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Road hog taken down

AN adult wild boar which has been terrorising residents of Cala de Moral was captured but several others are still on the loose.

The animal was shot with an anaesthetic dart by an expert from Don Animal, the firm contracted to control street fauna in Rincon de la Victoria.

It is one of a group which have left homeowners in the Serramar, Cueva del Tesoro and on Calle Tamadaba scared to go out at night for over a year as they descend from nearby hills to forage on the streets.

During that time, two dogs have been killed and a third injured, while a small child was knocked over by a female boar protecting her young.

Noses at the ready

LOCAL POLICE are preparing to demonstrate at Velez-Malaga's next council session.

The group has already protested five times since a dispute over pay and conditions began in November 2016, with police wearing Pinocchio noses to council meetings. The protests over approving €500,00 worth of pay rises, as well as staff increases, have become a source of contention.

At the last council meeting, the town's mayor, Antonio Moreno Ferrer, expelled 50 officers from the building for "displaying posters that undermine the image of this corporation and this city."

It stinks!

Waste squabble hits court

By Sally Underwood

A Torrox court will consider whether it is legal that raw waste is pumped onto Burriana Beach.

Nerja businessman, Jorge Narvaez, wrote to the Malaga Provincial Prosecutor complaining the issue constitutes a criminal offence. The prosecutor's office in turn handed the issue over to Torrox's courts, which also serve Nerja.

Mr Narvaez, an ex-PSOE councillor, explained, "this problem has been going on for 20 years, since I built a restaurant and the apartments above.

"I had to invest 20 million pesetas to divert the pipe, with the permission of the Hydrographic Confederation, and since then there have been sewage leaks which in summer attract many insects and cause bad smells. Clients get up from the tables and leave."

The businessman claimed he had complained to the Partido Popular-led council on "numerous occasions," which promised to solve the issue, "but that was never done."

He continued, "when the PSOE entered the council they said the same thing to me, but when I asked the Junta, they were only going to cover part of the stream and add some receptacles."

Nerja Council explained the



CLEAN ENOUGH? Burriana beach.

issue "has been dragging on for two decades, and begins under the Armijo-run council, which did not resolve the issue in 20 years. There is a nearby street which does not have sanitation and it would cost €600,000 to install. We have twice filed a motion to get credit to pay for the works but we have been stopped by the Partido Popular and Ciudadanos."

Nerja is the only large resort

in Malaga to still pour untreated sewage into the sea, using underwater pipes on both Burriana and Torrecilla beaches. The underwater plant is now around 30 years old and said to be in bad condition.

Works to the town's first sewage treatment plant stalled earlier this summer at 95 per cent completion after the construction company responsible, Isolux-Cosan-Corviam, de-

clared bankruptcy.

Politicians from parties PSOE and Ciudadanos demanded answers from Spain's Prime Minister, Mariano Rajoy, after works to the main plant were left unfinished and the main pumping station not yet started. As a result, the plant is unable to open, allowing untreated sewage to continue pouring into the sea, posing a risk to the marine environment.

Fruit loops held

FOUR young men must appear before a judge after being caught stealing mangoes in Canillas de Aceituno.

The quartet were stopped after a Guardia Civil patrol noticed two of them sitting in a car among tropical fruit farms on the MA-3113 road near Benamargosa.

The officers decided to sweep the nearby fields and found the other two men crouching alongside "several piles of mangoes waiting to be placed in sacks," read a police statement.

Eight sacks of the pricey fruit were later found in the boot of the thieves' vehicle.


It comes as Velez-Malaga Council announced a campaign to protect local growers during this year's harvest, with 12 Local Police officers to assist a 40-strong unit assembled by the Guardia Civil and National Police to keep watch over their land.

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NEWS EXTRA**Jail death probed**

POLICE in Motril are investigating after two prisoners died in their cells. The National Police have criticised for casting suspicion on the well-being of those held in custody.

Winging it

A SWISS woman was taken to the Hospital de Santa Ana after crashing into the sea on her paraglider in Almuñecar. A bather saved her and the woman is said to be unharmed.

Ship ahoy

A DAMAGED British cargo ship had been towed into Motril Port after a fire started on board. The vessel was holding fertiliser when the fire broke out, leaving the ship in need of repair.

By Jay Emeny

RYANAIR has published a full list of the flights it is axing over the next six weeks after admitting it had "messed up" pilots' holidays.

On Friday the airline announced it would be cancelling 2,024 flights, between 40 and 50 daily.

Ryanair boss Michael O'Leary said in a press conference that the situation was a "mess" but said that anyone who is "entitled to compensation will receive compensation."

It is estimated that up to 400,000 people and 285,000 journeys are likely to be affected.

They are reportedly to be offered alternative flights or refunds, most within a day of their planned departure, but losses incurred when cancelling car or hotel bookings will not be covered.

But the budget airline still faces paying out €20 million to outraged customers.

Mr O'Leary said: "We made a mess and Ryanair holds our hands up when we make a mess.

"I'd like to apologise and say sorry for the short notice due to not having stand by crews.

"Ryanair is not short of pilots -

No fly zone

Ryanair gaffe sparks travel chaos

we were able to fully crew our peak summer schedule."

Rival budget carrier Norwegian Air Shuttle said it has recruited more than 140 pilots from Ryanair in 2017.

"Pilot recruitment is also underway for more pilots for our new Dublin base opening later this year," they added.

EU compensation rules for



GROUNDING: Over 2,000 flights have been cancelled.

cancelled flights are:

- Passengers are entitled to assistance and compensation, if the disruption was within an airline's control.

- Airlines have to offer full refunds, paid within seven days, or re-bookings for a flight cancelled at short notice.

- In addition, passengers can also claim compensation.

- Cancellation amounts are: €250 (£218) for short-haul,

- €440 (£384) for medium-haul and €600 (£523) for long-haul.

- Passengers who reach their destination more than three hours late can be compensated from €200 to €600, depending on the length of flights and delay.

For full details on the cancellations including a comprehensive list visit the *Euro Weekly News* website and Facebook page.

Further misery forecast

THE travel disruption that has hit Spain shows no sign of letting up.

It comes after French trade unions called fresh strikes to protest against new labour reforms.

Disruption to air, sea, and ground transportation are to be expected, with a knock-on effect in Spain.

The UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office warned, "On September 21 and 23, French unions have called for protests and strike action across France.

"This could cause disruption and delays to transport services including rail networks and some maritime ports. You should allow extra time for your journey and check your operator's website."

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Campaign success

VELEZ-MALAGA Council's summer promotional campaign, #Notepierdas Velez, has helped to improve the local economy. The three-month initiative saw 210,429 visits to the town's historic sites and events, according to Velez-Malaga's first deputy mayor, Mareclino Mendez Trelles. The council revealed 124,814 people got involved, with an average of 1,642 people per event.

Grisly find

THE body of a 74-year-old woman has been found in a house in Malaga City. The woman's corpse was found several days after her death when neighbours warned Local Police she had not been seen for several days and of a strong smell coming from her home. The deceased died of natural causes.

All aboard!

MARINAS in Malaga Province are at 90 per cent capacity. Water sports clubs, including La Caleta de Velez, are said to be almost full, showing an increase in boat usage. According to the Association of Andalusian Ports, this summer saw "extraordinary" high levels of use, almost reaching figures achieved before Spain's economic crisis.

Employment growth

MALAGA Province's economy is on the up, according to the Malaga Association of Economists, with employment growing 30 per cent in the construction and tourism fields in 2016. Meanwhile, employment in agriculture grew 5 per cent in the same period, particularly in the agri-food sector. In total, around 30,000 new jobs are now created a year.

No access

ONE HUNDRED schools in Malaga Province are lacking a lift or wheelchair ramp, hindering those with mobility problems. Since 2003, it has been mandatory under Spanish law for educa-

SPANISH FACTS OF LIFE... 30

When summer draws to a close and most of the high season festivities have ended, residents of Barcelona come together for one last giant knees-up as La Merce gets underway.

Festival fever!

DEDICATED to Mare de Deu de la Merce, the patron saint of Barcelona, the celebration lasts for four days from tomorrow (Friday) until next Monday and is jam-packed with events spread across the city. Barcelona has celebrated La Merce in some form or another since 1687, when legend claimed the Virgin of La Merce helped to rid the city of a plague of locusts, but the festival didn't become an official celebration until 1902.

From concerts to traditional dancing, theatre performances to spectacular light shows, and even an eco-friendly funfair for children, it is impossible to attend everything on offer during La Merce, however there are several main attractions that should not be missed.

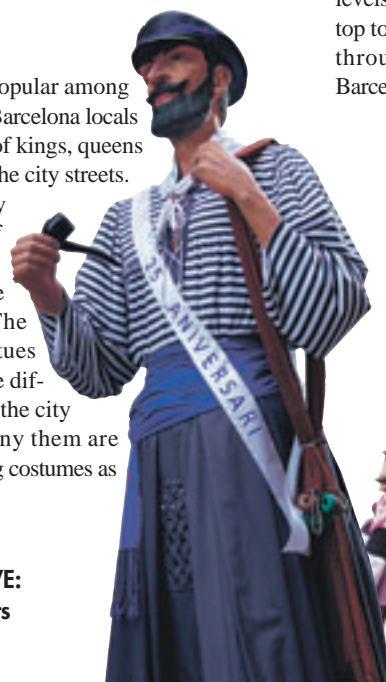
Speak of the devil

THE Correfoc (fire run) takes place at dusk, where one of the main roads (normally Via Laietana) is closed off and then opened to The Devils, a select group of locals who dress-up and behave like deviants.

Giant jamboree

THE parade of giants is popular among adults and children alike. Barcelona locals promenade huge effigies of kings, queens and other nobles through the city streets. The procession is usually accompanied by bands of musicians so the Giants can march and dance to the beat of their drums. The groups of impressive statues are brought in from all the different neighbourhoods in the city and those who accompany them are usually dressed in matching costumes as well.

TOWERING ABOVE:
The popular Giants Parade.



INFERNAL FLAMES: During La Merce.

Hold on tight!

ONE of the more breathtaking spectacles to take place during the festivities is the Castell - a variation on a human pyramid but with all the participants standing. The groups of Castellers aim to build human towers that can reach up to 10 levels high. A child is then tasked with climbing to the very top to add the finishing touch. These competitions are held throughout Catalunya during La Merce but the main Barcelona event is held in the Plaça de Jaume.



NO VERTIGO:
Castellers reach for the sky.

tional institutes to offer disabled access, however around 16.5 per cent of schools in the province are still lacking facilities.

Grape award

AN award has been handed out to Malaga's Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development for the support

it has shown Axarquía's grape growers. The ministry was given the distinction after helping to raise farming land prices from €95 per hectare to €359 following an investment of €2.2 million.

Church arrest

A YOUNG man has been arrested trying

to break in to the Socorro Church in Antequera. The suspect allegedly tried to gain access to the building around 5am when residents heard a loud banging on the church door. The man is said to have broken a window and part of the door.

Cave discovery

THE Nerja Caves Foundation is collaborating with the University of Malaga to carry out underground research. The university installed a laser in the caves to learn about underground air renewal. Scientists hope the research will help them better understand how methane is converted underground and use the knowledge to reduce greenhouse gases.

Prison asks to stay behind bars

A PRISONER in Alhaurin de la Torre has requested to stay in jail to finish a training course.

The 36-year-old Bolivian man will now stay in prison until November, fulfilling the maximum term of his pre-trial sentence. He claimed he wanted to finish a course which he believes will help "pay back on the street."

Surprised judges granted the man's request, saying it was the first time in their long legal careers they had been asked to keep someone behind bars.

The man was jailed for four years for sexually assaulting his flatmate while she slept in Velez-Malaga.

The incident occurred in the early hours of November 29, 2015 when the Bolivian national, who had been ordered to leave Spain in 2009, crept into his flatmate's room while she slept, stripped her and assaulted her.

The girl woke up in pain and threw the man out. He he later texted her to apologise and admitted what he had done, saying he was sad he had lost a good friend.

The convicted has also been handed a restraining order preventing him from contacting his victim for five years, as well as five years' probation after he has fulfilled his jail time.

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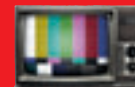
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Strikes could cause delays for many travellers

euroweeklynews.com Poll of the week

Given the short notice that many passengers received over flight cancellations, do you think Ryanair handled the situation professionally?

LAST WEEK'S POLL:
 Given the number of incidents involving drunk travellers on planes heading to/from Spain, should an alcohol limit be introduced

Yes = 89%
 No = 11%

Top Social Media comments

Ryanair boss Michael O'Leary admits 'We made a mess' So his organisation can't do basic staff planning and rostering and he'd rather TOTALLY disappoint hundreds of thousands of customers than mess up Lyingairs historic good punctuality record and disappoint far fewer customers ... of course it's nothing to do with the autumn and flying with lower passenger yields ... the man must think we are all idiots. Disgusting business ethics. *Martin George*

So annoying! My mother is 89 and so excited about seeing her great grandchildren on Friday ... but instead is worried and anxious!!! *Nicky Summers*

Twenty-one injured in Barcelona bakery explosion - I'm not trying to second guess 'authorities' but flour is very dangerous, especially in bakeries. It has been known to explode before now on more than one occasion, and it would be 'unusual' for gas to explode twice. I do hope all the injured make a full recovery very soon, poor people just doing a day's work to make food for us, thank you and get well soon. *Elizabeth Saunders*

British father in coma with serious injuries during stag party do in Magaluf - So insurance company won't pay out because he had alcohol in his system? That would probably apply to everyone who is on holiday and travels! Terrible situation poor guy. *Pamela Doyle*

More travel misery forecast in Spain as French strike again - Everyone deserves good pay and working conditions but when you have paid a lot of money for your holiday and have been looking forward to it for over a year it's very frustrating. And people are bound to be upset about it. *Susan Richardson*

Best free newspaper in Spain moves to heart of community - Super publication.. a must for anyone on holidays in the Costa.. and it's FREE. *Mary O'Sullivan*
 Very handy for us as we go past there to go downtown + shop at Mercadona. *Kris Jackson*
Picador's dogs poisoned as revenge for Toro de la Vega celebrations in northern Spain - So killing these poor dogs is supposed to be justice? Monsters and totally on the same level as the picador. *Margaret Rowse*

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The National Spanish Anthem, Marcha Real, is one of only four national anthems in the world to have no official lyrics.

Global warming helped settle a land dispute between India and Bangladesh. The island, called New Moore, fell below sea level during 2010.

★★★★★★

Did you know?

Barcelona could have been home to the Eiffel Tower. If everything had gone according to Gustave Eiffel's initial plan, Paris' most famous landmark would now be in Barcelona. Unfortunately, the Spanish government rejected the architect's project, deciding it was too 'radical' for the city.

Lost in translation

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OUR VIEW

Hurricane devastation

AS many islands in the Caribbean try to recover from the devastation caused by Hurricane Irma, they have barely had time to breathe before Hurricane Maria arrived.

The island of Barbuda which is part of the independent state of Antigua has been inhabited for 300 years but is now deserted with properties literally blown away and every single inhabitant dispossessed and evacuated to Antigua which escaped relatively lightly.

The first island to be hit by Maria was Dominica, like Antigua a former British colony and there has been considerable damage in the capital Roseau with the hurricane now due to roughly follow the trail of Irma as it moves inextricably towards the USA.

A number of islands are still vulnerable and a Royal Navy vessel is delivering relief supplies to a number of the British Overseas Territories in the area including Anguilla, British Virgin Islands, Montserrat and Turks and Caicos Islands but when compared to the actions of other countries, it is suggested that this is very little, very late.

Living in Spain, we have to accept that it may become unbearably hot and water will either be in short supply or sometimes cause flash floods, but generally speaking we don't suffer from any of the major natural catastrophes that affect so many other parts of the world.

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Ban on multi-seat taxis

By Sally Underwood

MALAGA Council has agreed not to give licences to taxis with more than seven seats.

The council worked with taxi drivers to approve the proposal after it was claimed an increasing number of cabs were taking larger groups. A study will now be commissioned into the impact of larger vehicles on Malaga's 1,432 licensed taxi drivers and their users.

Currently 83 cars have a licence to offer taxi services to between seven and nine people, a figure which will now remain the same during a two-year moratorium on offering further licences for larger vehicles.

The move comes following negotiations between Malaga Council and taxi drivers after cabbies went on a five-day strike in August over the use of private hire firm Cabify, prompting travel chaos.

The five-day industrial action over private hire vehicles came to an end after the Junta de An-

dalucia agreed a series of temporary proposals to control numbers. Unions are now waiting for further meetings with the Junta this month to push through permanent measures.

Union leaders explained they want the ratio of private hire cabs to taxis to reach 1:30, a figure the Junta described as "impossible."

The strike proved a source of tension throughout Malaga, leading to 10 arrests. Five of those detained were held over their alleged role in attacking Eduardo Martin, president of the VTC (private hire licence) association, who claimed on Monday he was attacked by taxi drivers at Malaga Airport where he was giving a television interview about the strike.


According to media reports, one of the five is considered to be the main instigator of the attack, while the other four are suspected to have joined in.

Hundreds of passengers were left stranded at Malaga Airport during the strike after their

planes landed after the last bus left.

The travellers emerged from the airport just after the bus service finished at around 1am, leaving them to stand with their

luggage hoping for help to arrive. Some passengers apparently started shouting at taxi drivers watching with their lights off, telling them they should be helping.



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TWENTY-SIX-YEAR-OLD songstress, Pixie Lott, has been photographed wearing a very daring high-cut swimsuit.

The blonde pop star was pictured partying with friends on a yacht off Ibiza while donning a flesh-baring black one-piece, which perfectly displayed her toned physique.

The Turn It Up singer was enjoying a break from her hectic sched-

Daring move

ule, relaxing with family and friends aboard the luxury vessel. Lott, who became engaged to her long-term boyfriend, Oliver Cheshire, last November, showed off a huge sparkler on her ring finger.

The couple dated for six years

before Cheshire got down on one knee in 2016, with Pixie explaining, "I'd had no sleep, so I just burst into tears. For once I was speechless!" Despite their busy lives, the pair managed to get some alone time together earlier this summer on a break in Capri.



| SIZZLING: Pixie Lott.

The Best of times

CALUM BEST, the 36-year-old son of football legend, George Best, has been spotted cosying up to a mystery brunette in Ibiza.

The reality TV star, who has previously appeared on Celebrity Big Brother and Come Dine with Me, is currently starring in Channel 4's Celebs go Dating. The heavily-tattooed beefcake now appears to have found romance on his own, however, holding hands with the brown-haired beauty on sun loungers on the White Island.

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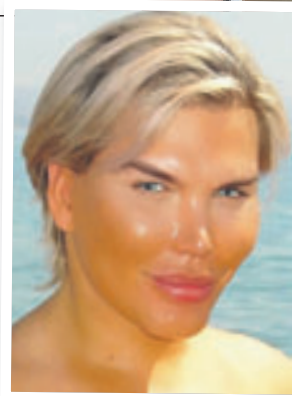
HOLLYWOOD starlet, Lindsay Lohan, has been photographed front row at Madrid Fashion Week. The 31-year-old Mean Girls actress wore a tight black leather dress and enormous black sunglasses as she enjoyed being guest of honour at the Pasarela Cibeles show. The day before, the star opted for a different look, wearing all white to a Devota & Lomba show.

| ALL WHITE: Lindsay Lohan.



Tooth fail

'HUMAN KEN DOLL,' Rodrigo Alves, lost three of his veneers while partying in Marbella. The 34-year-old, who is famous for his ambition to look like Barbie's boyfriend, Ken, explained, "I have been partying far too much and I guess that I must have had far too much to drink." The Brazilian has since had the veneers replaced.



| RODRIGO ALVES:
Lost veneer.

Besties again

TOWIE star, Megan McKenna, was filmed making amends with former pals Chloe Meadows and Courtney Green in Marbella.

The 24-year-old brunette was shooting scenes for The Only Way is Essex on the show's annual trip to Marbella when she was spotted with her two former best friends. The trio put aside their differences to enjoy a night clubbing.

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Finger biter ordered to pay out

A 16-YEAR-OLD girl has been ordered to pay compensation to a police officer after biting one of his fingers.

The young woman will have to pay out €364 after assaulting an officer who tried to detain her after she escaped from a young offenders' institute in Malaga.

The girl, who is from Cadiz, had absconded from the centre on Avenida Miraflores de Los Angeles and travelled home. Her father called the Local Police to report his daughter. When two officers turned up the girl became aggressive, breaking a window and hitting the men.

One officer was bitten on the first finger of his right hand, causing a wound which took seven days to heal.

A juvenile court sentenced the girl to six months hospitalisation in a semi-open centre and a year of probation in addition to the compensation.

Water price change will help farmers

By Sally Underwood

THE Water Board is considering establishing one fixed price for irrigation water in Axarquía, regardless of its supplier.

It is hoped the move would allow water resources to be managed more efficiently around the region and help lower watering costs for farmers.

Currently some irrigators who use well water pay nothing, while others who use reservoir water pay €0.027 per cubic metre, leading to complaints of unfair treatment. The board are now commissioning a study to research whether it would be feasible to charge one fixed amount regardless of the water's source.

The board has also revealed only six of the 67 irrigation communities in Axarquía are completely legal and have their paperwork in order, representing only 9 per cent of all irrigators. In total, farmers irrigate around 12,000 hectares of land in the region, mostly growing subtropical fruits including mangos and avocados.



LAKE VINUELA: Is less than a third full.

All 67 irrigators have now grouped together following news of further possible irrigation cuts in October if there is no rain.

The growers, who are currently prevented from watering one day a week, met with the Water Board to ask for 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 works for at least two years," according to a spokesman.

NEWS EXTRA

Green lung of the town

VELEZ-MALAGA'S Council is planning to convert the Maria Zambrano Park into a mini ecological theme park with solar panels and pavements which help reduce pollution.

Mango haul

MANGO growers in Axarquía are hoping to produce 20,000 tons in this autumn's harvest, similar to the figure achieved in 2016. The yield would be worth around €25 million to farmers.

Drone on

TORROX has hosted the first Spanish drone race, attracting hundreds of drone pilots from across the Costa del Sol. The event, named the National Open Costa del Sol PFV, took place at the town's lighthouse.

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Algae out
and about

ALMUNECAR'S Council removed more than 3.5 tons of algae and flotsam from Calabajío and La Herradura beaches, where 150 and 100 bags were collected, weighing 15 kilos.

Take a hike

THE PMD hiking club is starting a new season with a hike through the Alpujarra town of Sopor-tujar on Saturday. Those interested in participating can register at the council sports office in the Francisco Bonet stadium.

Tourist time

NEXT Wednesday will see Almuñecar celebrate World Tourism Day with open days at Castillo San Miguel, the Cueva de Siete Palacios and the Palacete de la Najarra from 10am.

Bay watch on beaches

By Sally Underwood

LIFEGUARDS on Almuñecar and La Herradura's beaches responded to almost 2,000 incidents this summer.

The municipality's beaches were their most guarded this year, with 33 workers on duty between June 20 and September 10, helping bathers with a variety of issues.

Almost 80 per cent of reported incidents related to jellyfish stings, while other related to sea urchin accidents.

Councillor for Security, Juan Jose Ruiz Joya, explained, "we have made a great effort at an economic level to provide our beaches with the necessary resources to be used before the San Juan festival, which is when the first big avalanche of swimmers and users come to the beach."

Mr Ruiz Joya welcomed the work done, "where fortunately we have not had any complaints about the state of the sea," adding, "the services provided by lifeguards on the beaches of the municipality spread over the beaches of Velilla, Puerta del Mar, San Cristo-



Credit: Ayuntamiento de Almuñecar

| BEACH WORKERS: Helped out over the summer.

bal and La Herradura, and have once again lived up to what is needed."

Lifeguard posts were manned every day from 11am to 8pm over the summer, offering surveillance and first aid services, as well as information.

Last month, lifeguards and paramedics helped resuscitate a bather on La Herradura Beach after he

went in to cardiac arrest.

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

The Beach Service's emergency vehicle helped transport emergency workers, with health workers administering a defibrillator and oxygen, eventually bringing the person around.

Dance on

ALMUNECAR'S Municipal School of Music and Dance has opened the registration deadline for 2017/2018 courses.

Budding musicians can take part in piano, classical guitar, electric guitar and flamenco guitar lessons, as well as percussion, trumpet, horn, trombone, tuba, clarinet, saxophone, oboe, bassoon, singing, violin, viola, cello and double bass classes.

Music theory lessons are also on offer, as well as flamenco dance, oriental dance, jazz and contemporary dance classes. Students from three-years-old are welcome, although classes for adults are also on offer.

To register, go to the Municipal School of Music and Dance on Calle Baracoa, Almuñecar, from 5pm to 9pm. Alternatively, for more information, call the school on 637 031 589 or email them at direccion@centromusica.es.

The school opened its doors at the beginning of the year with the council's Head of Culture and Education, Olga Ruano, explaining she was "happy this project is reaching its conclusion and locals can enjoy the facilities they undoubtedly deserve."

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SAN JUAN: Endangered revellers' safety, claim critics.

June music festival 'endangered safety'

By Sally Underwood

NERJA politicians have complained health and safety standards were breached at the San Juan music festival.

The Partido Popular (PP) claimed the event, organised by a group of businessmen in Tutti Frutti square, had received "unfavourable" health and safety reports, "endangering the safety" of those attending.

A PP councillor, Jose Miguel Garcia, criticised the "irresponsibility and recklessness" of Mayor Rosa Arrabal from the PSOE party. He added, "there were not just one or two unfavourable reports but several which advised against holding the event." He claimed despite that, "the mayor allowed the

event, putting safety at risk."

Mayor Arrabal has denied the allegations, claiming she granted "a minor licence which had a favourable architect's report," adding, "the reports Garcia is referring to have nothing to do with the minor works of installing a stage and fencing."

The group of businessmen responsible for the event, which took place in June, also took to Facebook to "flatly" deny the allegations, saying, "they lack foundation, especially three months after the event."

Politicians in Nerja are currently at each other's throats following a failed bid to oust Rosa Arrabal and a successful one to vote down the council's 2017 budget.

The council's governing

team, made up of PSOE, Izquierda Unida (IU) and EVA-Podemos, failed to convince opposition parties to support its budget vote in August, leading the PP to seek a vote of no-confidence in the mayor.

The party then gave fellow opposition party, Ciudadanos, until the second week of September to join them in filing the motion but the party has not as yet.

Ciudadanos were instrumental in rejecting the town's €31 million budget, claiming, "for more than a year, the government team has blocked major projects in Nerja, including Playazo (costing almost €900,000), Senda Litoral and the fire station... and the health centre." They added, the council had not done enough to ensure the town's cleanliness, "with tourists and residents complaining on a daily basis."

NEWS EXTRA

Road reopened

THE MA-23 has been reopened near Malaga Airport after a fire at a recycling plant for paper and cardboard forced road closures, affecting hundreds of plane passengers.

Run for fun

NEARLY 500 athletes participated last Saturday in the V Legua and XXVII Mile of Torre del Mar. The events, which took place on the Paseo Marítimo, started at 8pm.

Fake plates

LOCAL POLICE in Malaga have arrested a Granada man for documentary falsification and illegal transport near Malaga Airport. The man is said to have been travelling in a car with Italian plates.

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Article 41.bi of Royal Decree 439/2007, approves the normative of the Income Tax Return for Individuals: "capital gains that arise from the transfer of the main residence of adults over 65 years-of-age are exempted, as well as people in severe or major long-term care dependency".

Do beneficiaries of this provision declare the income tax return?

The capital gains from the sale of the main residence of the taxpayers over 65 is exempt from the IRPF and therefore should not be included in the declaration.

Are municipal taxes honoured?

Yes, the amount of the commitments corresponding to municipal capital gains must be paid.

Main residence and exceptions

The regulations stated that "it will be considered as the main residence the home in which the taxpayer resides for a continuous term of three years. However, it will be understood that the property had said character when, despite not having elapsed this period, there are circumstances arising that necessarily require the change of housing, such as the celebration of marriage, marital separation, transfer of employment, obtaining a first job or a more advantageous employment or the like".

It is so clarified that when the home "had been effectively and permanently inhabited by the taxpayer within a period of twelve months, counted from the date of acquisition or completion of the works, the period of three years stipulated in the previous paragraph will be counted from this latter date."

Thus, any house other than the main residence must pay taxes in the income tax return statement.

The tax reform of 2015 adds an exception whereby people over 65 years-of-age won't pay taxes after the sale of a **secondary residence** if the benefits obtained are destined to "constitute a lifelong income within a period of six months insured in their favour".

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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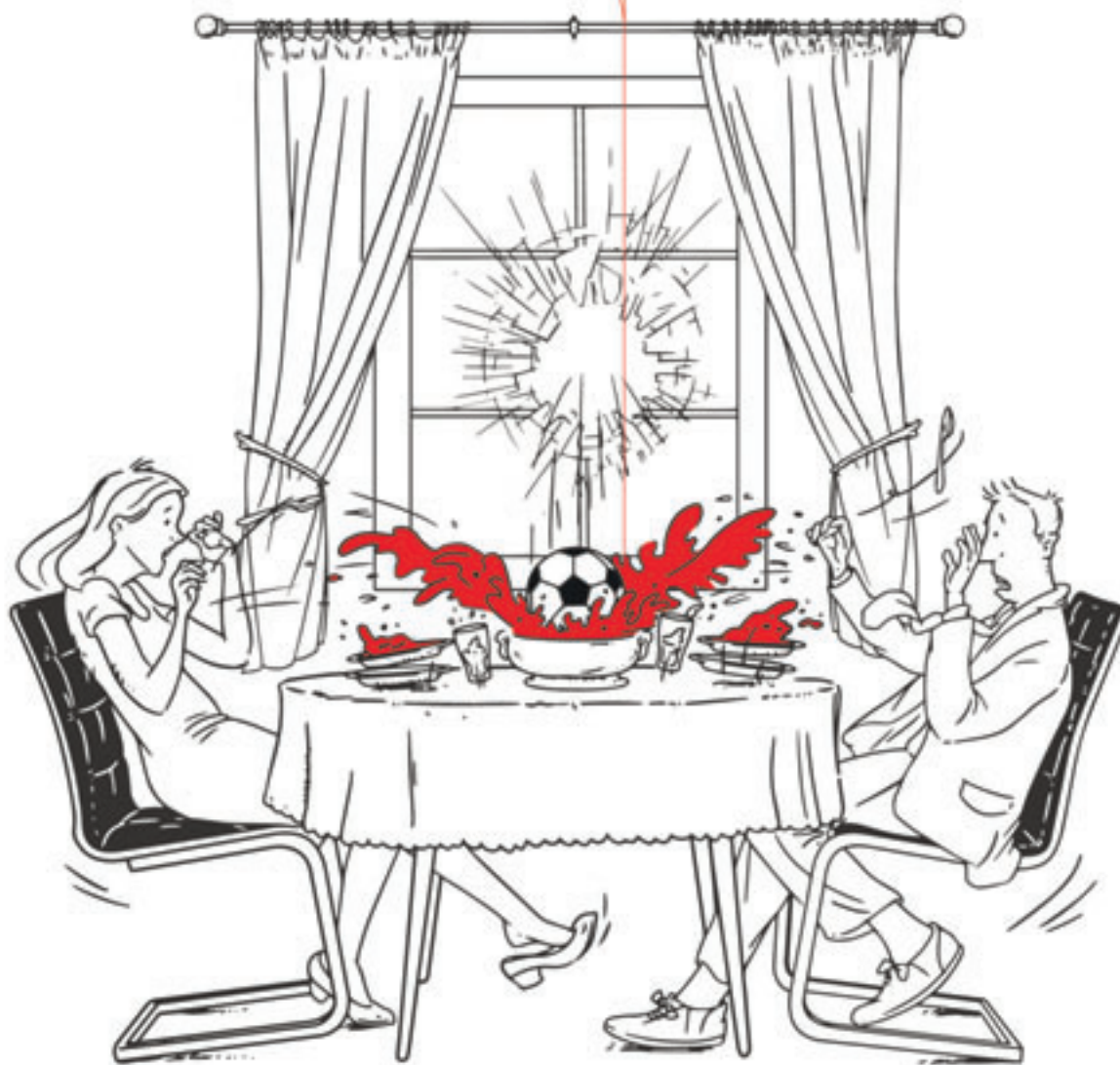
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Brexit update

Pellicer & Heredia were kindly invited by campaign group BREXPATS IN SPAIN to join the meeting with the British Consul to talk about the one topic on everyone's mind since the referendum on June 23, 2016: BREXIT.

By Richard Hill

It was a very interesting meeting at the British Consulate between the Brexpats in Spain Valencia representatives Richard Hill and his assistant Helen, the Consul Sarah-Jane Morris and Brexpats' Valencia legal advisor Ignacio Pellicer from Pellicer & Heredia Abogados.

The official line is that the UK government wishes for things to remain 'as is' for expats who move to Spain before we exit the EU. The UK will continue to export and update the UK state pension within the EU, the EHIC card will still be available and medical care arranged via the S1 form.

Citizenship needs to be explained. Nobody is a citizen of Europe except by treaty which of course the UK is resigning from.

Many of us understand that while Britain allows dual nationality with

Spain it is not reciprocated by Spain to the UK, however it is not that simple. Unlike many other countries if you choose to take Spanish citizenship then Spain does not require any proof that you have renounced your UK one. The UK allows both so technically you can keep both passports.

The Spanish may also be thinking of removing the need for Spanish language and cultural exams to obtain citizenship in Spain for over 65's or reduce the standard.

Passports are still an unknown quantity. We don't know yet whether or not new UK passports will be phased in but there is nothing definite so again more on this later.

Freedom of travel within Europe is again at the moment unresolved.

For those in receipt of civil service, government or local government pensions including armed services reciprocal taxation is a very sore subject

especially if you don't now have voting rights in the UK. According to the consul: "It is still the government's intention to remove the 15 year rule for voting." For those who choose to take citizenship it would be interesting in that you could then vote both in Spain and the UK!

The Consul is going to look into pet passports with the UK government. While the Consul was of course unable to comment, Ignacio put forward the potential legal standpoint that on leaving the EU unless a new agreement was made with the UK it would not be part of the European pet passport scheme.

Pellicer & Heredia's aim is to keep the expat community up to date with the legal consequences on Brexit, and the team will continue to keep you informed on future changes. Email them at info@pellicerheredia.com or call (+34) 965 48 07 37.

Child's play

HALF of all families in Velez-Malaga are receiving free nursery care.

The town's council has reported 192 places have been given to infants in the La Fortaleza and Virgen del Carmen schools, 50 per cent of which are free for parents.

Antonio Moreno Ferrer, Velez-Malaga's mayor, visited La Fortaleza alongside Zoila Martin, councillor for Equality, to kick off the new school year. He explained free nursery places were a "public service as important as day care which fulfils the dual objective of helping children and allowing the town's parents to balance work and family life."

The news comes after it was claimed last week around 300 children risk losing access to Velez-Malaga's

early childhood care service.

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 called on 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.

Zoila Martin, denied the service was in danger, however, telling "families to stay calm" and insisting an agreement would be put in place to secure its management.

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Toxic water scandal deepens

■ MALLORCA



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TOXIC: Waters around port contaminated with burnt plastics.



By Matthew Elliott

TOXIC slag continues to pollute Palma's bathing water according to two major environmental groups. Both Mallorca Blue and Terraferida have also demanded an independent analysis of heavy metal pollution in the 15,000 cubic metres of sea around the cruise ship bay.

This is proof, according to the green groups, that the slag used to expand Palma port is seeping uncontrolled into formerly clean swimming water. They are supported by the GOB, which believes the use of slag from the Son Reus incinerator may be the greatest environmental crime in Mallorca's history. Its use has now been halted pending an investigation.

Tirme, the agency responsible for expanding the underwater barriers of Palma Port, was given 30 days notice from the Mallorcan council to stop using the slag. Terraferida accused Tirme of using that time to jettison all the remaining slag on its books into public waters.

■ COSTA DEL SOL

Pricey lunch

AN Estepona school spent €1,200 buying 300 children Burger King meals due to insufficient staff available to produce cooked meals.

Slippy train

A TRAIN narrowly avoided running over a worker in Antequera. Slippery terrain interfered with the brakes and the driver had to steer into the pavement as an emergency measure.

Double smash

TWO collisions caused major hold-ups and saw a vehicle turned over on the A-7 motorway, between points 196 and 188 en route to Malaga.

Fire brigade

TWO new 4x4 vehicles costing €264,000 have strengthened the Benalmadena fire department. They are ideal for navigating through narrow streets or for dealing with smaller fires and their tanks have a capacity of 1,750 litres.

Child's play

MORE than €200,000 has been invested in children's play areas in Fuengirola. A dozen parks in the town will benefit from the additional council funds and more facilities for disabled children will be added.

River fall

A WOMAN dislocated her shoulder and was hoisted to safety after falling into a river. Marbella Fire Department rescued the 40-year-old from the Rio Guadalmedina in the popular tourist area of Charca de las Mozas, Benahavis.

■ COSTA BLANCA SOUTH

Library lunches

A DANGEROUS dining room has forced children at a Costa Blanca South school to eat in the library. Roughly 500 students at the Villafranqueza School are munching lunch surrounded by books.

Cello, cello!

PASSENGERS arriving at Alicante airport were greeted by 60 musicians from the province's Youth Orchestra. The group decided to celebrate its 50th anniversary in style by playing to pleasantly surprised arrivals at the terminal.

Irrigating visit

AN army of irrigation experts will occupy Torrevieja next year. The town will hold the 14th National Congress of Irrigation Communities in May 2018.

Shop crazy

A SURVEY of visitors to Orihuela found that the favourite destination by far was the Costa's shopping centre. PSOE councillor Maria Garcia isn't happy that the town's cultural attractions failed to turn heads.

Paradise lost

RUBBISH and graffiti are ruining Elche's iconic tourist route. The Palmeral is sold as a dreamy wander through history but critics say years of neglect have turned it into a nightmare.

■ COSTA DE ALMERÍA

Song man

PURCHENA is preparing for its first ever Albert Hay Malotte festival next Friday. It is a musical event celebrating the American composer who once dedicated a song to Purchena.

Robot wars

STUDENTS from the University of Almeria won first place in an engineering competition held in Gijon. The robotics experts showcased intelligent washing machines, robots and virtual reality specs.

Road ruckus

A BAREFOOT woman carrying a large knife was arrested while she argued with a group of people in the early hours in Roquetas. Police believe she'd stolen one of their phones.

Moon march

A HUNDRED 'werewalkers' took on a three and a half hour march under the full moon across the Tabernas Desert. They were baptising an official new trail set up by the council to attract hikers.

Wheel week

EUROPEAN Mobility Week is being celebrated in Almeria until tomorrow. The city is packed with scooters, skaters, cyclists, and go-karters, with free buses taking people around.

■ MALLORCA

Bike crash

A MOTORCYCLIST was killed when he crashed his bike into a Land Rover in Santanyi. The 53-year-old became the 42nd fatality on Balearic roads this year.

Burnt bus

A BUS caught fire in Port Pollensa. The 340 from Palma to the port was completely destroyed by flames after the driver evacuated all passengers on the early morning journey.

Deadly slip

FOUL play has been ruled in the case of Molinar resident Audrey Marcaillou. Police believe the Frenchwoman found dead at the Cuber reservoir slipped and fell down a slope.

Drill attack

POLICE are investigating after at least 27 Palma cars had their tyres punctured by vandals using drills over the weekend. Up to 10 holes were made in each tyre, causing expensive damage.

Wrong pick

JUDGES heard that the German architect who was hired to design the aborted Palma Velodrome and Arena in exchange for €8 million actually had no experience in constructing velodromes, or even large buildings.

■ COSTA BLANCA NORTH

Crime rate

CRIMINAL offences in Callosa fell by 24 per cent between January and September but the 31 arrests made were the same as last year, owing to increased police presence, the authorities said.

Olives lost

A COCENTAINA hailstorm damaged 500,000 kilos of olives ripening on trees in rural areas, affecting 30 per cent of what would have been an excellent crop after the winter rains.

Sea for all

VILLAJOSYA'S accessible beach area for the disabled was used by 8,000 people this summer, 25 per cent more than last year. Facilities supervised by monitors included sturdy seating with sun awnings in the shallows.

Speak up

FIFTY Alicante Province town halls will share in €1 million that the region's Education department allocated to promoting use of Valenciano for road and official signs, language courses and other activities.

Paint job

TWENTY-SIX householders in Altea and Altea la Vieja's Old Quarters requested grants to paint façades. The town hall hopes to extend the offer next year to newer properties requiring attention.

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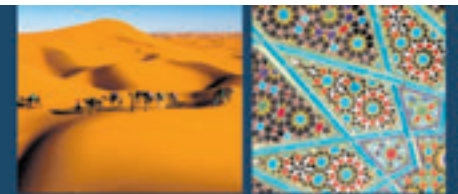
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4 Nov - Casablanca, Morocco

Drive from Marrakesh to Casablanca for sightseeing and lunch. Rejoin Aegean Odyssey in Casablanca.

5 Nov - Casablanca, Morocco

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6 Nov - Fez, Morocco

Drive from Casablanca for sightseeing in Fez-UNESCO listed souks and 14th century religious schools. Overnight hotel.

7 Nov - Tangier, Morocco

Morning sightseeing in Volubilis en route to Tangier to rejoin Aegean Odyssey

8 Nov - Malaga

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But the foundation of family values throughout all group publications remains even though the team to produce 10 weekly newspapers is ever-increasing in size.

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Public sector pay cap

A SPOKESPERSON for the Spanish Finance Ministry has announced that in order to comply with deficit containment requirements, public sector pay rises will be capped.

The maximum increase in any single year between 2018 and 2020 will be set at 2 per cent although there is no guarantee that even this figure will be agreed in every case. Unions are now awaiting a meeting with government negotiators to see what their members are likely to be offered.

Escalating cost of death

IT'S costing more than ever to die in Britain and many people have to cut back on funeral expenses which can average more than €4,000.

London is the most expensive place to die with average costs exceeding €6,000 which is double the cost of a funeral in Northern Ireland according to the 11th Cost of Dying report published by insurers SunLife.

The funeral however only makes up less than 50 per cent of the average cost with the total hitting €9,000 when adding the cost of a wake, cars, flowers and a profes-

By John Smith

sional to administer the estate.

In the survey according to funeral directors and bereaved, a number of people have opted for the cheapest coffin, hold the wake at home and even considered burying their loved one in their back gardens.

Since the company first started the survey, they have seen costs increase by more than 70 per cent in England although Northern Ireland and Wales have seen a drop.

Many people now consider the advantage of taking insurance or making interim payments on guaranteed costs in order to save their loved ones from having the problem of funding their funeral after they have gone.

Those living in Spain will be able to find similar options in order to reduce the likely cost of a funeral and also need to consider whether their wills should specify that their estates should be distributed under Spanish law or the law of the country in which they were born.

Energy shares fall

A REPORT issued by the investment bankers Goldman Sachs has frightened a number of corporate and private investors and hit the shares of Spanish energy companies. The twin reasons for this were suggestions that the Spanish government was likely to cut subsidies to the energy section and the increased amount of green energy will see prices tumbling.

Quote of the Week

"We know perfectly well that relocation would become an exodus, Catalonia would enter into an economic collapse." Josep Bou President of Entrepreneurs of Catalonia on Catalanian Independence.



ON THE catwalk at London Fashion Week.

Fashion sales grow online

WITH London Fashion Week just about to finish, shopping for clothes online is becoming a major market in the UK and increasingly in Spain.

In the past five years, UK spend online has doubled to £16 billion (€18 billion) although the overall growth in clothing sales is just over 1 per cent, suggesting that the customer base remains much the same but the method of purchase has changed.

So says Mintel, the world's

largest market intelligence agency with global offices in Europe, the Far East and Asia

Major retailers such as Inditex and Mango have spent a lot of time and money in developing their Spanish websites which can then be rolled out across the world whilst a number of British companies such as Debenhams and Marks and Spencer are making it much easier for English speaking residents in Spain to purchase their clothing.

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Stronger pound

IN a recent edition of this newspaper it was suggested that sterling would be likely to recover against the euro and this is what has happened. At the time of writing, the exchange rate has exceeded €1.12 and could climb further.

Unfair olives

SPANISH olive growers have now received a 150 page document from US Department of Commerce which they must fill in if they wish to keep tariff free imports. American olive growers accuse them of unfair competition supported by the Spanish government.

Bitcoin falls

THE digital currency Bitcoin has lost 20 per cent of its value in September after tremendous rises in 2017. Despite this a single coin is still valued at around \$4,000 (€3,356) although Chinese pressure may hurt it in the future.

Greater growth for Spain's economy

AFTER reviewing the way in which national accounting in Spain is undertaken, the authorities have now slightly upgraded 2015 and 2016 growth results. According to the National Institute of Statistics economic output grew by 3.3 per cent in 2016, up by 0.1 per cent over the figure reported in

March of this year whilst the 2015 figure is now reported as 3.4 per cent, up 0.2 per cent.

So pleased is the government with these adjusted figures that the ministry of the economy thinks it reasonable to expect the 2017 figure to be even better than 2016.

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COMPANY	PRICE(P)	CHANGE(P)	% CHG.	NET VOL
Anglo American	1,288.25	-2.25	-0.17	18,491.64
Associated British Foods	3,159.50	1.50	0.05	25,088.16
Admiral Group	1,812.50	27.50	1.54	5,132.96
Ashtead Group	1,760.50	22.50	1.29	8,791.37
Antofagasta	952.25	20.75	2.23	9,395.21
Aviva	504.75	0.75	0.15	20,483.77
AstraZeneca	4,703.50	-16.00	-0.34	60,839.02
BAE Systems	612.75	16.75	2.81	18,983.13
Babcock International Group	799.25	-1.25	-0.16	4,022.02
Barclays	187.60	0.95	0.51	32,335.48
British American Tobacco	4,688.25	-52.75	-1.11	107,623.04
Barratt Developments	582.00	-1.50	-0.26	5,882.67
Berkeley Group Holdings	3,495.50	-0.50	-0.01	4,729.79
British Land Co	598.75	3.25	0.55	6,131.14
BHP Billiton	1,331.25	0.75	0.06	28,755.86
Bunzl	2,237.50	2.50	0.11	7,570.72
BP	452.45	4.20	0.94	89,245.64
Burberry Group	1,746.50	5.50	0.32	7,522.36
BT Group	287.65	3.25	1.14	28,017.36
Coca-Cola HBC	2,569.50	11.50	0.45	9,472.14
Carnival	4,801.00	18.00	0.38	10,882.86
Centrica	187.85	-0.15	-0.08	10,648.22
Compass Group	1,593.50	2.50	0.16	25,350.64
Croda International	3,711.00	36.00	0.98	4,878.61
CRH	2,645.00	5.00	0.19	22,114.32
ConvaTec Group	259.30	1.50	0.58	5,144.08
DCC	7,112.50	27.50	0.39	6,413.64
Diageo	2,497.75	9.75	0.39	63,086.48
Direct Line Insurance Group	374.30	2.80	0.75	5,197.50
Experian	1,467.50	21.50	1.49	13,575.64
easyJet	1,229.50	16.50	1.36	4,786.36
Ferguson Ord 10 5366p	4,555.00	69.00	1.54	11,746.82
Fresnillo	1,430.50	-10.50	-0.73	10,891.29
G4S	275.00	-0.10	-0.04	4,332.05
GKN	347.90	9.10	2.69	5,796.45
Glencore	345.03	0.53	0.15	50,611.91
GlaxoSmithKline	1,453.25	-0.75	-0.05	72,818.72
Hargreaves Lansdown	1,413.00	17.00	1.22	6,659.43
Hammerson	543.75	0.25	0.05	4,315.12
HSBC Holdings	714.55	6.55	0.93	144,794.29
International Consolidated Air.	594.75	3.25	0.55	12,337.93
InterContinental Hotels	3,683.00	15.00	0.41	7,109.43
3i Group	917.75	6.75	0.74	8,891.88
Imperial Brands	3,265.75	-61.75	-1.86	31,258.77
Informa	667.75	-0.75	-0.11	5,545.55
Intertek Group	4,891.00	34.00	0.70	7,963.01
ITV	157.35	-0.85	-0.54	6,279.64
Johnson Matthey	2,885.50	50.50	1.78	5,457.64
Kingfisher	290.00	1.00	0.35	6,320.88
Land Securities Group	978.25	3.25	0.33	7,829.40

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Legal & General Group	253.70	2.20	0.87	15,131.22
Lloyds Banking Group ORD	65.60	0.28	0.43	47,775.01
London Stock Exchange	3,836.50	20.50	0.54	13,392.23
Micro Focus International	2,422.00	18.00	0.75	10,514.70
Mediclinic International	698.00	-9.00	-1.27	5,241.80
Merlin Entertainments	439.90	-0.20	-0.05	4,567.08
Marks & Spencer Group	329.40	-1.10	-0.33	5,420.11
Mondi	2,024.50	14.50	0.72	9,866.45
Morrison (Wm) Supermarkets	230.30	-0.90	-0.39	5,472.31
National Grid	951.85	-2.05	-0.21	32,533.39
NMC Health	2,780.00	-5.00	-0.18	5,654.63
Next	4,970.00	-75.00	-1.49	7,344.01
Old Mutual Group	195.55	1.85	0.96	9,741.17
Paddy Power Betfair	7,185.00	-60.00	-0.83	6,118.72
Prudential	1,750.25	9.25	0.53	45,614.94
Persimmon	2,439.50	-0.50	-0.02	7,518.13
Pearson	568.25	-0.25	-0.04	4,827.18
Reckitt Benckiser Group	6,823.50	48.50	0.72	48,802.94
Royal Bank of Scotland Group	252.10	0.40	0.16	30,156.29
Royal Dutch Shell	2,111.75	9.25	0.44	96,685.09
Royal Dutch Shell	2,146.75	4.25	0.20	81,707.79
RELX	1,638.50	4.50	0.28	17,654.85
Rio Tinto	3,470.50	18.00	0.52	47,966.81
Rolls-Royce Group	895.25	9.75	1.10	16,611.27
Randgold Resources	7,462.50	-82.50	-1.09	7,158.98
RSA Insurance Group	626.75	6.25	1.01	6,468.79
Rentokil Initial	297.00	1.80	0.61	5,475.25
Sainsbury (J)	238.65	0.95	0.40	5,264.96
Schroders	3,289.00	32.00	0.98	7,440.66
Sage Group (The)	701.25	-1.75	-0.25	7,743.98
Segro	533.25	1.25	0.23	5,317.38
Shire	3,901.25	-17.75	-0.45	35,922.74
Smurfit Kappa Group	2,351.00	9.00	0.38	5,558.66
Skay	928.75	-3.75	-0.40	15,961.08
Standard Life Aberdeen	406.45	1.45	0.36	12,194.90
Smiths Group	1,580.50	16.50	1.05	6,322.26
Scottish Mortgage Investment Trst	423.35	2.85	0.68	5,981.94
Smith & Nephew	1,343.50	3.50	0.26	11,932.75
SSE	1,409.50	2.50	0.18	14,000.56
Standard Chartered	739.10	4.30	0.59	24,714.47
St James's Place	1,122.50	14.50	1.31	5,894.29
Severn Trent	2,223.50	-6.50	-0.29	5,230.21
Tesco	182.55	1.05	0.58	15,006.30
TUI AG	1,301.50	0.50	0.04	7,743.03
Taylor Wimpey	186.65	-0.15	-0.08	6,102.25
Unilever	4,368.25	19.75	0.45	55,145.35
United Utilities Group	887.25	1.25	0.14	6,044.94
Vodafone Group	208.68	2.23	1.08	57,417.31
Worldpay Group	407.20	-1.00	-0.24	8,326.00
WPP Group	1,355.50	-10.50	-0.77	17,667.29

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AMERICAN EXPRESS	86.99	0.93%	0.8	76,897.39
APPLE	159.88	1.01%	1.6	825,816.65
BOEING CO	249	1.54%	3.77	147,179.76
CATERPILLAR	121.37	0.74%	0.89	71,726.37
CHEVRON	114.63	0.16%	0.18	217,224.16
CISCO SYSTEMS	32.44	0.78%	0.25	162,201.75
COCA-COLA	46.18	0.15%	0.07	196,886.44
DOWDUPONT	69.86	-0.23%	-0.16	163,191.02
EXXON MOBIL	80.07	-0.02%	-0.02	339,265.06
GENERAL ELECTRIC	23.93	-1.36%	-0.33	207,184.65
GOLDMAN SACHS	225.22	-0.72%	-1.63	87,132.02
HOME DEPOT	158.4	-0.61%	-0.98	186,724.71
IBM	144.82	-0.49%	-0.72	134,977.57
INTEL CORP	37	1.43%	0.52	174,233.00
J.P.MORGAN CHASE	91.62	0.71%	0.65	322,407.52
JOHNSON & JOHNSON	134.45	0.20%	0.27	361,105.32
MC DONALD'S CORP	156.92	-0.05%	-0.08	127,104.67
MERCK AND CO. NEW	66.16	0.06%	0.04	180,441.76
MICROSOFT	75.31	0.72%	0.54	581,431.98
NIKE	53.87	0.26%	0.14	70,652.61
PFIZER	35.36	-1.04%	-0.37	210,209.05
PROCTER AND GAMBLE	93.27	-0.30%	-0.28	237,839.83
TRAVELERS CIES	120.7	0.62%	0.74	33,304.05
UNITED TECHNOLOGIE	113.08	-0.05%	-0.06	90,300.32
UNITEDHEALTH GROUP	198.18	0.23%	0.45	191,612.30
VERIZON COMMS	47.86	1.44%	0.68	195,240.46
VISA	105.3	-0.74%	-0.78	192,504.61
WAL-MART STORES	80.38	0.88%	0.7	240,111.27
WALT DISNEY CO	98.52	0.63%	0.62	152,063.74

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CLOSING PRICES SEPTEMBER 18

COMPANY	PRICE	CHANGE NET / %
Most Advanced		
Xcel Brands, Inc	\$ 4.25	1 ▲ 30.77%
Arrowhead Pharmaceuticals, Inc.	\$ 3.30	0.51 ▲ 18.28%
National CineMedia, Inc.	\$ 6.87	1.06 ▲ 18.24%
American Superconductor Corporation	\$ 4.88	0.67 ▲ 15.91%
aTyr Pharma, Inc.	\$ 3.70	0.40 ▲ 12.12%
National American University Holdings, Inc.	\$ 2.29	0.24 ▲ 11.71%
The Stars Group Inc.	\$ 19.30	1.85 ▲ 10.60%
SecureWorks Corp.	\$ 12.55	1.19 ▲ 10.48%
Aptevo Therapeutics Inc.	\$ 2.11	0.20 ▲ 10.47%
Black Box Corporation	\$ 3.25	0.30 ▲ 10.17%
Axovant Sciences Ltd.	\$ 21.34	1.82 ▲ 9.32%
Most Declined		
Yangtze River Development Limited	\$ 16.34	6.60 ▼ 28.77%
Trans World Entertainment Corp.	\$ 2.05	0.75 ▼ 26.79%
T2 Biosystems, Inc.	\$ 4.52	1.56 ▼ 25.66%
Nabriva Therapeutics plc	\$ 6.86	1.62 ▼ 19.10%
Sundance Energy Australia Limited	\$ 4.16	0.77 ▼ 15.62%
KalVista Pharmaceuticals, Inc.	\$ 6.96	1.05 ▼ 13.11%
Calyxt, Inc.	\$ 24.68	3.63 ▼ 12.82%
BioTelemetry, Inc.	\$ 32.70	4.40 ▼ 11.86%
Novan, Inc.	\$ 6.30	0.67 ▼ 9.61%
Aquinox Pharmaceuticals, Inc.	\$ 12.85	1.30 ▼ 9.19%
Empire Resorts, Inc.	\$ 22.50	2 ▼ 8.16%

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“Schhh... You Know Who” European Court to rule on tonic water

A WAR has broken out between Coca Cola and Japanese drinks manufacturer Suntory over the import of millions of bottles of Schweppes tonic water from Britain to Spain.

Schweppes Spain, owned by Suntory has taken action against companies selling British made Schweppes tonic water and a major importer.

So heated has the argument become that the main court in Barcelona has had to submit the matter to the Court of Justice of the European Union (CJEU) the EU's highest court for an opinion before making a ruling.

Coca Cola owns the rights to produce Schweppes tonic water and other drinks in the UK and a number of other countries as does Suntory, but with the growth in popularity of gin and tonic across Europe, one Spanish distributor in particular decided that more money could be made by importing the quinine-based drink from the UK.

It is estimated that the import of British tonic accounted for 5 per cent of total Spanish sales and action was taken against wholesalers who supplied bars and restaurants with the tonic as well as the main importer who had 45,000 bottles seized at ports of landing.

Whilst Coca Cola has signed a private agreement not to send Schweppes tonic water direct to Spain, the distributor has argued that it is doing nothing wrong and that the Schweppes' brand is closely associated in the minds of consumers with Coca Cola.

The counter argument not only disputes this but points out that Spanish Schweppes tonic tastes different to the UK pro-



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TONIC WATER:
Perfect to go
with gin.

duced version and even has different sized bubbles.

Once the CJEU completes its deliberations, their conclusion will be passed to Barcelona and a final decision will be handed down, so that one side will be able to relax with an enjoyable G&T.

Intellectual Property lawyers await the decision with interest as there are many branded items produced in different parts of the European Union where parallel imports are known to take place from Eastern Europe to wealthier States and precedence in law is always helpful.

BUILDING A LOCAL CURRENCY FOR LOCAL PEOPLE New version of old concept

AN Israeli company, Colu, has attracted more than €10 million financial investment from corporate investors prepared to take a chance on new high tech start-up companies.

Originally formed to take advantage of the interest in digital currencies following the success of bitcoin, it has shifted its emphasis to introduce local online currencies for specific cities.

Starting in Israel and the UK, there is every likelihood that if the test cases are successful, we could see the same concept arriving in Spain.

The actual idea is quite simple and takes the previously tried concept of a local currency and digitises it so they now operate the Haifa Shekel and the Liverpool Pound.

Local companies agree to sign up free of charge to Colu and confirm that they will accept digital payment and consumers also sign up to convert their pounds on a one for one basis for the Liverpool Pound.

There are no charges to change money nor are there charges when payments are made but in order to prosper



Photo by Colu

PROMOTING local shopping.



Colu charges 1.5 per cent when the digital currency is cashed in.

The attraction for local business is that it pays no fees to accept digital payment and as membership - both business and consumer - grows so there will be an increasing market of local shoppers.

Research shows that large businesses such as supermarkets and major retailers move up to 70 per cent of in-

come earned out of the area to regional or main bank accounts whilst local businesses keep up to 65 per cent of income circulating within the area.

The concept is good, but there are potential drawbacks as there is only so much local business to business trade that can be undertaken before small companies need to 'cash in' their Liverpool Pounds which is when they lose 1.5 per cent of their total.

Equally, if businesses keep hold of all of their digital income, Colu won't make any income and could well 'pull the plug.'

None of the four trial areas have been trading for long enough to indicate whether this is a potentially viable option, but the fact that some major venture capitalists are prepared to help fund the company suggests that this could be the next big thing in the digital world.

If it does take off, then the only slight irony will be a concept that looks to support local shops for local people will see a percentage of the money earned disappearing to Israel.

Spain boosts private pensions

THE Minister for the Economy, Luis de Guindos has made it known that the government is anxious to encourage investment in personal pension plans.

He therefore intends to put a draft Royal Decree before Parliament reducing the maximum management fee for plans from 1.5 per cent to 1.25 per cent of the value of the investment.

This is the second reduction since 2014 when the maximum fee was reduced from 2 per cent and will be criticised by investment managers who claimed that they lost €100 million of income then and could lose another €50 million if this law is approved.

From 2025 it will also be easier for individuals to release part of their pension investments.

Winner of Ig Nobel prize

A RECENT Spanish development for unborn babies known as the Babypod is available for pregnant women at a cost of €149.95.

This small intra-vaginal device stimulates neural development in unborn babies through music.

The company which has been set up by four scientists says studies show that it encourages communication and vocalisation in babies before birth through the music streamed.

Babypod gives them their first musical and learning experience and is far more effective than other devices affixed to the stomach.

Not everyone agrees however as it has been singled out for an Ig Nobel in this year's annual awards presented by humorous American scientific magazine Annals of Improbable Research.

BREXIT MAY HURT EXPATRIATE PENSIONS

UK needs new agreement

CONSERVATIVE MP Nicky Morgan, Chairman of the UK Treasury Committee has written to the Chancellor regarding possible loss of pension payments and insurance for expatriates.

It appears that what are known as cross-border insurance policies may no longer be permitted following Brexit unless some form of agreement is reached between the UK and European Union.

In essence, a number of policies which run after March 2019 have been sold to customers under passporting arrangements which allow for the insurers to make payments into the EU but these arrangements will in theory be stopped post Brexit unless some form of agreement is reached.

Pensioners in particular should not immediately worry as it is believed state and other pensions paid into UK accounts should be safe but there may be some difficulty in respect of private pensions paid in euros into EU accounts.

The same may be true for other insurance policies also written in the UK

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Nicky Morgan, Chair of UK Treasury Committee.

but covering properties, lives or other matters in Spain.

This is not some form of crafty trick by insurance companies but a situation which means that without some form of agreement, they will either have to withhold payment or risk breaking the law.

So far, the United Kingdom has indicated that part of the initial discussions involved cross-border sales of goods and

materials but according to the Treasury Committee, both the UK and EU appear to have overlooked these sales.

As it could take anywhere from nine to 18 months for legislation to be put in place to allow these transfers or for British insurers to either set up subsidiaries abroad or transfer their existing portfolios to third parties, the problem is quite urgent.

In her letter to the Chancellor, Philip Hammond, Miss Morgan said "The possibility UK providers may not be legally able to pay out pensions or insurance contracts to citizens in the EU - including UK expats - is a stark example of the consequences of a 'cliff edge' Brexit."

She went on to say that "It is therefore surprising there have been no position papers from the [European] commission or the government proposing how it might be addressed."

It is estimated there may be several hundred thousand contracts which could be affected and therefore this intervention by the Treasury Committee is clearly very timely.

Catalan pension fears

AS the Catalan Independence Referendum row rolls on, employees and pensioners in the province are receiving mixed messages about the viability of an Independent state.

Whilst the Catalan government has been issuing comforting words to the estimated 500,000 existing pensioners, the government in Madrid suggests that there would be a shortfall of just under €4.7 billion to pay them.

With the largest number of workers falling in the 25 to 54 age category, the number of pensioners could well grow over the coming years which would put a further strain on the Catalan economy.

Without national support, the government suggests that the independent state could see job losses of at least 250,000 which would also reduce the pension pot and increase the drain on social service payments.

Losing mental capacity whilst living abroad

by Stone King

Charlotte Macdonald

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

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

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



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

What is an LPA?

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

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

Your attorney can be a professional,

such as a solicitor or a family member or friend.

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

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

Why should you get an LPA?

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

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

Will my LPA be recognised in Spain?

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

The advice we give to our clients at Stone King, is that if you have assets in both Spain and the UK, your only safe option is to appoint attorneys in both jurisdictions.



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No one's laughing now are they?

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OTHERS THINK IT



IF the UK doesn't toughen up against the threat of potential terrorism we really can put our heads between our legs and kiss our proverbials goodbye.

The first thing the government has to come to terms with (and more importantly publicly admit), is that we are in a war. The second thing, imperative to any successful outcome, is to openly recognise that the active participants in this conflict are predominantly young men, who hail from ethnic backgrounds and are followers of Islamic beliefs.

Political correctness and the fear of being labelled a racist preventing us admitting who our enemies are is utterly ridiculous. The power to intercept internet use and freeze suspects' bank accounts, rescinded in 2011 due to some human rights infringement protest (surprise, surprise) must be restored. Internment must be brought back.

The 23,000 terrorist suspects presently at large in the UK have to be monitored more closely, including phone hacking and the eavesdropping of conversations. No individual convicted of terrorism should have access to public funds for leave



ANTI-TERROR MEASURES: Must be intensified?

to appeal and, where possible, immediate deportation should be in effect. Suspects' homes must be raided far more frequently. Mosques and schools, suspected of preaching radicalism, must be closed down and offending leaders jailed. Police have to be given much wider powers and not be in fear of recrimination for offending some religious ritual

or another. We are quite simply too damned soft. The days of Geneva conventions and fair play is over. This enemy merely looks on any sign of decency as a weakness. These people kill women and children and even their own kind indiscriminately. They saw peoples' heads off and crucify others on social media. You can't possibly fight a

war against them shackled by political correctness or the fear that you may 'offend' somebody.

This war is also being fought on many fronts, including a growing number in high office, banner bearers who parade the streets and bleaters in the public media. The enemy is everywhere. Strange is it not, that when I warned of all this 20 years ago I was accused of being a ranting idiot and indeed often observed as a laughing stock? Well in the words of Nigel Farage to the European government. No one's laughing now are they?

I will finish this week on a somewhat lighter note. Ta ra!

Couldn't help laughing at a story I picked up during the week. It concerned the late great actor Yul Brynner. Apparently during the run of *The King and I* at the London Palladium in the 60's, one elderly fan waited at the stage door every night with a bunch of flowers for Mr Brynner. Every time they were offered the star declined.

On the final night the lady duly turned up and hit Brynner over the head with her bouquet. This was brilliantly observed in the piece I read as a memorable example of the 'fan hitting the s..t'! Ha ha. Got to laugh ain't ya?

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SUPERYACHTS are getting bigger, bolder and more futuristic. Bars, restaurants and even water slides are all expected on the biggest sea vessels.

Many support jet skis among their 'toys,' while others have helicopter pads, and a few go one step further and have a submarine in tow, or onboard Picasso or Rembrandt artworks.

Here is a roundup of the Top Seven biggest superyachts on the waters today:

Azzam

Size: 180.6 metres
Cost (at purchase): €450 million
Owner: Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan, UAE President and Ruler of Abu Dhabi
Manufactured: Germany

Fulk Al Salamah

Size: 164 metres
Cost: Unknown
Owner: Oman ruling family
Manufactured: Italy



Eclipse

Size: 162.5 metres
Cost: €340 million
Owner: Roman Abramovich, Chelsea owner
Manufactured: Denmark

Dubai

Size: 162 metres
Cost: €338 million
Owner: Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Ruler of Dubai
Manufactured: Germany

Dilbar

Size: 156 metres
Cost: €335 million
Owner: Arsenal shareholder Alisher Usmanov
Manufactured: Germany

Al Said

Size: 155 metres
Cost: Unknown
Owner: Qaboos bin Said al Said, the Sultan of Oman
Manufactured: Germany

Topaz

Size: 147.25 metres
Cost: €400 million
Owner: Sheikh Mansour, Deputy premier of UAE and Manchester City owner
Manufactured: Germany



Superyacht owners splash the cash but few

Awash with

Peeping into the world of superyachts offshore in southern Spain and talking onshore to people in the know about the super-rich and famous provides an amazing eye-opener for land-lubber David Noon, including how to save a small fortune on fuel to spotting an on-board Picasso.

NOTHING says rich like a superyacht. A Rolls-Royce or a stately home - even a private jet - pales in significance compared to the exuberance of wealth that a superyacht purports.

The superyacht is the ultimate toy to many A-list celebrities, Russian oligarchs and Middle Eastern royal families seeking out the high-life on the seas.

And so it could be safe to assume that the owners of the monumental vessels have little time - or need - to worry about the cost of their homes at sea.

Think again.

Just as the majority of us will shop around for the best mobile phone or flight deal, superyacht owners are keen to bag a bargain wherever they can.

In fact, a wise oligarch could be saved as much as €25,000 on a single tank full of fuel should he - or his hired crew - know where to stop off.

This is a fair old chunk of cash when you consider the cost of cleaners, maintenance, catering staff, and everything else in the world of yachting, where some cynics claim that the two best days in a boat owner's life are the

day that he buys... and the day that he sells!

Chelsea owner Roman Abramovich's best-known yacht (he has five in total), the Eclipse, reportedly has 70 staff to cater to the guests' every need and operate not only the superyacht but also its mini-submarine.

The world's largest superyacht, the Azzam (a staggering 180 metres, or 1.75 times longer than a standard football pitch), is estimated to set its royal Arab owner back an eye-watering \$60 million every year in upkeep alone.

Owning a superyacht isn't for the rich or even the super-rich. It is for an elite class so far up the wealth ladder that it's hard to imag-

The biggest superyachts have 50 bedroom suites accommodating around 100 people.



WORLD'S BIGGEST: The Azzam measures in at 180 metres long.



43 metre superyacht:
Fuel capacity:
22,430 litres
(around £15,000)

Rising Sun a favourite with world's famous



From left: Barack Obama, Tom Hanks, Oprah Winfrey and Noel Gallagher.

MEDIA magnate David Geffen's Rising Sun superyacht often hosts the rich and famous, with Barack Obama and wife Michelle, US TV Oprah Winfrey and actor Tom Hanks, as well as pop supremo Bruce Springsteen, fashion designer Calvin Klein and ex rock-icon Noel Gallagher all spotted aboard, including in local waters around Ibiza.



RISING SUN: Chartered by the famous.

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TALL STORY: Super Yacht A and (inset) owner Melnichenko.

Rock stop to forget

WHILE there is undoubtedly cash to be saved from a stop-off in Gibraltar, one Russian billionaire will be wishing that his mega vessel had not put into Gibraltar earlier this year.

No sooner had the captain of Andrey Melnichenko superyacht berthed than the Gibraltar Port Authority impounded the €400m superyacht, Sailing Yacht A.

Seized, the tallest (and 10th longest) superyacht in the world, was held over unpaid fees, with German shipbuilder Nobiskrug claiming that the

Russian industrialist owed €15.3 million in overdue fees for the €143 million vessel.

Designed by French interior designer Philippe Starck (who has a place in Ronda in southern Spain), the Sailing Yacht A remained in the hands of the Port Authority for two weeks until Melnichenko and Nobiskrug reached an agreement and all potential civil charges were dropped against him.

Melnichenko also owns a superyacht called Motor Yacht A which is reportedly up for sale for around €200 million.

Pricey plaything

FOR those deciding not to buy, superyachts are easily available for hire, though the average cost of chartering vessels costing between €300-500 million is €300,000 per week.

For this the owners throw in the full crew requirement and fuel, but not many aim to make a profit overall, for the cost of running such vessels over 12 months is around €40 million.

Whether being used solely by the owners, family and friends, or being chartered out to help offset running costs, many of the superyachts that use the Mediterranean in the European summer months head for the Caribbean from November to April.

This means the opportunity for further sunshine holidays afloat, for rest assured the super-rich are not tied to just a fortnight break once a year!

It's show time

FOR some a trip to the Monaco Grand Prix can be a marker of success.

However it is the Monaco Yacht Show where those above the other half go to splash the cash.

Drawing in everyone from buyers and sellers to charters and interior designers, no stone is left unturned at the marquee event on the yachting

calendar, with even a submarine section for yacht owners who want to delve under the sea.

Come September 30, the harbour will again be full as this year's yachting community rolls into town, so if you have a spare €300 million or so, pack your bags and head for the south of France.

You won't be disappointed!



PACKED HARBOUR: The Monaco Yacht Show.

Up to 2,000 engineers are required to build a superyacht costing between €300-500 million.

ine. And because of this only 20 on average superyachts are commissioned each year.

Costing between €300-500 million with an average build time of three to four years, owning a yacht is a hobby for the top echelons of wealth.

And on top of the initial cost there are the countless extras to factor in: mini-submarines (as owned by Abramovich), support vessels, helicopters etc.

Add in upkeep, which in general is around 10 per cent of the build cost (between €30-50 million) each year - so yes an eye watering €3 - 5 million per annum - and the dizzying opulence of superyacht owning becomes clear.

While not all superyachts stretch as far as the Azzam, they are all still whopping great machines, and incredible savings can be made by fuelling up in the right places.

For example, a 37-metre boat (by no means the biggest sailing off southern

Spain and elsewhere in the Med) will have a tank which holds at least 42,500 litres and you don't get to own one of those sleek behemoths if you aren't aware of costs.

This is why Gibraltar has been attracting more superyachts than ever and is increasing the amount of dock space for them as diesel costs just 61c per litre and other chandlery goods as well as alcohol are considerably cheaper locally even than next door in Spain.

Clearly the likes of Chelsea owner Roman Abramovich isn't drawn to Gibraltar to visit Morrisons, nor does he have a strange affinity with the resident Barbary Macaques.

But money talks and superyacht calls to the Rock increased by 23 per cent in 2016 and continue to attract some of the world's largest and most expensive vessels.

Paul Gonzalez Morgan of Gibraltar Shipping states that the upturn in arrivals of superyachts is continuing to grow, as is the government's focus on

keeping them there.

He points to over 500 metres of deep berthing space for superyachts recently built as part of the Mid Harbour Marina as a sign of government commitment to making the Rock an attractive stop-off to world's superyacht skippers.

But it is not just Gibraltar that is on the map for cash-savvy yacht owners.

Malaga is also becoming an important stop for vessels that don't want to go as far as Gibraltar, but with diesel costing an average €1.05 per litre (and more in the other attractive marinas of Mallorca), it will cost an additional €18,700 in fuel to fill up.

Neighbouring France - the favoured offshore playground of many superyacht owners - offers some of the cheapest fuel if you can obtain it duty free at 45c per litre, but many owners have to pay duty and VAT which takes the price up to a whopping €1.45 per litre.

Sail down to the other end of the Mediterranean, and filling up will cost around €1.10 per litre in Turkey, which is cheaper than cash-strapped Greece which hovers around the €1.21 price.

Some superyachts have up to 70 crew members.

The Arab royal-owned super-yacht Solandge that charters out for €1 million a week, moored in Marbella earlier this month.



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courtesy of the Monaco Yacht Show

We're a slippery bunch!

Mike Senker

In my opinion

Views of a Grumpy Old Man



I LOVE a bit of shopping me. I can shop for hours. But, ha ha you knew there would be a but, didn't you? Otherwise I'd be Mr Happy wouldn't I? There are a couple of things that have put me off going to certain places to shop. The biggest culprit, for my dismay, is a certain chain of furniture shop.

It's not the things they sell - their quality and value is second to none and their meatballs are delicious. It's the way you are made to walk round the store like a herd of cattle. You can't just pop in and get something. You have to go round and round and, heaven forbid, you forget something when you get to the cash desk. It's a nightmare!

The other one this week was the big supermarket in the Myramar shopping mall who also have another branch down the road from where I live. Now in my local branch they have shopping trollies that clip on the front of wheelchairs so that if you are disabled you can shop more easily.

When I asked if they had any of these trollies at the Myramar branch the security man said I'd have to enquire at the

information desk.

So I went there and the lady said no, I'd have to go to the Myramar information desk and ask there. So, we went and there was no one there so now we had walked, not me of course because I'm in the wheelchair and poor Mrs S is pushing me, to the entrance of the supermarket, then all the way back to the store desk and then to the Myramar desk and now back to the supermarket desk where we tell the girl no one is at the mall information point.

She then picks up the phone and speaks to someone and a few minutes later another woman appears with a key, wanders off and then comes back with a wheelchair friendly trolley.

'Why is it locked up in a cupboard,' I ask. 'Because they get stolen,' I'm told which made me smile.

'So you are telling me that you have hundreds of able-bodied trollies, all over the place, that can be taken to car parks, streets and basically anywhere but the four that are used for us in wheelchairs have to be put under lock and key? Because we disabled lot are a slippery bunch and are more likely to run off with your trollies? I have to tell you disabled aren't too big on running anywhere in case you haven't noticed!'

I got the shrug and that was the end of that conversation.

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LEGALLY SPEAKING

Children in cars

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



BUCKLE UP: Ensure your child seat or restraint is of the correct size.

IN Spain, all children measuring 135cm in height or less must ride in the rear seats of a vehicle, irrespective of their age, and in addition to the requirements of the correct seat being provided appropriate to their size and weight.

There are a number of exceptions to the rule, for example, when the vehicle does not have rear seats, when all rear seats are already occupied by others under the same characteristics, and where it is not possible to install approved child restraints in those rear seats. These are the only occasions when children may occupy a front seat, but they must always use the restraint system approved for their height and weight.

Child restraints must also be installed in the vehicle in accordance with the instructions provided by the manufacturer and the instructions that will indicate how and what kind of vehicles can be used safely.

In 2014, two of the 14 children under 12 years of age who were killed whilst travelling in vehicles were not wearing any safety device at the time of the accident. It was the same for nine out of the 82 children who were seriously injured,

they too were not wearing any kind of restraint.

The DGT has increased the powers of the traffic police in dealing with adults who fail to take necessary responsibility for children, including the immediate immobilisation of a vehicle where children are found to be travelling without appropriate safety restraints.

To make the matter even clearer, there are a number of Golden Rules that must be followed regarding children in vehicles.

Never carry a child in your arms or use the same seat belt that is protecting the adult. The use of child restraint systems (CRS) reduced the risk of death by 75 per cent and the severity of injuries by 90 per cent.

Make sure the seat is properly installed. It should not move and ought to be properly secured, the recommended option being the Isofix anchorage system. The child's head should never be higher than the back of the seat.

It is recommended you continue to use appropriate and approved child restraint system until the child reaches 150cm in height. When taller than 150cm, they must use the vehicle seat belt.

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Will they pay inheritance tax?

Q. I am confused by the Spanish law on inheritance tax. I have a property in Almeria but I am not resident. I have a Spanish will which leaves my property to my son and my daughter equally.

They both live in the UK. Will they have to pay some high rate of inheritance tax that will leave them in debt?

S W (Costa del Sol)

A. Your property is in Andalucia, so we should not speak of Spanish law but of Andalusian law, because each of Spain's 17 Autonomous Regions has its own rules. Further, many of the Regions changed their rules in 2015 after the European Court of Justice ruled that the previous national law

David Searl

You and the Law in Spain



violated the equal rights of non-residents who are EU citizens.

In your case, the Andalusian inheritance law applies. Your son and daughter,

also EU citizens, each have an exemption of €175,000. If your property is valued at under €350,000, this means they will pay no tax at all. After Brexit, when your heirs are no longer EU citizens, they will face a tax bill of around €65,000 on a property worth €350,000.

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Healthcare a bitter pill to swallow

WE came to Spain five years ago.

Being under 65 years old we had to pay for private health care, which we have used and do understand, as our European Health Insurance Card will not cover us for long term future issues, only emergencies.

We never wanted to use them to get our residence paperwork, although they used this as a sweetener when we signed up.

We have not used the medical or dental cover for several months, and we understand that some people use this to get their residence and then cancel it once they have it, but we are not in this group.

We now want to leave Spain and have been asked to pay for the full amount of the remaining eight months, and according to our legal team this is correct!

So we either pay to fight or just pay the insurance company!

As we have not used the cover for

Wonders will never cease

FOR once, and probably never again, I will totally agree with the Little Arrows man. What the hell will come up next? He's absolutely right, leave the children to be children, boys or girls. The same applies for men and women, we like being who we are!

Sexless, what a dreamt-up definition. I understand the other meaning of the word but to say we should all be neither men nor woman is stupid.

Somebody, man or woman or a team must come up with this



BOYS AND GIRLS: Let them work it out for themselves.

tosh, probably advertising executives trying to enhance their sexless product ranges!

Right Mr Lee, that's enough agreeing with you. Can you

write something for me to really have a go at next time? Trump's a good one, or maybe u-turn Queen May?

Philip, San Fulgencio

the full term we feel that this is unfair and as a goodwill gesture our requests have been refused.

So, ask the right questions and choose your supplier wisely since the sales staff tend to be on commission and will certainly not fight your case as the customer.

Mark Antony Lang, Vera

Costa's finest

A MASSIVE vote of thanks to Benidorm's much maligned Local Police department. Recently I have noticed a large police presence on every road with access to Levante promenade.

This is obviously a plan to avert the use of vehicles being used in terrorist attacks and it is very reassuring to know that our Local Police are on hand to prevent this happening.

It would be all too easy to imagine the carnage that would ensue if these terrorists were allowed access to one of the busiest pedestrian walkways in the town.

Thank you one and all.

Alan Fenlon, Finestrat

Stop the hate

A FEW days ago, I wrote in a Facebook group that I had seen a boat coming dangerously close to a Marbella beach right among bathers, but others in the group told me to go back to my country if I don't like it!

Then, I saw an elderly Englishman being abused while trying to park his car at the supermarket until he got scared and drove away. What is happening? Things were never like this before!

Christine Farnell, El Pinillo

Parking mad

THE new parking system at Malaga airport is nothing short of atrocious! Arriving to collect my father last week, I ended up in the 'new' short term car park (effectively a tarmacked area surrounded by cheap fencing) by accident due to a lack of signage.

I then had to pay €5 to get out despite having only been in 'the compound' for a total of three minutes!

A grumpy expat, Coin

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'Hero' takes down rowdy passenger

AN aggressive man was choked to the ground by a fellow passenger during a Ryanair flight.

Well done! The guy knew what he was doing, he's martial arts trained and put a 'sleeper' on him, just enough squeeze pressure on the jugular till his knees buckle, and blood/oxygen slows down to the brain! Perfect! He'd have got a my foot right in the groin!! He should be locked up!

Julie Jones Peel

Don't need aggressive passengers, why can't they just behave, well done that guy who dealt with him. *Ann Gregory*

What were Ryanair crew doing, surely they should have kept control, not a passenger!!

Annette Paterson

May require security staff on certain flights or destinations; shouldn't need to but maybe as a precaution!

Lynn Brown

Ryanair to axe 40-50 flights a day

With less than 24 hours notice low-cost airline Ryanair has announced it will cancel 40-50 flights a day until the end of October 'to im-

Comments from EWN online

prove its system-wide punctuality.'

They should have their licence revoked. If you take bookings then operate your flights, I was considering them for a flight to Malta next year but this has changed my mind.

Robert Baxter Johnston

Text arrived at 6.35pm to cancel flight 9am next day. Tel no to contact them no answer and live chat not available .

Office closed 7pm, received email at 8pm with refund or rebook link, rebooked for following day after three attempts but had to pay for seats again. I'm hoping to get refund. Beware if you ask for a refund at once then Ryanair believe no compensation is payable.

I also had my flight cancelled during World Cup last year due to fly Marseille to Lille to follow England, offered a flight seven days later. I asked for hotel etc the lady on Ryanair desk called police over and accused me of being racist and abusive to her, total lie however when asked to leave airport gendarme turned at same

time she pointed me out to a colleague and smirked, he took me out and apologised.

Brian Young

Airport unions 'fear the worst' but talks go on

TALKS between the government and the airport unions have not gone as well as previous meetings, with some unions "fearing the worst" as key demands cause tension.

They should fire them all and rehire. Lots of people wanting to work.

Lisa Dandanell Ruggero

Not so easy Lisa, some of those people have to be trained for years, IE air traffic control. You can't just instantly dismiss and rehire. Plus what we don't see from this story is... maybe the strike is the last straw for the workers who have a stressful and sometimes dangerous job to do.

Alan Hill

So cross we should be able to plan flights not an easy feat at the best of times

Maureen Pearson

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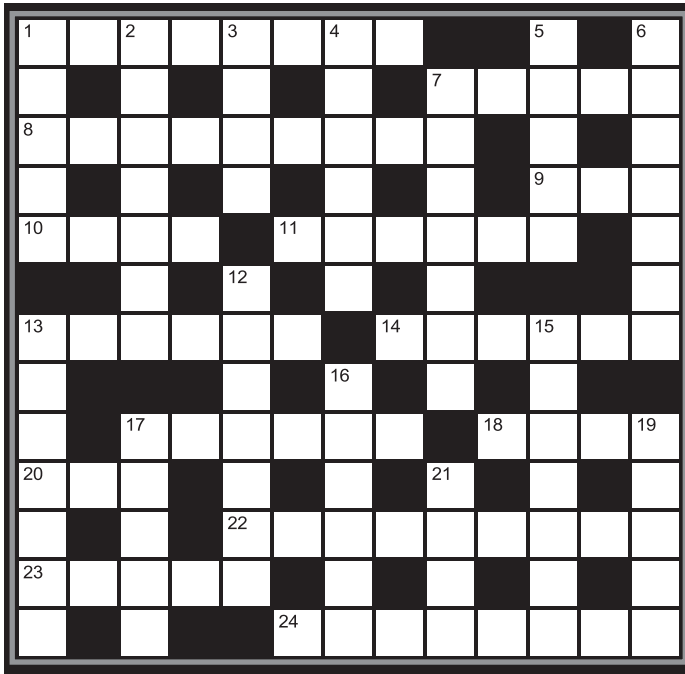
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- 18 US possession of Antigua, maybe (4)
- 20 Meeting place in the old encampment (3)
- 22 Working exercise into speech (9)
- 23 Permit everyone to be in debt endlessly (5)
- 24 I let tots out to find a dagger (8)



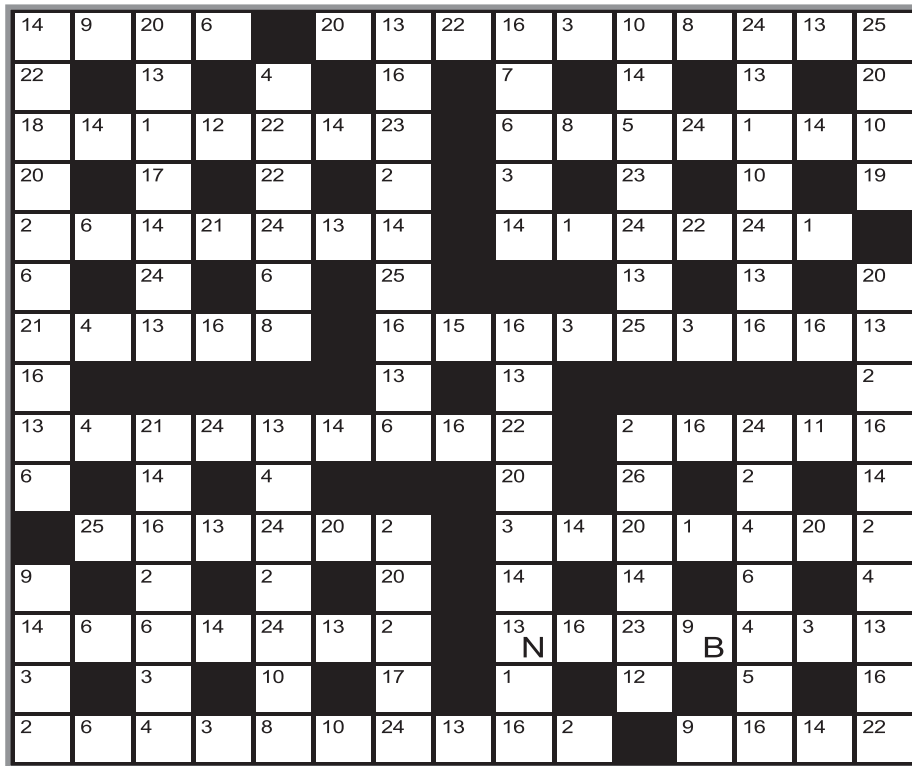
Down

- 1 Model answer to a tricky question (5)
- 2 Get back to work miracle (7)
- 3 Produce Time Out (4)
- 4 Firm dates set next year (6)
- 5 They secure the normal

- 6 Risk 50 in part of the church (7)
- 7 There's nothing to marvel about in a change of home (7)
- 12 Heavenly arch for artist in East London (7)
- 13 Athens and Baghdad contain ballast (7)
- 15 Sightseer in amongst our Istanbul visit (7)
- 16 Man of the cloth's a pain in the neck taking religious instruction (6)
- 17 Fireplace in middle part of King Lear (5)
- 19 Chap to leave with fruit (5)
- 21 Armour in the post (4)

Code Breaker

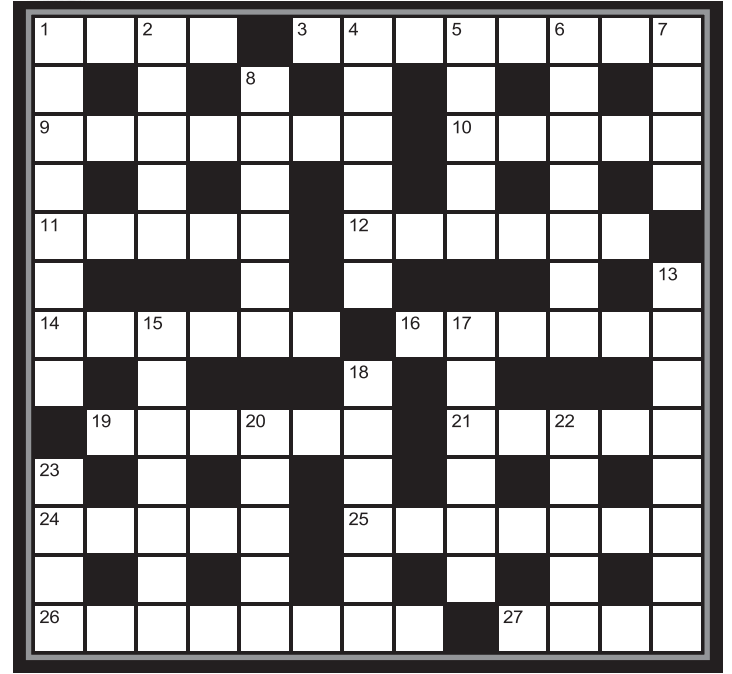
Each number in the Code Breaker grid represents a different letter of the alphabet. In this week's puzzle, 9 represents B and 13 represents N, so fill in B every time the figure 9 appears and N every time the figure 13 appears. Now, using your knowledge of the English language, work out which letters should go in the missing squares. As you discover the letters, fill in other squares with the same number in the main grid and the control grid.



1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
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14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION FACING PAGE

Quick



Across

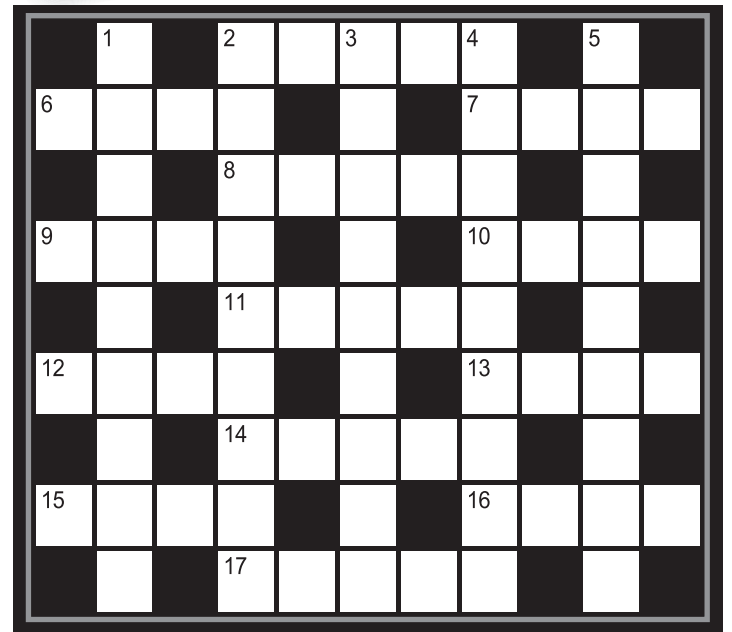
- 1 Boring (4)
- 3 Female descendant (8)
- 9 Mythical being that is half man and half horse (7)
- 10 Leaves out (5)
- 11 White heron (5)
- 12 Cause to start burning (6)
- 14 Evening meal (6)
- 16 Calm (6)
- 19 Annoy persistently (6)
- 21 Drive off or back (5)
- 24 Once more (5)
- 25 Small pickled cucumber (7)
- 26 Egg dish (8)
- 27 Coloured eye part (4)

Down

- 1 Make smaller (8)
- 2 Pertaining to the moon (5)
- 4 Filled with fear or apprehension (6)
- 5 Indicate pain, discomfort or displeasure (5)
- 6 National flower of Scotland (7)
- 7 Move fast (4)
- 8 Armed engagement (8)
- 13 Leans in a recumbent position on back or side (8)
- 15 Make or get ready (7)
- 17 Gained by labour (6)
- 18 Giving out or reflecting much light (6)
- 20 Stretched tight (5)
- 22 Card game (5)
- 23 Lower part of a wall (4)

English - Spanish

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



Across

- 2 To take out (5)
- 6 Luxury (4)
- 7 Yesterday (4)
- 8 Seas (5)
- 9 Topo (4)
- 10 Árbol (4)

Down

- 11 To bring (5)
- 12 Con (4)
- 13 Island (4)
- 14 In the same way (5)
- 15 Aturdir (4)
- 16 Parrot (4)
- 17 Greasy (skin, complexion) (5)

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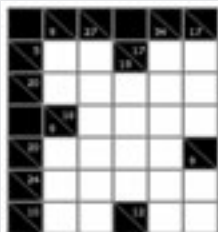
MADDOCKS' VIEW ON LIFE



' SHRINKING LAKES AND A WATER SHORTAGE - THESE PLASTIC BOTTLES THOUGH A MENACE COULD BE SAFE HAVEN FOR US FISH '

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



TARGET:

- Average: 17
- Good: 24
- Very good: 35
- Excellent: 45

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

aged aide amid dame damn dang deaf dean dime dine ding egad fade fend find idea idem made maid mead mend midi mind admen admin aimed amend amide deign denim famed fiend fined gamed imide indie maned media midge mined named aiding defang fading fanged gained imaged maiden median medina defaming imagined **MAGNIFIED**

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

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

LOTTERY

UK NATIONAL LOTTERY

Saturday September 16



IRISH LOTTO

Saturday September 16



EURO MILLIONS

Tuesday September 12



Friday September 15



LA PRIMITIVA

Saturday September 16



EL GORDO DE LA PRIMITIVA

Sunday September 17



YOUR STARS FOR NEXT 7 DAYS

AQUARIUS (January 21 - February 19)

Cast your net wide this week and be prepared to take advantage of a state of freedom. With high energy and an expansive mind, you are in a good position. Avoid being thrown out of kilter by activities around you. It may be difficult to make real progress at times but that does not mean you are unable to plan.

LEO (July 24 - August 23)

Having been given a chance to take responsibility at the beginning of the month, you are determined to do your best. Certainly, it is a time to concentrate on any business matters which need attention.

VIRGO (August 24 - September 23)

A great light shines on your romantic life. Whether it is meeting up with old chums or a new date, there is electricity in the air for you. Equally, a business coupling is particularly fruitful and you count your blessings to have gone down a particular path.

PISCES (February 20 - March 20)

As the moon shines on you, it is almost possible to feel the light. After a few recent hiccups it is now possible to get down to achieving your heart's desire. Whether that is what you will want at the end of the day is neither here nor there.

LIBRA (September 24 - October 23)

The usually flamboyant attitude which is yours at this time of the year is now subdued, but this will not last for too much longer and soon things will be back to normal. You will be looking to spice up your romantic life and your partner will be only too willing to go along with your suggestions.

ARIES (March 21 - April 20)

There will be good news regarding an application or legal document. Following on from that your finances take a turn for the better and this could be long term. Having extra cash is great, but be wary of someone who would like to part you from it. At the weekend, events take a romantic turn but timing may be bad owing to other commitments.

SCORPIO (October 24 - November 22)

There is a lot going on and sometimes you need to take a step back. A feeling that you have covered some ground before is not unfounded. However, there are certain aspects of your life which need to be revisited. Only in this way are you able to see the real progress that has been made.

TAURUS (April 21 - May 21)

Although you feel more in control as the week comes to an end, do not make the mistake of counting your chickens before they are hatched. If you do, you could end up with egg on your face.

SAGITTARIUS (November 23 - December 21)

Expectations are high. With energy peaking early on, projects gain momentum and there are early results. A suggestion made to a loved one some time ago is now acceptable and there could be some excitement. Rather than setting down hard-and-fast plans, it may be better to be flexible.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)

Colleagues are far from helpful at the moment and you may even feel that matters are going backwards. It may be necessary to move away and leave them to haggle among themselves. Perhaps later you may step in and take control of the confusion. If your business life is far from good then it is more than balanced by harmony at home.

CAPRICORN (December 22 - January 20)

Your love life is highlighted and, although you may be suspicious of your good luck, this is a new phase. Whereas before you had some reason to mistrust you are now able to have confidence. It is a great time to progress your inclinations on the romantic front.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)

Your mind is sharp and it is easy to spot problems before they arise. Some dispute regarding a trip is disappointing. However, you are not able to please everyone in this instance.

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

CRYPTIC

- Across:**
- 1 Testify, 5 Capon, 8 Glean, 9 Realtor, 10 Implore, 11 Glade, 12 Purse, 14 Acres, 19 Races, 21 Trample, 23 Cheroot, 24 Hoard, 25 Siren, 26 Hostage.
- Down:**
- 1 Tigris, 2 Sweep, 3 Igneous, 4 Yorker, 5 Clang, 6 Pottage, 7 Nerves, 13 Unclear, 15 Coaches, 16 Tricks, 17 Stitch, 18 Peddle, 20 Swoon, 22 Plaza.

QUICK

- Across:**
- 1 Sticky, 4 Boats, 8 Lemon, 9 Contact, 10 Contain, 11 Here, 12/18 Tip off, 14 Zero, 15 Robe, 21 Link, 23 Respond, 25 Nervous, 26 Right, 27 Steel, 28 Nectar.
- Down:**
- 1 Select, 2 Immense, 3 Kangaroo, 4 Band, 5 Aware, 6 Settee, 7 Scent, 13 Preserve, 16 Brought, 17 Blends, 19 Fresh, 20 Editor, 22 Nurse, 24 Foil.

ENGLISH-SPANISH

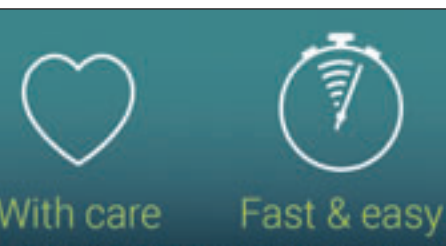
- Across:**
- 1 Cuando, 4 Tail, 8 Sepia, 9 Agree, 10 England, 14 Carta, 15 Cabra, 16 Obey, 17 Oddest.
- Down:**
- 1 Casi, 2 Apple-tree, 3 Dia, 5 Agradable, 6 Lies, 7 Sala, 11 Goal, 12 Ocio, 13 Wait, 15 Cod.

KAKURO



CODE BREAKER

1	N	K	M	B	V	W	O	Y	Z	X	F	S	G
14	T	Q	U	P	L	D	E	A	J	R	H	C	I



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THURSDAY - 21 SEPTEMBER

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7:00am	Breakfast	7:00am	Flog it! Trade Secrets	8:00pm	Beyond 100 Days <i>The latest national and international news, exploring the day's events from a global perspective.</i>	7:00am	Countdown	9:45am	Peppa Pig
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1:38pm	Bargain Hunt	10:00am	BBC Newsroom Live	1:00pm	Couples Come Dine with Me	10:00am	Frasier	1:15pm	The Hotel Inspector
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3:15pm	The Boss	2:45pm	£100k House: Tricks of the Trade	4:00pm	A Place in the Sun	1:00pm	Channel 4 News	4:15pm	My Husband is Missing
4:00pm	Escape to the Country	3:45pm	Who Do You Think You Are?	5:00pm	Come Dine with Me	1:05pm	Couples Come Dine with Me	6:00pm	5 News at 5
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12:45am	This Week	1:15am	Celebrity MasterChef			11:35pm	Would I Lie to You?	1:50pm	Inspector
1:30am	Weather for the Week Ahead	2:45am	This Farming Life			12:05am	The NFL Show	2:15pm	Home and Away
1:35am	BBC News							2:45pm	Neighbours

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2:55pm	ITV News London	1:50pm	Coronation Street	12:35pm	On the Buses	1:25pm	The Saint	10:00am	Cricket
3:00pm	Judge Rinder	2:20pm	Coronation Street	1:40pm	Barging Round	1:25pm	The Saint	1:00pm	Cricket
4:00pm	Dickinson's Real Deal	2:50pm	The Ellen DeGeneres Show	1:40pm	Barging Round Britain with John Sergeant	1:40pm	Barging Round	1:00pm	Cricket
5:00pm	Tipping Point	3:45pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show	2:10pm	Heartbeat	2:50pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show	1:00pm	Cricket
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2:30pm	ITV Lunchtime News	1:20pm	Emmerdale	12:00pm	George and Mildred	12:30pm	The Avengers	9:30am	Live News Zealand NPC Rugby
2:55pm	ITV News London	1:50pm	Coronation Street	12:35pm	On the Buses	1:35pm	The Saint	9:30am	Live News Zealand NPC Rugby
3:00pm	Judge Rinder	2:20pm	Coronation Street	1:40pm	Barging Round	2:45pm	Ironside	9:30am	Live News Zealand NPC Rugby
4:00pm	Dickinson's Real Deal	2:50pm	The Ellen DeGeneres Show	1:40pm	Barging Round Britain with John Sergeant	3:50pm	Quincy, M.E.	9:30am	Live News Zealand NPC Rugby
5:00pm	Tipping Point	3:45pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show	2:10pm	Heartbeat	4:55pm	Minder	11:20am	Rugby Archive
6:00pm	The Chase	4:50pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show	3:10pm	Doc Martin	5:55pm	The Avengers	11:30am	Premier League Daily
7:00pm	ITV News London	5:55pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show	4:15pm	Wild at Heart	5:55pm	The Avengers	12:00pm	Sky Sports Now
7:30pm	ITV Evening News	7:00pm	Dress to Impress	5:20pm	On the Buses	7:00pm	The Car Chasers	12:30pm	Live European Tour Golf
8:00pm	Emmerdale	8:00pm	You've Been Framed!	6:20pm	George and Mildred	8:00pm	Pawn Stars	2:30pm	Live Laver Cup Tennis
8:30pm	The Jewel	8:00pm	Two and a Half Men	6:55pm	Heartbeat	8:30pm	Pawn Stars	4:30pm	Live European Tour Golf
9:00pm	Raiders: Tonight	9:00pm	Two and a Half Men	8:00pm	Murder, She Wrote	9:00pm	Never Say Never Again	7:30pm	Live PGA Tour Golf
9:30pm	Emmerdale	9:30pm	Two and a Half Men	9:00pm	Foyle's War	10:05pm	FYI Daily	9:00pm	Live Super League
10:00pm	Safe House	10:00pm	Bromans	11:10pm	The Guilty	10:10pm	Never Say Never Again	11:00pm	The Debate - Live
11:00pm	ITV News at Ten and Weather	11:00pm	Celebrity Juice	12:10am	The Blonde Bombshell	11:40pm	Assault on Precinct 13	12:00am	Through the Night
11:30pm	ITV News London	11:00pm	Family Guy	2:20am	Wycliffe	12:40am	Assault on Precinct 13		
11:40pm	Sports Life Stories	11:50pm	Family Guy			1:10am	Mr Selfridge		
12:40am	Bear Grylls: Mission Survive	12:15am	Family Guy			11:00pm	The Guilty		
		1:15am	American Dad!			12:05am	Wycliffe		

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7:00am Breakfast	7:15am The NFL Show	8:00pm Incredible Human Journey	9:35am Frasier	11:50am Make You Laugh Out Loud
11:00am Saturday Kitchen Live	7:45am How We Won the War	9:00pm Wild China	10:05am Frasier	12:15pm Police
12:30pm The Hairy Bikers' Comfort Food	8:15am African Cats	9:00pm Wild China	10:35am The Big Bang Theory	12:15pm Police
1:00pm Football Focus	9:45am Kitty Foyle	9:00pm Wild China	11:05am The Big Bang Theory	1:10pm Police
A look ahead to this weekend's football action with interviews, expert opinions and highlights.	11:30am Railways of the Great War with Michael Portillo	9:00pm Wild China	11:30am The Big Bang Theory	1:10pm Police
2:00pm BBC News	12:00pm Coast	9:00pm Wild China	11:55am The Simpsons	2:10pm Police
2:10pm Weather	1:00pm Rick Stein's Long Weekends	9:00pm Wild China	12:25pm The Simpsons	2:10pm Police
2:15pm Bargain Hunt	2:00pm Cheetahs	9:00pm Wild China	12:55pm Come Dine with Me	3:05pm Police
3:00pm Cycling	3:00pm Flog It!	9:00pm Wild China	1:25pm Come Dine with Me	4:05pm Nightmare Tenants, Slum Landlords
5:00pm Final Score	3:30pm Mastermind	10:00pm Black Lake	1:55pm Come Dine with Me	5:05pm Nightmare Tenants, Slum Landlords
6:15pm BBC News	4:00pm University Challenge	10:45pm Black Lake	2:30pm Come Dine with Me	6:05pm The Nightmare Neighbour Next Door
6:25pm Regional News	4:30pm Only Connect	11:30pm James May: The Reassembler	3:00pm Come Dine with Me	7:05pm The Nightmare Neighbour Next Door
6:30pm Weather	5:00pm Cycling	12:00am Top of the Pops	3:30pm Homes by the Sea	8:00pm Can't Pay?
6:35pm Pointless	6:30pm Gardeners' World	12:00am Top of the Pops	4:35pm A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun	8:00pm Can't Pay?
7:25pm Strictly Come Dancing	7:30pm The Big Family Cooking Showdown	12:00am Top of the Pops	5:35pm A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun	9:00pm Can't Pay?
9:45pm Casualty	8:30pm Front Row	12:00am Top of the Pops	6:35pm Location, Location, Location	9:00pm Can't Pay?
10:35pm Mrs. Brown's Boys	9:00pm Grand Tours of the Scottish Islands	12:30am Top of the Pops	7:30pm Channel 4 News	9:55pm 5 News
11:05pm BBC News	9:30pm Dad's Army	1:00am Fleetwood Mac: Don't Stop	8:00pm Britain's Ancient Tracks with Tony Robinson	10:00pm Football on 5
11:20pm Weather	10:00pm Later...with Jools Holland 25th Birthday Show	1:00am Fleetwood Mac: Don't Stop	9:00pm WWII's Great Escapes	11:00pm Football on 5
11:25pm Match of the Day	12:00am Brighton Rock	2:00am Brilliant Lights, Brilliant Minds: A Tale of Three Cities	10:00pm Cowboys and Aliens	11:30pm NCIS: Los Angeles
12:55am People Just Do Nothing	1:45am The Stepford Wives	3:00am Wild China	12:20am Survivor	1:00am Super Casino
1:25am Hollywood Homicide	3:10am This is BBC Two			

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7:00am CITV	7:00am Totally Bonkers	7:00am Judge Judy	7:00am Goals of the 90's	7:00am Good Morning Sports Fans
10:25am ITV News	7:25am Guinness World Records	7:20am Murder, She Wrote	7:10am River Monsters	8:00am Good Morning Sports Fans
10:30am Saturday Morning with James Martin	7:25am Emmerdale	8:20am Carry on Up the Jungle	7:30am Motorsport UK	9:00am Good Morning Sports Fans
12:25pm Hungry Sailors	10:00am Coronation Street	9:20am FYI Daily	8:25am The Big Fish Off	9:00am Good Morning Sports Fans
1:20pm ITV News and Weather	1:00pm The X Factor	9:25am Carry on Up the Jungle	9:25am Monster Carp	9:30am Live New Zealand NPC Rugby
1:25pm Midsomer Murders	2:05pm Take Me Out	10:10am Man About the House	10:30am ITV Racing: The Opening Show	9:30am Live New Zealand NPC Rugby
3:25pm The Chase	3:20pm You've Been Framed Gold!	11:10am FYI Daily	11:30am River Monsters	11:20am Rugby Archive
4:25pm The X Factor	4:15pm Babe	11:15am Man About the House	12:00pm Fishing Allstars	11:30am Soccer Saturday Pre-Match
5:25pm Little Big Shots	5:15pm FYI Daily	12:10pm Columbo	12:30pm Fishing Allstars	12:00pm Soccer Saturday Pre-Match
Variety show shining a spotlight on some of the world's most talented children.	6:10pm The Smurfs	1:35pm Agatha Christie's Marple	1:00pm British Touring Car Championship Highlights	12:30pm Football Rangers v Celtic
6:30pm Local News and Weather	7:10pm FYI Daily	3:35pm Foyle's War	11:20am Rugby Archive	3:45pm Gillette Soccer Saturday
6:40pm ITV News and Weather	8:15pm Gravity	5:50pm Foyle's War	11:30am Soccer Saturday Pre-Match	4:15pm Live Super League Q8
7:00pm The Family Chase	9:15pm FYI Daily	8:00pm Midsomer Murders	12:00pm Soccer Saturday Pre-Match	6:15pm Football Aston Villa v Nottingham Forest
8:00pm Cannonball!	10:00pm Gravity	10:00pm Midsomer Murders	12:30pm Football Rangers v Celtic	8:40pm Football Girona v Barcelona
9:00pm The X Factor	10:00pm 2 Fast 2 Furious	12:00am Sherlock: The Last Vampire	1:00pm British Touring Car Championship Highlights	10:45pm Live PGA Tour Golf
10:15pm The Jonathan Ross Show	11:00pm 2 Fast 2 Furious	2:10am On the Buses	1:00pm British Touring Car Championship Highlights	12:30am Football Through the Night
11:20pm ITV News and Weather	11:05pm 2 Fast 2 Furious	2:35am On the Buses	1:00pm British Touring Car Championship Highlights	
11:35pm Nutty Professor II: The Klumps	12:15am Family Guy	3:00am ITV3 Nightscreen	1:00pm British Touring Car Championship Highlights	
1:30am Jackpot247	1:15am Family Guy	3:00am ITV3 Nightscreen	1:00pm British Touring Car Championship Highlights	
4:00am Hungry Sailors	1:15am Family Guy	3:00am ITV3 Nightscreen	1:00pm British Touring Car Championship Highlights	

SUNDAY - 24 SEPTEMBER

BBC ONE BBC TWO BBC FOUR CHANNEL 4 CHANNEL 5

7:00am Breakfast	7:05am Great British Garden Revival	8:00pm Britain Beneath Your Feet	7:20am Last Man Standing	7:00am Milkshake!
8:30am Match of the Day	8:05am Gardeners' World	8:00pm Britain Beneath Your Feet	7:45am Last Man Standing	11:10am Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles
10:00am The Andrew Marr Show	9:05am The Beechgrove Garden	8:00pm Britain Beneath Your Feet	8:10am Everybody Loves Raymond	11:40am Football on 5
11:00am Sunday Morning Live	9:35am Countryfile	8:00pm Britain Beneath Your Feet	8:35am Everybody Loves Raymond	12:35pm Football on 5
12:00pm Sunday Politics	10:30am Saturday Kitchen	8:00pm Britain Beneath Your Feet	9:00am Everybody Loves Raymond	1:05pm Police
1:15pm Bargain Hunt	12:00pm Mary Berry's Foolproof Cooking	8:00pm Britain Beneath Your Feet	9:30am Frasier	2:00pm Police
2:00pm BBC News	12:30pm My Life on a Plate	8:00pm Britain Beneath Your Feet	10:00am Frasier	2:00pm Police
2:10pm Weather for the Week Ahead	3:15pm Money for Nothing	8:00pm Britain Beneath Your Feet	10:30am Sunday Brunch	3:00pm Annie
2:15pm Homes Under the Hammer	4:00pm Nothing	8:00pm Britain Beneath Your Feet	1:30pm The Simpsons	5:15pm Rich House, Poor House
3:15pm Money for Nothing	4:45pm Points of View	8:00pm Britain Beneath Your Feet	2:00pm The Simpsons	6:10pm Rich House, Poor House
4:00pm Escape to the Country	5:00pm Songs of Praise	8:00pm Britain Beneath Your Feet	2:30pm Hulk	7:10pm Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
4:45pm Points of View	5:35pm How to Stay Young	8:00pm Britain Beneath Your Feet	5:10pm The Crystal Maze	8:00pm Cricket on 5 Highlights coverage of England's summer season begins on 20th May 2014 on Channel 5.
5:00pm Songs of Praise	6:35pm Invictus Games 2017	8:00pm Britain Beneath Your Feet	6:10pm The Great British Bake Off	8:00pm Cricket on 5 Highlights coverage of England's summer season begins on 20th May 2014 on Channel 5.
5:35pm How to Stay Young	7:35pm BBC News	8:00pm Britain Beneath Your Feet	7:30pm Channel 4 News	8:00pm Cricket on 5 Highlights coverage of England's summer season begins on 20th May 2014 on Channel 5.
6:35pm Invictus Games 2017	7:50pm Regional News	8:00pm Britain Beneath Your Feet	8:00pm Escape to the Chateau	8:00pm Cricket on 5 Highlights coverage of England's summer season begins on 20th May 2014 on Channel 5.
7:35pm BBC News	7:55pm Weather	8:00pm Britain Beneath Your Feet	9:00pm Egypt's Great Pyramid: The New Evidence	8:00pm Cricket on 5 Highlights coverage of England's summer season begins on 20th May 2014 on Channel 5.
7:50pm Regional News	8:00pm Countryfile	8:00pm Britain Beneath Your Feet	10:00pm Electric Dreams	9:00pm Aviva Premiership Rugby Highlights
7:55pm Weather	9:00pm Antiques Roadshow	8:00pm Britain Beneath Your Feet	11:05pm 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown	9:55pm 5 News
8:00pm Countryfile	10:00pm The Child in Time	8:00pm Britain Beneath Your Feet	12:05am The Grand Budapest Hotel	10:00pm Olympias Has Fallen
9:00pm Antiques Roadshow	11:30pm Regional News	8:00pm Britain Beneath Your Feet	2:00am The Supernet	12:15am Enter the Dragon
10:00pm The Child in Time	11:55pm Weather	8:00pm Britain Beneath Your Feet	2:55am Location, Location, Location	2:15am Super Casino
11:30pm The Child in Time	12:00am Have I Got Old News for You	8:00pm Britain Beneath Your Feet		
11:50pm Regional News	12:30am NFL Highlights	8:00pm Britain Beneath Your Feet		
11:55pm Weather		8:00pm Britain Beneath Your Feet		
12:00am Have I Got Old News for You		8:00pm Britain Beneath Your Feet		
12:30am NFL Highlights		8:00pm Britain Beneath Your Feet		

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7:00am CITV	7:10am You've Been Framed Gold!	7:00am On the Buses	7:10am British Touring Car Championship Highlights	7:00am Through the Night
10:25am ITV News	8:05am Coronation Street	7:25am Man About the House	7:25am Man About the House	8:00am Total Goals
10:30am Saturday Morning with James Martin	8:05am Coronation Street	8:30am FYI Daily	8:30am FYI Daily	9:00am Total Goals
12:25pm Hungry Sailors	11:00am Peston on Sunday	8:35am Man About the House	8:35am Man About the House	10:00am Cricket
1:20pm ITV News and Weather	12:00pm Amazing Animal Births	9:10am Heartbeat	9:10am Heartbeat	11:30am Cricket
1:25pm Midsomer Murders	12:30pm Robson Green's Coastal Lives	10:15am Heartbeat	10:15am Heartbeat	2:00pm Football Sheffield Wednesday v Sheffield United.
3:25pm The Chase	1:00pm Bigheads	11:20am Murder, She Wrote	11:20am Murder, She Wrote	4:30pm Live Nissan Super Sunday Brighton and Hove Albion v Newcastle United.
4:25pm The X Factor	2:00pm ITV News and Weather	12:25pm Murder, She Wrote	12:25pm Murder, She Wrote	7:00pm Live NFL: NY Giants @ Philadelphia
5:25pm Little Big Shots	2:10pm The Chase	1:25pm Death on the Nile	1:25pm Death on the Nile	10:00pm Live NFL: NY Giants @ Philadelphia
Variety show shining a spotlight on some of the world's most talented children.	3:10pm The X Factor	2:30pm FYI Daily	2:30pm FYI Daily	10:00pm Live NFL: NY Giants @ Philadelphia
6:30pm Local News and Weather	4:25pm Nanny McPhee and the Big Bang	3:50pm Evan Almighty	3:50pm Evan Almighty	10:00pm Live NFL: NY Giants @ Philadelphia
6:40pm ITV News and Weather	5:00pm The X Factor	4:55pm Evan Almighty	4:55pm Evan Almighty	10:00pm Live NFL: NY Giants @ Philadelphia
7:00pm The Family Chase	5:45pm Smurfs 2	5:45pm Smurfs 2	5:45pm Smurfs 2	10:00pm Live NFL: NY Giants @ Philadelphia
8:00pm Cannonball!	6:45pm FYI Daily	6:55pm Midsomer Murders	6:55pm Midsomer Murders	10:00pm Live NFL: NY Giants @ Philadelphia
9:00pm The X Factor	7:40pm ITV News and Weather	8:00pm Midsomer Murders	8:00pm Midsomer Murders	10:00pm Live NFL: NY Giants @ Philadelphia
10:15pm The Jonathan Ross Show	8:00pm Tipping Point	10:00pm Sunday Night at the Palladium	10:00pm Sunday Night at the Palladium	10:00pm Live NFL: NY Giants @ Philadelphia
11:20pm ITV News and Weather	9:00pm The X Factor	11:00pm By Royal Appointment	11:00pm By Royal Appointment	10:00pm Live NFL: NY Giants @ Philadelphia
11:35pm Nutty Professor II: The Klumps	10:00pm Victoria	12:00pm Sherlock	12:00pm Sherlock	10:00pm Live NFL: NY Giants @ Philadelphia
1:30am Jackpot247	11:05pm ITV News and Weather	2:15am The Knock	2:15am The Knock	10:00pm Live NFL: NY Giants @ Philadelphia
4:00am Hungry Sailors	11:20pm Peston on Sunday	3:15am The Knock	3:15am The Knock	10:00pm Live NFL: NY Giants @ Philadelphia
	12:20am Liar	4:10am Mr Selfridge	4:10am Mr Selfridge	10:00pm Live NFL: NY Giants @ Philadelphia
	1:15am Jackpot247	5:00am Griff's Great Britain	5:00am Griff's Great Britain	10:00pm Live NFL: NY Giants @ Philadelphia
	4:00am Motorsport UK	5:25am Griff's Great Britain	5:25am Griff's Great Britain	10:00pm Live NFL: NY Giants @ Philadelphia
		5:50am Judge Judy	5:50am Judge Judy	10:00pm Live NFL: NY Giants @ Philadelphia

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MONDAY - 25 SEPTEMBER

BBC one	BBC TWO	BBC FOUR	CHANNEL 4	CHANNEL 5
4:45pm Garden Rescue	2:45pm £100k House: Tricks of the Trade	8:00pm Beyond 100 Days	1:05pm Couples Come Dine with Me	12:15pm Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
5:30pm Antiques Road Trip	3:45pm Who Do You Think You Are?	8:30pm Through the Lens of Larkin	2:05pm French Collection	1:10pm 5 News
6:15pm Pointless	4:45pm Great American Railroad Journeys	9:00pm Tornado: Dangerous Earth	3:10pm Countdown	1:15pm The Hotel Inspector
7:00pm BBC News	5:15pm Earthflight	9:30pm Iceberg: Dangerous Earth	4:00pm Find it, Fix it, Flog it	2:15pm Home and Away
7:30pm Regional News	6:15pm Flog It!	10:00pm The Vietnam War	5:00pm My Kitchen Rules	2:45pm Neighbours
8:00pm The One Show	7:00pm Eggheads	10:55pm The Vietnam War	6:00pm Come Dine with Me	3:15pm The Mentalist
8:30pm Invictus Games 2017	7:30pm Strictly it Takes Two	11:50pm Cold War, Hot Jets	7:00pm The Simpsons	4:15pm Guilty Until Proven
9:00pm EastEnders	8:00pm Antiques Road Trip	12:50am A Very British Murder with Lucy Worsley	7:30pm Hollyoaks	6:00pm 5 News
9:30pm Invictus Games 2017	9:00pm University Challenge	1:50am She-Wolves: England's Early Queens	8:00pm Channel 4 News	6:30pm Neighbours
10:00pm Relik	9:30pm Upstart Crow	2:50am The Art of Gothic: Britain's Midnight Hour	8:55pm The Political Slot	7:00pm Home and Away
11:00pm BBC News	10:00pm The Human Body		9:00pm Jamie's Quick and Easy Food	7:30pm 5 News
11:30pm Regional News	11:00pm W1A		9:30pm Superfoods: The Real Story	8:00pm MotoGP
11:40pm Weather	11:30pm Newsnight		10:00pm The Undateables	9:00pm Police Interceptors
11:45pm Professor Green: Living in Poverty	12:10am Weather		11:00pm First Dates	10:00pm Paddington Station 24/7
12:40am Live at the Apollo			12:05am Gogglebox	11:00pm Caught in the Act
				12:00am The Last Stand

TUESDAY - 26 SEPTEMBER

BBC one	BBC TWO	BBC FOUR	CHANNEL 4	CHANNEL 5
3:15pm The Boss	2:45pm £100k House: Tricks of the Trade	8:00pm Beyond 100 Days	1:05pm Couples Come Dine with Me	2:10pm Access
4:00pm Escape to the Country	3:45pm Who Do You Think You Are?	8:30pm Timothy Spall Back at Sea	2:05pm French Collection	2:15pm Home and Away
4:45pm Garden Rescue	4:45pm Great American Railroad Journeys	9:00pm Vienna: Empire, Dynasty and Dream	3:10pm Countdown	2:45pm Neighbours
5:30pm Antiques Road Trip	5:15pm Earthflight	10:00pm Henry VIII: Patron or Plunderer?	4:00pm Find it, Fix it, Flog it	3:15pm The Mentalist
6:15pm Pointless	6:15pm Flog It!	11:00pm Jerusalem: The Making of a Holy City	5:00pm My Kitchen Rules	4:15pm Heart of Murder
7:00pm BBC News	7:00pm Eggheads	12:00am British Gardens in Time: Great Dixter	6:00pm Come Dine with Me	6:00pm 5 News
7:30pm Regional News	7:30pm Strictly it Takes Two	1:00am Black Lake	7:00pm The Simpsons	6:30pm Neighbours
8:00pm Invictus Games 2017	8:00pm Antiques Road Trip	1:45am Black Lake	7:30pm Hollyoaks	7:00pm Home and Away
8:30pm EastEnders	9:00pm Saving Lives at Sea	2:30am Vienna: Empire, Dynasty and Dream	8:00pm Channel 4 News	7:30pm 5 News
9:00pm Holby City	10:00pm Horizon		9:00pm The Great British Bake Off	8:00pm Tony Robinson: Coast to Coast
10:00pm Doctor Foster	11:00pm Later Live... with Jools Holland		10:15pm Celebrity Island with Bear Grylls	9:00pm The Yorkshire Vet
11:00pm BBC News	11:45pm Reggie Yates: The Insider		11:20pm Surviving the Island with Bear Grylls	10:00pm Alaska - A Year in the Wild
11:30pm Regional News	12:40am Ambulance		12:25am Rich Kids Go Shopping	11:00pm Hotel Inspector: Checking in, Checking Out
11:40pm Weather				12:05am Cruising with Jane McDonald
11:45pm Reggie Yates: The Insider				1:05am The Royals

WEDNESDAY - 27 SEPTEMBER

BBC one	BBC TWO	BBC FOUR	CHANNEL 4	CHANNEL 5
12:00pm Neighbourhood Blues	7:00am Flog It!	8:00pm Beyond 100 Days	9:00am Everybody Loves Raymond	7:00am Milkshake! Programming aimed at children aged two to seven years old.
12:45pm Thief Trackers	7:30am Fake Britain	8:30pm Timothy Spall Back at Sea	9:30am Everybody Loves Raymond	10:15am The Wright Stuff
1:15pm Bargain Hunt	8:15am Neighbourhood Blues	9:00pm Amsterdam: An Art Lovers' Guide	10:00am Frasier	12:15pm Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
2:00pm BBC News	9:00am World's Busiest Cities	10:00pm Britain's Lost Masterpieces	11:05am Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA	1:10pm 5 News
2:30pm Regional News	10:00am Victoria Derbyshire	11:00pm The Renaissance	12:00pm Coast v Country	1:15pm The Hotel Inspector
2:45pm Doctors	12:00pm BBC Newsroom Live	12:00am Unchained	1:00pm Channel 4 News	2:10pm Access
3:15pm The Boss	12:30pm The Daily Politics	12:00am Britain in Focus: A Photographic History	1:05pm Couples Come Dine with Me	2:15pm Home and Away
4:00pm Escape to the Country	2:30pm Coast	1:00am Hidden Histories: Britain's Oldest Family Businesses	2:05pm French Collection	2:45pm Neighbours
4:45pm Garden Rescue	2:45pm £100k House: Tricks of the Trade	2:00am Britain's Pompeii Professor Alice Roberts joins the team excavating a 3,000 year-old Bronze Age village in the Cambridgeshire	3:10pm Countdown	3:15pm The Mentalist
5:30pm Antiques Road Trip	3:45pm Who Do You Think You Are?	3:00am Carved with Love: The Genius of British Woodwork	4:00pm Find it, Fix it, Flog it	4:15pm The Cheating Pact
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11:00pm BBC News	8:00pm This Farming Life		9:00pm Location, Location, Location	10:00pm Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
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Treatment for ingrown toenails



SPECIALIST: Doctor Luis Perez Belmonte.

AN ingrown toenail occurs when the nail grows into the skin surrounding it. Eventually, the nail pierces the skin, causing it to redden and become swollen and tender.

The big toe is most commonly affected, with other typical symptoms including pain when pressure is applied to the toe, inflammation of the skin, a build-up of fluid beneath the skin, bleeding, an overgrowth of skin around the end of the toe, or the excretion of pus.

What causes an ingrown toenail?

It comprises excessive growth of the skin around the nail, causing it to become red and inflamed, and even becoming infected with accumulation of pus.

How do you treat an ingrown toenail?

First of all you should ensure proper foot hygiene. You can reduce in-

flammation using warm salt baths or taking anti-inflammatory drugs, although in some cases this is insufficient and surgery may be required.

What type of surgery?

When surgical intervention is necessary the idea is to free the nail and eliminate any infected areas. In rare cases the infection can be so severe that antibiotic treatment is required after surgery.

Can an ingrown toenail occur more than once?

It can happen many times if you do not take care of your feet and use appropriate footwear.

What can I do to avoid ingrown toenails?

It is best to take care of your feet avoiding the accumulation of dirt or moisture. You must also choose footwear that does not rub when you are walking or running.

If you have any questions for Dr Perez Belmonte, please send them to: jefemedico@helicopterosanitarios.com

Advertising feature

A different kind of life insurance

THAT is the message behind Linea Directa's new brand Vivaz.

The product aims to become a benchmark in the fight against increasingly sedentary lifestyles, with 44 per cent of the Spanish population failing to undertake the minimum recommended amount of exercise, according to the Active and Healthy Living Observatory of the Rey Juan Carlos University.

This figure rises to 70 per cent for women, while one in four children is overweight.

Vivaz offers three distinct health products designed to cover specific needs. Essential Insurance is for those who seek the best private health care at an affordable price, Complete Insurance covers all healthcare essentials, while Dental Insurance is designed for those who value toothcare but do not want to pay a fortune every time they visit the dentist.

The new brand is closely linked to new technologies, with clients benefiting from an app using which they have full access to all aspects of their insurance, including payments, booking appointments or requesting medical documentation.

There is also a second app named Vivaz Activity which is focused on improving the health of users, whether Vivaz customers or not.

On every day that users meet the 10,000 steps target, the rec-



NEW VISION: From left, Miguel Angel Merino, David Perez and Francisco Valencia of Linea Directa.

ommended amount of daily exercise, Vivaz offers points that can be redeemed for discounts on new insurance bookings or renewals, among other gifts.

For example, a discount of €150 is available on the Full Insurance products, and up to €75 on the Essential Annual Insurance package, making Vivaz the first health insurance on the market that rewards customers for living a healthier lifestyle.

Vivaz does not only aim to revolutionise the market via its digital strategy, since it also offers excellent value for money with the most complete private insurance packages for families up to €400 cheaper than the market average.

Under the slogan 'Ask more of your health insurance,' Vivaz thus focuses on comprehensive health care, with a medical team including more than 30,000 professionals and 1,000 clinics and other health centres.

It also offers a wide range of coverage from state-of-the-art di-

agnostic tests, surgery, preparation for childbirth, physiotherapy, and psychological sessions.

In keeping with its philosophy of simplifying procedures for the customer, Vivaz will reduce the number of tests requiring prior authorisation by up to 60 per cent, and include a number of innovations in the app, including a digital health card, the ability to search for a specialist in a particular field, a 24-hour doctor's service accessible via chat, video call or phone, and online payments.

Linea Directa CEO Miguel Angel Merino said: "With this

new line of business we want to boost the health insurance market, offering insurance of the best quality at a highly competitive price.

"Vivaz seeks to establish itself as an option for those who seek private healthcare as the perfect complement to our National Health Service.

"This new service is a further step in our strategic commitment to diversification and growth to achieve the goal of becoming one of the 10 largest non-life insurers in Spain."

Vivaz also sees the launch of a corporate responsibility strategy based on the three pillars of research, social action, health and happiness.

It will fund a series of initiatives including scientific studies, campaigns and training programmes with the overall objective of educating the Spanish population about the dangers of a sedentary lifestyle.

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LINE-UP ANNOUNCED: Rosa Arrabal and Sara Rivas.

Nerja feria coming

NERJA Council has announced the musical line-up for this year's feria.

The town's mayor, Rosa Arrabal, revealed the festival's schedule at an event attended by Sara Rivas, councillor for Festivals and

Miguel Bejar, head of the festival committee, at the El Sevillano restaurant in Nerja.

Ms Arrabal thanked everyone who had helped organise the feria before handing over to Sara Rivas

to announce who would be performing at the six-day event.

One of the feria's highlights - the election of the Mr and Mrs Feria on Saturday October 7 - will be presented by Agustin Bravo and Cristina Gutierrez, before musical festivities begin on October 8 with a performance by La Hungariana.

On Monday October 9, Forever So will perform, followed by Demarco Flamenco on Tuesday 10 and duo Andy and Lucas on October 11.

The event will conclude with a concert by Las Soles, aimed specially at the elderly, with admission free of charge.

In addition to the music performances at Nerja's feria, local man Antonio Pozueco has been named as the crier at this year's event. The performer moved to Nerja in the August of 1979 and has had a successful career in Spanish television.



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San Miguel's festival biggest



FERIA PROGRAMME: Will focus on leisure, cultural and gastronomic activities.

By Sally Underwood

VELEZ-MALAGA is gearing up to celebrate one of its biggest ferias between September 26 and October 1.

The Department of Fairs and Festivals has focused the event's programme on leisure, cultural and gastronomic activities using the most town's most significant squares and buildings as venues.

Activities will centre in the Plaza de Las Las Carmelitas, Plaza del Carmen, Paseo Andalucia, Calle Las Tiendas and the Wholesalers Market next to the El Ingenio Shopping Centre where there will be a youth booth and the event's official stand.

For the first time, the Chef Infantil (Young chef) competition will take place, as well as the third ever edition of the Cooking Dishes Contest at 12.45pm in the courtyard of the town hall on Friday 29. Artists will also be able to get competitive with the eighth instalment of the Evaristo Guerra Costa del Sol-Axarquia contest.

Sergio Hijano, councillor for Fairs and Festivals, announced the proclamation (the event's first show) will be performed by Pilar Serran Segovia in Plaza de Las

Carmelitas on September 26, while the night-time fair will be inaugurated on September 27 from 9pm.

On the same evening an official voting booth will be set up to find this year's 'Miss and Mister Queen and King' who will lead the event's final procession.

The daytime fair will open Thursday, September 28, in Plaza de Las Carmelitas, where, "once again the tourist train will take residents from the different points of the town on a playful tour from the Plaza de Los Reyes Catolicos to Avenida Vivar Tellez."

In addition, a cattle fair will take place on Esplanada de Santo Chiquito, where livestock will be bought and sold and an exhibition will take place.

Councillor Hijano explained one of the event's highlights will be a musical performance by Rosario Flores on Friday 29 in the Wholesalers Market, while on Thursday 28, the Teatro La Carpa group will perform for children from 9.30pm. On Saturday 30, pop group Efecto Pasillo will perform.

The event's final day is reserved for children with entry prices to the fairground reduced.

Performing 'for a while'

A MUSICAL duo from Nerja will draw an end to the September performances at Frigiliana's Casa del Aperon on Saturday.

The event, featuring performers Natalia on the piano and Anabel singing and playing the guitar and harmonica, will take place from 9pm. The duo, who call themselves 'For a while', normally perform at local concerts, weddings, or in chirriguitos, and define themselves as street artists.

The girls will perform songs from various genres and decades with a 'unique version' of familiar classics, according to the council.

Throughout September, the Casa del Aperon has hosted various different styles of performances, from the traditional, including flamenco, to the more modern. Carmen Cerezo, Frigiliana's councillor for Culture, said the council will repeat the initiative in coming seasons.

That sinking feeling?

A TOAST TO GOOD FOOD, GOOD WINE AND GOOD FRIENDS



WITH GARRY WAITE

A HOTEL in Belfast opened last week. The 119-bedroom hotel owned and operated by Dublin-based Harcourt Develop-

ments, is a 'luxury experience with a Northern Ireland personality.'

'What's the name of the hotel?' I hear you ask. If I tell you that the hotel is situated in the former Harland & Wolff headquarters and historic drawing offices, it might make you think of the Titanic - and you would be right. Adrian McNally is to be the General Manager of the Titanic Hotel Belfast. The offices where the Titanic was de-

signed in the early 1900s have seen a £28m investment, including a £5m investment from the Heritage Lottery Fund, after having lain vacant for more than 25 years.

In a recent interview the proud GM said that the most challenging aspect of the restoration was the restoration of the drawing offices, which were in a 'dire state of disrepair.' The original ceiling plaster moulding, crafted by the same men

who built the Titanic and intended to showcase the craftsmanship of the Belfast ship makers by replicating the inside of cruise liners, had to be painstakingly redone by hand by artisan tradesmen.

"It was fundamental for the integrity of the Titanic hotel to be able to restore those to their absolute glory," said McNally.

The first drawing office is set to be the hotel's ballroom, while the second is the bar, which also features the same blue and cream Villeroy & Boch tiles used for the Titanic's swimming pool, which were salvaged from the bathroom floors in the Harland & Wolff office to line the side of the bar.

Bedroom wardrobes are replicas by what would have been in a first class ship cabin, and steel ceilings in the hallways are reminiscent of a ship's interior. Half of the 160-cover restaurant is in the historic side of the building and the other half in the new extension. Very Art Deco feel with banquette seating and floor to ceiling windows.

Obviously the hotel has been built in reverence to the famous, doomed liner. There are many quips I could make, but I think they would be in bad taste especially as it was such a tragic event in our history. But I am wondering whether, at the inauguration of the hotel, a Magnum of Champagne was not swung at the hotel with the immortal words, "I name this hotel the Titanic Hotel Belfast and may God Bless all that stay in her"



I went into McDonald's yesterday and said "I'd like some fries." The girl at the counter said, "Would you like some fries with that?"

Jay Leno

Flippin' burgers

IT would appear that McDonald's has experienced its first ever UK strike. Staff at two sites in Cambridge and Crayford voted to strike over working conditions and the use of zero hours contracts. The action took place on September 4. The Bakers, Food and Allied Workers Union (BFAWU) said staff were demanding a wage of at least £10 an hour and more secure working conditions, as well as the recognition of the right to form a trade union as employees of the company.

In typical Corbynesque manner the British Labour leader said "Our party offers support and solidarity to the brave McDonald's workers in the BFAWU bakers' union, who are making history today.

They are standing up for workers' rights by leading the first ever strike at McDonald's in the UK. Their actions remind us that when people come together, organise and campaign for a better world, they can change history. Now it's the time for all fast food workers, the young, the low-paid and the unorganised to join trade unions and organise in their workplaces to improve their lives.

"Labour will stand with them as we build a country that works for the many not the few." Give us a break!!

McDonald's announced in April that workers would be offered the choice of flexible or fixed contracts with minimum guaranteed hours. The move was trialled in 23 restaurants and will be extended to 50 more sites before being rolled out nationally.

McDonald's, which employs around 85,000 staff in the UK, also promised that by May workers paid by the hour will have received an average hourly pay increase of 17 per cent over the past two years. Doesn't sound bad to me!

Following the vote for strike action, a spokesman for McDonald's said: "We can confirm that, following a ballot process, the BFAWU have indicated that a small number of our employees, representing less than 0.01 per cent of our workforce, are intending to strike in two of our restaurants."

Pensioners behaving badly



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Pensioners that can drink to excess.

IT is with some amusement I read that two pensioners who threatened and abused staff at the 47-bedroom Macdonald Loch Rannoch hotel in Kinloch Rannoch, Perthshire, have been fined nearly £5,000.

Perth Sheriff Court heard how 72-year-old Robert Fergus went on a naked rampage through the hotel's reception with a pair of scissors, and his wife Ruth, 69, threatened to shoot a member of staff in an alcohol-fuelled rage!

The couple were fined £4,100 and Mr Fergus was ordered to pay the hotel £800 compensation to cover the cost of damage. Needless to say the couple expressed their remorse and claim the alcohol induced incident was not in their normal character. I should think not! Leave that behaviour to the young 'uns!

Macdonald Hotels, which operates 54 hotels and resorts in the UK, Spain and Portugal, declined to comment about the case.

And if they were not enough

YOU might have been hidden away these last few weeks to have missed the latest scam on this country's Costas and Islands. The 'ambulance chaser' act of persuading people they have food poisoning from eating in any of the local hotels, restaurants and other tourist destinations in return for compensation and obviously a 'kick back' to the 'agent' getting them to lodge a complaint. This practice has been jumped upon by the Guardia Civil and ABTA.

In the news lately a wealthy British grandmother living on Mallorca who has been detained by Spanish police investigating these fake food poisoning scams involving the UK.

Despite pleading her innocence, Debbie Cameron, 59, and her daughter Laura Joyce, were taken into custody after a raid on the family villa overlooking the Med on Tuesday.



Glamorous Mother and Daughter - Partners in Scam?

The operation was part of a series of raids on properties and businesses on the island in an investigation into allegations British holidaymakers have been filing false legal claims for food poisoning. The alleged fraud is said to have cost local hoteliers millions of pounds.

Laura Joyce remains in Spanish custody with her mother frantically trying to have her released from jail. Strangely enough Mrs Joyce's

husband Stephen, who runs and owns Heroes Sports bar on the island, declined to comment. "I have nothing to say," said Mr Joyce. Hmm? Me thinks he doth protest too little!! Needless to say that this practice has escalated and has reached the British press. We have to add that at this moment in time, everything is alleged. A leaked police document reported by the Diario de Mallorca said that a car registered to one of her companies had been used by individuals who visited local hotels to recruit tourists for fraudulent claims.

The investigation continues. Enough to make you sick isn't it?

(Some content from the Caterer and Hotelkeeper and the Telegraph)

I APOLOGISE FOR MISSPELLING ALCAMPO IN A PREVIOUS ARTICLE.

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60€ million, the cost to Spanish hotels in 2016 because of the food poisoning scam.

700% the increase in claims in Mallorca alone in the last 12 months.

75 million, the record number of tourists visiting Spain and the Islands, last year.

Enjoying the personal touch



PERSONAL TOUCH: Buyers now expect a tailored service.

By *Matthew Elliott*

PERSONAL shoppers are the blueprint for the future of the real estate sector according to the founders of a new Spanish property start-up.

Long4House is just an idea at present but has the backing of CIC Cambridge of Boston, which specialises in turning start-up dreams into lucrative business models.

The Spanish creatives behind Long4House believe that they can crack open a new niche in a competitive marketplace by offering personalised service taken to a new level.

Their personal shopper system is in effect a computer algorithm which takes the needs and wishes of buyers and generates property options tai-

lor-made to their preferences.

The main target is buyers who are setting themselves up in a new country or city where they are unfamiliar with transport systems, road connections, schools, supermarkets, pollution, noise, climate, and other factors that only locals know.

“The main target is buyers setting up in a new city.”

These variables are easily calculated by smart computers which can advise people on property options in their chosen destination that are almost guaranteed to make them happy.

The system is currently under development and is expected to help professionals switching cities for work purposes at first. But soon wannabe expatriates and even locals looking for a broader analysis are hoped to come aboard.

Stronger with less risk

SPAIN'S real estate sector now represents 12 per cent of the country's GDP, as the price of used homes has risen by more than 8 per cent in 2017 so far.

At the height of the property

market boom a decade ago, the sector represented 22 per cent of GDP, a figure now considered deeply out of whack.

The latest figures come from the 25th Spanish Hous-

ing Market Report from Tecnocasa.

CEO, Paolo Boarini, notes that the risk factors today are substantially lower than they were a decade ago.

Today mortgage rates average €375 per month which is around 25 per cent of the average buyer's income. At the height of the bubble people were forking out 60 per cent of their salary on mortgage payments.

The report also shows that the value of second-hand homes now equals the prices seen in 2011 and identify an 'enormous polarisation' between supply and demand.

Economic activity related to the residential real estate sector is concentrated around specific areas, while many others suffer from a scarcity of available homes.

Home sales in Spain's twin cosmopolitan cities, Madrid and Barcelona, and on the extensive Mediterranean coast are described as the 'driving force' behind the nation's economic recovery.



PRIME ESTATE: Madrid's Gran Vía is holy grail of clothing giants.

High street invasion

INVESTMENT in Spain's major city centres is approaching record levels. Top international brands are competing for prime high street properties as the wider economy reboots.

A new study from real estate consultancy JLL found that €402 million was pumped into the Spanish high street in the first quarter of 2017.

Much of the money comes courtesy of flagship stores set up by Primark, H&M, Zara, and other fashion giants. The unveiling of Primark's 7,000 square metre store in Madrid's Gran Vía attracted thousands of tourists and excited bargain hunters.

Prime property isn't the sole reserve of fashion outlets. Ikea, Seat and Leroy Merlin are also interested in snapping up more central locations. Decathlon is setting up three stores in the heart of Madrid. Demand is highest in Barcelona where one square metre on the Portal del Angel shopping street now costs €3,360.

The arrival of mega-stores more commonly found on industrial estates nearer the airport than the city centre has small businesses worried. RetailCat, which represents 30,000 small stores, says it is impossible for them to compete with multinationals as rents rise.



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Solar soil sterilisation for a healthier garden

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THERE is a great advantage in the Mediterranean climate to utilise the long summer sunny days to increase the health of your soil for the garden to grow better.

Solar sterilisation is a technique that can only be used in areas with at least six weeks of hot sunny weather. It uses the power of the sun to heat the soil to extreme temperatures that will kill all the weed seeds, soil borne diseases, insects and larvae that damage your plants and in addition release valuable nutrients into a more soluble form for plants to benefit from.

It is an easy procedure that requires only a few steps to complete over six to eight weeks. The first step is to cultivate the soil to a fine tilth, as you might anyway to prepare the garden to plant.

Step two is to water the soil thoroughly to a depth of 30cm to assist the transfer of heat through the soil and to activate the biology just before the next step.

Step three is to cover the area you want sterilised with a clear plastic sheet that will not break down with sun exposure during the period of sterilisation.

Black plastic can be used but the power of the sun in the Mediterranean clearly works better as the heat should kill the weeds emerging due to the sunlight through the clear plastic. Black plastic is more useful in cooler climates to kill the emerging weeds.

Then it is just a matter of ensuring the plastic stays in place by anchoring with stones, soil or other materials along the edges to keep the plastic tightly fitting the zone. After at least

six weeks, but preferably longer to be more certain, the plastic can be removed and the garden planted in the nutrient enriched, weed and insect freed soil.

The natural biology will return but it will be easier to grow the next crops or give a good start to new plantings. Earthworms and other insects that can burrow deep into the soil may not be affected by this treatment and can return once the soil cools.

The practice can even be used to sterilise potting mixtures that have grown plants before. Simply spread the soil out in a tray and cover with two layers of plastic to make it more effective and place in the full sun all day for four to six weeks.

The technique means that the area you are sterilising is out of action for a couple of



SOIL SOLARISATION: Uses the power of the sun to heat the soil that will kill weeds and insect larvae.

months but if you want to do your whole garden area it can be a sacrifice worth doing during the summer period of limited growth to be able to enjoy the flourishing cooler months with better soil or you can rotate different areas with just sections done each year to make the most of growing summer vegetables or plants in the zones previously sterilised or awaiting the technique to improve the soil.

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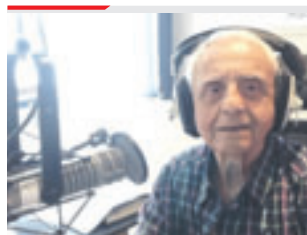
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THIS is Liam Neeson, "Some mornings I wake up and think, gee I look handsome today," he is a Spanish Mastin. Spain has not always been kind to Liam, Save a Mastin rescued him from the Valladolid Perrera, he had been abandoned, he was ill and had problems with his eyes.

Liam had ehrlichiosis, a tick borne infection. Liam was treated for the ehrlichiosis and is now free of the disease, but, sadly for Liam, his sight could not be saved. Liam is now totally blind and had lost all confidence;

even going for a walk was a major event.

Liam went into foster in Malaga, but is now in foster in Hacienda Del Alamo, Murcia. We, Liam's new fosterers, did some research into blind dogs and decided that an echolocation unit would be the best solution for Liam. Save a Mastin and Brigitte Jaquillard, did not hesitate and a BlindSight S2 was purchased from Jordy Candy Inc, in America.

This, as far as we are aware, is the first echolocation unit to be fitted to a dog in Spain. It is a wonderfully enabling device, what is better than enabling the blind to 'see?' Liam's confidence has grown immeasurably since he has been fitted with the BlindSight. He is able to navigate partially open doors! It is still early days and if he gets excited and moves



LIAM NEESON: Back from the brink.

too quickly he may still bang his head. We are, however, delighted with Liam's progress with the BlindSight.

There must be many blind dogs in Spain who could benefit from a BlindSight device. Let Hacienda Del Alamo, Fuente Alamo, Murcia and Save a Mastin lead the way in enabling the blind dogs of Spain. People

and dogs may have disabilities but it is society that disables them. It is people who park cars on the pavement, leave water meter doors open and allow their hedges to overgrow the pavement that disables blind dogs, blind people, wheelchair users and mothers with pushchairs. Save a Mastin and Liam want to raise awareness and

funds so that many blind dogs may be helped.

"The eyes those silent tongues of love." Miguel de Cervantes

The BlindSight units are 3D imaging SONAR emitters. SONAR works by the principle known as echolocation. Echolocation is the use of sound waves and echoes to determine where objects are in space. Bats use echolocation to navigate and find food in the dark. To echolocate, bats send out sound waves from their mouth or nose. When the sound waves hit an object they produce echoes. Other attributes of an object may also be determined, such as size and even surface texture The use of 'echolocation' can benefit an animal by providing relative location, distance and other information. This information is not affected by lack of sight.

Worth their weight in gold

Cassandra Nash

A weekly look

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

ANNA GABRIEL is leader of the CUP anti-system party whose votes are vital to the Junts pel Si coalition that governs Catalunya.

She refused to attend the Barcelona ceremony that awarded city hall's Gold Medal of Civilian Merit to the police, firefighters, hospital staff and civil defence members who attended the victims of the August 17 terrorist attacks.

CUP did not want the medal to go to the Mossos d'Esquadra, the region's police force, on account of their 'extrajudicial executions' of the jihadi terrorists.

Presumably Gabriel would have felt the same if she had been strolling along Las Ramblas just before 5pm on August 17 or had gone for a drink along Cambrils seafront later that night.

Hard to swallow

MARIANO RAJOY must wish now that his July 2006 appeal against the re-



CONTROVERSIAL: Anna Gabriel.

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formed Autonomy Statute approved in a Catalan referendum a month earlier had not been upheld by the Constitutional Tribunal.

That Statute, which had the blessing of Jose Luis Zapatero's government and the national parliament, was too much for Rajoy and the seven regions governed by the PP. Eight of the Statute's articles earned their censure and above all, the claim that Catalunya was a nation.

If only Rajoy and his party could have swallowed that then! Instead their past intransigence is subjecting roughly

half of Catalunya and the rest of Spain to chronic indigestion now.

The trick rider

ON Catalunya's national day, the Diada, Podemos leader Pablo Iglesias declared "As a Spaniard who is proud to be one: Long live a free and sovereign Catalunya."

Iglesias resembles a circus performer trying to ride two ponies simultaneously, with a leg on each. He has to keep Podemos voters happy inside and out-

Babbling away

WHY is Spanish increasingly and divisively described as Castellano?

Already common in bilingual autonomies, the term has crept into monolingual regions even though the definitive Diccionario Real de la Lengua Española clearly thinks the country speaks Spanish too.

Bilingual regions have every right to use their languages which, despite the views of many English-speakers, are not dialects. Except Bable in Asturias which needs only another B to demonstrate exactly how it's regarded both in that region and the rest of Spain.

side Catalunya although managing this feat without doing the splits will merely demonstrate that he's lying to someone.

Seen to suffer

THE national government placed too much faith in the Catalan separatists' respect for the Spanish constitution.

Rajoy, who has weathered so many storms, underestimated his adversaries if he imagined he could ride out this one, too.

There was a misplaced Madrid belief that ambitious Oriol Junqueras, whose ERC party is one half of the governing Junts pel Si coalition, would cancel the referendum and press for regional elections once the Tribunal Constitucional

went to work on the Referendum and Disconnection Laws.

That might not have put paid to independence plans but, like all Catalunya's early elections, it would probably not have endorsed them.

Instead Junts pel Si and their CUP henchwoman claim that they will take orders only from the Catalan parliament, refusing to recognise any other authority.

Carles Puigdemont is not unlike a suicide bomber who wants to be a martyr. Nothing would suit the Catalunya president better than finding himself in prison and although he might not be willing to die for his cause, he would certainly like to be seen to suffer for it.

Spin, bluster and ex-prime ministers - is Blair turning over a new leaf

Nora Johnson

Breaking Views

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TONY BLAIR: Pro-European passion.

THIS week I was planning to write about thermoluminescence dating. Quite brief. Provocative. And thrilling. You'd have loved it. But then something happened.

My blood pressure started rising rapidly. Again. After weeks of depressing news about fraught Brexit negotiations, Trump, Putin, Corbyn, hurricanes, who unexpectedly emerges from the woodwork? Yes. You guessed: Tony Blair.

As we veer into autumn, is Blair turning over a new leaf? Thirteen years after opening doors to EU migrants, he now claims we can clamp down on immigration AND stay in the EU! Additionally, he's urging MPs and Tory ministers to rise

up against the government and oppose Brexit, hinting at plans for a new political party to offer a second referendum.

Perhaps Blair's most charming quality is his unquestioning trust in the promises made by his friends in Brussels. He once brought back a promise of Common Agricultural Policy reform in exchange for Britain returning much of Thatcher's hard-won rebate. Brussels still pockets Mr Blair's gift but never amended the CAP. Now he's visited his

old mate Jean-Claude Juncker and claims the EU will 'meet' British concerns about immigration if Britain rejects Brexit.

It really wouldn't be surprising if Juncker's promised him a place at the top table of the gravy train for his efforts at causing Brexit unrest. He and Juncker: both 'has-beens' who won't accept their time is over.

So Toxic Tony hasn't given up on being European President! And why not? Didn't he do a cracking job as Middle

East peace envoy, sending millions fleeing whilst the countries one after another descended into chaos. His self-interest and arrogance are beyond belief.

How Blair evidently misses his time at the very top of government as PM! Which reminds me. Jim, a friend's father suffering from Alzheimer's, needed an assessment some years back to see if he could get into a care home. "What's the name of the prime minister?" the GP asked. "Blair," Jim replied, which got a firm tick... until Jim added: "Lionel."

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THURSDAY THOUGHTS

Raymond Kearney, Alicante

Why it went wrong

THE day after the lethal truck attack at the Berlin Christmas market in December 2016 the Spanish National Police (based in Madrid) instructed all police departments in Spain to place physical security barriers in public areas where large numbers of people are likely to gather.

The instructions clearly read 'Municipalities should protect these public spaces by temporarily installing large planters or bollards at access points to hinder or prevent the entry of vehicles.' In Barcelona the instructions were ignored and over 100 people were killed or injured during the recent attack.

Why were these instructions not followed? Was the reason lack of funds, a manpower shortage or for aesthetic reasons? NO. The Catalonian police and authorities did not want to 'appear' to be doing what Madrid was instructing them to do. The newspaper *El Periodico De Catalunya* recently claimed there is a 'total absence of police collaboration between Mossos d'Esquadra (Catalan Police) and the National Police and Guardia Civil which translates into huge security deficiencies.'

Over the past decades the Catalan independence movement encouraged mass immigration of Muslims in the hope that they would adopt Catalan rather than Spanish as their new language and they would swell the numbers favouring independence.

Following the explosion at the house in Alcanar the Mossos d'Esquadra refused help from the Madrid-based bomb squad saying it was nothing to do with them and they could handle it. But how efficient is the Catalan police's intelligence network if they did not notice the movement of over 100 large gas canisters to a house occupied by Muslims and a Muslim cleric?

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Chiron screeches to speed record

FORMER Formula One icon Juan Pablo Montoya has broken a new speed record in his retirement. In front of stunned fans he managed to take a Bugatti Chiron to 400kph from a deadstart, then return it to zero, in just 41.96 seconds.

It took the Colombian 17 attempts to break the 42-second mark and get the video just right.

From a parked position to 400kph it took the 8.0 litre W16 quad-turbo Bugatti engine 32.6 seconds and 2,621 metres. It then took Montoya 9.26 seconds and 491 metres to screech the car to a halt.

Montoya sang the Chiron's praises afterwards, claiming the car ran smoothly at 420kph in practice. During his competition days in the Indy500 the fastest he reached was 407kph.

It was the sporting highlight of the Frankfurt Motor Show.

Another addition to the Porsche 911 range

THE new Porsche 911 GT3 with Touring Package was unveiled at the 67th Frankfurt International Motor Show which is open until next Sunday.

This smart high-performance sports car is available exclusively with a manual six-gear transmission, and instead of the fixed rear wing it has a variable rear spoiler like the 911 Carrera.

The four-litre naturally aspirated engine taken from motorsport sprints from 0 to 100 km/h in 3.9 seconds and can reach a top speed of 316 km/h.

This option is aimed at fans of high-quality sports cars who particularly value an understated appearance and classic driving

enjoyment.

Currently available to purchase in Germany the 911 GT3 costs €152,416 inclusive of VAT but it is expected that it will become available in other countries over the coming months.

The body of the GT3 remains unchanged in this version apart from the rear spoiler which means that it has large air intakes in the specially designed front end, as well as the air outlet that is typical of the 911 GT3 model,

located in

front of the luggage compartment lid.

The interior creates the feel of a classic sports car with manual transmission. In line with the character of a classic GT version the seats are supplied with a fine leather finish rather than Alcantara.

The seat centres are made of black fabric whilst the headrests feature em-

bossed Porsche crests and all seams in the partial leather interior are sewn in black thread. The finishing touch to the interior is the trim in black aluminium.

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ALL smart phones have 'flight mode' settings. Soon they may have 'driving mode' too. Safety campaigners want mobile phone companies to follow Apple's lead in wheeling out a 'Do not disturb while driving' feature.

It blocks out all wifi and cellular signals so it becomes impossible for friends to interrupt a driver's concentration from afar.

Britain's RAC has written to Google and

Do not disturb

Microsoft asking them to follow suit.

Phone use while driving is today considered an even bigger safety risk than alcohol abuse.

Apple's Do Not Disturb function can be

set automatically so that it turns on when the phone perceives that it is in motion at high speeds. Messages can also be pre-programmed to respond to people trying to communicate with the driver.

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9th Birthday celebrations



IT'S been a busy September already for the Classic Car Club of Andalucia. The ninth birthday celebrations went well and were reported in the last CCCA page in this newspaper.

The ninth birthday celebration classic car run later that week was a huge success and supported by over 100 CCCA members. The event started from Venta Los Almendros, just above San Pedro on the Ronda road. Almost 50 glorious classic cars assembled there which rather over-filled the car park but gave both members and spectators plenty to enjoy and look at. From 1950's MGs and the most glorious pale blue 1950's Cadillac, to more modern Ferraris, there was something parked there for everyone to see.

Members and their beautiful cars started arriving from 9.30 that Saturday morning, giving plenty of time to enjoy an excellent breakfast, meet with friends old and new, and prepare to depart at 11.00am.

As is usual on these events, a briefing was given to all participants by the event organiser, Club Presidente Ian Giles, about five or 10 minutes before the 'Off.' Nothing serious was said and several new members were welcomed and introduced to the Club. This is always a good time to do that and to warn of any hazards en route such as the speed camera on the way down into Ronda!

Just after 11.00 the first cars set off up the hill to enjoy the spectacular A-397 road up to Ronda. Amazing views out over the sea towards Morocco greeted members as they climbed further up the winding but beautiful road favoured by many motor cyclists, especially on a Saturday morning. Sadly this road, although beautiful, is very unforgiving and has claimed the lives of many over enthusiastic riders who may have descended just that little bit too quickly.

Thankfully, there were no such problems today and everyone was in relaxed mood, looking forward to the trip and the party that was to follow.



From Ronda the route headed east along the A-366 towards El Burgo. The road here is quite fabulous and provides not only amazing scenery, skirting the Parque Natural Sierras de las Nieves, but real driving that is not only a challenge but also so enjoyable!

There was very little navigation for the co-drivers to do at this stage as the route was so simple, allowing all crew members time to appreciate and view the stunning scenery.

Over the mountain top, through the forest, and then a descent into El Burgo where the route turned off, through the little village streets and then on to the picturesque road, going northwards along the MA-5401 towards Ardales. This road was, as always, virtually traffic free and a real pleasure to drive, especially in a classic car!

About half-way between El Burgo and Ardales, the route turned east to take the spectacular climb and then descent into Casarabonela. This pretty little town, and the surrounding area, produces huge quantities of Olives and, in December, they hold the 'Festival de los Rondeles,' which celebrates the harvesting of these little green things. The town will open its doors (literally!) to visitors who can wander around the town, going in and out

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

of people's houses to sample local cooking and local wines. The CCCA often provides a display of classic cars here outside the Ayuntamiento (town hall) which is indeed a privilege to do. Wonderful, friendly people and some great food!

From Casarabonela, the route went on to Zalea where a regular feature in this area is what is called 'The Barrels Bar.' It's actually Bar La Herradura where the Club stops for refreshments and tapas if the route should go that way. There are a number of barrels outside the bar which, together with a huge car parking area, makes it an ideal stop. Great tapas too and that's why it takes its name unofficially as 'The Barrels Bar.'

After a very enjoyable stop the route headed along the new section of the A-355 road towards Coin and then up towards Mijas along the Ma 3303 where cars turned south down the A-7053 to come in to the pretty village of La Cala.

The end of run lunch was then held at Avanto Beach Club where secure parking was arranged outside. To get almost 50 classic cars parked would have been difficult were it not for the incredible cooperation the Club gets from Mijas Town Hall who simply closed the road so that all cars could be safely parked right outside! Quite an achievement to do this on a beach-side road in the busy summer season!

On arrival at Avanto, canapés and drinks were distributed to thirsty crews whilst they enjoyed a natter about the days route and the various adventures each had enjoyed.



Lunch was served on the beautiful terrace overlooking the beach and then the party really got started! The fabulous 'Memphis Trio' provided non-stop rock-n-roll for the afternoon and soon had most people up dancing and enjoying the amazing atmosphere created.

It was unanimously agreed that this was one amazing way of celebrating nine years of this vibrant, go-ahead classic car club!

Next event to which non-members can attend is the monthly club night and dinner at Treetops restaurant at El Chaparral Golf Club on Tuesday, October 3.

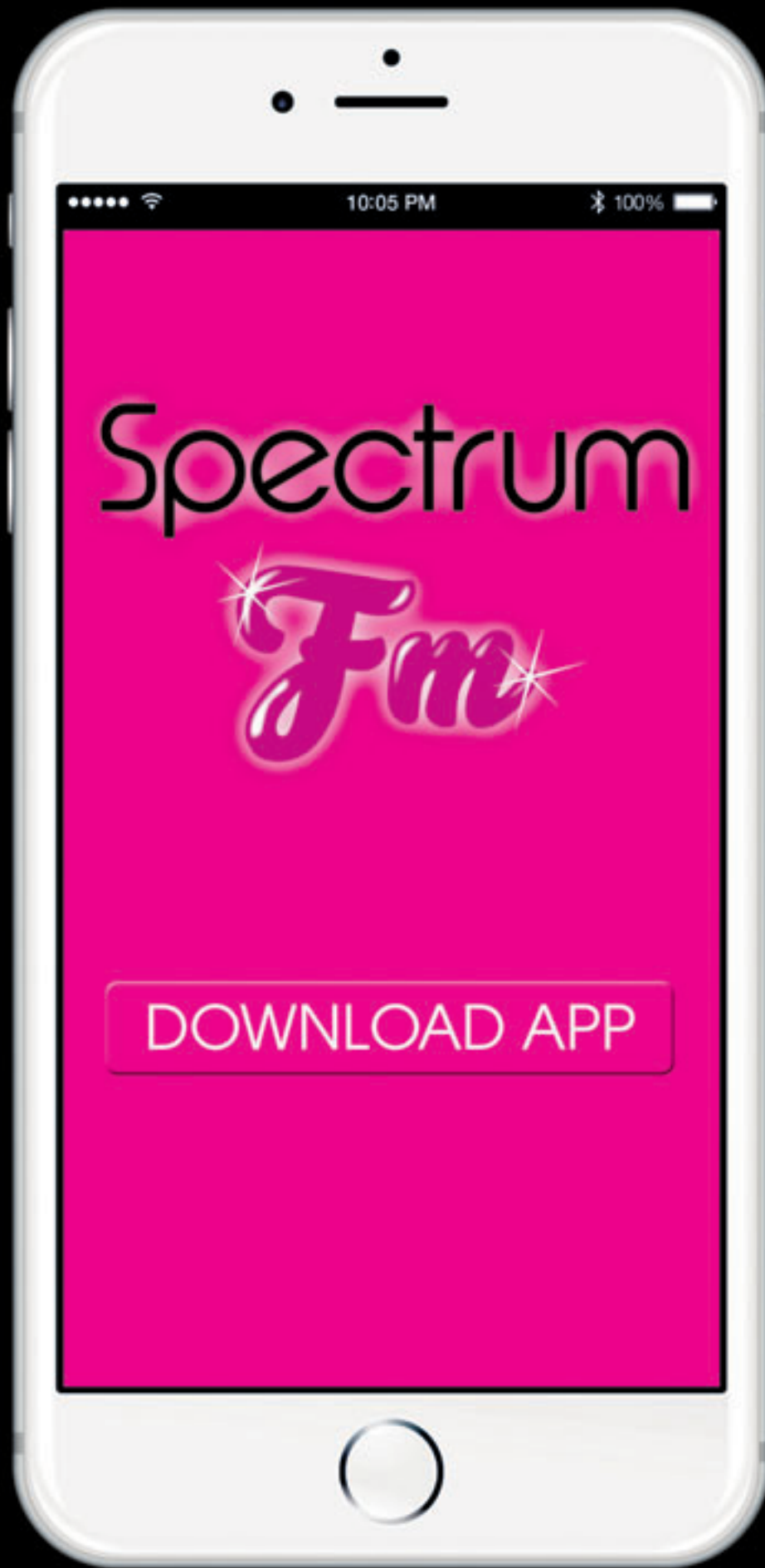
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Take a bow record breaker Barry, top jockey Moore and superstar Hamilton

Tony Matthews

International Sports

A former player, Tony is now the world's most prolific author of football books with 150 published since 1975. He has also been a PE teacher and a policeman, and is now a quiz-organiser, fund-raiser, for various charities, and sports correspondent for Spectrum Radio.

Costa de Almería

I'LL start by congratulating footballers Gareth Barry, Sergio Agüero and Celtic FC, Essex cricketers, F1 driver Lewis Hamilton and jockey Ryan Moore on their recent achievements. Well done men!

SPORTS CALENDAR

- The week-long Invicta Games (founded by Prince Harry) starts in Toronto, Canada on Sunday.

- The first cricket ODI between England and the West Indies takes place today at Old Trafford; the second is at Trent Bridge on Saturday.

- Three 'home' riders could stand on the podium after Sunday's Spanish MotoGP in Alcaniz.

- The world sailing and cycling championships continue in Japan and Bergen respectively and there's Masters Golf in Portugal.

- This weekend's PL football matches include Leicester-Liverpool, Manchester City-Crystal Palace, Southampton-Manchester United, Stoke-Chelsea and West Ham-Tottenham. It's Fulham-Middlesbrough, Leeds-Ipswich, Wednesday-

United in Sheffield's 'steel derby' and Wolves-Barnsley in the Championship while Rangers play Celtic in the SPL.

LAST WEEK'S ACTION

- Lewis Hamilton, driving superbly, won Singapore's first 'wet' night F1 Grand Prix to increase his lead over Sebastian Vettel in the championship to 28 points. For only the fourth time ever both front row cars crashed out on lap one and for the first time in F1 history two Ferraris (Vettel's and Kimi Raikkonen's) exited on lap one, as did Fernando Alonso and Max Verstappen. There are six races left.

- In cricket, the West Indies (176) beat England (155) by 21 runs in the T-20 blast at Chester-le-Street. And Essex are this season's County cricket champions after beating relegated Warwickshire who will be replaced in Division One by Worcestershire!

- The 3-1 favourite Capri, ridden by Ryan Moore and trained by Aidan O'Brien, won the St Leger. Moore has now rode the winner of all five English classics. And Geoff Wragg, trainer of 1983 Der-

by winner Teenoso, has died, aged 87.

- In football's PL, there were wins for leaders Manchester City (6-0 at Watford with Agüero's 10th City hat-trick), Bournemouth (2-1 v Brighton), Manchester United (4-0 v Everton to ruin Wayne Rooney's return to Old Trafford), Newcastle (2-1 v Stoke) and Southampton (1-0 at Crystal Palace). The games between 10-man Chelsea-Arsenal, Huddersfield-Leicester, Liverpool-Burnley, Spurs-Swansea and WBA-West Ham were all drawn.

- Leeds still lead the Championship ahead of Wolves and Cardiff.

- SPL pacesetters Celtic beat Ross County 4-0 to extend their unbeaten run in domestic competitions to 55 matches.

- Gareth Barry (WBA) has equalled Ryan Giggs' record of 632 PL appearances. The first player to start 600 PL games, Barry should break Giggs' record at Arsenal on Monday.

- La Liga leaders Barcelona won 2-1 at Getafe and Real Madrid beat Real Sociedad 3-1.

- There were recent Champions League wins for PSG (5-0 at Celtic), Chelsea (6-0 v Karabakh), Manchester United (3-0 v Basel), Manchester City (4-0 v Feyenoord), Spurs (3-1 v Dortmund), Real Madrid (3-0 v Apoel Nicosia) and Barcelona (3-0 v Juventus); Liverpool drew 2-2 with Sevilla.

- In the Europa League, Everton lost 3-0 at Atalanta and Arsenal beat Cologne 3-1.

- There have been FLC games this week including Leicester-Liverpool and Spurs-Barnsley (Tuesday) and Arsenal-Doncaster, Chelsea-Nottingham Forest, Everton-Sunderland, Manchester United-Burton and WBA-Manchester City (last night).

- Bibiana Steinhaus (38) became the first female to referee a top-flight European League game when taking charge of the Hertha Berlin-Werder Bremen Bundesliga clash.

- Northern Ireland's manager Michael O'Neill has been charged with drink-driving.

- Valtteri Bottas will sign a new contract with Mercedes and Fernando Alonso will stay with McLaren.

- Coach Tony Smith is leaving Warrington Wolves RLC after nine seasons.

- Harlequins ended Wasps' 20 match unbeaten home run in RU's Premiership, winning 24-21; Exeter now top the table... Munster and Scarlets head their respective Guinness Pro-14 groups... and New Zealand won their first three matches in the Southern Hemisphere Championship, scoring 128 points, including a record 57-0 victory over

South Africa.

- The world middleweight fight between Gennady Golovkin and Saul Alvarez ended in a controversial draw and GB's Olympic champion Nicola Adams' bout with Alexandra Vlajic was postponed when the American failed a pre-fight blood test!

- Marc Leishman won golf's FedEx Cup in Illinois with Justin Rose and Ricki Fowler joint second. And Sweden's Anna Norqvist won the women's Evian competition in France.

- And finally, ex-footballer Jimmy Greaves (80) has remarried his ex-wife, Irene six decades after their first wedding.



RYAN MOORE:
Won the St Leger riding Capri.

GARETH BARRY:
Equalled Ryan Giggs record.

MANAGERIAL FACTS

Roy Hodgson (70) who replaced Frank De Boer as Crystal Palace boss, began his playing career with the London club in 1963. However, he didn't have the greatest of starts in his new role, as Palace became the first team ever to lose all their first five top-flight League games at the start of a season... and fail to score!

Birmingham City, after losing six games on the bounce, immediately sacked manager Harry Redknapp. Blues are now seeking their ninth boss in 10 years.



BIBIANA STEINHAUS (38) became the first female to referee a top-flight European League game in a Bundesliga clash.

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Los Moriscos

Friday September 8

Pairs betterball

Joint First

Gil Richardson and Denise Downey, 44pts. Terry and Erica Oxford, 44pts.

2nd: Karen Nuttall and Trudy Spencer, 44pts.

3rd: Tony Downey and Harold Sims, 43pts.

An honourable mention to Barry Ellis and Brian Early who also scored 43 pts.

It was great to see the Giners after a two month layoff.

Everyone was keen to start playing again even though it was another hot day with some well-received breeze at times.

Incredible as it may seem, the joint winners had exactly the same score hole by hole.

GINNS weekly report

Peter Pool scooped the two's pot with his two on the 2nd hole. Well done Peter.

Next week is an individual Stableford. Players commented on the excellent state of the course with plenty of grass on the fairways. The management is aware of the state of the bunkers and will be working on them to make sure they are free of vegetation.

Añoreta
Monday September 11

Medal men

1st: John Millward, Hcp10 73net.

2nd: Brian Hollinrake, Hcp11 74net.

3rd: David Jenkins, Hcp5 74net.

Stableford

Men

Peter Verkleij, Hcp27 40pts.

2nd Sean Daly, Hcp18 28pts.

Medal ladies

1st: Gill Green, Hcp21 75net.

Twos

David Jenkins 9

It was a beautiful day for golf with a slight breeze coming through the valley making it pleasant to play. This week was going to be a Texas Scramble but a couple of late entries changed that so the Monthly Medal with Stableford Option was chosen.

The majority opted for the Medal with the winner being John Millward with Brian Hollindrake and David Jenkins close behind. Good scoring gentlemen.

Best Lady was Gill Green with another good performance.

The Stableford Option was won by Peter Verkleij with a magnificent 40pts and if he had played the medal he would have won that!

There was only one two and that was on the 9th by David Jenkins. Well done to all the winners, see you next week when they will try to have a team game.



LOS MORISCOS: Members played a pairs betterball.



AÑORETA: A beautiful day for playing golf.

Baviera

Tuesday September 12

3-2-1 Betterball

1st Team - 3-ball: John Blanco, Rafael Martin and Lilo Bliem.

1st Team - 4-ball: Jackie Viles, Ian Paterson, Jim Paton and Marney Dick.

Best of the rest: Derek Geelon, Rob Nicholson and Diana Elliott.

Two's

John Blanco 15

It was another pleasant day in the sunshine with a fresh breeze to keep everyone cool and all the teams did pretty well.

The winners on the day were the 3-ball team of John Blanco, Rafael Martin and Lilo Bliem who were the only ones to beat their scratch score.

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