Nerja's Council providing the remaining 20 per cent.

The council's governing team, made up of PSOE, Izquierda Unida (IU) and EVA-Podemos, failed to win a vote to approve its 2017 budget in August, however, leaving funding for their proposals up in the air.

A source said the parties now view the situation "with concern." However, Jose Maria Rivas, PSOE's spokesperson, has said her party is working to find a solution to avoid losing the funds and will put together proposals to try to garner support from opposing parties.

Dead end?

Infighting risks €5 million loss

She said while the situation was "very complicated, we will call on the Partido Popular (PP) and Ciudadanos to help. We need to carry out these projects so as not to jeopardise the European funds that we now got almost a year ago."

Among the projects planned is the upgrading of the Rio Chillar, a green space around

Burriana Beach and increased energy efficiency.

Nerja's political situation faces uncertainty after it emerged the PP is seeking a no-confidence vote in the town's

mayor, Rosa Arrabal. The party is now giving Ciudadanos until the second week of September to decide whether it will join them in filing a motion of no-confidence.



INFIGHTING: At Nerja Town Hall.

69.8

The percentage of Spaniards who identify as Catholics according to the Spanish Centre for Sociological Research, in June 2017.

Cleaner streets

VELEZ-MALAGA'S Council has acquired a new street cleaning machine.

The vehicle, which joins an existing fleet of machines, will be used to clear the town's narrower streets.

Marcelino Mendez-Trelles, councillor for the Environment, explained, "after great results from another machine bought at the beginning of the summer, we will now have a vehicle with two new accessories and adding a smaller scrubbing brush which can be used to clean narrow streets," adding, "the council is making important efforts to make the town as clean as possible but we also need residents to help out."

He commented, "since June we have had a particular piece of equipment which has given us great results in our summer season special cleaning plan. The state of the art machine allows to get rid of embedded dirt, as well as chewing gum and sand. Our pavements are now like new again."

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€40,000 theft

TWO nightclub bouncers have been arrested for stealing tens of thousands of Euros from their workplace in Malaga. The men, aged 35 and 40, allegedly broke into the building in the early hours of the morning when the building was closed before leaving with a safe and the CCTV footage. Police eventually found the stolen money in the house of one of the accused.

School days

MORE than 336,000 students are due back to school this week in Malaga Province. Pupils at infant, primary, secondary, Baccalaureate, vocational training and specialist schools - in which students learn languages, dance, music, art or design - will all be returning to classes. The move has prompted unions to request improvements in vocational training, bilingual education, infrastructure and equipment, care for students and ratios within classrooms.

Jail time

A 36-YEAR-OLD man has been jailed for four years for sexually assaulting his flatmate while she slept in Velez-Malaga. The incident occurred in November 2015 when the Bolivian national, who had been ordered to leave Spain in 2009, crept into his flatmate's room while she slept. The girl woke up and threw the man out before he later texted her to apologise.

New roads

RINCON DE LA VICTORIA'S Council has announced improvement works to streets in Torre del Benagalbon are "in the final stage." The €242,708 project is said to be at 90 per cent completion and set to finish ahead of its three-month schedule. The works include creating pavements, installing lighting and improving road safety on Avenida de la Torre and Avenida de la Axarquía.

Flood warning

EMASA has warned Malaga City

SPANISH FACTS OF LIFE...29

Tomorrow (Friday) is Queen Letizia of Spain's birthday, this most modern of royals having charmed the world with her grace, compassion and stylish wardrobe.

Crowning glory



QUEEN LETIZIA is known as much more than the consort to King Felipe VI and mother to her two daughters Leonor (11) and Sofia (10). A style icon, philanthropist and Special Ambassador for the UN, she has built a reputation for being elegant, kind and socially aware, and gave the Spanish Royal Family's declining image a much-needed boost when she was crowned Queen in 2014.

Not your average royal!

Like the Duchess of Cambridge Kate Middleton, Letizia does not have royal blood by birth, being the daughter of a journalist and a nurse from Oviedo, while her grandfather worked as a taxi driver.

She is the first non-noble person to be crowned Queen of Spain.

Letizia is known for her fashion sense and is often praised by fashion bloggers for her flawless outfit choices. She is a loyal Hugo Boss fan but also steps out in high street brands while on official duty.

Among her many duties as Royal Consort to the King, Letizia focuses her attention on many charitable causes and is particularly passionate about campaigning for children's rights, culture and education.



Women of means

- Isabella I (1451-1504) was the Queen of Castille and responsible for the political unification of Spain following her marriage to Ferdinand II of Aragon. She lowered the country's crime rate and unburdened the kingdom of the debt her brother had left behind.

- Mary I (1516-1558) was the daughter of King Henry VI-II's Spanish wife, Catherine of Aragon. As well as reigning as Queen of England and Ireland, she was the Queen consort of Spain following her marriage to King Phillip.

- Isabella II (1830-1904) was crowned Queen at just three years old, but her succession was disputed by those who refused to recognise a female sovereign and led to the Carlist wars. She was eventually deposed in the 1868 Glorious Revolution.

- Queen Sofia (1938-), Letizia's predecessor still takes an active role in royal duties and remains dedicated to her passions such as art, sport and charity work. She is the executive president of the Reina Sofia Foundation which raises money to fund international projects in education, healthcare, environment and women's rights.

STILL ACTIVE:
Queen Sofia.

could be flooded by an underground pipe. Antonio Talon, the company's project manager, claimed a "strong downpour" could see the city's historic centre flooded. The company has now revealed proposals to improve drainage in a series of works costing €150 million. The project would include extending and diverting pipes, creating rainwater storage, reforesta-

tion and adapting underwater streams.

Import export

MALAGA Province has increased its exports by 19.2 per cent in the first half of this year compared to the same period last year. The growth is almost double that of the national average and equates to international sales to-

talling €1,144 million. Exports now outweigh imports by €75 million, placing Malaga Province second in the highest number of exports in Andalusia.

All transparent

OPPOSING politicians in Nerja have accused the council of a "lack of transparency" over a set of accounts. Gema Garcia, a spokesperson for the Partido Popular (PP) has claimed she asked the council for the documents four times "without receiving an answer." The data relates to budgets for aids, scholarships, subsidies and prizes awarded by the town's Department of Culture.

Dog database a must for owners

TORROX Council is to create a dog DNA database.

The town has signed an agreement with the Malaga Association of Veterinarians to help identify and control local dogs, particularly potentially dangerous pets.

The project was unanimously approved by the council in April and the town has since invested in four new microchips readers, while Local Police officers will also receive training on identifying dogs.

A similar database has already been created in Rincon de la Victoria and owners have until September

24 to register their dog's DNA to help tackle animal fouling as well as dognapping or abandonment.

The town's council has revealed only 3 per cent of owners have so far complied with a new law, however, with only 300 of the more than 9,700 dogs in the area registered on the scheme, leaving their owners at risk of a €2,000 penalty from October onwards.

Owners now have until September 24 to take their dogs to a vet, who will take a DNA sample, inject the animal with a transponder to show this has been done, and complete the necessary paperwork.

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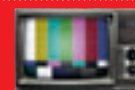
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Poll of the week

Given the number of incidence involving drunk travellers on planes heading to/from Spain, should an alcohol limit be introduced in airports?

LAST WEEK'S POLL:

As protests mount in Cataluña and Mallorca, should numbers be limited in Spanish tourism hotspots

Yes = 67%

No = 33%

Top Social Media comments

UK-Spain flights face disruption from French air traffic control strike - Every single year, Europe has to endure this from the French. Can anybody understand why this is allowed to happen. If these people hate the job/conditions, leave and be replaced. The French are very weak over this. *Richard Taylor*

Police investigate human skeleton found buried on Spanish beach - Seems very strange January and again now. Wonder if he knows more than he is saying. Spooky! *Wendy Holliday*

My dogs would have found it all in one go, first time and dug it up for the police! *Julie Jones Peel*

TV presenter blasted for 'macho' stunt as co-star's skirt is slashed live on-air - Male chauvinist and a pervert, can you imagine if she was cutting his clothes off? (Not that anyone would want to) disgraceful to think young children might be watching! He needs to imagine if that was his daughter after all she must be the same age as his daughter??? *Imelda Hall*
 Apart from him being a total creep, what person in their right mind chases anyone around

with open scissors? Me thinks he has serious mental issues. *Geoffrey Wilson*

Drunken passengers who cause emergency landing for Alicante-bound flight are sentenced - Why don't they sort out the cause and not the end result... so it is ok for them to sell drinks on the flight!!! but then when for whatever reason they were delayed everyone is surprised when people for the flight then get pissed... just stop all the drinking on the flights and close the rip off 'lounge' bars and the tax free shops... oh no we can't do that... then stop moaning... *Mike Aucott*

Totally inadequate for the disruption they cause. Limit drinks at airports and on flights. Easy to do just stamp their boarding pass. Allow two drinks and no more. *Maureen Quarington*

Torremolinos animal shelter killer faces new charges - It's so easy when you work for a charity as others perceive you as a genuinely good person therefore placing you in a position of trust and unimpeachable. I have personal experience of this having witnessed fraud in a local charity in Mallorca. *Susan Ryan*



SPAIN AIRPORT STRIKES: All 46 Aena airports and heliports would be affected by the union action

TRIVIA FROM AROUND THE WORLD

The US flag was designed by Robert Heft as part of a high school project. Initially, he got a B- on the project, but after his design was chosen for the country, his teacher gave him an A.

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Lost in translation



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Ray of hope

WORKS have begun to restore Torre del Mar's old lighthouse.

The project will see the site, which was built in 1969, cleaned and painted as part of a €10 million plan to upgrade monuments in the municipality of Velez-Málaga.

During the works, two palm and pine trees overshadowing the lighthouse will be moved, while woodwork, brass and windows will be replaced. Several months ago, similar works were carried out to another old lighthouse on Avenida Torre del Mar, while the Torre del Mar Castle will also receive funds for improvements.

The mayor's office has now put up signage around the site, explaining what works will be taking place.

OUR VIEW

Catalan problem

AS the Spanish Foreign Minister gets ready to visit the Campo de Gibraltar to discuss the future of the area after Brexit, he has greater problems on his mind.

If the Spanish government spends so much time on trying to recover a tiny enclave at the southernmost tip of the country, it now has to look elsewhere to an area that covers 32,000 square kilometres and has a population of 7.5 million.

The Catalan Parliament is simply ignoring instructions received from the national government and the majority ruling party no longer recognises the legitimacy of Spain in the area.

It intends to proceed with what is regarded by Spain as an illegal referendum as it wants to declare independence and has even indicated that it intends to retain the euro as the official currency in the event that it does secede from Spain.

The European Union has made it clear that it would not recognise a new Catalan State and that it would not be able to officially use the euro as its unit of currency.

As police officers raid offices in Barcelona, there have been demonstrations on the streets but we can only hope that if the referendum goes ahead, there will be no independence majority otherwise the country runs the risk of falling into total chaos.

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LAURA SIMPSON, the 29-year-old girl Wayne Rooney was caught sharing a 'kiss and cuddle' with, has been photographed in Marbella.

The mother-of-one has fled the UK in the midst of a media storm to enjoy the Spanish sun. The former lettings agent was snapped strolling along a beach wearing a nude bandeau top and snakeskin bikini bottoms after insisting her night with the

Rooney girl hits Spain

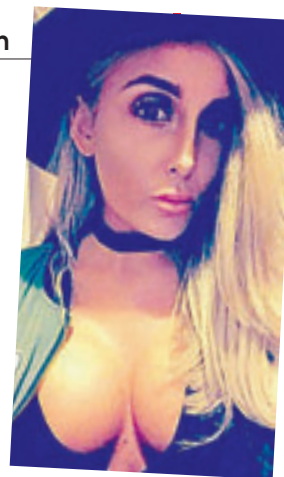
Everton footballer was just "harmless fun."

The 31-year-old Everton player is said to have flirted with Miss Simpson at a pub in Cheshire before drunkenly driving her car home. The

father-of-three was then reportedly pulled over by police at around 2am for having a missing brake light before being breathalysed and arrested.

Rooney's wife, Colleen, is said to have left her €6 million marital

home in Prestbury, Cheshire, and moved into her parents' house in Liverpool. According to media reports, Wayne now faces losing half of his €80 million fortune if Colleen now files for divorce.



CURVY: Laura Simpson.



RACY: Amber Dowding.

What a cheek!

TOWIE star, Amber Dowding, has flashed the flesh at a party in Marbella.

The 24-year-old reality TV star went knicker-free in a white, Grecian-style dress while filming for hit show *The Only Way Is Essex*. The blonde stunner showed plenty of leg in the floor length gown which was slashed up the side to the waist. With gold glitter on her legs and side, the beauty was photographed kissing on-again, off-again boyfriend, Chris Clark, aged 23.

Also enjoying the pool party was 23-year-old co-star Yazmin Oukhellou. The brunette wowed in a gold cut-out bikini as she snuggled up to boyfriend James Lock, aged 30.

Yazmin jetted into Malaga Airport last month to film scenes for the show following corrective surgery to her nose in Turkey in July after an accident left her with a 'small bump.'



PARTY TIME: Conor McGregor in Ibiza.

Punch drunk!

BOXER, Conor McGregor, has been snapped letting off steam in Ibiza after his recent fight against Floyd Mayweather. The 29-year-old attended the wedding of childhood friend, Tom Devitt, still sporting a black eye after earning £100 million (€1,100,000) for losing in the 10th round to Mayweather.

The handsome fighter looked healthy and happy in a white shirt and grey suit trousers while he danced with friends at the wedding and downed whisky.

The super-fit star reportedly hired a 100-foot private yacht for his friends to celebrate the event. The fighter also brought his sisters Erin and Aoife, and parents Margaret and Tony on the trip around the Balearics. After the wedding, McGregor took to Instagram to express his delight for his friends, commenting, "some buzz watching two childhood friends get married in Ibiza. Congrats Tom and Emma, delighted for you both."

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move**

THIRTY-THREE African migrants have arrived in Motril by boat, including four minors. The group have now been placed in a 'temporary stay' centre.

No electric

FOLLOWING a series of power cuts in Motril, electricity company Endesa has claimed their network is in "perfect condition," and that €60,000 will be spent on line maintenance this year.

Dry river

ALMUNECAR'S councillor for the Environment, Luis Aragon, has claimed the Junta de Andalucía are blocking the town's attempts to clean debris from the Rio Seco and says he plans to demand an explanation.

Cliff hanger

A MAN has been rescued by emergency services in Canillas de Aceituno after falling and injuring a leg while rappelling in a remote area of the Almanchares ravine.

Adult school

REGISTRATION for classes at the Nerja Adult School is open until tomorrow (Friday) with lessons in Spanish for foreigners and computer science on offer.

Popular rule

THE small mountain town of Archez now has a minority-led council after one of the Partido Popular's councillors, Miguel Fernandez, stepped aside due to "discrepancies" over decision making.

By Sally Underwood

AROUND 300 children risk losing access to Velez-Málaga's early childhood care service, it has been claimed.

The Partido Popular (PP) has said hundreds of children could be affected after the service is "in danger of closing." The party's spokesperson, Concha Lavao, said the move would "leave families without help through a policy of cuts by the Junta de Andalucía."

Ms Lavao has called on Velez-Málaga's mayor, Antonio Moreno Ferrer, to take action after it was announced the municipality will be taking over responsibility for the service and that two psychologists and a speech therapist had already been laid off.

The town's councillor for Social Services, Zoila Martín, denied the service was in danger, telling "families to stay calm" and insisting an agreement would be put in place to secure its management.

Meanwhile, the Medical Union of Málaga has warned of a lack of paediatricians in the province, leaving children to be treated by family doctors. Earlier this year, the PP also brought the issue to light, claiming around 8,200 children in Axarquía are not being treated by specialists, due to a lack of paediatricians, according to the Partido Popular.

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Nerja History Group explore Leon, Zamora and Toro

AT the end of March, the Nerja History Group set off from Nerja by coach to Malaga to catch the AVE train to Madrid.

In Madrid, another coach collected them, to make the rest of the journey by road with a stop en route. They checked in to the NH Hotel in the Plaza Mayor, Leon. After settling in and a change of attire, they boarded the bus once again, for the short journey to the Parador (Hostal de San Marcos) - a building steeped in history with a restaurant that offers traditional cuisine. They partook of a welcome glass of cava in the 'Sala Capitular' before enjoying their dinner in the dining room after which they were taken back to their hotel.

After breakfast, their guide collected them for a walking tour of the city, starting with the cathedral. They then strolled through the streets to the Museum of San Isidoro



MADRID TRIP: Included a walking tour of the city.

with its jewelled chalice, (now thought to be the chalice from which Jesus drank at the Last Supper) and painted ceiling.

En route, some sampled hot chocolate and churros while others who were more restrained had coffee or tea.

From there, they saw the Gaudi House, the Roman city

walls and other places of interest, pointed out to them by their guide.

They then had a break for lunch at Restaurant Zuaga.

Later, they went by coach again for a guided visit of the Parador. They were

shown many rooms and salons inside the Parador with explanations, including the capitular, where they had enjoyed a glass of cava the previous evening, and the small, interior chapel.

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Double taxation

Generally, if a person is a Spanish resident, then he/she is a taxpayer and must pay in Spain the income obtained anywhere in the world.

But, due to double taxation many look for answers to their questions, which can be found reviewing the rules established in the agreements signed with other nations, among which stands out the one signed between Great Britain and Spain to avoid double international taxation.

Income

In case of residents from the UK, the income they receive for a public pension due to services rendered to the State is subject to taxation in the UK and it is exempted in Spain, but taking into account the "exemption with progression". This means, if the person should present the Spanish IRPF to declare other incomes, the public pension's income must be included to calculate the effective tax rate on the other taxable income.

If the resident in Spain has Spanish nationality, such pension shall pay taxes only in Spain.

In the case of a private pension, arising from a previous job in the private sector, such pension is only subject to taxation in Spain.

Income arising from immovable property in the UK can be subject to taxation both in Spain and the UK.

The taxpayer can exercise the right to apply the "deduction for international double taxation" in the Spanish IRPF statement. You can appeal to Legal & Tax experts.

Capital Gains obtained through the "disposal of personal and real property, as well as stocks and shares, located in the UK that belong to a resident of Spain," can be subject to taxation in Spain and the UK.

The taxpayer can also exercise the right to apply the deduction for international double taxation in the income tax return statement in Spain.

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

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Security plan

MORE than 300 businesses in Almuñecar have joined the Security Plan for Local Trade.

A total of 330 establishments have joined the scheme since its implementation almost three months ago, according to the councillor for Trade and Tourism, Rafael Caballero Jimenez.

The plan is a local initiative "with which we intend to give greater security to local trade, for which we ask for the collaboration of all the businesses that intend to join in," according to Councillor Jimenez.

He continued, "the initiative is fulfilling the objectives we set out as having the greatest effectiveness and impact on citizen security, and alleviating any sense of insecurity through greater police presence increases and contact with citizens."



OFFICERS: Help a business owner.

Manuel Ledesma, Almuñecar's Police Chief, explained contact between police and businesses "is something fundamental for everyone."

Before implementing

the plan, officers visited businesses, explaining the concept to owners and giving them contact details in case of incidents including robberies.

The council has also published a leaflet setting out how businesses can protect themselves, including the best use of doors and blinds, alarms, security inside, lighting and, registers and safes, as well as the telephone numbers of the Local Police, Guardia Civil, firefighters, ambulances and town hall.

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Better credit rating for bank

THE American credit rating company Moody's has reacted well to Liborbank's announcement that it intends to raise €500 million on the Spanish stock exchange.

Coupled with its decision to dispose of some of its toxic real estate and bad loans more quickly than initially expected, Moody's has given it a B1 debt rating.

This will come as welcome news to what has been regarded as the most vulnerable medium-sized bank still trading in Spain.

Spanish rich get richer

By John Smith

THOSE Spaniards with money are seeing their worth expand more quickly than ever and there are now 549 taxpayers with fortunes worth more than €30 million.

Unlike most of the other members of the European Union, Spain still operates a wealth tax and requires anyone with a gross taxable wealth in excess of €1 million to register and pay the additional tax.

The latest report from Spanish Tax Agency shows that 188,680 individuals signed declarations to establish their obligation to pay this tax and of

those, approximately one third had cash and assets in excess of €1.5 million which is a 10 per cent increase over figures from five years earlier.

One reason may be that the Tax Authorities have taken action to identify wealth within the country following much publicised alleged evasion often from politicians and more recently footballers.

In addition, a tax amnesty which allowed the rich to pay only a small proportion of tax owed may have

'flushed out' rich residents who had not previously been registered for the wealth tax.

The combined assets of all of those who have registered to pay wealth tax totals €582 billion which equates to nearly 50 per cent of Spain's Gross National Product and a single individual, Amancio Ortega founder of Inditex accounts for €71 billion of that total.

Whilst those with few investments see a slow growth, there seems to be some truth in the old saying that 'money attracts money.'

US firm promotes Santander

MORGAN STANLEY the powerful American investment company is very bullish about the potential for rises in the shares of Spanish bank Santander.

It has upped its target price for the shares three times in the last six months even though actual price on the stock exchange has not matched the forecasts.

It is suggested by outside analysts that the decision to recommend the shares is based on expectations of medium-term increased profits thanks to the takeover of Banco Popular.

Quote of the Week

Discussions will probably take place in the autumn," European Central Bank President Mario Draghi on the decision to reduce quantitative easing (the amount of money being pumped into the eurozone).



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! Cook Airlines 737 at Lanzarote airport.

Airline pilots go on strike

PILOTS at the Thomas Cook airline which flies to parts of Spain from British regional airports walked out on a 12-hour strike last Friday.

Those pilots who are members of the British Airline Pilots' Association (Balpa) voted to strike and walked out although the company insists that all flights will operate.

This is believed by the union

to be the first UK pilots' strike for nearly 50 years and is only a token stoppage so that passengers are inconvenienced as little as possible.

According to the union, the pilots have seen a deterioration in their terms and conditions as well as real-term pay cuts and even though they have been offered a 4 per cent pay rise over two years feel they have to take this action.

» BUSINESS EXTRA

Faster growth

THE economy of the eurozone is growing at a quicker rate than forecast with forecast growth of 2.2 per cent during 2017. If correct, this will be the fastest growth in a decade with Spain being one of the leaders.

Less profit

MADRID-based industrial investment company Sacyr has reported a profit for the first six months of the year of €60 million, a drop of 6.3 per cent over last year. Income has dropped as 2016 saw major sales of assets.

Rail strike

THE rail union CCOO has called a strike over job losses at railway companies Renfe and Adif on Friday September 29. The 23-hour long strike will be a protest against making an ageing and reduced workforce support an unsustainable system.

Catalan situation slows investment

FINANCIAL institutions around the world have not reacted positively towards the vote by the Catalan Parliament to push forward with the Independence Referendum.

Whilst many believe Catalonia will remain part of Spain, they are also uncomfortable with the conflict between the National government and the

Catalan Parliament which is reflecting in an immediate migration, albeit slow, from Spanish bonds.

It is now cheaper to buy Italian government bonds and Spanish banks which have a strong presence in Catalonia such as La Caixa immediately saw pressure on their share values. Spain's rating is to be reviewed in the next six weeks.

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Anglo American	1,385.00	7.00	0.51	20,043.73
Associated British Foods	3,237.50	-27.50	-0.84	26,054.00
Admiral Group	1,861.00	28.00	1.53	5,241.32
Ashtead Group	1,695.00	0.37	0.02	8,406.96
Antofagasta	1,011.50	3.50	0.35	10,321.92
Aviva	509.25	3.25	0.64	20,352.57
AstraZeneca	4,934.50	144.50	3.02	60,433.93
BAE Systems	600.25	0.75	0.13	18,967.20
Babcock International Group	813.00	2.50	0.31	4,163.59
Bardays	187.95	0.35	0.19	31,347.35
British American Tobacco	4,922.75	5.75	0.12	112,462.35
Barratt Developments	603.00	4.00	0.67	6,145.25
British Land Co	610.25	11.25	1.88	6,148.06
BHP Billiton	1,406.75	4.25	0.30	30,783.45
Bunzl	2,281.00	2.00	0.09	7,580.80
BP	448.40	2.30	0.52	88,890.00
Burberry Group	1,788.50	16.50	0.93	7,586.84
BT Group	283.25	-0.70	-0.25	28,419.03
Coca-Cola HBC	2,657.00	-6.00	-0.23	9,555.68
Carnival	5,127.50	92.50	1.84	10,893.53
Centrica	195.30	1.00	0.51	10,939.04
Compass Group	1,647.50	7.50	0.46	25,983.22
Croda International	3,890.00	-10.00	-0.26	5,077.02
CRH	2,673.00	21.00	0.79	22,381.97
ConvaTec Group	280.15	1.95	0.70	5,327.52
DCC	7,405.00	35.00	0.47	6,520.54
Diageo	2,597.75	4.25	0.16	64,988.27
Direct Line Insurance Group	388.30	5.30	1.38	5,219.50
Experian	1,519.50	9.50	0.63	14,149.63
easyJet	1,164.00	8.00	0.69	4,603.64
Ferguson Ord 10 5366p	4,563.50	18.50	0.41	11,483.42
Fresnillo	1,588.00	-33.00	-2.04	12,320.86
G4S	285.40	3.80	1.35	4,313.43
GKN	330.05	1.05	0.32	5,695.12
Glencore	365.40	2.35	0.65	53,044.62
GlaxoSmithKline	1,499.00	5.00	0.33	74,294.28
Hargreaves Lansdown	1,401.00	10.00	0.72	6,564.57
Hammerson	562.75	7.25	1.31	4,418.24
HSBC Holdings	730.80	1.40	0.19	145,461.76
International Consolidated Air	596.75	3.25	0.55	12,246.18
InterContinental Hotels Group	3,792.00	22.00	0.58	7,187.33
3i Group	936.25	5.75	0.62	9,037.80
Imperial Brands	3,309.50	-5.50	-0.17	31,637.46
Informa	684.25	0.25	0.04	5,611.47
Intertek Group	5,087.50	32.50	0.64	8,069.53
ITV	161.65	1.05	0.65	6,521.16
Johnson Matthey	2,892.00	-13.00	-0.45	5,598.92
Kingfisher	291.60	3.60	1.25	6,516.16
Land Securities Group	1,008.50	10.50	1.05	7,904.53
Legal & General Group	256.80	2.80	1.10	15,095.48

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Lloyds Banking Group ORD	64.00	0.23	0.36	45,386.26
London Stock Exchange Grp	3,874.50	16.50	0.43	13,354.61
Micro Focus International	2,362.00	-62.00	-2.56	10,714.82
Mediclinic International	754.00	5.00	0.67	5,551.45
Merlin Entertainments	462.00	2.50	0.54	4,691.01
Marks & Spencer Group	323.30	2.00	0.62	5,316.13
Mondi	2,027.50	4.50	0.22	9,847.03
Morrison (Wm) Supermarkets	248.65	0.35	0.14	5,835.62
National Grid	977.80	3.40	0.35	33,560.92
Next	4,348.00	-6.00	-0.14	6,438.14
Old Mutual Group	201.50	1.10	0.55	9,869.40
Provident Financial	802.75	7.75	0.97	1,168.71
Paddy Power Betfair	7,187.50	-7.50	-0.10	6,065.86
Prudential	1,786.25	24.25	1.38	45,446.55
Persimmon	2,561.00	21.00	0.83	7,990.29
Pearson	590.50	4.50	0.77	4,905.37
Reckitt Benckiser Group	7,114.00	5.00	0.07	50,362.56
Royal Bank of Scotland Group	245.50	1.10	0.45	28,715.68
Royal Dutch Shell	2,147.00	9.00	0.42	97,316.58
Royal Dutch Shell	2,187.75	6.75	0.31	82,082.34
RELX	1,679.50	4.50	0.27	17,935.24
Rio Tinto	3,627.50	27.00	0.75	51,088.21
Royal Mail	379.90	3.90	1.04	3,771.00
Rolls-Royce Group	892.75	0.75	0.08	16,270.72
Randgold Resources	7,997.50	-127.50	-1.57	7,699.18
RSA Insurance Group	642.75	6.75	1.06	6,519.70
Rentokil Initial	306.75	0.55	0.18	5,585.49
Sainsbury (J)	236.65	1.75	0.74	5,194.41
Schroders	3,293.00	20.00	0.61	7,363.81
Sage Group (The)	695.75	0.75	0.11	7,528.39
Segro	540.25	2.75	0.51	5,372.05
Shire	4,082.50	45.00	1.11	36,424.46
Smurfit Kappa Group	2,346.00	5.00	0.21	5,527.76
Sky	948.75	0.25	0.03	16,373.64
Standard Life Aberdeen	421.00	4.90	1.18	12,310.84
Smiths Group	1,592.50	6.50	0.41	6,228.76
Scottish Mortgage Invstmnt Trst	432.50	2.50	0.58	6,000.94
Smith & Nephew	1,412.00	13.00	0.93	12,163.82
SSE	1,440.50	0.50	0.03	14,394.81
Standard Chartered	743.20	2.30	0.31	24,374.47
St James's Place	1,155.00	13.00	1.14	5,909.94
Severn Trent	2,268.50	-5.50	-0.24	5,393.07
Tesco	188.50	0.75	0.40	15,267.74
TUI AG	1,328.00	7.00	0.53	7,784.13
Taylor Wimpey	195.55	0.55	0.28	6,478.53
Unilever	4,514.00	7.00	0.16	57,262.00
United Utilities Group	918.75	1.25	0.14	6,259.74
Vodafone Group	214.33	0.58	0.27	57,362.35
Worldpay Group	417.85	1.25	0.30	8,234.00
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APPLE	158,630	-1,63%	-2,630	819.360,12
BOEING CO	238,780	+1,05%	2,470	141.038,41
CATERPILLAR	117,820	+0,04%	0,050	69.628,41
CHEVRON	110,78	-0,91%	-1,02	210.023,15
CISCO SYSTEMS	31,480	-0,88%	-0,280	157.401,70
COCA-COLA	46,30	+0,04%	0,02	197.568,89
DU PONT(EI) DE NMR	83,9300	+0,89%	0,7400	73.485,81
EXXON MOBIL	78,82	-0,27%	-0,21	333.968,68
GENERAL ELECTRIC	23,8200	-0,83%	-0,2000	206.232,27
GOLDMAN SACHS	217,21	+0,63%	1,37	84.033,15
HOME DEPOT	159,6600	+1,10%	1,7300	188.210,02
IBM	142,45	-0,31%	-0,45	132.754,90
INTEL CORP	35,1900	-0,98%	-0,3500	165.709,71
J.P.MORGAN CHASE	88,4200	-0,12%	-0,1100	311.146,83
JOHNSON & JOHNSON	130,9800	-0,92%	-1,2100	351.765,00
MC DONALD'S CORP	159,7100	-0,12%	-0,1900	129.372,66
MERCK AND CO. NEW	64,27	-0,08%	-0,05	175.259,79
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NIKE	52,20	-0,36%	-0,19	68.507,25
PFIZER	34,1000	+0,32%	0,1100	202.804,60
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Kura Oncology, Inc.	\$ 11.80	4.95 ▲	72.26%
NewLink Genetics Corporation	\$ 17.67	4.07 ▲	29.93%
Zumiez Inc.	\$ 16.30	3.10 ▲	23.48%
Adaptimmune Therapeutics plc	\$ 8.93	1.38 ▲	18.28%
Veritone, Inc.	\$ 20.04	2.61 ▲	14.97%
Federated National Holding Company	\$ 12.05	1.50 ▲	14.22%
Okta, Inc.	\$ 30.30	3.18 ▲	11.73%
Novan, Inc.	\$ 6.12	0.58 ▲	10.47%
Acacia Research Corporation	\$ 3.75	0.35 ▲	10.29%
Strongbridge Biopharma plc	\$ 6.25	0.55 ▲	9.65%
Most Declined			
Tintri, Inc.	\$ 4.55	2.13 ▼	31.89%
American Outdoor Brands Corporation	\$ 13.92	3.02 ▼	17.83%
Cherokee Inc.	\$ 3.90	0.75 ▼	16.13%
Ophthotech Corporation	\$ 2.65	0.45 ▼	14.52%
Aeglea BioTherapeutics, Inc.	\$ 4.30	0.54 ▼	11.16%
National Security Group, Inc.	\$ 11.89	1.31 ▼	9.92%
United Therapeutics Corporation	\$ 120.82	12.70 ▼	9.51%
BCB Bancorp, Inc. (NJ)	\$ 12.50	1.30 ▼	9.42%
Alico, Inc.	\$ 29.75	3 ▼	9.16%
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Fear of new bank failures

ECB wants control over client deposits

ONE of European banking's most powerful women, Daniele Nouy wants to introduce fresh powers to prevent depositors from removing funds from struggling banks.

The European Central Bank's (ECB) Chair of Banking Supervision wants to have the right to temporarily suspend the ability of customers to withdraw their money from banks facing financial difficulty.

This ban would cover cash withdrawals at the bank, through cash machines and by online transfer.

She explained in a letter to a Member of the European Parliament that due to the fact a problem within a bank could quickly see a run on its liquidity which could be fuelled by social media comment and the ease of internet banking.

The recent problems with Banco Popular in Spain and Monte dei Paschi di Siena in Italy are examples of how matters can escalate quickly, although in the case of Banco Popular, current and imminent law suits from disgruntled investors suggest the final decision to demand its quick sale may have been premature.

In 2016, the ECB had tried to introduce a restriction on the removal of funds in excess of €100,000, as generally lower amounts are covered by national governments. It has actually even commented that the authorities should have the right to delay payment of lesser funds for between five and 20 days.

The Bank - which is owned by member states of the European Union - only has legal powers over the 19 members of the eurozone and perhaps surprisingly, the third largest shareholder with a 13.67 per cent holding is the Bank of England exceeded only by France and Germany.

The chairman of the ECB is an Italian, Mario Draghi and critics of the bank suggest that he influenced a decision to allow the Italian govern-



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**ECB Chair
of Banking
Supervision
Daniele
Nouy.**

ment to circumvent the rules in order to bail out the fast failing Monte dei Paschi di Siena bank.

This proposal to allow the suspension of withdrawals in emergency situations is taken by analysts to suggest the ECB does expect more commercial banking failures in the future and wants to have legislation in place at the earliest opportunity in order to take control, albeit briefly, of deposits placed in good faith by the general public and corporate investors.

CATALONIA BUSINESS TAX PAYER'S DILEMMA

A rock and a hard place

AS the split between the Catalan and national governments gets wider, the latest salvo concerns the payment of income tax and IVA (VAT).

The Spanish Finance Ministry has issued a blunt statement 'reminding' tax payers in Catalonia that any payment should be made to the correct authority which is the national government.

Any company or self-employed person which pays money due for VAT, income tax or corporation tax to the Catalan authority will be considered as having not paid the tax and may be open to criminal charges.

This statement was made in advance of the threatened Independence Referendum which will possibly be held on Sunday October 1 as the Catalan government has created an enlarged Catalan Tax Authority which is ready to divert the collection of national taxes to the 'New Catalan State.'

According to Catalan Deputy First Minister Oriol Junqueras, systems are in place to allow for the collection of some €42 billion of tax as soon as the decision to create an in-



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dependent state is taken.

In Spanish law, if VAT is collected and then not paid to the correct authority it will leave the collector open to a charge of theft and if a company, all of the directors could face charges.

The Spanish government appears powerless to stop the proposed referendum although it has been declared illegal for the Catalan Parliament to even buy ballot boxes using Community funds, although it is suspected that the ballot boxes and voting papers are currently being held in a secret location.

As the referendum date approaches, both Spanish Prime Minister Mariano Rajoy and Catalan leader Carles Puigdemont regularly indulge in a war of words with each other which is now certain to be fought out in the courts and with potential arrests of Catalan politicians and their supporters.

**Demanding
Catalan
Independence.**

Fruit and vegetable imports

MOROCCO was the biggest supplier of fruit and vegetables to Spain in the first half of 2017 with exports totalling €404 million.

This shows a 33 per cent increase on the previous six months and Spanish purchases have increased generally with large volumes also being imported from Brazil and Costa Rica.

According to a report issued by the Spanish Federation of Associations of Producers and Exporters of Fruits, Vegetables, Flowers, and Live Plants (FEPEX) imports from the European Union are also up by 8 per cent with France and Italy being the two major suppliers, closely followed by Portugal and the Netherlands.

Potatoes and tomatoes were the major products exported to Spain, although fruits were also high on the list.

Tourist spend up again

VISITORS to Spain spent €49 billion in the first seven months of the year, an increase of 15 per cent over the same period in 2016.

The July total was slightly less than €12 billion according to the National Statistics Institute.

The figures show that the United Kingdom accounts for the highest spend by tourist visitors, parting with €9.9 billion which was 20.2 per cent of total spend, followed by the Germans at €6.86 billion (14 per cent) and Scandinavians at €4.16 billion (8.5 per cent).

The three most popular destinations were Catalonia, Canary Islands and the Balearics which between them saw 58 per cent of the total amount of holidaymakers money spent.



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Guest speaker
Felipe González.

The future of work

DELEGATES from 49 countries arrive in Malaga City today (Thursday) to participate in a four-day conference entitled Future of Work.

Hosted by the Eisenhower Fellowships (EF), a non-profit international leadership organisation with branches around the world, the conference welcomes 50 different speakers including Felipe González, former Spanish Prime Minister.

In addition, Eisenhower Fellows will present 12 innovative projects designed to create concrete impacts after the conference and it will introduce the first EF Youth Leaders Net-

work featuring more than 30 exceptional young leaders aged 18 to 25 from around the world.

Participants who will have paid up to €625 to attend will explore economic and social drivers of change; the impact of technology and innovation, including artificial intelligence, labour mobility and gender and other demographic shifts as well as the role of education in addressing the changing nature of work.

Supported by the Malaga Council, the conference is co-hosted by the Eisenhower Fellows of Spain and Jordan.

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Bank shareholders are set to vote for final merger

TODAY (Thursday) the shareholders of Bankia and Mare Nostrum Bank (BMN) will attend extraordinary general shareholders' meetings to vote to merge.

The Bankia meeting is being held in Valencia whilst the BMN meeting is being held in Madrid with the expectation that the vote will be positive following the announcement of the intent to merge last June.

Once the formal votes are confirmed, then the two banks will be able to present the proposal to the various authorities in Spain for approval, which should be something of a formality as Bankia is currently effectively owned by the taxpayer.

Shareholders in BMN will receive

shares in Bankia but they will be hoping that the new operation will be successful as they are only receiving about 40 per cent of the book value of BMN which has assets of €38 billion, although most of that is in customer deposits.

The advantage for Bankia is that the merger will increase its coverage in the Balearics, Granada and Murcia whilst BMN shareholders will receive an almost immediate cash dividend with the anticipation that the government will start to release the shares that it holds onto the market.

It is believed that a stronger Bankia will attract financial investors and that share prices will increase to the benefit of all existing shareholders.

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Our children are confused enough

LEAPY LEE SAYS IT
OTHERS THINK IT



I TRULY am getting up to here with all this gender bender bulls..t we are being deluged with these days. No one is more liberal minded than me. I was raised in Bayswater during the 60's.

I remember the first Notting Hill carnival, started by the influx of West Indians who wanted to recreate the carnivals of their own country. Men dressed as utterly flamboyant, female characters played a large part and, although a hitherto unseen phenomenon, were accepted as the fun figures they were meant to depict. Lesbian clubs abounded and I've had more fun than I care, or indeed, can remember in those, some may consider iniquitous dens, where most of the delectable 'femmes' were bi-sexual anyway. (I wasn't silly!) Many of my friends during those rip-roaring days of yore swung both ways.

Over the years I've watched with approval how the 'queer' or now much more acceptably entitled 'gay' fraternity have become a part of the 'norm.' Unfortunately, I now think it's all gone too far. By my reckoning the introduction of gay marriage was fine and completely acceptable.

Gays conscripted into the armed forces? No problem. I did slightly twitch at gay couples adopting children, having seen some disastrous and tragic outcomes for children living with same



A QUESTION OF GENDER: Are we now too politically correct?

sex partners in those far off days. Still times have changed and vetted legal adoptions by couples from more stable backgrounds than those I had

been familiar with, has allowed me to come to terms with even this previously frowned on situation. But we are not all gay!

It does now appear to me that certain society members would like to see us, if not all gay, then basically, sexless altogether. Particularly the children. From advocating the teaching of homosexuality in schools, to children of both sexes able to wear either trousers or skirts and even trying to prevent them being referred to as he or she, it really has all become too much.

Watch my lips. The majority of us enjoy being girls and boys. Men and women. Males and females. It's fun. And despite those who would have it otherwise. Perfectly normal. Our children are confused enough. For heaven's sake leave them alone and let them enjoy their development into adult life in whatever natural way they choose. Take a leaf out of the Spanish book.

Over here, all the TV anchors are glamour girls. The female presenters ooze with sexy femininity. All the men are macho (unless they choose otherwise) Senoras and Senoritas abound. (No Ms nonsense around here.) And the Ninas and Ninos are all proud little peacocks and hens, thoroughly enjoying their young genders to the full. And what is most important of all? The majority are perfectly happy with their lot.

Just think, if Adam and Eve had been genderless we wouldn't be here at all. Time to let it rest. Let us all now be happy with our own manifestations and allowed to exist in our own particular choices of normality. Leave well alone. Awright!?

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Have you been ripped off?

Mike Senker

In my opinion

Views of a Grumpy Old Man



I'm going away next week and I was going through all my bookings and I was looking at my hotel booking for Las Vegas and noticed that, on top of my room charge, they have an additional item, not the VAT, but something called a 'resort fee' which, in the case of the hotel I'm staying at, is \$29 a night.

When delving further into it I found out it's for use of Wi-Fi in the room which, by the way, is free anywhere else in the hotel. It's also for use of the fitness facility, which I won't be using, unlimited free local calls - well they are included in my phone package so I don't want that - and a newspaper. No thanks! And access to thousands of top magazines and newspapers using some App that I don't have.

Of course, that's really what I want to do whilst staying at a casino hotel is catch up on my reading! I will let you know how I get on with not paying my 'resort fee' when I return.

So this got me thinking about all the other rip off hidden and not so hidden fees we have to pay. Try changing a flight online. Airlines charge a fee, £50 in one I saw, as a 'service charge.' What service charge? I logged on, I

found the new flight, I changed the old one, I did it all myself. So what service am I getting?

It's just another way of getting money for nothing. They sell my seat again and so they don't lose anything. What about fuel surcharge on flights which is another additional cost. I have a maintenance fee on my credit card. It's a piece of plastic that sits in my wallet. It doesn't need maintaining. I don't need anyone to come round from the bank once a month to water it or take it for a walk.

Every time I use it they earn money from it and that should be enough. If I don't pay the full balance at the end of the month I get charged interest which is fine as I know that's how it works. We are getting ripped off all the time because, like most normal people, we don't read all the small print. Maybe we should but the fact is we don't. Most contracts are longer than War and Peace and War and Peace is easier to read!

When I lived in the UK I had a gym membership so I could go swimming. I went twice and decided it wasn't for me so I said I wanted to cancel it and was told I couldn't as I had signed up for a year. I kicked off like you can't believe and told them I wasn't going to pay. I demanded to see the manager who wasn't interested. I never paid another penny and never heard another thing. I think sometimes you have to just stick to your guns.

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LEGALLY SPEAKING

Back to school

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.



DROP OFF: The laws still apply.

IT'S that time of year once again when the summer is coming to a close, and attentions start to turn back to yet another annual phenomenon, back to school time.

Although it might be a relief for some parents, it might also be a disappointment for some children, in road safety terms we have to be aware that the characteristics of the road network will once again change.

Firstly, we have an increase in traffic at certain times of day as parents resume the school run. It is quite normal for traffic to increase in the mornings because of this, which in turn can result in delays. The same situation applies at the end of the school day, but at what time? Often, in Spain, schools operate a less robust timetable, adapting to such things as weather conditions and light, and so the school day often varies from season to season. All non-parents can do to prepare for this is be aware of the changing timetable and allow extra time for all journeys.

If you are taking your children to school by car, remember that children under 1.35

metres in height are not allowed in the front seats of the car. There are one or two exceptions, which you can read about on the website, n332.es.

Children must be secured in the vehicle, by means of a seatbelt, or specially designed retention system suitable for them. Any objects they are carrying must also be secure in the vehicle.

When you arrive at the school drop off point, remember that the laws still apply to you, the same as any other driver. You are still not allowed to double park, block entrances, or park in an illegal place with your hazard lights on just because you are dropping off your children for school. You must choose a safe, convenient and legal place to drop off your children. Where possible, ensure that they exit the vehicle on the pavement side, still warning them to be aware of their surroundings before opening the door.

During late September, there will be an awareness campaign focusing on seatbelt and child restraint use, and the use of seatbelts on school buses (where fitted).

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

Does he need a Spanish licence?

Q. Yesterday I was stopped by the Guardia Civil, who asked to see my vehicle documents. They then asked my date of birth and then went back to their car and were on the radio for about five minutes. When they returned I was presented with a €500 fine for not having a Span-

ish driving licence. They never asked to see my licence at all. I do not have residence in Spain as I have only been here a few months, so I was shocked. On the back of the form it says I can appeal within 20 days. Any advice?

P W (Costa Blanca)

A. Yes, appeal immediately. You do not say, but whether you are an EU citizen or a non-EU citizen in Spain, you can use your home country driving licence for six months, which is

David Searl

You and the Law in Spain



the legal limit for a tourist stay. If you are an EU citizen, you can use your EU

driving licence in Spain until it expires, even if you obtain a residence certificate. If you are not EU, you must obtain a Spanish driving licence when you become a resident.

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Vegan finds extra food for thought

DEAR Sir,

I'm 50-years-old and have been a strict vegan since changing my diet after a cancer scare a decade ago.

I've been staying with my Spanish partner's family for three months per year for the last couple of decades and we've recently been using a local Thai restaurant, Wai Wai Wok on Burriana Beach. Up until this year we were in love with the place for providing amazing service and food exactly as we ordered.

This year, however, something has gone horribly wrong. We've been in Nerja since early June and have visited the restaurant six times plus ordered a takeaway for lunch. Every meal we've ordered has had to be sent back because we have found meat in the food. They are obviously cooking a standard batch of, for example, Pad Thai, and then just removing the meat.

I advise dozens of clients a week all across the world on nutrition so I feel it

A healthy warning

RECENTLY my wife and I visited the UK where she tripped on a kerb, breaking a leg which required urgent medical treatment with a long pin inserted.

We normally take out holiday insurance but forgot this year which created a problem with receiving free NHS cover as expats, being told we would have to pay for aftercare and be treated as private patients unless we presented an S1 form.

Following extensive research we discovered that the S1 is a replacement for the E121 form we completed when registering



UK HEALTH COVER: Ensure you have the right documents.

with the Spanish NHS.

Following heated discussions with various hospital staff my wife was finally given the NHS cover that she was entitled to.

The word of warning is that

when visiting the UK take out holiday insurance, obtain the S1 form, carry your EHIC card and be of pensionable age currently receiving the State Pension.

Russ Hudson, Alicante

is my duty to report this problem.

John Hodges, Nerja

Editor's note: Wai Wai Wok's manager Khalid told EWN that "the chef made a mistake, but as far as I know it only happened once. We have apologised and just want to make our customer happy no matter what the cost. I don't understand what else I can do!"

Home truths

I DID agree with the original concept of social housing in Orihuela Costa, but after the recent price reduction many of the residents are not in a lower income group, with one buyer apparently owning another three homes!

In addition, the entrance is on the busy Calle Clavo where parking is now almost impossible, and police have been called at least twice over driveways blocked. Worse, many residents simply throw rubbish in the street or ignore the separate containers.

Perhaps 'social' housing in this instance is a misnomer!

Ian Fairbairn, Orihuela Costa

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Are the kids of today ruined?

Reaction to Leapy Lee's latest column.

There is NO WAY that A-levels are easier nowadays! Twenty years after getting my two A-grades, I've just taken another 'for fun.'

The amount you now have to write in a 2hr exam is the same as in the 3hr ones in '97/98, there's masses more material to digest, evaluation and terminology is more crucial, and more evidence required to be cited with less room for assertions.

I worked just as hard this time as 20yrs ago, and got a B instead. Grade boundaries are lower, but marks far less generous: your 80 per cent essay in 1997 will get you 63 per cent now.

Also, A-level results dictate to kids whether they can follow their chosen career, which university will go down on their CV for the rest of their lives, and even dictate where they're going to be living for the next four years! All that with less than a month's notice!

The pressure is immense and would wreck most adults! A-levels are the toughest exams on earth; my two master's degrees were child's play compared with my A-levels in '97 and the one I've just taken. And the town you live in and your type of job for the next few years or decades depends upon how you perform in 2hr slots three times in one month.

A headache on one of these can change your life's course. You clearly don't have A-levels, Graham.

Comments from EWN online

I challenge you to take one and report back.

Kally

I did not realise you were a supporter of Rees-Mogg and his Victorian values.

John Booth

Drunk Brits sentenced

Rowdy passengers handed jail terms.

Fine them. Give them an appropriate custodial sentence but more importantly endorse their passports to say they have been previously removed from an aircraft for drunken behaviour and then the airlines have fair opportunity to deny boarding at check-in. It's a genuinely frightening experience at 37k feet when this happens and is simply not appropriate behaviour.

Gordon Hulme

They are an extremely small percentage of travellers. We travel a lot... like a drink in the airport and on the plane... why should the majority of travellers pay

the price for a small percentage of idiots?

Ann Telford

Inadequate jail sentences and should not be suspended. Passports should be cancelled for 15 years after jail sentences completed.

Eddie Stanton

Nurses' holiday hell

Brit students complain of Costa del Sol attack.

I used AirBnB once before in Barcelona and it was absolutely fine. Proper meet and greet and checking everything worked. These two girls were just stupid to leave their belongings behind with total strangers. I don't agree with extra regulations. These are (mostly) private individuals renting out their properties. Extra regulations will mean extra cost which defeats the object. I guess that's also what the hotel industry wants.

Andy Funnell

Why leave your suitcases in a place occupied!? I would have left immediately, contacted the owner. How stupid, no sympathy from me I am afraid.

Sian Foster

Are these women complete idiots? You turn up, find two unconscious women in your apartment and then leave your stuff there and go out?

Greg Hume

No empathy

MY husband passed away on August 12 leaving (his wish) body to research.

Unfortunately, he had the audacity to die in August and the University was closed for holidays so they wouldn't take him. A quick funeral had to be arranged because the mortuary charges €60 per day to keep the body!!

We didn't want a religious service but wanted to say our last goodbyes. He was wheeled into a corridor and the coffin lid was lifted. What a shock!! He looked exactly the same as when he died. I know this is the Spanish way but not one sign of any empathy, not even from the Universidad!

Christine Farnell, El Pinillo

Driven mad

HAVING obtained my driving licence in Barcelona I am not surprised 50 per cent of Brits failed a sample Spanish theory test (*EWN Issue 1678*). I passed mine in Barcelona and the theory segment is, to say the least, a hit and miss affair with some questions apparently written and thrown in at random! You could sit it 100 times and only pass 50!

Phil Grainger, Denia

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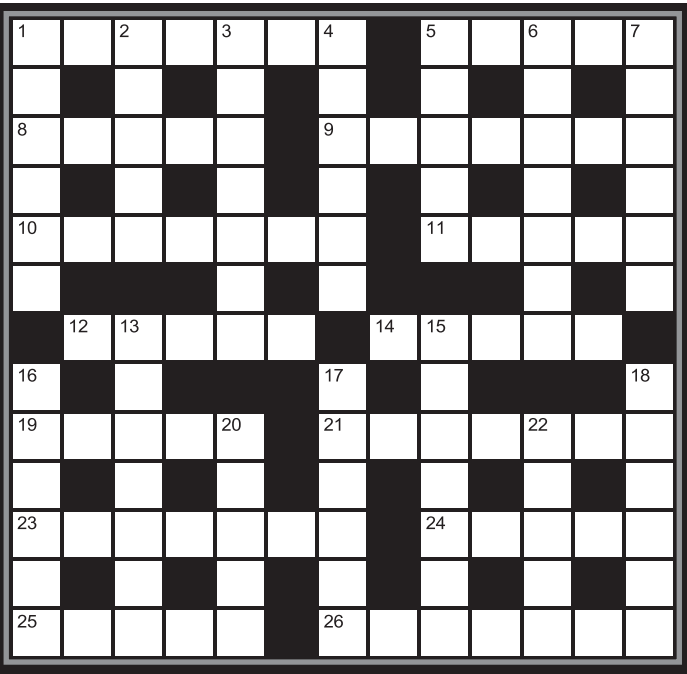
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 - 10 Appeal for fairy wisdom (7)
 - 11 Pleased with English clearing (5)
 - 12 Money to be won and where to keep it (5)
 - 14 Right in the middle of one's land (5)
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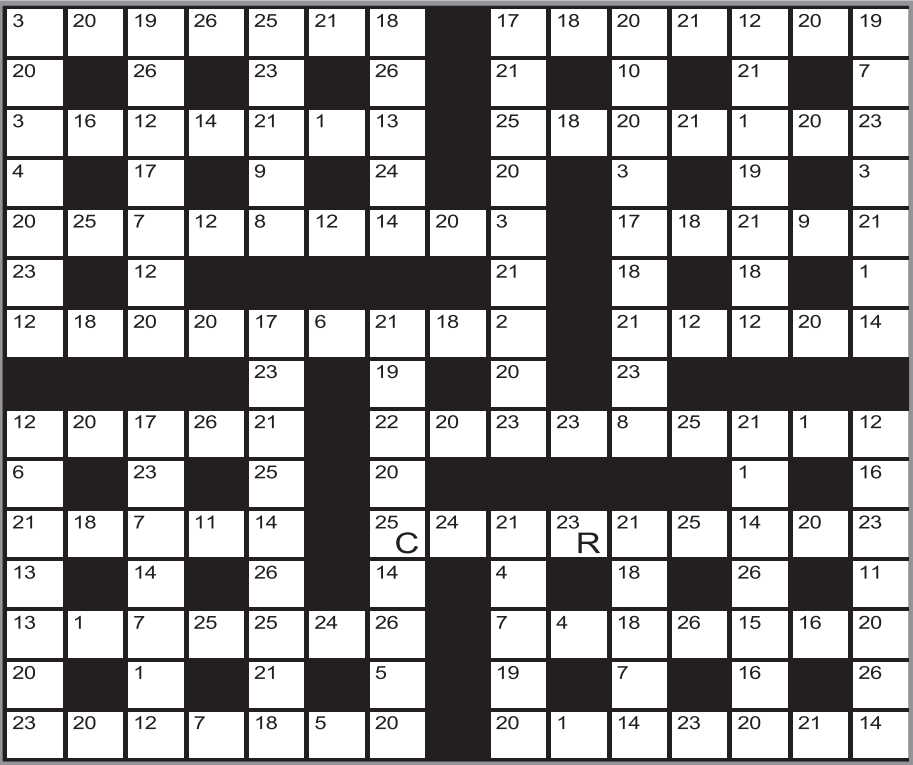
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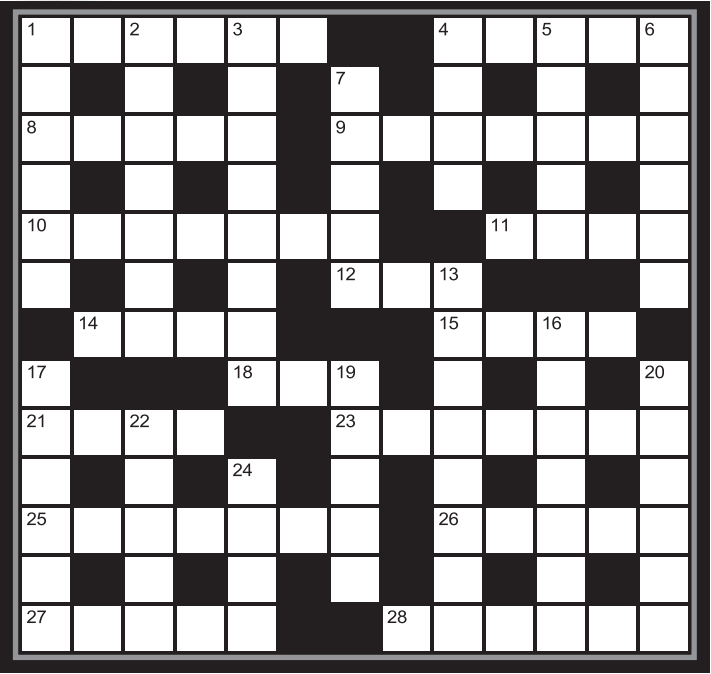
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Each number in the Code Breaker grid represents a different letter of the alphabet. In this week's puzzle, 23 represents R and 25 represents C, so fill in R every time the figure 23 appears and C every time the figure 25 appears. Now, using your knowledge 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.



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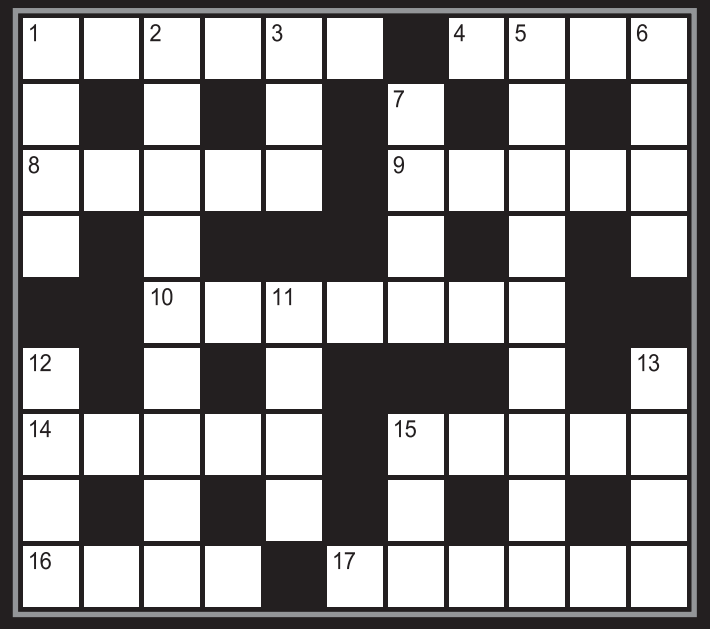
Quick



- Across**
- 1 Having the properties of an adhesive (6)
 - 4 Small rowing, sailing or motor vessels (5)
 - 8 Yellow citrus fruit (5)
 - 9 Act of touching physically (7)
 - 10 Include (7)
 - 11 In or at this place (4)
 - 12/18 Give insider information to (3,3)
 - 14 Nothing (4)
 - 15 Any loose flowing garment (4)
 - 18 See 12
 - 21 Connection (4)
 - 23 Answer (7)
 - 25 Easily agitated (7)
 - 26 Correct (5)
 - 27 Alloy of iron with small amounts of carbon (5)
 - 28 Sweet liquid secretion that is attractive to pollinators (6)
- Down**
- 1 Choose (6)
 - 2 Vast in extent or degree (7)
 - 3 Australian marsupial (8)
 - 4 Group of musicians (4)
 - 5 Having knowledge or perception of a situation (5)
 - 6 Small sofa (6)
 - 7 Perfume (5)
 - 13 Keep or maintain in unaltered condition (8)
 - 16 Came with (7)
 - 17 Merges (6)
 - 19 Recently made, produced or harvested (5)
 - 20 Person in charge of a newspaper (6)
 - 22 One skilled in caring for young children or the sick (5)
 - 24 Prevent (something considered wrong or undesirable) from succeeding (4)

English - Spanish

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



- Across**
- 1 When (in questions and reported speech) (6)
 - 4 Cola (de animal, avión, cometa) (4)
 - 8 Cuttlefish (5)
 - 9 Acordar (5)
 - 10 Inglaterra (7)
 - 14 Letter (mail) (5)
 - 15 Goat (5)
 - 16 Obedecer (4)
 - 17 El más raro (6)
 - 3 Day (3)
 - 5 Pleasant (9)
 - 6 Mentiras (4)
 - 7 Room (in a house) (4)
 - 11 Gol (4)
 - 12 Leisure (4)
 - 13 Esperar (4)
 - 15 Bacalao (3)

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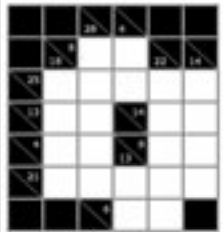
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Kakuro

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



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



TARGET:

- Average: 11
- Very good: 22
- Good: 15
- Excellent: 28

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

earl kart lark lore mare mark marl mart more mort okra oral rake rate real ream
room role rota rote tare taro tear term tore tram trek trow ware warm wart wear wore
work worm wort alert alter amort laker lamer later lower maker mater metro molar
moral morel mower orate ratel realm rowel taker tamer tower trawl waker waler water
wreak wrote armler market molter morale mortal talker trowel walker teamwork
workmate METALWORK

Sudoku

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

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

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

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

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

CRYPTIC

Across:

1 Exalt, 4 Set fair, 8 Garbage,
9 Indus, 10 Reassure, 11 Read,
13 Clever, 14 Hassle, 17 Soft,
19 Meantime, 22 Adieu,
23 Enabled, 24 Entitle, 25 Deter.

Down:

1 Edgar, 2 Acreage, 3 Teamster,
4 Spears, 5 Toil, 6 Addle,
7 Residue, 12 Gainsaid,
13 Cascade, 15 Skillet, 16 Serene,
18 Faint, 20 Elder, 21 Lust.

QUICK

Across:

1 Choices, 5 Bloom, 8 Loose,
9 Resting, 10 Marries, 11 Shift,
12 Beats, 14 Crisp, 19 Under,
21 Revolve, 23 Tornado, 24 Rival,
25 Egypt, 26 Slender.

Down:

1 Column, 2 Odour, 3 Chemist,
4 Stress, 5 Basis, 6 Origins,
7 Mighty, 13 Elderly, 15 Reverse,
16 Subtle, 17 Errors, 18 Cellar,
20 React, 22 Loved.

ENGLISH-SPANISH

Across:

1 Orchards, 7 Tecla, 8 Chalk,
9 Monederos, 11 Gorra, 12 Bride,
14 Pavement.

Down:

2 Cachorro, 3 Ama de casa, 4 Diciembre,
5 Joke, 6 Camomile, 10 Agua, 13/1 Eat out.

CODE BREAKER

1	S	2	E	3	L	4	V	5	P	6	K	7	F	8	T	9	C	10	R	11	Y	12	H	13	X
14	J	15	U	16	W	17	N	18	B	19	O	20	I	21	D	22	Q	23	G	24	A	25	Z	26	M

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Saturday September 9



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Saturday September 9



EURO MILLIONS

Tuesday September 5



Friday September 8



LA PRIMITIVA

Saturday September 9

EL GORDO DE
LA PRIMITIVA

Sunday September 10

YOUR STARS
FOR NEXT 7 DAYSAQUARIUS
(January 21 - February 19)

There are enough people in this world who will be willing to tell you what to do. Although it is in your nature to value your freedom, have you been compromising? Think of the time you have left to get to grips with a particular situation.

PISCES
(February 20 - March 20)

Your opinion of someone is in the process of changing. It is not through any particular action of theirs towards you, rather it is a feeling that you should not be involved with their business. Trusting our instincts is something that we do not do enough.

ARIES
(March 21 - April 20)

There is a lightness to this week that is welcome. After more than a little bit of aggravation and frustration of late it is overdue. Someone you believed had lost interest in you suddenly surfaces. You may be unsure of how to react, so save judgment.

TAURUS
(April 21 - May 21)

A need to listen to your innermost feelings and needs has perhaps been overlooked. With the hustle and bustle of everyday life, philosophical thoughts are often pushed into a corner. Even so, you owe it to yourself to truly consider what you want as opposed to going along with what others want from you.

GEMINI
(May 22 - June 21)

Someone you would not normally consider to be a friend shows an interest in you. Your immediate reaction may be joy or suspicion. In fact, you are not quite sure what to think. All the same, try to put aside preconceived ideas and give them a chance.

CANCER
(June 22 - July 23)

Time is of the essence when pursuing a pet project this week. Having been given the opportunity to go ahead with a plan, do not waste time. Some opportunities do not come twice so be sure to show your enthusiasm.

LEO
(July 24 - August 23)

A close relationship seems to be changing. You need to know why and maybe believe that you do. However, be sure to get all the facts. Asking outright questions of the person involved is your best chance of getting the right answers. Someone may urge you to 'read between the lines' but it is hardly necessary.

VIRGO
(August 24 - September 23)

With so much energy around you, it will be hard to concentrate on business matters. Finances, however, do require your attention and a brief period of scrutiny will show you why. Someone close may be spending too much or undermining the situation by making big plans.

LIBRA
(September 24 - October 23)

Nostalgia overtakes you and an urge to look back into the past is strong. Perhaps you are thinking of tracing your family tree. It may be that you have received a letter or phone call that aroused your curiosity.

SCORPIO
(October 24 - November 22)

When you start to worry too much about things, it is time to take a step back. Senseless worrying is when you really cannot do anything to change the situation. Take into account how, in the past, worrying has affected your wellbeing. Maybe it is time to walk away and take another path entirely.

SAGITTARIUS
(November 23 - December 21)

This is a creative week and one in which you seek to find your talents. For some time now you have toyed with the idea of joining a club or group. This will enhance your social life and bring you laughter.

CAPRICORN
(December 22 - January 20)

Life can get complicated at this time of the year and you may feel pulled in more than one direction. You are perfectly entitled to change your mind about an arrangement.

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THURSDAY - 14 SEPTEMBER

BBCone			BBC TWO			BBC FOUR			CHANNEL 4			CHANNEL 5		
7:00am	Breakfast		7:00am	Flog it! Trade Secrets		8:00pm	Beyond 100 Days		7:00am	Countdown		9:05am	Digby Dragon	
10:15am	Council House Crackdown		7:30am	Council House Crackdown			<i>The latest national and international news, exploring the day's events from a global perspective.</i>		7:45am	King of Queens		9:15am	Floogals	
11:00am	Homes Under the Hammer		8:15am	Garden Rescue		8:30pm	The Sky at Night		8:10am	King of Queens		9:35am	Peppa Pig	
12:00pm	Dom on the Spot		9:00am	Nadiya's British Food Adventure		9:00pm	Britain's Outlaws: Highwaymen, Pirates and Rogues		8:35am	King of Queens		9:45am	Peppa Pig	
12:45pm	Thief Trackers		9:30am	Great British Menu		10:00pm	Best Album of the Year 2017: Mercury Prize Live		9:00am	Everybody Loves Raymond		9:55am	Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom	
1:15pm	Bargain Hunt		10:00am	Victoria Derbyshire		11:15pm	Indie Classics at the BBC		9:30am	Everybody Loves Raymond		10:05am	Mofy	
2:00pm	BBC News at One		12:00pm	BBC Newsroom Live		12:15am	The Kate Bush Story: Running Up That Hill		10:00am	Frasier		10:15am	The Wright Stuff	
2:30pm	BBC London News		1:00pm	The Daily Politics		1:15am	Music Moguls: Masters of Pop		10:35am	Frasier		12:15pm	Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!	
2:45pm	Doctors		2:00pm	For What It's Worth		2:15am	I'm Not in Love: The Story of 10cc		11:05am	Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA				
3:15pm	The Boss		2:45pm	Coast		3:15am	Highwaymen, Pirates and Rogues		12:00pm	Coast v Country		1:10pm	5 News	
4:00pm	Escape to the Country		3:00pm	Glorious Gardens		4:15am	This is BBC Four		1:00pm	Channel 4 News		1:15pm	Lunchtime	
4:45pm	Garden Rescue		3:45pm	Who Do You Think You Are?			<i>BBC Four is the BBC channel for people who want more. More depth, more range, more to stimulate the mind.</i>		1:05pm	Couples Come Dine with Me		1:50pm	The Hotel Inspector	
5:30pm	Celebrity Money for Nothing		4:45pm	Railway Journeys					2:05pm	French Collection		2:15pm	Home and Away	
6:15pm	Pointless		5:15pm	Human Planet					3:10pm	Countdown		2:45pm	Neighbours	
7:00pm	BBC News at Six		6:15pm	Flog It!					4:00pm	Cheap Cheap		3:15pm	The Mentalist	
7:30pm	BBC London News		7:00pm	Richard Osman's House of Games					5:00pm	A Place in the Sun		4:15pm	Boyfriend Killer	
8:00pm	The One Show		7:30pm	Eggheads					6:00pm	Come Dine with Me		6:00pm	5 News at 5	
8:30pm	EastEnders		8:00pm	This Farming Life					7:00pm	The Simpsons		6:30pm	Neighbours	
9:00pm	Without Limits: Vietnam		9:00pm	The Big Family					8:00pm	Channel 4 News		7:00pm	Home and Away	
10:00pm	Ambulance		10:00pm	Cooking Showdown					9:00pm	Lego Masters		8:00pm	5 News Tonight	
11:00pm	BBC News at Ten		11:00pm	Tribes, Predators and Me					10:00pm	Educating Greater Manchester		8:00pm	Secrets of the National Trust with Alan Titchmarsh	
11:30pm	BBC London News		11:30pm	The Premier League Show					11:00pm	The Great British Bake Off: An Extra Slice		9:00pm	Celebrity Five Go	
11:45pm	Question Time		12:15am	Mountain					11:50pm	The Undateables		10:00pm	Motorhoming with Jane McDonald	
12:45am	MND and 22-Year-Old Me								12:55am	Gogglebox		11:00pm	Cruising with Maurice Gibb: In Life and Death	
1:45am	Weather for the Week Ahead											12:05am	The Greatest Ever Pop Families	
1:50am	BBC News													
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7:00am	Good Morning Britain		7:50am	Totally Bonkers		7:00am	Judge Judy		7:00am	The Car Chasers		7:30am	Good Morning Sports Fans	
9:30am	Lorraine		8:15am	Guinness World Records		7:20am	Judge Judy		7:45am	The Car Chasers		8:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans	
10:25am	The Jeremy Kyle Show		9:00am	Below Deck		7:40am	Heartbeat		8:10am	Pawn Stars		8:30am	Good Morning Sports Fans	
11:30am	This Morning		9:30am	Emmerdale		8:40am	Where the Heart is		9:35am	The Saint		9:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans	
1:30pm	Loose Women		10:00am	Coronation Street		9:45am	Wild at Heart		10:45am	Ironside		9:30am	Good Morning Sports Fans	
2:30pm	ITV Lunchtime News		10:30am	You've Been Framed!		10:45am	Judge Judy		11:50am	Quincy, M.E.		9:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans	
2:55pm	ITV News London		11:00am	The Ellen DeGeneres Show		11:10am	Judge Judy		12:50pm	Minder		9:30am	Good Morning Sports Fans	
3:00pm	Judge Rinder		11:20am	Below Deck		11:40am	Judge Judy		1:55pm	The Avengers		10:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans	
4:00pm	Dickinson's Real Deal		12:15pm	Dress to Impress		12:05pm	Rising Damp		2:30pm	River Monsters		11:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans	
5:00pm	Tipping Point		1:20pm	Emmerdale		12:35pm	On the Buses		10:45am	ITV Racing: Live at Doncaster		10:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans	
6:00pm	The Chase		1:50pm	Coronation Street		1:40pm	Barging Round		5:00pm	The Avengers		11:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans	
7:00pm	ITV News London		2:20pm	You've Been Framed!		1:05pm	Britain with John Sergeant		8:00pm	Pawn Stars		2:00pm	Good Morning Sports Fans	
7:30pm	ITV Evening News		2:50pm	The Ellen DeGeneres Show		2:10pm	Heartbeat		8:30pm	Pawn Stars		3:00pm	Good Morning Sports Fans	
8:00pm	Emmerdale		3:45pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show		3:15pm	Doc Martin		9:00pm	Goodwood Revival		3:30pm	Good Morning Sports Fans	
8:30pm	Fat: The Healthy Option? Tonight		4:50pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show		4:15pm	Wild at Heart		10:00pm	Navy Seals		4:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans	
9:00pm	Emmerdale		5:55pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show		5:20pm	On the Buses		11:05pm	FYI Daily		1:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans	
9:30pm	James Martin's French Adventure		7:00pm	Dress to Impress		6:25pm	On the Buses		11:10pm	Navy Seals		1:30am	Good Morning Sports Fans	
10:00pm	Safe House		8:00pm	You've Been Framed!		6:55pm	Heartbeat		12:20am	Airplane!		2:05am	Good Morning Sports Fans	
11:00pm	ITV News at Ten and Weather		9:00pm	Two and a Half Men		8:00pm	Murder, She Wrote		1:25am	FYI Daily		3:10am	Good Morning Sports Fans	
11:30pm	ITV News London		9:30pm	Two and a Half Men		9:00pm	Foyle's War		1:30am	Airplane!		3:30pm	Good Morning Sports Fans	
11:40pm	UEFA Europa League Highlights		10:00pm	Bromans		11:05pm	Law and Order: UK		2:05am	The Avengers		4:00pm	Good Morning Sports Fans	
12:55am	Bear Grylls: Mission Survive		11:00pm	Celebrity Juice		12:00am	Lightfields		3:10am	Goodwood Revival		4:30pm	Good Morning Sports Fans	
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						3:20am	ITV3 Nightscreen					6:00pm	Good Morning Sports Fans	
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FRIDAY - 15 SEPTEMBER

BBC ONE		BBC TWO		BBC FOUR		CHANNEL 4		CHANNEL 5	
7:00am	Breakfast	7:00am	Flog It! Trade Secrets	8:00pm	World News Today <i>The latest national and international news, exploring the day's events from a global perspective.</i>	8:10am	King of Queens	10:05am	Mofy
10:15am	Council House Crackdown	7:30am	Council House Crackdown			8:35am	King of Queens	10:15am	The Wright Stuff
11:00am	Homes Under the Hammer	8:15am	Garden Rescue	8:30pm	Top of the Pops	9:00am	Everybody Loves Raymond	12:15pm	Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
12:00pm	Dom on the Spot	9:00am	Gardeners' World	9:00pm	Foo Fighters and More: Live Lounge Special	9:25am	Everybody Loves Raymond		
12:45pm	Thief Trackers	10:00am	Victoria Derbyshire			9:55am	Frasier	1:10pm	5 News Lunchtime
1:15pm	Bargain Hunt	12:00pm	BBC Newsroom Live			10:25am	Formula 1 Singapore Grand Prix Practice 1 Live	1:15pm	The Hotel Inspector
2:00pm	BBC News at One	1:00pm	The Daily Politics	10:00pm	Marc Bolan: The Final Word	12:05pm	Coast v Country	2:15pm	Home and Away
2:30pm	BBC London News	2:00pm	For What It's Worth	11:00pm	Glam Rock at the BBC	1:05pm	Channel 4 News	2:45pm	Neighbours
2:45pm	Doctors	2:45pm	Coast	12:00am	Elton John at the BBC	1:10pm	A Place in the Sun	3:15pm	The Mentalist
3:15pm	The Boss	3:00pm	Glorious Gardens From Above			1:40pm	Countdown	4:15pm	Jesse Stone: Innocents Lost
4:00pm	Escape to the Country	3:45pm	Who Do You Think You Are?			2:25pm	Formula 1 Singapore Grand Prix Practice 2 Live	6:00pm	5 News at 5
4:45pm	Garden Rescue	4:45pm	Great British Railway Journeys			4:05pm	Cheap Cheap Cheap	6:30pm	Neighbours
5:30pm	Celebrity Money for Nothing	5:15pm	Human Planet	1:00am	Rod Stewart at the BBC	5:00pm	A Place in the Sun	7:00pm	Home and Away
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8:00pm	The One Show	8:00pm	This Farming Life	4:35am	This is BBC Four	8:00pm	Channel 4 News	10:00pm	Motorhoming with Jane McDonald
8:30pm	A Question of Sport	9:00pm	Mastermind			9:00pm	The Crystal Maze Ep4	11:00pm	Cruising with Maurice Gibb: In Life and Death
9:00pm	EastEnders	9:30pm	Only Connect			10:00pm	Gogglebox	12:05am	The Greatest Ever Pop Families
9:30pm	Celebrity MasterChef	10:00pm	Gardeners' World			11:00pm	8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown		
11:00pm	BBC News at Ten	11:00pm	Mock the Week			12:05am	Married to a Celebrity: The Survival Guide		
11:25pm	BBC London News	11:30pm	Newsnight						
11:35pm	Comedy Playhouse	12:05am	Dragons' Den						
12:05am	Room 101	1:05am	Panorama						
12:35am	The NFL Show	1:35am	Dangerous Borders						
1:05am	Rogue	2:35am	Normal for Norfolk						
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7:30pm	ITV Evening News	2:20pm	You've Been Framed!	2:15pm	Heartbeat	6:00pm	The Avengers	European Tour Golf	
8:00pm	Emmerdale	2:50pm	The Ellen DeGeneres Show	3:20pm	Doc Martin	7:05pm	The Car Chasers	2:00pm	Sky Sports Today
8:30pm	Coronation Street	3:45pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show	4:20pm	Wild at Heart	8:00pm	Pawn Stars	3:00pm	Sky Sports Today
9:00pm	Teach My Pet to Do That	4:50pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show	5:20pm	On the Buses	8:30pm	Pawn Stars	3:30pm	Live Ladies
9:30pm	Coronation Street	5:55pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show	5:50pm	On the Buses	9:00pm	Goodwood Revival	European Tour Golf	
10:00pm	Cold Feet	7:00pm	Dress to Impress	6:20pm	On the Buses	10:00pm	Diamonds are Forever	6:30pm	SKY Sports News
11:00pm	ITV News at Ten and Weather	8:00pm	You've Been Framed!	6:55pm	Heartbeat	11:30pm	FYI Daily	7:00pm	SKY Sports News
11:30pm	ITV News London	9:00pm	Two and a Half Men	8:00pm	Murder, She Wrote		<i>A round-up of the latest entertainment news.</i>	8:00pm	Football
11:45pm	Tonight at the London Palladium	9:30pm	Two and a Half Men	9:00pm	Kate	12:35am	Universal Soldier: Regeneration	11:15pm	Live PGA Tour Golf
12:45am	Tipping Point	10:00pm	Run, Fat Boy, Run	10:00pm	Mr Selfridge	1:50am	FYI Daily	1:00am	Through the Night
1:40am	Jackpot247	12:00am	Family Guy	11:30pm	Law and Order: UK				
4:00am	Storage Hoarders	12:30am	Family Guy	12:25am	Lightfields				
		1:00am	Family Guy	1:30am	Colditz				
				3:15am	Colditz				
				4:55am	Agatha Christie's Marple				

Troubling tales of taking the plunge and making a splash

Nora Johnson
Breaking Views

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HEARD about the latest craze among kids? Swimming with elaborate mermaid tails. A trend already 'massive' in the USA but now taking off in the UK, the third annual Miss Mermaid UK pageant having recently taken place in Northampton.

The Royal Life Saving Society UK which works to prevent drownings warns parents against letting children swim with elaborate, decorative monofins without supervision after a teenager's recent death: "These activities must be done in a safe and approved environment. We are conscious that there have been a number of incidents caused through improper use of mermaid tails."



MERMAID TAILS: A trend that is taking off in the UK.

Well, don't you just love this officialise! 'Improper use,' how? Attempting to wear them on your head like a hat and suffocating? Eating them and getting poisoned?

But, seriously, it really doesn't surprise me that, even in the 21st century, parents have to be warned against allowing their children to go swimming with their feet tied together. Why?

Because some parents simply don't pay sufficient attention to their children when outdoors.

Recently I watched a number of parents busily chatting in a nearby park while children of nursery-school age played on swings, roundabouts and slides.

One child came hurtling down a slide and tumbled off, screaming her head off before mum noticed anything amiss. Another ran in front of swings

being 'manhandled' by older kids and fortunate not to have been knocked senseless, the older kid jumping off just in time. His scowl at the baby's mum spoke volumes.

The fact is that these mermaid tails are on sale and available as a colourful child's 'toy' making them seductively attractive to some parents - not all of whom can swim themselves. And just how did all this commercialisation start? First it was 'trick or treat,' then school proms and baby showers. Now it's mermaid pageants!

But surely doesn't all this say more about the standards of parenting than the ethics of the mermaid-related businesses concerned? After all, who makes the final decision what their children put on and which activities they indulge in?

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THURSDAY THOUGHTS

By Graham Braben, Almeria

Senseless science

THERE'S no doubt that scientists are highly intelligent people and have come up with stunning inventions over the years; the wheel, penicillin, the microchip... Celebrity Big Brother, but at times I wonder if some of them really are in the real world.

I was reading a newspaper last week and was flabbergasted to see some of the new developments that were coming from highly skilled scientists. One such example is a heatproof phone case that can hold coffee inside it, ready to dispense at any minute. This particular case has a special pouch for the coffee and a button to press when you're ready for a drink.

Am I the only one who can see a major flaw in this? What happens if you mistakenly sit on the button and get hot coffee all over your clothes? Apart from the embarrassment, it would hurt... a lot! Maybe their next invention should be scald proof long johns! Anyway, if you fancy one of these phone cases, they'll set you back upwards of €75! Does the phrase more money than sense spring to mind?

On a bigger scale, the master plan of some maritime scientists is to have self-navigating cargo ships zipping about the high seas with nothing more than something akin to a dalek behind the wheel. They claim that, if you use technology instead of a person to drive these monster ships and their invaluable cargo, then the number of accidents at sea-amazingly, currently over 2,000 annually-will be dramatically reduced.

Really? Replacing people with technology will make things safer? Haven't they seen 2001: A Space Odyssey, Alien or any of the other films that show how decidedly dodgy technology can be? Intelligence? Yes. Common sense? The jury is definitely out!

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7:00am	Breakfast	7:20am	Garden Rescue	8:00pm	NewThe Last	7:20am	Last Man	7:00am	Milkshake!
8:30am	Match of the Day	8:05am	Gardeners' World		Night of the		Standing		Programming
10:00am	The Andrew Marr Show	9:05am	The Beechgrove Garden		Proms From Around the UK	7:40am	Everybody Loves Raymond		aimed at children aged two to seven years old.
11:00am	Sunday Morning Live	9:35am	Countryfile	9:30pm	Secret Voices of Hollywood	8:05am	Everybody Loves Raymond		
12:00pm	Sunday Politics	10:30am	Saturday Kitchen Best Bites	11:00pm	NewCinema	8:30am	Everybody Loves Raymond	11:05am	Teenage
1:15pm	Bargain Hunt	12:00pm	Lorraine's Fast, Fresh and Easy Food		Through the Eye of Magnum	9:00am	Frasier		Mutant Ninja Turtles
2:00pm	BBC News		<i>Cookery series in which the chef creates super quick food.</i>	11:55pm	Clara Bow: Hollywood's Lost Screen Goddess	9:30am	Frasier	11:40am	Football on 5
2:10pm	Weather for the Week Ahead			12:55am	Precision: The Measure of All Things	10:00am	Sunday Brunch	12:30pm	Football on 5
2:15pm	Fake or Fortune?				<i>Documentary exploring why we are driven to measure and quantify the world.</i>	1:00pm	Formula 1	1:00pm	Police
3:15pm	Money for Nothing					1:35pm	Formula 1	2:00pm	Interceptors
4:00pm	Escape to the Country	12:30pm	My Life on a Plate				Singapore Grand Prix Live		Police
4:45pm	Points of View	1:15pm	MOTD2 Extra			4:10pm	Formula 1	3:00pm	Interceptors
5:00pm	Songs of Praise	2:00pm	PDC Darts Champions League			5:15pm	The Crystal Maze Ep4	4:00pm	Open Season
5:35pm	How to Stay Young					6:15pm	The Great British Bake Off	5:45pm	Annie
6:35pm	Invictus: Battle to the Start Line	5:30pm	Tribes, Predators and Me	1:55am	Apples, Pears and Paint: How to Make a Still Life	7:30pm	Channel 4 News	8:05pm	Before They Were Stars
7:35pm	BBC News		<i>Documentary exploring the secrets of three tribes who live beside dangerous animals.</i>		Painting	8:00pm	Amazing Spaces: Shed of the Year	9:00pm	Aviva
7:50pm	Regional News			3:25am	Cinema Through the Eye of Magnum	9:00pm	Speed with Guy Martin		Premiership Rugby Highlights
7:55pm	Weather					10:00pm	Electric Dreams		All the best of the action from the latest round of England's Aviva Rugby Premiership.
8:00pm	Countryfile					11:10pm	Lee Mack Slumdog Millionaire		
9:00pm	Fake or Fortune?					12:05am	The Supervet		
10:00pm	Strike	6:30pm	Top Gear			2:20am	Gillette World Sport		
11:00pm	BBC News	7:30pm	PDC Darts Champions League			3:15am	KOTV Boxing Weekly	9:55pm	5 News
11:20pm	Regional News					4:10am	Location, Location, Location	10:00pm	How Magic Changed TV
11:25pm	Weather							12:05am	When Magic Goes Wrong
11:30pm	Match of the Day 2	11:00pm	Risk						
12:30am	Fugitives	12:25am	The Devil's Double						
		2:10am	Question Time						
		3:10am	Holby City						

7:00am	CITV	7:10am	You've Been Framed Gold!	7:00am	On the Buses	7:00am	The Car Chasers	7:00am	Through the Night
10:25am	ITV News			7:25am	Margery and Gladys	7:25am	The Avengers		
10:30am	James Martin's French Adventure	7:35am	Coronation Street Omnibus			8:30am	British Superbike Highlights	8:00am	Total Goals
10:55am	Problem Child	11:00am	Guidance	9:25am	Heartbeat			9:00am	Total Goals
12:30pm	Robson Green's Coastal Lives	11:25am	L.A. Story	10:25am	Heartbeat	10:00am	Goodwood Revival	10:00am	Total Goals
		11:40am	Cheerleaders Steel Rays		<i>Drama, set in the North Yorkshire moors in the 1960's.</i>	11:00am	Goodwood Revival	11:00am	Sports Sunday
1:30pm	ITV News and Weather	12:00pm	Ready, Set, Style			12:00pm	MSA British Touring Car Championship Coverage of the MSA British Touring Car Championship.	12:00pm	Sports Sunday
1:40pm	Bear Gryll's Survival School	12:15pm	Third Wheel	11:25am	Murder, She Wrote			1:00pm	Sports Sunday
2:10pm	Catchphrase	12:25pm	Third Wheel	12:25pm	Murder, She Wrote			1:30pm	Live Nissan
2:50pm	The X Factor	12:40pm	The X Factor		<i>Drama series about a sleuthing writer who solves murder mysteries.</i>				Super Sunday
4:00pm	Never Say Never Again	1:55pm	Take Me Out			7:30pm	Pawn Stars	4:30pm	Chelsea v Arsenal.
6:35pm	Victoria	3:10pm	Step Up 2: The Streets			8:00pm	Fishing Allstars		Live Nissan
7:35pm	Local News and Weather	4:10pm	FYI Daily			8:30pm	Fishing Allstars		Super Sunday
		4:15pm	Step Up 2: The Streets			9:00pm	The Chase: Celebrity Special		Manchester United v Everton.
7:45pm	ITV News and Weather	5:15pm	The Smurfs	1:25pm	Columbo	10:00pm	Airplane!	8:00pm	Live NFL:New England @ New Orleans
8:00pm	Tipping Point	6:15pm	FYI Daily	3:05pm	Carry on Up the Jungle	11:10pm	FYI Daily		
9:00pm	The X Factor	6:20pm	The Smurfs			11:15pm	Airplane!	10:00pm	Live NFL: Dallas @ Denver
10:00pm	Victoria	7:20pm	Evan Almighty	4:10pm	FYI Daily	11:50pm	Car Crash Global		
11:05pm	ITV News and Weather	8:20pm	FYI Daily	4:15pm	Carry on Up the Jungle	12:50am	Universal Soldier: Regeneration		
		8:25pm	Evan Almighty	4:55pm	Wycliffe				<i>The Denver Broncos take on the Dallas Cowboys at Sports Authority Field at Mile High.</i>
11:20pm	Judge Rinder's Crime Stories	9:10pm	Gravity	6:00pm	Agatha Christie's Marple	2:10am	FYI Daily		Live NFL: Green Bay @ Atlanta
12:20am	Liar	10:10pm	FYI Daily			2:15am	Universal Soldier: Regeneration		
1:15am	Jackpot247	10:15pm	Gravity	8:00pm	Midsomer Murders	2:50am	River Monsters		
4:00am	Motorsport UK	11:00pm	Family Guy			3:20am	River Monsters		
		11:30pm	Family Guy	10:00pm	Sunday Night at the Palladium	3:45am	ITV4 Nightscreen		
		12:00am	Family Guy	11:00pm	Kate: Making of Modern Queen	4:00am	Teleshopping	2:00am	
				12:00am	Sherlock Holmes				
				2:10am	The Knock				
				3:05am	The Knock				

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2:30pm	Regional News	1:00pm	The Daily Politics	8:00pm	Beyond 100 Days	1:00pm	Channel 4 News	2:45pm	Neighbours
2:45pm	Doctors	2:00pm	Super League Show	8:30pm	Timothy Spall Back at Sea	1:05pm	Couples Come Dine with Me	3:15pm	The Mentalist
3:15pm	The Boss							4:15pm	Garage Sale Mystery: The Deadly Room
4:00pm	Escape to the Country	2:45pm	For What It's Worth	9:00pm	Vienna: Empire, Dynasty and Dream	2:05pm	French Collection		
4:45pm	Garden Rescue	3:30pm	The Daily Politics			3:10pm	Countdown	6:00pm	5 News
5:30pm	Celebrity Money for Nothing	4:30pm	Hairy Bakers	10:00pm	Henry VII: The Winter King	4:00pm	Cheap Cheap	6:30pm	Neighbours
6:15pm	Pointless	4:45pm	Great British Railway Journeys	11:00pm	Jerusalem: The Making of a Holy City	5:00pm	A Place in the Sun	7:00pm	Home and Away
7:00pm	BBC News	5:15pm	Human Planet			6:00pm	Come Dine with Me	7:30pm	5 News
7:30pm	Regional News	6:15pm	Flog It!	12:00am	The Legacy of Lawrence of Arabia	7:00pm	The Simpsons	8:00pm	Tony Robinson: Coast to Coast
8:00pm	The One Show	7:00pm	Richard Osman's House of Games			7:30pm	Hollyoaks	9:00pm	The Dog Rescuers with Alan Davies
8:30pm	EastEnders	7:30pm	Match of the Day Live	1:00am	Black Lake	8:00pm	Channel 4 News	10:00pm	Alaska - A Year in the Wild
9:00pm	Holby City			1:40am	Black Lake	9:00pm	The Great British Bake Off	11:00pm	Hotel Inspector: Checking in, Checking Out
10:00pm	Doctor Foster	10:00pm	Saving Lives at Sea	2:25am	Henry VII: The Winter King	10:15pm	Celebrity Island with Bear Grylls	12:05am	Cruising with Jane McDonald
11:00pm	BBC News	11:00pm	Quacks			11:20pm	Gogglebox		
11:30pm	Regional News	11:30pm	Newsnight			12:25am	Britain's Benefit Tenants		
11:40pm	Weather	12:10am	Weather						
11:45pm	Germany's New Nazis - Panorama								
									
5:00pm	Tipping Point	1:50pm	Coronation Street	1:05pm	On the Buses	7:00am	The Car Chasers	9:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
6:00pm	The Chase	2:50pm	The Ellen DeGeneres Show	1:40pm	Bargaining Round Britain with John Sergeant	7:55am	Pawn Stars	9:30am	Good Morning Sports Fans
7:00pm	Local News and Weather	3:45pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show	2:10pm	Heartbeat	8:25am	Pawn Stars	10:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
7:30pm	ITV Evening News	4:50pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show	3:10pm	Doc Martin	9:55am	The Saint	11:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
8:00pm	Emmerdale	7:00pm	Dress to Impress	4:15pm	Wild at Heart	11:00am	Ironsides	11:00am	Premier League Daily
8:30pm	Save Money	8:00pm	You've Been Framed Gold!	5:20pm	On the Buses	8:00pm	Benidorm	12:00pm	Sky Sports Now
9:00pm	Robson Green's Coastal Lives	8:30pm	You've Been Framed Gold!	5:55pm	George and Mildred	8:30pm	Pawn Stars	12:30pm	Sportswomen
9:30pm	Call the Cleaners	9:00pm	Two and a Half Men	6:25pm	Heartbeat	9:00pm	World Superbike Highlights	1:00pm	Cricket
10:00pm	100 Year Old Driving School	10:00pm	Hot Fuzz	6:55pm	Murder, She Wrote	10:00pm	World Superbike Highlights	8:30pm	Football
11:00pm	ITV News	11:00pm	Hot Fuzz	8:00pm	Midsomer Murders	11:00pm	Benidorm	11:00pm	The Debate - Live
11:40pm	Safe House	11:05pm	FYI Daily	9:00pm	Lucan	12:00am	Car Crash Global	12:00am	Through the Night
12:45am	Lethal Weapon	11:10pm	Hot Fuzz	11:00pm	Sherlock Holmes	1:10am	Assassins	1:00am	Through the Night
1:30am	Jackpot247	12:25am	Family Guy	12:30am		1:15am	Assassins	2:00am	Live WWE Late Night Smackdown
						2:45am	Minder		

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12:00pm	Dom on the Spot	7:00am	Flog It!	8:00pm	Beyond 100 Days	8:35am	King of Queens	7:00am	Milkshake!	7:00am	Good Morning Britain	9:30am	The Cube	7:20am	Judge Judy	7:00am	Football Rivalries	7:30am	Good Morning
12:45pm	Thief Trackers	7:30am	Fake Britain	8:30pm	Timothy Spall Back at Sea	9:00am	Everybody Loves Raymond	10:15am	The Wright Stuff	10:30am	DeGeneres Show	10:30am	The Ellen	7:40am	Heartbeat	7:40am	Man Utd v Liverpool	8:00am	Good Morning
1:15pm	Bargain Hunt	8:15am	Garden Rescue	9:00pm	Natural World	9:30am	Everybody Loves Raymond	12:15pm	Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!	9:30am	Lorraine	11:20am	Below Deck	8:40am	Where the Heart is	7:10am	The Chase	8:00am	Sports Fans
2:00pm	BBC News	9:00am	World's Busiest Cities		The Last Grizzly of Paradise Valley.	10:00am	Frasier	1:10pm	5 News	10:25am	The Jeremy Kyle Show	12:15pm	Dress to Impress	9:40am	Wild at Heart	8:05am	The Chase	8:30am	Good Morning
2:30pm	Regional News	10:00am	Victoria Derbyshire	12:00pm	BBC Newsroom Live	10:35am	Frasier	1:15pm	The Hotel Inspector	11:30am	This Morning	1:20pm	Emmerdale	10:40am	Judge Judy	9:05am	The Car Chasers	9:00am	Sports Fans
2:45pm	Doctors	1:00pm	The Daily Politics	2:00pm	Escape to the Country	1:00pm	Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA	2:10pm	Access	1:30pm	Loose Women	1:50pm	You've Been Framed Gold!	11:10am	Judge Judy	10:00am	Pawn Stars	9:00am	Good Morning
4:00pm	Garden Rescue	2:00pm	Coast	2:30pm	£100k House: Tricks of the Trade	1:05pm	Couples Come Dine with Me	2:45pm	Neighbours	2:30pm	ITV Lunchtime News	2:50pm	The Ellen DeGeneres Show	12:05pm	George and Mildred	11:00am	Bowls	9:30am	Live New Zealand NPC Rugby
4:45pm	Celebrity Money for Nothing	3:30pm	Cycling Great British Railway Journeys	5:45pm	Richard Osman's House of Games	2:05pm	French Collection	3:20pm	The Mentalist	3:00pm	Judge Rinder	3:45pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show	12:35pm	On the Buses	8:00pm	The Car Chasers	11:20am	Rugby Archive
5:30pm	Celebrity Money for Nothing	7:00pm	Richard Osman's House of Games	8:00pm	Richard Osman's House of Games	4:00pm	Cheap Cheap	4:15pm	My Mother's Secret	4:00pm	Dickinson's Real Deal	4:50pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show	1:05pm	On the Buses	8:30pm	Pawn Stars	11:30am	Premier League Daily
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8:00pm	The One Show	8:00pm	This Farming Life	11:00pm	World's Busiest Cities	7:30pm	Hollyoaks	8:00pm	Nightmare	7:00pm	ITV Evening News	7:00pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show	2:05pm	Heartbeat	10:00pm	Diamonds are Forever	12:00pm	Sky Sports Now
8:30pm	Rip Off Britain	8:00pm	This Farming Life	11:00pm	World's Busiest Cities	8:00pm	Channel 4 News	8:00pm	Neighbour Next Door: Fight Back	7:30pm	ITV Evening News	7:00pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show	2:05pm	Heartbeat	10:00pm	Diamonds are Forever	12:00pm	Sky Sports Now
9:00pm	Celebrity MasterChef	8:00pm	This Farming Life	11:00pm	World's Busiest Cities	8:00pm	Location, Location, Location	9:00pm	Round-up of the main national and international news.	7:30pm	ITV Evening News	7:00pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show	2:05pm	Heartbeat	10:00pm	Diamonds are Forever	12:00pm	Sky Sports Now
10:00pm	How to Stay Young	8:00pm	This Farming Life	11:00pm	World's Busiest Cities	9:00pm	Come Dine with Me	9:00pm	GP's: Behind Closed Doors	8:00pm	Coronation Street	8:00pm	You've Been Framed Gold!	3:10pm	Wild at Heart	11:05pm	FYI Daily	3:00pm	Sky Sports Today
11:00pm	BBC News	10:00pm	The Detectives	12:00am	Britain in Focus: A Photographic History	7:00pm	The Simpsons	10:00pm	Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!	8:00pm	Emmerdale	8:30pm	You've Been Framed Gold!	5:15pm	On the Buses	11:10pm	Diamonds are Forever	4:00pm	Sky Sports Today
11:30pm	Regional News	10:00pm	The Detectives	12:00am	Britain in Focus: A Photographic History	7:30pm	Hollyoaks	11:00pm	Undercover Benefits Cheat	8:30pm	Coronation Street	9:00pm	Two and a Half Men	5:55pm	On the Buses	11:10pm	Diamonds are Forever	5:00pm	Sky Sports Today
11:40pm	Weather	11:30pm	Newsnight	12:00am	Britain in Focus: A Photographic History	8:00pm	Channel 4 News	10:00pm	Football on 5	9:00pm	Bad Move	9:30pm	Two and a Half Men	6:20pm	George and Mildred	12:25am	Navy Seals	6:00pm	SKY Sports News
11:45pm	A Question of Sport	12:10am	Weather	1:00am	Hidden Histories: Britain's Oldest Family Businesses	8:00pm	Location, Location, Location	11:35pm	The Carabao Cup.	9:00pm	Coronation Street	9:30pm	Two and a Half Men	6:55pm	Heartbeat	1:30am	FYI Daily	7:00pm	SKY Sports News
12:15am	Live From the BBC	12:15am	Giselle	2:00am	China in Six Easy Pieces	11:00pm	Back	11:35pm	Caught in the Act: Dumb Builders	9:00pm	Paragon	9:30pm	Two and a Half Men	8:00pm	Murder, She Wrote	1:35am	Navy Seals	8:00pm	Sky Sports Tonight
						11:35pm	Grand Designs	12:35am	Super Casino	11:40pm	ITV News	10:00pm	Doc Martin	9:00pm	Foyle's War Fifty Ships	2:45am	Ax Men	8:30pm	Football
						12:35am	Educating Greater Manchester	1:05am		11:00pm	ITV News	10:00pm	Doc Martin	9:00pm	Foyle's War Fifty Ships	2:45am	Ax Men	8:30pm	Football
						1:05am		2:00am		11:40pm	Paragon	10:00pm	Doc Martin	9:00pm	Foyle's War Fifty Ships	2:45am	Ax Men	8:30pm	Football
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SPECIALIST: Doctor Luis Perez Belmonte.

What are haemorrhoids?

Haemorrhoids are venous dilatations that appear in the area of the anus. Normally they do not cause any problems, however they can get inflamed and cause a lot of pain, and form clots that become infected which cause bleeding.

What are its symptoms?

Some of the symptoms of haemorrhoids may include bleeding after passing a stool, an itchy bottom. A lump hanging down outside of the anus, which may need to be pushed back in after passing a stool and/or soreness, redness and swelling around your anus.

What causes them?

These dilatations can be caused by a number of things including straining, recent surgery in and around the area and illnesses that cause the intestinal walls to weaken are among them.

How can you treat haemorrhoids?

There are various ways of treating haemorrhoids. Bathing in warm water, some medicines and ointments usually help circulation which can fix the problem however sometimes surgery is the only solution.

When should you seek medical attention?

You should always see your doctor if you feel your symptoms are serious or even contact emergency services.

Can it be prevented?

There are certain situations which increase the chances of haemorrhoids appearing, and certain people who are more likely to get them due to weaker intestinal walls. In general, avoid straining excessively and sitting on the toilet to defecate with your legs flexed helps prevent haemorrhoids appearing.

If you have any questions for Dr Perez Belmonte, please send them to:
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Sleeping the night away

SLEEP is essential for our mental and physical well-being, and struggling to drift off at night can be incredibly frustrating. Seven to eight hours of sleep is ideal for adults, although many people struggle to fit this much into their busy schedules. However, what do you do if you've set these hours aside and you still spend the night tossing and turning?

There are several simple methods you can use that could make all the difference and help you get a good night's rest.

First things first, make sure you keep hydrated. Drinking lots of water keeps the body temperature down, which will help if you find yourself overheating between the sheets.

Try to keep your water intake regular

throughout the day; however, you don't want a trip to the toilet to break your sleep cycle!

It's also wise not to eat anything too heavy in the hours before you go to sleep. Eating a meal heavy in carbohydrates, for example, will mean your stomach is going to be digesting them for hours afterwards, which may make it harder for you to go to sleep. Salads, fruit and soup are all good alternatives.

Keep calm. If you feel yourself getting frustrated, this will only exacerbate the situation. Sprinkling a few drops of lavender oil on your pillow or making a cup of hot milk with honey will help you



Are you getting enough Zzzs? Seven hours is ideal.

unwind.

Switch off all your devices at least 30 minutes before you tuck in, and keep them out the bedroom. Phones, televisions and tablets emit an artificial light which inhibits the production of the sleep hormone melatonin. Your brain should associate the bedroom with sleep, so having a digital detox in the evening will help programme it to switch off as soon as you lie down.

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Classical guitar

LA HERRADURA has announced its 2018 International Classical Guitar Competition will pay homage to the Italian composer, Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco.

The event, which is in its 33rd year, will be held from January 23 to 27 next year at the town's Civic Centre "with the aim of disseminating and studying Spanish guitar, while honouring the memory of Andres Segovia, an adopted son of Almuñécar and La Herradura," according to the town's deputy mayor, Juan Jose Ruiz Joya,

He added, "The contest, addressed to all concert performers who have not yet reached the age of 35, will pay homage to the Italian composer Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco in this year's 50th anniversary year of his death," said the mayor of Herradura.

The registration deadline for the guitarists participating in the 33rd International Classical Guitar Competition will be open until January 12, 2018.

Those interested in registering can do so by sending a form to Technical Secretariat of the 'Andres Segovia' Contest, Municipal Offices of La Herradura, Avenida Prieto Moreno, Civic Center, second floor, 18697, La Herradura - Almuñécar (Granada) or by emailing secretaria@certamenandressegovia.com.

Contestants who pass the first elimination test will be given free accommodation from Thursday, January 25 until the end of the contest. The test involves performing a repertoire of the performer's own choice that includes works of various styles and does not exceed 15 minutes.

Beer countdown

By Sally Underwood

THIS weekend will see Torrox turned into a traditional German beer festival to celebrate its own early Oktoberfest from today (Thursday) until Sunday.

Now in its third year, the event, which will offer free beer tasting and a gourmet German market, was arranged to "consolidate the town's position as a destination for Germans on the Costa del Sol," according to Torrox's mayor, Oscar Medina.

He explained, "beers of German origin will continue to be the star of show, although there will also be room for artisanal products from Axarquía and around Andalucía, which were so successful in previous years," adding, "the beer festival attracted six times as many people last year, gathering more than 35,000 attendees, an achievement that we hope to better again on this occasion.

"This year, another of the new things on offer will be the giving of a 'German of the Year' award, with which the town will pay homage to the involvement of one of our most outstanding Teutonic



BEER FESTIVAL: The event will also host stalls offering food and crafts.

residents."

Sandra Extremera, Councillor for Tourism, commented, "there will be free beer tastings, live music with German DJs and choirs, a souk with crafts and a children's entertainment area with attractions," explaining, "this year we will also

put on fireworks for the opening of an event which is already becoming one of the most important beer celebrations on the Costa del Sol."

Starting at 7pm today (Thursday) on Avenida Esperanto, the event will host stalls offering food, crafts and beer.

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TORRE DEL MAR'S Department of Sports has announced the schedule for this year's fifth Legua and the 27th Mile on Saturday.

Councillor for Sports, Maria Jose Roberto, joined the deputy mayor of Torre del Mar, Jesus Perez Atencia, and Sports Adviser, Serafin Perez, in reporting on the event, explaining it would begin at 8pm next Saturday on the town's promenade.

Councillor Roberto explained, "this is a test that runs through a wonderful environment such as the promenade of Torre del Mar and its coastal path; a race that is mostly held in moonlight," adding, "we are sure of the attraction of this test to residents

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A mile in style



ROBERTO, ATENCIA AND PEREZ: Discuss the race.

and visitors, because although Torre del Mar in September no longer has the tourist appeal it does in August, there are still many tourists who visit us and so we believe that this date is ideal to boost the area's economy through a sporting event."

The councillor also expressed her gratitude "to all the clubs that will support and collaborate with this event," adding "I also encourage all running fans to participate in this race."

Jesus Perez Atencia highlighted the benefits of sports

on health, and encouraged all residents to get involved in the fifth Legua and 27th Mile "because sport is an investment the department puts a lot of effort into."

"This test will be a great opportunity to get together and enjoy a great family day on the seafront of Torre del Mar at a time where tourism is not as popular, and we can see how this race bucks the trend of seasonality."

Serafin Perez gave the technical details of the race, which will have three courses.

The youngest runners will

be given a distance of 600 metres, while juveniles and infants will have 1,609 metres to run and juveniles, seniors and veterans will run 5,500 metres. The shortest race will kick off at 8pm, while the second shortest will begin at 8.30 and the longest at 9pm.

The price of the registration is €5, for which each entrant will receive a t-shirt and equipment for the race. Those interested in participating can now register at www.dorsalchip.es.

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WITH GARRY WAITE

IT is eight years ago today that the world of television lost one of its greatest and most successful food presenters.

Dubbed the first celebrity chef, Keith Floyd redefined the way that cookery programmes were presented. Away from the clinical studio style of Fanny and Johnny Craddock and even the delightful Delia Smith, Keith brought 'personality' to food.

His apparently bumbling, sometimes incompetent preparation and presentation of food delighted millions of viewers.

Keith was born in Exmoor and went to Wellington School. He first started in journalism before joining the army, the Third Royal Tank Regiment, in 1963.

Sadly this was not to last and the army's loss was the catering world's gain. Keith started his catering career like most of us in those days by washing up and preparing vegetables in restaurants in France (where he learnt

to speak virtually fluent French) and London before opening his first restaurant in Clifton, Bristol in 1966 at the age of 23.

Floyd's Bistro opposite the Grand Spa Hotel and close to the famous suspension bridge had long wooden tables and benches and served inexpensive 'French' Bistro type food. Very popular with young people who used to queue outside to wait for a space in the refectory style dining room.

Keith's life became synonymous with hard drinking and heavy smoking as the years rolled on, but in the early days a glass of wine and a good meal were his raison d'être and his first marriage in 1967 at the tender age of 24 to Jesmond Rutledge boded a step into what could be called a normal life.

However there were two things that Floyd was not too good at - relationships and business. After three years of marriage he and Jess split up, he having become a father to Patrick. In the early 70's he sold the restaurant to another friend of mine Neil Ramsay (no relation to Gordon) who increased business at the already successful bistro and through the latter years he reformed it until it became more of a fine dining restaurant which his son Peter eventually took over.

It certainly did Neil well - enough to retire very early!!

With the proceeds from the sale of his restaurant, Floyd 'broke free' and bought himself a yacht and sailed the Mediterranean. After 18 months and not having seen his son for that time he returned to spend more time with him but this time with a new woman in his life. That didn't last too long either and he soon met Paddy, the editor of the paper for whom he first wrote.

They took the brave move of opening a restaurant in his beloved France, in the Provençal town of L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue. Things didn't go well and so they returned to the UK and went their separate ways.



Food is life, life is food. If you don't like my approach you are welcome to go down to McDonald's.
Keith Floyd

Floyd moved to Ireland

ON what he called a 'Murphy's inspired whim' but that didn't work out either. In an effort to get back on track Keith opened the Maltser's Arms in Tuckenhay in Devon, the sign outside saying Floyd's Inn (sometimes). Even with a young talented French chef in the form of Jean Cristophe Novelli, the pub was to go the same way as his other ventures.

Sold in 1996 and by now on his fourth wife and living on the Costa del Sol he was drinking more heavily and he would do a half bottle of Scotch 'before breakfast.' Restaurants were no longer part of his 'portfolio' although he did 'lend' his name to a Floyd's Brasserie in Phuket in 2007 which gave him an excuse to travel a lot to another part of the world he loved.

By 2009 his lifestyle came back to haunt him as he was treated for bowel cancer. He spent a lot of time recovering at the home of mutual friend Paul Hickling, of Roman Oasis fame but spent more time back in the UK. It was there, on September 14, 2009 having been given the 'all clear' from his cancer he went out for lunch with his companion Celia to celebrate. On their return they were expecting to watch a documentary, Keith on Keith (by Keith Allen). But he never got to see it. He died of a heart attack while sitting on the sofa. He was 65. Cheers my friend, I'm just going to pour myself a glass of wine to drink your health.

(Keith Floyd 1943 to 2009)



His last couple of years.

I first met Keith

WHEN we both had restaurants in Bristol. I also took over one of them in Clifton in the early 80's.

One of his many restaurants, however, was to become the birth place of Floyd's huge rise to TV success. I got a phone call from his able bodied right hand woman, Angie, in a bit of a panic as she was getting ready to open his latest venture in Clifton, but Keith had gone AWOL!!

If I remember she had had a flood in the place and there was no kitchen help and the restaurant had bookings. So I sent up two of my chefs to help her out and we opened Floyd's for him!

One of his regular customers was a chap called David Pritchard, a producer from BBC Southampton TV. Each time he came in Keith would avoid speaking to him as he kept sending messages to the reluctant star asking if he could do a TV programme with him. David's persistence paid off and Keith was persuaded to make a pilot.

Filmed in a domestic kitchen in Southampton, Floyd on Fish was born. Floyd on Food, Floyd on Fire and even Far Flung Floyd were to follow. One day somebody asked him if he had chosen the name Floyd on purpose so as he could match it to the programmes and books!! Success grew and grew.

With his new style of presentation, "Come here Clive (cameraman) focus on the food that's what the viewers want not pictures of me!" But it wasn't really.

The viewers tuned in, in their millions to watch the 'bow-tied' 'shabby-chic' presenter 'slurping' his wine and bossing Clive around.

Success did mean that he left a lot of his old friends behind. In 1985, I interviewed him for my radio show in Bristol at the time. It was an easy interview.

After all it was just two mates sitting discussing one of their lives and good fortune. I



At the height of his fame.

left the UK in 1986 and did not see him again until 1992 while he was filming Floyd on Spain. By then he had started drinking. Not just his occasional wine, but Scotch.

Also he had married again, Julie Hatcher was to provide Keith with his second child Poppy. But success, travelling and drinking took their toll and they eventually divorced.



One for the long and winding road.

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- 4 the number of wives Keith Floyd had.
- 10 the number of restaurants he opened.
- 22 years, the length of time he was at the 'top.'
- £7,500 the amount he left in his will.

Landlords' winter goldmine

LANDLORDS are opening their homes to students in record numbers. Spain's student renters are now among the fastest growing demographics in the property market.

The rise in students searching for their own shared flats has not gone unnoticed by homeowners looking for a solution to the seasonality problem.

Students fit the mould perfectly. Rents are typically from September to May or

June, just when rates can be dramatically raised for summer.

Online bookings of rooms in Spanish cities by students has grown 60 per cent in 2017 compared to last year.

On average students also pay more per month than working tenants for their rent.

That gap is emphasised with international students, who pay €392 each month, €30 more than the average Spanish student. Americans fork out €460 for a room.



STUDENT HOTSPOT: The city of Granada.

“ On average students pay more per month than working tenants for their rent. ”

They spend less time in the country, however, at just five months.

Nor is it just Madrid and Barcelona who are benefiting from the student expansion. Strong student populations exist in Sevilla, Malaga, Valencia, Asturias and Granada.

More and more young Spanish are moving to different cities to study, away from the parental nest. They also want the independence of distinct accommodation, rather than opting for halls of residence. The halls themselves are being spruced up and ad-

vertised to Chinese students at eye-watering prices.

Landlords are able to demand a reference and a parental guarantee to ensure deposits are paid, the rent is timely and the place isn't a mess by the end of the contract.

Divided by tourist rentals

TWO more Spanish autonomous communities are on the verge of banning tourist rentals. Galicia and Castile y Leon are considering imposing tough new rules limiting the lucrative industry.

In doing so the regions would follow a trail blazed by Mallorca, which recently imposed a 12-month moratorium on tourist rental licences.

Andalucía and the Valencian Community have also imple-

mented harsh sanctions for homeowners who rent out properties to tourists without having the requisite licence.

The moves from Galicia and Castile y Leon have been opposed by the National Commission of Markets and Competition (CNMC), which argues that extreme regulations interfere with the natural flow of the property market.

The CNMC has taken the Canary Islands to court in the past over similar legislation.

Homeowners are being punished with an inefficient regulatory system, they argue.

Spain is now divided between radically different tourist rental regimes.

In popular coastal areas the hotel industry has been piling pressure on regional executives. Hotels have seen their dominance of the market ebb away as tourists increasingly choose to stay in rented apartments.

It is unlikely a uniform policy will be imposed as communities are divided over whether the tourist stream helps or hurts local economies.

2017 shaping up nicely

Year surpassing expected property success

BBVA's Research department has put together its bi-annual Real Estate Observatory of Spain report. The comprehensive analysis draws on data from the General Council of Notaries for the first half of 2017.

The report welcomes what it describes as the 'good tone' of the Spanish property market. In six months, 265,000 deeds of sale have been completed. That makes the consensus target of half a million homes sold by the year's end more than likely to be achieved.

BBVA also welcomes the increase in mortgage lending across the board and the continued evolution of Spain's construction industry, especially in the residential sector.

Spain's sales volume increase has been accom-

panied by a GDP growth of 0.9 per cent in the second quarter of 2017. An estimated 377,000 jobs were also created from January to July.

Financing costs to purchase a new home hit a historic low in July. Credit has expanded as consumer confidence grows and lenders fiddle with debt restructuring programmes to make them more secure.

Outside the residential sector the news is also good for the wider property market. Sales of work premises, including offices and industrial warehouses, shot up by 10 per cent in the first half of the year. The office sector in particular is experiencing major foreign investment as Spain's cities attract more global business.



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This summer has had hotter than normal night temperatures in many zones of Spain. This has had its effects on the gardens.

Many native plants in our Mediterranean gardens can cope with this heat but the introduced plants from temperate climates and many vegetables can be severely affected by the lack of cooler weather in which they are accustomed to grow.

Many temperate plants in ex-

posed positions have suffered from the heat and will appear drooped and with growth stunted. Watering can assist as it cools the root zone, but a more permanent solution to save water is to surround the plants with mulch to insulate the root zone from direct sun heating up the soil.

Providing shade over the plants during the hot periods of summer is also a good option to ensure the plants pass the summer to thrive the rest of the year. A frame covered in shade cloth is a good option for protecting valuable plants.

With autumn coming the lessons of the summer heat is that new planting, that should be being planned now for a flourishing winter/spring garden, need to include strategies

for protecting the delicate plants to be able to pass the next summer without being set back. Make sure that your delicate plants are placed in areas that have shade from the summer midday sun.

If you have found your vegetable garden has suffered with no other apparent cause then it may well be the high night temperatures that have affected tomatoes, pumpkins and many other vegetables to die off earlier this year.

The good thing is that there is space to plant out earlier this year for the autumn and winter crops so they are better established before the colder weather that slows them down sets in.

The summer storms developed by the summer heat provide a great opportunity for the

garden to be prepared for the autumn planting as they stimulate growth and add nitrogen to the soil from the combination of lightning and rain.

Some storms have been very damaging though with hail stones and flooding creating havoc that will take time to repair the damage in the garden. Damaged plants will need to be pruned to remove the damaged branches.

Gardens always recover though with our help and the soil is improved with the rain adding relief for the thirsty trees and plants. After the rains the soil, when moist rather than wet, is ideal for digging over and adding compost in preparation for the autumn planting of new trees, shrubs, herbs, vegetables and annuals.



IN THE SHADE: A useful herb garden.



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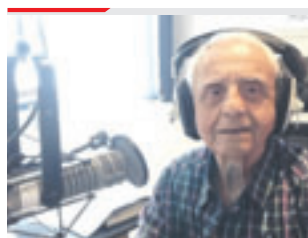
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A few doggy tips

we do. While we use the touch system by shaking the other person's hand, the dog uses his olfactory system by scenting the other dog out, particularly in the nether regions. This form of communication between two or more dogs is total and they are getting every piece of information they require from that dog, by what they smell.

Is it a bitch, is it an entire dog, has the dog been neutered? All will be told in this initial meet and greet. It will also watch for Calming Signals (another issue) of great importance which can be covered at some other time.

• Watch your dog sniff around before it goes to the toilet. Is it looking for a good spot to go? Is it making enquiries as to who else has used this area as a toilet? Why do many dogs scratch the ground after going to the toilet? Are they spreading their scent further around? Are they marking territory? 'I've been here, I own this



ON MEETING: Dogs shake hands in their own way.

spot.' If they want to claim a particular area, they will most likely spread their urine over the top of any existing urine in the area. They could be declaring to all and sundry - this is mine. I am bigger and stronger than you who have been here before me. Don't

challenge me.

• The urine of a bitch in heat is much stronger in scent than normal. This tells the experienced male that she is in a good place for him. If the dog has never had anything to do with other dogs (the domestic pet which is

kept inside), it may not have learnt what this additional smell means. It is difficult for us as humans to really grasp how strong this smell of the bitch is to the dog especially if it is still entire. We, the human, are so bad at using our olfactory systems.

• The bitch in season which is allowed to wander creates absolute chaos in the dog world. Dogs have been known to jump fences, break out of gardens, cars etc, and do considerable damage to their places of usual confinement even to the extent of throwing themselves through a plate glass window; such is the power of smell.

Male dogs do tend to urinate more frequently than bitches. This not really a necessity within the dog, it is usually a dominance, perhaps territorial function it develops when allowed.

I would always teach my pupils that it may be a good idea to teach it to go to the toilet on command, rather than just any time it pleases. All working dogs are trained to go on command, it would not be good for a working dog to just go to mark territory it doesn't really own. I am sure your trainer will give you help on this.

• IF your dog gets badly hurt and injured you should rub firmly the very tip of his tail (the bone part), the rubbing will release endorphins which act like a morphine injection and will give your dog some relief of pain until you can get him to the vets or other area with medical assistance. Cover his eyes and ears at the same time as you transport him and this will settle all his senses and will also help give him relief

• Watch when two dogs meet. They shake hands in their own way just as

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**Motoring shorts****Turn a new leaf in GB**

NISSAN LEAF will build its flagship Qashqai and X-Trail models in the UK. It's the latest boon for Britain's post-Brexit motor industry, which has been fearful of the impending split.

New Leafs will be built in the UK, US and Japan. The five-door electric hatchback is a frontrunner in the zero-emissions revolution.

The British market is dwarfed by Nissan's sales in America and Japan but that may change when the new Sunderland production facility opens.

Despite warnings from BMW leading to fears of a post-Brexit manufacturers exodus, the future looks bright. BMW will build its electric Mini in the UK, while Toyota will double down on investment in its British plants.

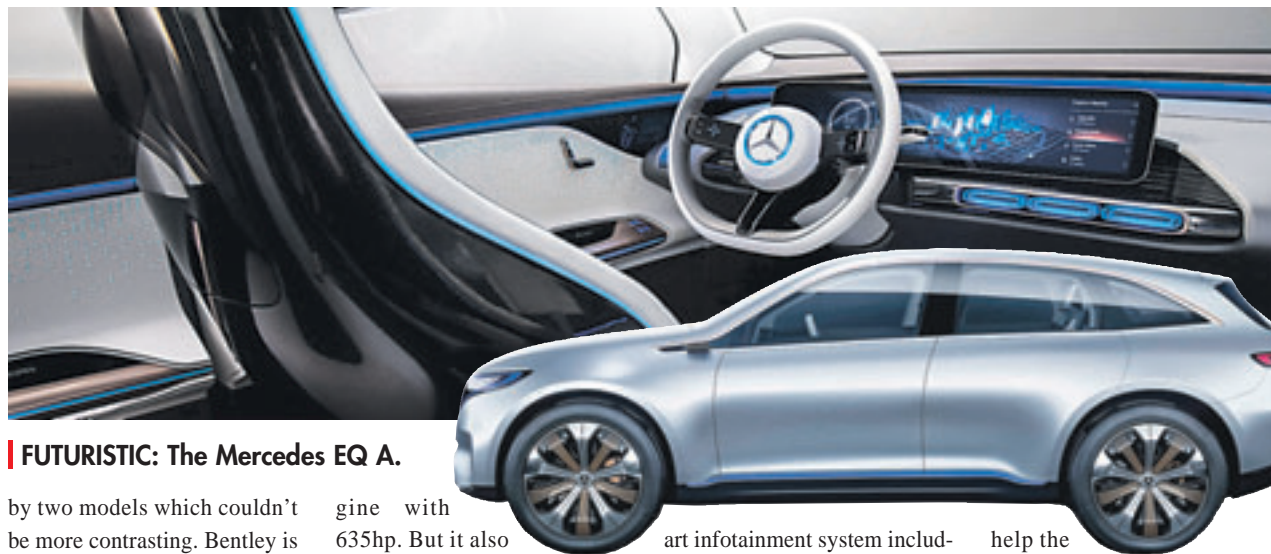
Show on the road!

WITH the Frankfurt Motor Show just around the corner, the full line-up of cars has finally been revealed.

One of the biggest motor shows on the planet, the Frankfurt affair will showcase concept cars of the future as well as the expected heavy hitters of 2018.

It is also the home of special and limited editions, such as the Mercedes AMG G65 and G63 models expected to make an appearance. The G65 is the real head-turner, boasting a raucous 621hp twin-turbocharged V12 engine. Mercedes are also revealing their top secret electric model, the EQ A Concept. It is the manufacturer's answer to the Volkswagen ID and arch nemesis BMW's i3 models.

Britain will be represented

**FUTURISTIC: The Mercedes EQ A.**

by two models which couldn't be more contrasting. Bentley is unleashing its heavily-hyped Continental GT, while the British-built Mini Electric could be the definitive car of the next decade.

The sleek Bentley GT has a 6.0 litre W12 turbocharged en-

gine with 635hp. But it also has an electrical component propping up the air con system, making it more eco-friendly than the average Bentley. There are luxury wood finishings, driver assistance programmes and a state-of-the-

art infotainment system including Bang & Olufsen speakers.

Meanwhile Mini's Electric Concept isn't set to hit the streets until 2019, but is already slated for mass production and low-cost success. It boasts advanced aerodynamics which

help the hatchback speed along with a minimum energy expenditure. Mini have promised that it will be a car for the masses, affordably priced and a stalwart of the electric revolution of the 2020s.

Royal classic at Goodwood

AMONG the many highlights of the Goodwood Revival motorsport event last weekend was the auctioning of a Bentley Mulsanne once owned by the Queen.

The 2012-built saloon sold for roughly €200,000 at the event, which combines classic cars and clothing at the iconic Goodwood Estate in southern England.

With less than 10,000km on the clock the Bentley was used to transport the Queen during public events in London from 2012 to 2014.

It was sold by Bonhams, who have kept the satellite navigation's 'Home' setting as Windsor Castle. The personalised car has walnut picnic tables and is a dark green.

Bentley provided the style to TVR's speed at Goodwood Revival, which celebrates cars built from 1948 to 1966. TVR, a British carmaker, showcased its latest high performance car, which can hit 200mph, as they celebrated their 70th anniversary. It is the first time a new car has debuted at the oldies festival.

The festival, which is a companion to the Goodwood Festival of Speed, was a huge success. Last Friday to Sunday were devoted to historic motor racing, with parades and aerial displays.

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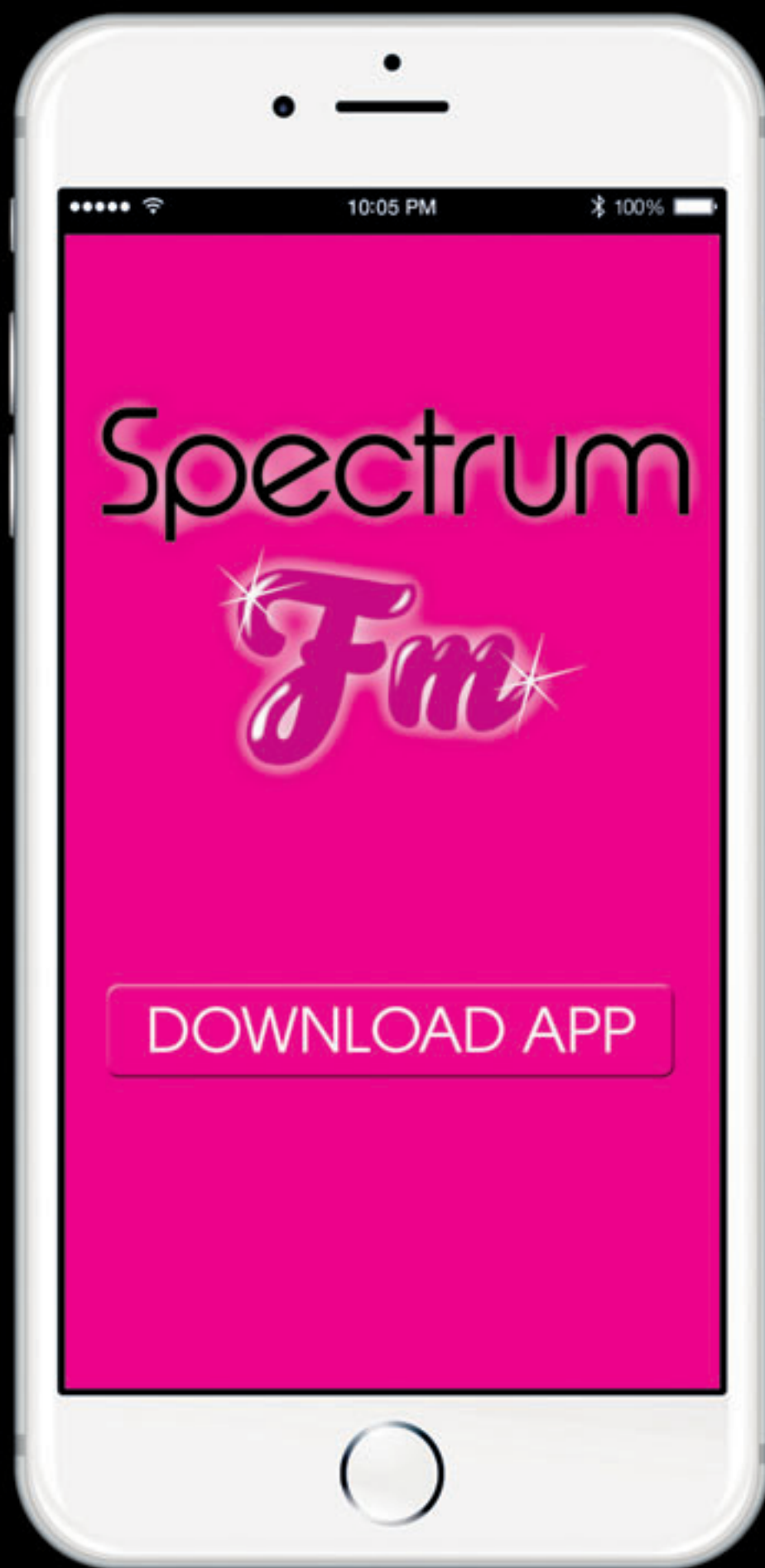
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AÑORETA, Monday September 4 - Individual Stableford

The select few turned up to find that the tees from the weekend comp had been left at the back nine but it did not affect the winner Peter Garner.

He came in with a great score of 35 points, close be-

hind was Gill Green with a good score of 34 points and third was Stewart Green with 33 points.

The two's was won by Steve Denning on the fifth.

Overall winner
Peter Garner

Hcp 19, 35 points

Ladies
Gill Green

Hcp 21, 34 points

Men

1st Stewart Green

Hcp 6, 33 points

2nd John Millward

Hcp 9, 31 points

Two's

Steve Denning: 5

Baviera, Tuesday September 5 - Medal/ Stableford

A small field turned out



for the Monthly Medal this week.

The golf was generally

low scoring with only the best medal players achieving good scores. Others took advantage of a depleted Stableford field to notch up podium places.

Medal:

Men

1st Alan Jones

Hcp 12, 73 net

2nd John Blanco

Hcp 6, 74 net

GINs GOLFERS: The winners.

Ladies

1st Jackie Viles

Hcp 4, 83 net

Stableford:

1st Russell Dick

Hcp 22, 29 points

2nd Rainer Haensel

Hcp 16, 26 points

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