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Man kills girlfriend and runs

A 22-YEAR-OLD man is set to be charged for the murder of his girlfriend in Cartagena.

The shocking attack came less than an hour after she had lodged a police complaint about him.

The attacker is from Malaga and had reportedly travelled to Murcia in search of his partner after she left him, but she reported him for harassment.

But as she arrived home he stabbed her in the neck and chest before trying to flee across nearby balconies as police arrived.

He was then caught by a group of residents who became suspicious of his blood-stained clothes.

Bather drowns

A POLICE probe has been launched after a 60-year-old bather was found dead. The victim vanished from Postiguat beach in Alicante but his body was not recovered for more than 12 hours, eventually being spotted several hundred metres from the coast by a fire and rescue helicopter.

A search was mounted the previous evening after his daughter alerted authorities to his disappearance.

Barking mad!

Outrage over animal welfare

By Matthew Elliott

Substandard conditions and poorly trained staff pose a serious threat to security at Torre Vieja's animal shelter, say trade unionists.

The furious campaigners have reported the facility to the town hall.

A delegation from the CSIF union found leaks, exposed electrical panels and wiring, and unprotected personal data in the client files. Their damning report claimed that workers lacked protective equipment for dealing with animals. Most also had 'no training or qualifications' whatsoever.

The shelter has no access for people with reduced mobility. It is a hazard for staff, visitors and the animals, the delegation concluded.

Particular concern was expressed over the role of volunteers. Inspectors found that untrained, and unaccountable, volunteers had access to the personal information of people considering adopting animals.



Photo by Facebook/Concejalía de Protección Animal de Torre Vieja

CONCERN: Adoption programme a huge success but security issues raised.

By law, only registered and paid staff should ever process private information.

The shelter was inspected by Seprona, the Guardia Civil's animal protection unit, a few months ago. Similar safety issues were raised at the time. Mayor Carmen Morate has admitted that the facility is in bad shape and pledged further investment.

Around 500 animals enter the Torre Vieja shelter each year.

This is far less than in the past thanks to a concerted effort to improve the Vega Baja's adoption network. The shelter currently has a 'zero slaughter' policy, whereby no animals are put down unless it is a medical necessity.

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NEWS EXTRA

No drought respite

THE drought affecting southern Spain is set to worsen after weather agency AEMET revealed that the autumn is expected to be warm and dry, with temperatures set to soar 1-1.5°C above the norm and little rainfall forecast.

Fire paella

A **PAELLA** van caught fire in Muchamiel following a disaster in the 'kitchen.' Used to cook giant paellas for festivals, the van was toast by the time firefighters put out the blaze.

Road death

A **WOMAN**, aged 59, was killed in a collision between two cars and a tractor. The tragic crash occurred on the CV-91 which connects Guardamar del Segura with Orihuela.

Floyd fans

PROTESTORS sang Pink Floyd's Another Brick in the Wall during more demonstrations against the planned high-speed railway which will divide the city in two.

Countdown to crisis

Plans for outlawed poll continue

By *Kat Ashton*

CATALUÑA appears set for a head-on clash with Spain.

It comes as the regional council prepares to defy Madrid next Sunday by holding an independence referendum which the national government insists is illegal and will be stopped.

Spain's attorney general Jose Manuel Maza refused to rule out the possibility that Catalan president Carles Puigdemont could be held and charged with unlawful behaviour.

Maza claimed in a radio interview that the regional president could be charged for disobedience, breaching public duties, and misusing public funds after he financed the vote despite it being banned by the Spanish constitutional court.

The bombshell comes days after Spanish police swooped to arrest 14 Catalan officials and seize almost 10 million ballot papers in a series of raids which sparked furious protests in Barcelona after tens of thousands poured onto the streets.

Madrid's finance ministry also put the squeeze on the region's finances to prevent government money from being spent on the campaign as the crisis deepened, before chartering ferries to transport thousands of extra police officers sent to the troubled region.



CIVIL DISPUTE: Catalans wave regional flags during march for independence.

Meanwhile, Spain's Prime Minister Mariano Rajoy last Tuesday paid a visit to the White House to discuss defence spending and the EU with US President Donald Trump.

While the international community has so far yet to get involved in the dispute, a split would likely impact Spain's relationships with countries like the USA, one of Spain's largest trading partners, since Cataluña generates around 20 per cent of the country's wealth.

Rajoy has repeatedly declared that the

vote is unlawful and a clear breach of the constitution but Puigdemont has vowed that the region is ready to declare independence within 48 hours of a victory for the yes campaign.

Catalan activists told media sources more than 6,000 ballot boxes have been hidden away ready to be used in Sunday's vote. Even if the separatists win,

it is doubtful that a declaration of independence will be recognised by Spain or the EU, and it could push Rajoy to trigger article 155 to suspend Cataluña's autonomy.

Airport drama dodged

TRAVEL chaos in Spain could be avoided at the last-minute after a deal 'in principle' was agreed between workers' unions, airport operator Aena and air navigation manager Enaire.

The parties have signed a deal which must now be ratified by the Ministry for Development.

Specific terms of the deal had not been confirmed as the *Euro Weekly News* went to print but the CCOO, UGT and USO unions had been calling for pay increases and more staff.

Airport workers - including firefighters and air traffic controllers - had threatened 25 one-day strikes in the months leading up to Christmas.

Aena operates 46 airports across Spain. The operator saw 230.2 million passengers pass through its airports in 2016, when it made a net profit of €1.164 million.

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Quake survivor

A COSTA BLANCA entrepreneur travelling to Mexico for business survived the deadly Mexico City earthquake. Jose Martinez de los Santos, aged 37 and from Alicante, described the experience as like being on a bouncy castle. It was the second time he'd escaped an earthquake. He and his wife thought they would die, he said on his return.

Squashed bog

DISASTER was narrowly averted when a 15 kilo slab of concrete crashed into the toilets of a Costa Blanca primary school. Luckily the Don Juan Manuel school in Villena was closed at the time. The hefty chunk of cement fell through the ceiling and destroyed a toilet. Technicians are inspecting the school for other potential dangers.

Major mistake

A RANTING and raving drunk man broke a policeman's leg when he resisted arrest in Orihuela Costa. The San Miguel de Salinas resident was threatening a group of people outside Villamartin Plaza when police stepped in. The bulky assailant threw himself against one officer, breaking his leg in two places, before being subdued.

Railway rally

A PETITION to speed up the arrival of the Mediterranean Corridor high-speed railway connecting Almeria to Murcia has now received more than 12,000 signatures. It has the strong backing of the Valencian Association of Entrepreneurs which is in Madrid this week lobbying for more investment to help transport Costa Blanca produce to Europe by train.

Bungling robbers

POLICE are hunting a gang of robbers who broke into a Rojas bank. The well-equipped thieves planned to use explosives to smash the ATM machine from the inside of the BBVA branch on Plaza de España. But the alarm sounded and they fled into the night, leaving their fingerprints all over the furniture.

Murder mystery probe launched

A MANAGER was found murdered outside his quiet Petrer restaurant. The body of Fernando Millan Chocero, aged 56, was discovered at 8am on Sunday morning by a colleague.

A preliminary police report suggests that he was struck on the head with a large rock at around 6.30am that morning as he went to open the restaurant, located in the Rabosa area.

He died of a traumatic head injury. At first doctors believed he had suffered some kind of freak accident.

But police now say the evidence points towards murder.

They are exploring different motives, including robbery and a personal vendetta. One person has already told police that the victim had received death threats over a workplace dispute. Whether there was one or more assailants also remains a mystery.

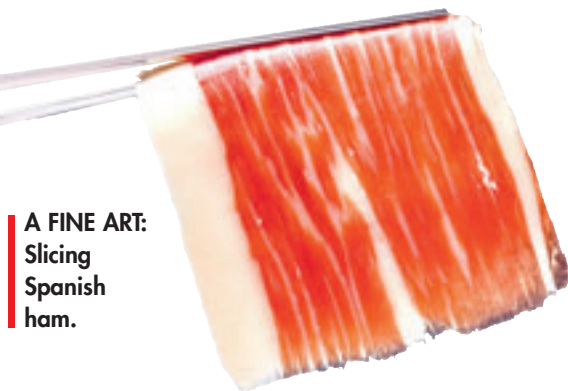
Chocero, an Elda resident, had managed the mountain restaurant owned by the Centro Elder Excursionista for five years.

SPANISH FACTS OF LIFE...31

AS the largest producers and the number one consumers of cured ham in the world - it's safe to say that ham is a pretty big deal in Spain.

The whole hog!

EACH Spaniard eats, on average, a whopping five kilograms of cured ham per year but a long and detailed method is followed to produce the high-quality jamon that Spain is known for.



A FINE ART: Slicing Spanish ham.

Rich history

SPANISH cured ham has been a delicacy since the Roman times and was traditionally made in mountainous regions in the south-west. Families would breed and fatten their own pigs domestically and just one pig was often enough to last the household for a year.

Each year, all the family members participated in the matanza (sacrifice) sometime during the first few weeks of November. After the legs were packed in sea salt and hung to dry in the cool, winter air, the rest of the carcass was used to make chorizo, salchichon and morcilla sausages.

Cut above the rest

THE most expensive ham - Jamon Iberico de Bellota - comes from the black Iberico pig, which is fed a diet of acorns, or bellotas, and reared on fresh mountain air until it reaches the optimum weight and is taken to be 'sacrificed.'

Iberico pigs can eat up to 10 kilos of acorns a day, so they are normally much fatter than normal swine. This allows the meat to be cured for longer - usually between two to four years - and results in a more intense flavour that is unparalleled in the ham world. The acorn diet also gives the premi-

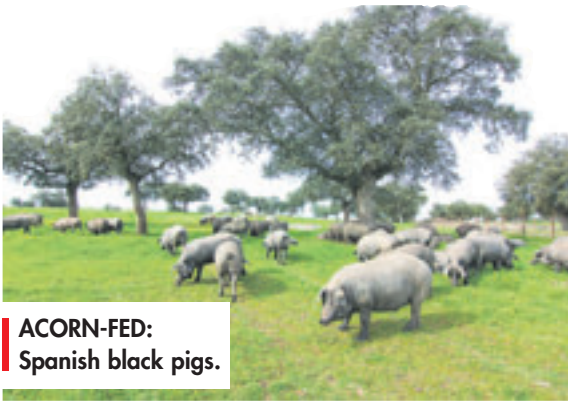


HANGING AROUND: Jamon Serrano.

um ham its renowned nutty taste.

High quality

JAMON SERRANO (literally ham from the sierra, or mountains) encompasses all the other types of dry-cured ham made from other breeds of pigs. Although less expensive than Jamon Iberico, it can still be quite costly outside of Spain and is usually served in thin slices as a tapa. These hams are dried for up to 18 months in sheds built high in the hills to help the curing process, which is why it became known as 'mountain ham.'



ACORN-FED: Spanish black pigs.

Spar blaze

DOZENS of people were evacuated when a fire broke out at the Spar supermarket in Orihuela's Plaza de San Sebastian. Plumes of black smoke flooded the packed shop near closing time on Saturday night. Around 40 people were rushed out by firefighters to avoid smoke poisoning. The cause of the blaze is being investigated.

Magic milk

CHILDREN who drank artisanal milk from Elche saw their sports performance improve by 20 per cent. Those given the unpasteurised milk from Vaqueria del Camp d'Elx were faster, stronger, and leaner than their classmates who drank regular supermarket milk. The study was carried out over six months by the University of Alicante.

Life saver

GPs will soon offer ultrasounds during routine appointments at Costa Blanca South surgeries. The move will save patients from wasting time booking multiple appointments with specialists or hospitals. Physicians will be able to detect kidney stones, joint injuries, and thyroid and urinary problems more quickly.

Space farming

TWO young engineers have created a new system that allows local farmers to monitor their crops from outer space. The system uses satellites to detect pests or a lack of nutrients. It allows farmers to get a detailed bird's eye view.

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- 3 Airport Strikes Spain: Unions confident a deal will be reached 'soon' and set deadline for end of the month - **4,455**
- 4 Snow joke: Parts of Spain experience white September - **4,204**
- 5 British father in coma following serious injuries during first night in Magaluf - **2,652**

euroweeklynews.com Poll of the week

Should Cataluña be allowed to become independent if it votes in favour this weekend?

LAST WEEK'S POLL:

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

Yes = 12%
 No = 88%

Top Social Media comments

Buzz off! Tiger mosquitoes spreading on Costa del Sol - Not just Costa del Sol, apparently Costa Almería too!!!? Nasty... *Sian Foster*
 I have never known anything like it in all of the 29 years I have lived in Mallorca, I have been bitten so badly this year, I have about 15 bites on each leg, and several on my arms even now, they leave nasty marks like bruises which take ages to fade, I have tried every deterrent but nothing working, they must love my body scent lol. *Doreen Nichols*
 They are rife this year and we've been bitten so many times down here in Estepona! Had my windows and doors shut the entire summer! *Samantha Strang*
'Drunk' man charged after easyJet flight from Spain diverted - Why aren't they turned away at the gate? Why do other passengers have to put up with these drunken idiots who are a danger to everyone on the plane. Make the penalty for being drunk and disorderly on a plane tough - imprisonment, passport forfeited for two years and a very big fine! Maybe it might sink in then that this type of behaviour is unacceptable. *Jan Andersen-Page*
 Any sign of being unfit to travel at any point of de-

parture then the passenger(s) should be referred for examination. All forms of public transport require passengers to be fit to travel. *Ted Milsom*
 Personally I think, if the person appears to have been drinking they should be tested and if over the limit not allowed to board the plane. No alcohol should be served on planes, you are just fuelling the idiots who drink to excess. *Sallyann Wiseman*
Sex change sorcery: Transsexual duped by medium in Costa Blanca - Can't believe someone got scammed like this, I mean, it's 2017 not 1517!! Like they say 'there's one born every minute!' Wonder if he's met the potato men yet? They'd love a gullible punter!! *Cheryl Morton*
 What's the old saying 'If it sounds too good to be true, then it probably is.' Sad but ... of course the thieving cow should be charged. *Denise McNamara*
Toddler in critical condition after being found in Mallorca hotel pool - How an earth was a two-year-old left in a pool ?? Where were the parents??? Hope the parents are being questioned over this! Terrible!! A two-year-old shouldn't be out of parents' sight or arms in a swimming pool! *Julie Jones Peel*



UNHAPPY: Passengers faced more travel misery

TRIVIA FROM AROUND THE WORLD

In Denmark, citizens have to select children's names from 7,000 long government-approved list.

According to Switzerland's law, social animals such as guinea pigs must have a companion with them. Owning only one is considered animal abuse and is illegal.

Russia didn't consider beer to be alcohol until 2011, with it previously classified as a soft drink.

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Did you know?

At the height of his reign, the 'King of Cocaine,' Pablo Escobar of Columbia and his drug cartel were making so much money that they spent €2,100 a month on rubber bands to strap their cash. Escobar once set fire to €2 million to keep his family warm while they were on the run.

Lost in translation



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Little bits on the side

Man Mountain on tour

Star to attend local convention

By Matthew Elliott

ICELANDIC strongman and Game of Thrones star Hafthor Julius Bjornsson is heading to the Costa Blanca. The 2.06-metre-tall monster, who plays The Mountain, in the hit American fantasy series, is attending a video game convention in Alicante.

It will be hard for fans to miss Bjornsson who, in addition to his great height, weighs in at an earth-shaking 200 kilos. Aged just 23 he won Iceland's Strongest Man competition and came sixth in the world contest.

The Mountain is appearing at the IFA Video Game Comic Convention on the weekend of October 21 and 22. Tickets to the popular festival cost just €10 for the full weekend. It is expected to attract almost 20,000 people.

"Julius will be available to all fans for photos and questions," said event director Jose Bravo. The Convention is a fun celebration of popular culture, including television shows, films, comic books and video games.

Last year Scottish actor and former Game of Thrones star James Cosmo was the main attraction. The Glaswegian was presumably easier to accommodate than the Icelandic giant.



Photo credit: Instagram/Hafthor Julius Bjornsson.

GIANT: The Mountain needs 8,000 calories a day... or else.

Preparations are already being made for the arrival of Bjornsson.

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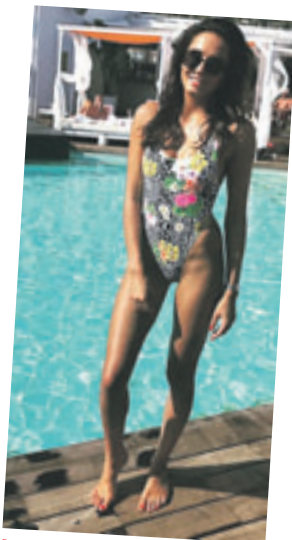
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Return to Love Island

TYLA CARR, one of the stars of this year's Love Island, has returned to Mallorca for a break.

The 24-year-old was photographed showing off her stunning figure by a pool on the island. Wearing a multi-coloured swimsuit, Tyla looked tanned and toned as she took selfies and dipped her legs in the water.

Since starring on the hit ITV2 show this summer, on which she enjoyed short-lived flings with Jonny Mitchell and Mike Thalassitis, the brunette has been linked to DJ Jonas Blue. Tyla met the English producer, whose real name is Guy James Robin, at V Festival last month and the pair have since been WhatsApping.



SIZZLING: Tyla Carr.

Film festival

SWEDISH Oscar winner, Alicia Vikander, stunned in a low-cut dress at the San Sebastian Film Festival.

The 28-year-old wowed in a custom-made Louis Vuitton gown, featuring a ruffled black top section with a full red and white skirt as she waved to fans at the 65th edition of the festival.

The Danish Girl actress is currently dating X-Men star, Michael Fassbender, and the pair plan to marry



San Sebastian Festival/Instagram

GLITTERING: Alicia Vikander.

soon at a secret event in Ibiza, according to media reports. A source claimed, "the details of the party are being kept under lock and key," adding, "guests have been told to arrive in Ibiza on a certain date and they will then be collected and taken to the hotel."

The brunette is currently starring in spy thriller Submergence alongside James McAvoy.



RACY: Yazmin Oukhellou.

How frilling!

TOWIE star, Yazmin Oukhellou, has caused a stir in Marbella wearing an off-the-shoulder frill detail bikini.

The 24-year-old showed off her fantastic tan and toned body as she sunbathed by a pool. The reality TV star recently went under the knife, having a nose job to correct a 'bump' caused by an accident, and says the results are "amazing."

Peru one

TWENTY-FOUR-YEAR-OLD ex-convict, Michaella McCollum, has been photographed showing off her toned figure in a grey bikini on a solo outing to the beach in Mallorca.

The blonde, who caught the media's attention after being arrested for smuggling drugs into Peru in 2013, has since courted publicity, being snapped on a series of holidays.

She's got some front

MODEL, Demi Rose has been spotted posing topless for a photoshoot in Ibiza.

The 22-year-old brunette held her hands strategically over her chest as she posed for cameras, standing waist-deep in the sea, wearing nothing but a gold tiger head necklace and flesh-coloured bikini bottoms.

The model, who first caught the media's eye last May when

she started dating rapper Tyga, has since been linked to a series of stars, including Drake.

Speaking about her rise to stardom, the stunner said, "I've had Instagram since I was 18. Posed for selfies and pictures and it just grew from like 60,000 to 200,000 to a million to 3.2 million now."

She added, "It was weird when people started recognising me in the street. I just got used to it."

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Burkini battle

Legal challenge after residents' vote to ban

By Matthew Elliott

A DECISION to ban the burkini from a community swimming pool is facing a legal challenge. An American Muslim tourist was told to leave the Vistahermosa pool because she was wearing the Islamic swimsuit.

After the August incident the residents' association held an emergency meeting. They voted to ban the garment, which exposes only the hands, feet and face of wearers, from the Alicante urbanisation.

Thirty people voted in favour of the ban, eight against and four abstained. But now a new challenge to the vote has come from the landlord who rented his property to the tourist and her three children.

Antonio Aledo denounced the decision as "xenophobic" and is threatening to take the community to court

over the ban. At the same meeting sports and street clothes were also banned from the pool for 'hygiene reasons.' He claims this was simply to mask the vote's true purpose.

"Several neighbors have publicly supported this woman in suffering what we consider to be a xenophobic, stale, cheating, sexist and illegal act," he said. "In Washington no-one berated or banned her from wearing the bathing suit."

He said it was depressing that children in the community were being exposed to "disrespect and fear of the other" and that this outlook was now officially approved by the residents' association.

But other residents have stood by their vote, calling the burkini a macho symbol of oppression towards women. One said it was shameful to force a woman

to bathe that way during her holidays.

Residents also voted by a strong majority to allow topless bathing in the pool.

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Justice for homeowners

Courts order banks to pay out over abusive mortgages

By Matthew Elliott

HOMEOWNERS ripped off by banks have begun receiving compensation. Nine judgements in support of homeowners affected by abusive mortgage clauses have now been issued across Alicante Province.

The amounts of compensation awarded range from €638 to €9,543. In each case banks have been ordered to pay back money illegally charged, plus interest.

The cases refer to the so-called 'floor clauses.' These saw banks set a minimum interest rate buyers would have to pay back on mortgages, even if the benchmark rate, the Euribor, fell below it.

Last year the European Court of Justice ruled that the clauses were illegal and insisted that all Spanish banks give their customers a full refund. Spain's Supreme Court



JUSTICE: Costa Blanca homeowners finally getting their money back.

made the order in February and now justice is finally being dealt out on the Costa Blanca South.

The nine cases so far are just the tip of the iceberg. Numerous other out of court settlements have already been reached between the banks and local residents. Banks which have taken cases to trial and lost include Bankinter,

BBVA, and Caja Rural Central.

Though the European and Supreme Court judgements appear clear, the legal waters get muddy when it comes to taxes. Different provinces and regions have different regimes, meaning residents of some parts of Spain may receive more compensation than others.

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ing the heady international mix.

Tourism councillor Eva Montesinos said that the industry's performance was largely down to constant work from the tourist board promoting the city and province abroad. The high numbers are expected to continue through autumn.

OUR VIEW

Preserve the peace

AS the proposed referendum in Cataluña draws ever closer we can only speculate as to whether we will see tanks stationed in the Plaza de Cataluña next Sunday.

The Spanish government is becoming more belligerent towards the Catalan parliament and the Catalonians appear unwilling to back down in any way.

If this was happening during the Arab Spring then western newspapers would surely be forecasting revolution and anticipating an armed struggle.

It is just 78 years since the Spanish Civil War finished, only 40 years since the return to democracy and the revelation of abortive plot to overthrow the king and 36 years since the attempted coup which saw Guardia Civil officers enter the Cortes with guns drawn.

Life outside of Catalonia goes on but regardless of the outcome of the vote - assuming it goes ahead - this has to be such a major event in the history of Spain and a pointer to a future which is going to be beset with disagreement and rows with the possibility of various separatist parties jumping on the bandwagon.

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Tourist tax idea slammed

By Matthew Elliott

A POTENTIAL tourist tax has been roundly rejected by the Costa Blanca South's business community. In a rare show of unanimity, hotels, hostels, restaurants, real estate agents, travel agencies and landlords came out against the proposal.

A total of 27 business associations signed a document declaring their absolute rejection of the idea. In it they listed 20 economic and social reasons why, in their view, a tourist tax would be a disaster for the Costa Blanca.

The key arguments revolve around decreased competitiveness and a perceived negative impact on small businesses.

The document was jointly signed at an emergency summit and dispatched to the Valencian Community leadership, which has been

considering imposing the tax.

The proposed tourist tax would follow the lead of the Balearic Islands. There, tourists are charged €1 or €2 per night per person, depending on the season, to stay at hotels or hostels on the islands.

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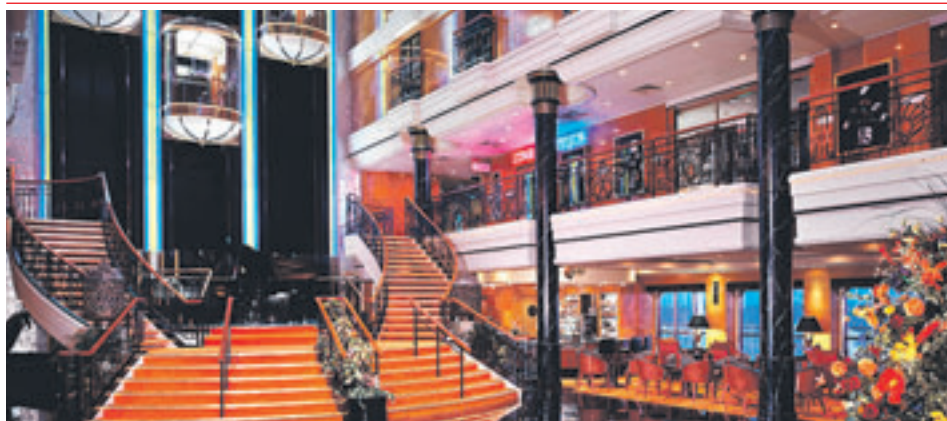
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Local resident campaigns against fly tipping



Just some of the dumped rubbish in La Siesta.

EXCLUSIVE

By John Smith

A DUTCH expatriate remains furious about local dumping.

In early 2016, Fred de Jong, who owns a property in La Siesta near Torreveja wrote to the *Euro Weekly News* complaining about fly tipping.

After the newspaper highlighted the problem, Fred was pleased to be able to report that matters had improved considerably and the rubbish had been removed.

All seemed well for about 18 months but now he has contacted us again to say that the problem has returned with a vengeance with large amounts of rubbish just being dumped by the roadside and no efforts to clear it on a regular basis.

The situation was then made worse by heavy rainfall which added to the overall morass in the area.

Fred told *EWN* "I can't understand how our local council found funds to beautify other parts of the area but even though the taxes charged to myself and my neighbours increase, nothing seems to be done in this part of La Siesta."



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This is a similar dilemma faced by many Britons with 'final salary' or pensions – where employers guarantee a minimum income throughout retirement, increasing with inflation. But today many pension providers are offering members high pay-outs – 'transfer values' – to give up these 'gold-plated' benefits.

While there is no right answer here, when it comes to your security in retirement, it is important to take extreme care. Start by considering six key questions.

1. What is your pension worth?

A final salary pension worth £15,000 a year may seem modest, but with today's transfer values at up to 40 times the income due, this could represent a pay-out of over £500,000. Properly managed, this could provide a retirement income that well exceeds the original annual payment.

However, beware UK lifetime pension allowance penalties. With current transfer values, you could potentially breach the £1 million limit by cashing-in a pension worth £30,000 – and lose over half the excess in taxes.

Should you cash-in a 'golden' pension? Six questions to consider



By Gerald Turner,
Partner, Blevins Franks

2. Do you have other resources for retirement?

Is your transfer value high enough to outweigh the benefits of drawing an income for life? Or will other pensions, savings and investments provide for your future? If so, you may be inclined to forfeit a final salary pension for a one-off reward. If your pension is a large part of your retirement wealth,

the opposite will apply.

3. How long do you need it to last?

Final salary pensions provide income for as long as you live – that could be 30 years or more from retirement age. Those in good health may therefore benefit from the certainty of a guaranteed lifetime income. Only consider cashing-in your pension if you are confident you will not outlive your resources.

4. How stable is your pension scheme?

Final salary pensions are costly for providers – and many are failing. Recently, thousands of ex-BHS employees lost their 'guaranteed' pension rights when the company collapsed.

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6. What is your appetite for risk?

Benefits in a final salary pension are protected – even if the value of funds goes down, the scheme provider is obliged to make the guaranteed payments. Once transferred, you gain more control over how you invest and access your funds, but they become vulnerable to unpredictable markets – even money in the bank can be eaten away as inflation outpaces returns. And without proper guidance, you risk losing everything to unregulated investments or pension scams.

Whether a larger one-off sum would

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Remember, if you cash in your pension, you cannot reverse your decision. Take specialist advice to fully understand the long-term implications to do what is best for your financial future.

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Residents told not to worry

By Matthew Elliott

VEGA BAJA residents can rest assured that Spanish won't be replaced with Valencian anytime soon. President of the Valencian Community, Ximo Puig, had a special message for the people of Torrevieja and Orihuela Costa.

"No one in Vega Baja should have the slightest fear," he said. "We absolutely respect the language of the Vega Baja, which is Castilian. We want it."

Puig made it clear, however, the grand project of educating children in three languages, Spanish, Valencian and English, will be implemented across the Community, which includes southern Vega Baja.

He accused political rivals of cynically trying to cobble votes together by engineering controversy over the increasing influence of Valencian in public life.

"Languages unite and our goal is for the children and young people of the Communi-

ty to know Valencian, English and Castilian," he said during a visit to two Los Montesinos schools.

His message comes one week after it was revealed that only a tiny minority of Vega Baja schools are following the trilingual education model. Many students in the area come from Murcia.

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A state of emergency

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The next hydrological year begins on October 1. The national government has agreed to extend the state of drought until October 2018. This will be the third consecutive year exceptional drought measures have been enforced in the province.

Water reserves in the Vega Baja, lower Vinalopo and l'Alacanti are dangerously low. The situation is marginally better in the upper Vinalopo.

Farmers in the south of the province are faring the worst. They rely entirely on the Tajo-Segura water transfer, which is currently under enormous pressure due to drought.

Age of Empires

A SOLID gold pendant dated to the sixth century BC was found by archaeology students at La Isla beach in Mazarron. The incredible find is believed to be further proof of a major Phoenician presence in ancient Mazarron.

It has been cautiously dated to around 620 BC by the University of Murcia team. They think it and other evidence, including amulets, show the Costa Blanca may have been settled by rich Phoenician traders.



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So who does this tax apply to?

This applies to anybody who is not legally a resident in Spain, but who has assets such as property in Spain, income from rental of property, income from bank deposits when applicable, royalties from intellectual property, etc...

What do I need to do?

You will need to fill out a 210 form with all of your personal details, bank account number, and the details of any assets you have in Spain. If there is one or more owner of your property, each owner must complete their own tax form.

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Husband on trial

By Matthew Elliott

A HUSBAND who tried to murder his wife with a shotgun is to go on trial.

Prosecutors have requested an 18 year sentence for Gonzalo AF, who shot his wife in the buttock before being disarmed by her father.

The incident took place at her parent's home in El Altet, near the airport. After dealing with his abuse, the woman left her husband and their Zaragoza home. She took their

young son to stay with her parents in Alicante.

Weeks later, the suspect told neighbours that he was travelling to Galicia. But in reality he had acquired a shotgun and ammunition and was on his way to the Costa Blanca. Police later found a handwritten note laying out his intentions.

He snuck into her parents finca and hid underneath the guest bed where he expected her to sleep. But she had gotten wind of his departure and

decided to sleep in the main building.

Wearing a balaclava he began roaming around the estate until he found his wife. He fired two shots, striking her in the buttock and back. As he reloaded the weapon to finish the job, her father pounced on him and seized the gun.

Police were called and the suspect arrested just south of Elche. He was already under a restraining order to stay clear of his wife.

Companies face cyber threat

LOCAL companies should invest in their cyber-crime defences, a leading Costa Blanca policeman has said. Lieutenant Colonel Juan Sotomayor heads the Guardia Civil's special cybercrime unit.

He gave a speech to a group of business leaders from Alicante Province at the city's university. Sotomayor urged them to invest in cyber security and train their employees to cope with the emerging threat.

Major threats include ransomware, whereby hackers blackmail a company using a virus, and

industrial espionage, said Sotomayor. He said it was essential for a responsible company to have a contingency plan for the 'day after an attack.'

If a business isn't prepared to defeat an attack within 24 hours, he warned, the entire company will be crippled for days. The results can be catastrophic, with client data, banking details and other secure information up for grabs. Smaller companies may never recover.

Sotomayor advised local businesses not to put their employees' personal data on their websites.

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Cold water

A GIANT banner denouncing the city council was removed from the Serra Grossa mountains by Alicante's firefighters' union. The goodwill gesture comes ahead of new negotiations on increasing staff numbers.

Bad move

A BELGIAN fugitive was nabbed on arrival at Alicante airport. The computer fraudster fled chocolate country after judges slapped him with an 18-month prison sentence.

A plea for mercy

Cull of trees could decimate industry

By Matthew Elliott

FARMERS will not be compensated for lost profits if the EU decides to destroy thousands of diseased olive and almond trees.

The Costa Blanca South is the latest Spanish region to be threatened by the dreaded Xylella fastidiosa bacteria, also known as 'olive ebola.'

There are serious concerns throughout the province that the EU could order a preemptive cull of infected trees and all other fruit trees within a 100-metre radius.

Recently the EU backed down from such dramatic action in Mallorca. There only infected trees will be destroyed. But those trees still number in their thousands and scientists will address the Costa Blanca situation on its own merits.

There is no known cure for Xylella fastidiosa, which is believed to have been accidentally



KILLER: Xylella fastidiosa ravages olive trees.

imported into Spain on crates from North Africa.

So far only Italy has seen the full consequences of the disease. In 2013 more than one million olive trees were destroyed and the olive oil industry devastated.

Costa Blanca farmers have anxiously appealed to the EU for more information on a potential cull. The only solid response came last week when they were informed that, should

a cull go ahead, they will not be compensated for profit losses.

That leaves wiggle room for compensation for the destroyed trees. But that will be little consolation for local farmers, who are already contending with drought and irrigation issues.

Xylella fastidiosa is also extremely contagious. Though known for its devastation of olive trees, it can also infect and destroy almond, orange, vine, and lemon trees.

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Circus sees the light

Seven tigers among big cats given freedom

By Matthew Elliott

A CIRCUS has donated seven tigers and one lion to the Villena animal rescue centre. The Wonderland circus has voluntarily decided to stop using wild animals in its Spanish tour.

Wonderland is giving away all of its big cats to Primadonus, the Spanish headquarters of animal foundation AAP, which will then send them to different rescue centres. The Villena rescue facility is the largest of its kind for exotic animals in southern Europe.

The entire process of transporting the tigers and lion to their new home will take up to four weeks. The big cats must be sedated, placed in cargo, then transported to Primadonus, where they will be placed in quarantine to ensure they carry no diseases.

Once certified they will be taken to the 20-hectare natural



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SETTLED: Rescue centre's new residents are big cats.

space the centre manages in the Sierra de Salinas. They will undergo extensive physical and psychological rehab to recover from the toll of circus life.

Primadonus president Pablo Delgado was delighted with Wonderland's decision. "That one of the most prestigious circuses in Spain has decided to take this important step per-

fectly reflects the situation: Wild animals in circuses, as the bearded woman before them, have had their day."

The foundation also cares for big cats and hundreds of primates rescued from ruthless animal traffickers. Spain continues to have dozens of illegal zoos and circuses which exploit trafficked animals.

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National Police have revealed that there are 149 confirmed victims of the fraud. Some are foreigners, but the majority are from different provinces across Spain.

The crooks advertised fake apartments online through the Milanuncios website. They doc-

‘Ghost home’ fraudsters nabbed

tored photos of attractive beachside holiday homes and offered them at knockdown prices.

They used names, email addresses and phone numbers of deceased Costa Blanca residents to provide a veneer of credibility.

Elda police began investigating earlier this year when they were contacted by a victim. Gradually they were able to work out the scammers’ modus

operandi. Last week they tracked one fraudster to an ATM in Benidorm where he withdrew money from an account connected to the gang.

Further arrests were made and the investigation remains open. Police believe there could be dozens more victims. All of those affected were asked to send half the rental fee by bank transfer. Most lost between €500 and €900.

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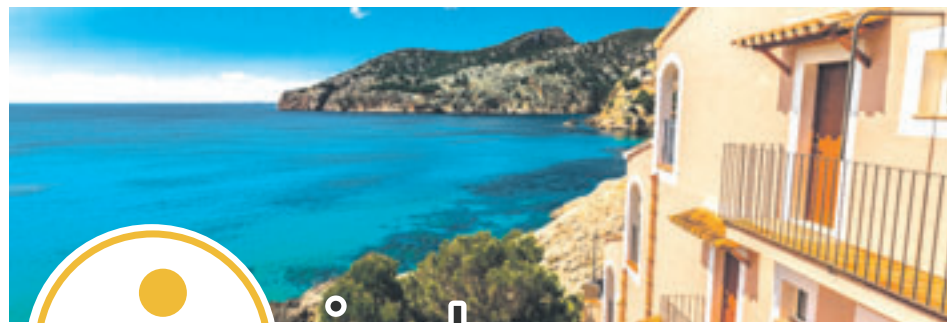
A DESPERATE young couple took to the streets of Murcia to complain that the city is forcing them to commit crime. They are facing eviction from a bank-owned home they have squatted in for 18 months.

Santiago and Azahara have an infant son. Neither are employed or have any immediate or extended family to turn to. They receive €400 per month in benefits for the boy and have spent two years on Murcia’s social housing waiting list.

Occupying the abandoned house was the

only way the couple say they could get a roof over their and the baby’s head. But if they are found guilty of squatting they face a fine, further destitution, and the prospect of losing their son.

Now the couple are protesting daily outside Murcia’s housing department. They have placards which are slowly drawing a crowd to support their cause. They argue that the city’s points system to secure social housing is unfair and tilted against people with children to favour those not in such desperate need.



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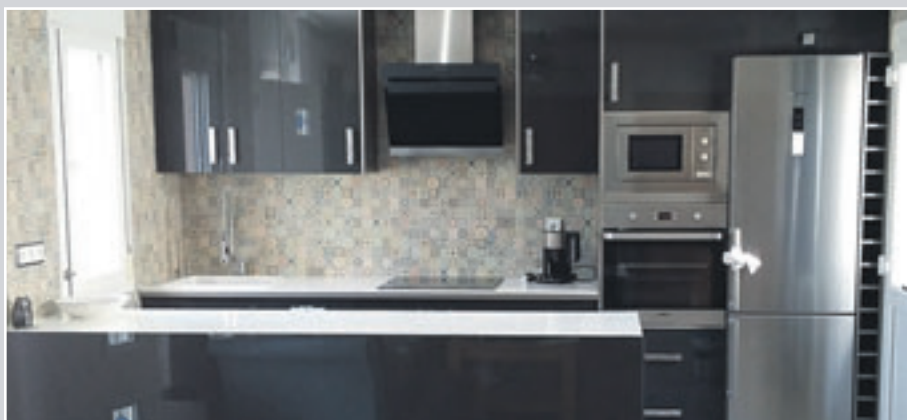
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NIGHTMARE: Elche police car was toast after huge fire.

Fury over hazard fleet

By Matthew Elliott

POLICE and firemen have slammed the condition of Elche's Local Police patrol cars. The angry message from both unions came after a patrol car suddenly caught fire in Atzavares.

Despite having access to a fire extinguisher, officers had to call the fire brigade. By the time they arrived the car was toast.

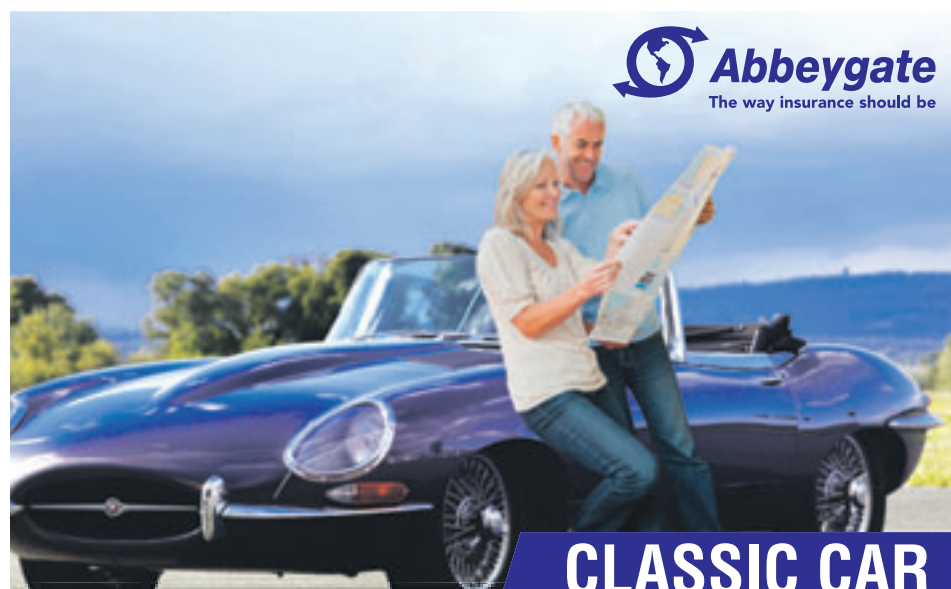
Attention has now turned to the wider state of Elche's fleet of Local Police cars. Some have more than 700,000 kilometres on the clock, are almost 20 years old, and should have been removed from circulation years ago.

There are 60 cars in the fleet and the Local Police union say they need a dozen more to prevent overuse. Another 13 are slated to hit the roads in early October, after

being bought almost a year ago.

Elche Town Hall has pledged a €200,000 investment next year in new police cars and motorcycles. But disgruntled officers have more axes to grind.

They have requested a whole new armoury, including tasers, and better uniforms. Some officers are reportedly using sticky tape to hold their boots together.



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British conman admits guilt

NORMAN FOWLER who fled to Spain in 2014 after being prosecuted for defrauding £21,000 (€23,500) finally admitted his guilt in a Chelmsford court.

He was actually arrested by Spanish police over a weapons offence but after it was discovered that there was a European Arrest Warrant opened by the British authorities, he was extradited back to the UK in October 2016 where he has been on remand ever since.

When his case was first taken to court upon his return, his lawyer explained that he was too ill to appear to plead but when the case was finally due to be heard he entered a plea of not guilty at the pre-trial hearing.

One day before the trial was due to be held he changed his plea to guilty



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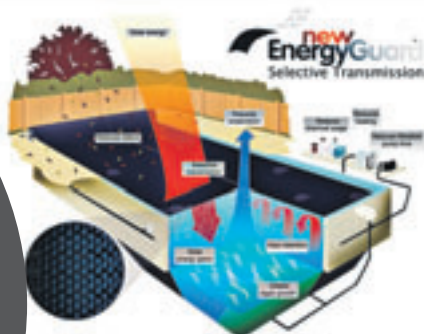


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Extinction threat raised

By Matthew Elliott

SCIENTISTS have warned that an endemic Mediterranean mollusc is at dire risk of extinction. A so-called 'mass mortality event' is underway in the seas of Murcia, Torrevieja, Almeria and Ibiza, according to Spain's fisheries ministry.

Their alarming report is supported by findings from the Spanish Institute of Oceanography and Centre for Marine Research. It concerns the Pinna Nobilis, also known as the fan mussel, a species of clam whose shell can reach 120 centimetres in length.

The fan mussel is immensely important to marine ecosystems and its loss therefore far more than an isolated concern. It promotes biodiversity and is considered an indicator of a healthy ecosystem.

Samples of 'sick' mussels have been taken from Costa Blanca seas to determine the precise cause of the ongoing marine catastrophe.

It is believed to be some kind of pathogen. The extinction



CALAMITY: Fan mussel on verge of disappearing from Costa's waters.

threat level has now been raised to 'critical.' Recently the Spanish Society of Malacology

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Gym bunnies scammed

A GYM is being sued by 125 members. The joint legal action accuses the gym owners of fraud for closing down without any notice and without paying back membership or monthly fees.

The owners of the Alicante gym, in Poligono de Carrus, have since vanished. Former

members say they first put up a sign saying the gym would be closed for renovations in July.

Many believe it was a premeditated scam. Special offers were announced before the gym closed for 'repairs.' Members were told they could pay a one-off fee of €299 for 24 months.

Fur coats and superyachts



RICH CLUB: Alicante Marina frequented by rich Russians.

By Matthew Elliott

RICH Russians are the prime movers in Alicante's thriving luxury goods market. The city's luxury sector has grown by 30 per cent in the past six years thanks to big-spending foreign tourists.

Jewellers are reaping the benefits, with wealthy visitors spending more than €10,000 on Swiss watches and diamond rings. Around half the market is commandeered by Russians, many of whom travel up from the Costa del Sol.

Chinese and Algerian buyers

make up the bulk of the remaining uber-rich buyers. Gucci and Armani have recently opened stores in the city. Alicante's luxury boating industry is now second only to Mallorca's in Spain.

The Costa Blanca is also developing a reputation as a fine place to source rare and expensive furs. Mink, ostrich, rabbit, fox and beaver coats are in particularly high demand from glitzy Russians with deep pockets.

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Satan system

A NEW anti-corruption system to be enforced in Alicante has the apt acronym Satan. The System of Alerts and Transparency in the Administration will combat town planning fraud.

Knot today

LOVED-UP couples have to wait 10 months to get married in Elche. Staff shortages in the registry office saw the waiting list shoot up this year, providing plenty of time for cold feet.

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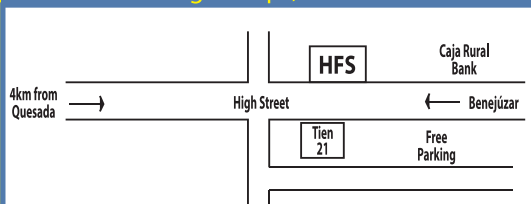
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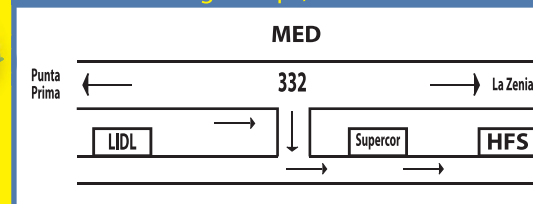


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BOUNCING BACK: Property in places like La Manga turning over new leaf.

Back from the brink

By Matthew Elliott

REAL estate has bounced back from the brink in Murcia this year. A range of bureaucratic reforms have sparked a rapid increase in sales and construction.

It is now easier than ever before to secure building permits and transfer titles according to Planning councillor Antonio Navarro. The streamlining of legal procedures has encouraged a major upsurge in building, whether of new properties, or home extensions.

So far this year more than 1,000 building licences have been granted. It is a remark-

able improvement, says Navarro, especially given the region's life and death property struggle after the crisis.

"There is no more fear of spending money," said Navarro when asked about the new dynamism of the construction sector. He has pledged to continue making life easier for people and businesses to build and buy in Murcia.

The real litmus test will be whether the mini-construction boom leads to an increase in house prices. Property values are soaring in the Costas bordering Murcia but have remained stagnant in the region itself.

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Moor magic

ORIHUELA'S Moors and Christians festival has been declared an event of National Touristic Interest. The town's tourism website has been visited almost 40,000 times so far this year.

Stair climb

HALF of all apartment buildings in Elche do not have a functional lift, a new report has revealed. The town hall was advised to do more to help vulnerable and elderly residents.



ALICANTE: Many are below the breadline.

Poverty's lasting legacy

By Matthew Elliott

MORE than a quarter of Alicante Province households are in poverty.

The poverty line is set at 60 per cent of the average Spanish income. Around 26 per cent of Alicante homes fall below this level.

Worse, the percentage of Costa Blanca South families in poverty has shot up by six points since the crisis bit. New research from the University of Alicante found that, despite the economic recovery, the province's poorest residents have seen no improvement in living standards.

Professors Francisco Juarez and Paloma Taltavull have published a monstrous paper entitled Crisis and Recovery of the Spanish

and Alicante Economies. They found that, across the board, the disposable income of the province's households has plummeted by 8.4 per cent in the past decade. The average across Spain is 7.2 per cent.

Worryingly, the report suggests that, while 26 per cent of households are poor, a total of 36 per cent struggle to pay their bills. More than a third of the population is one missed salary away from disaster.

Children and the elderly are the Costa Blanca South's most vulnerable residents when it comes to poverty, the report found.

An estimated 40 per cent of workers don't receive the minimum wage once job related expenses such as transport are taken into account. Also one in three work only part-time.

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Alzheimer's breakthrough hope



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LEADING THE WAY: Miguel Hernandez University.

By *Matthew Elliott*

WORLD Alzheimer's Day was celebrated with good news from scientists at Elche's Miguel Hernandez University.

They have discovered a new way of detecting the disease before it manifests in the brain.

The research team announced that it was able to detect an over-abundance of a precursor protein that confirmed the disease's dormant existence. Its presence is an incredibly accurate indication that the disease is on its way.

With early detection, said lead researcher

Javier Saez, doctors can act faster to slow the disease's progression and dramatically extend a patient's healthy life span.

Though far from a cure, it is a gamechanger for both patients and doctors. Around 10 per cent of Alzheimer's patients in Alicante Province were given their diagnosis aged under 65. For those in their 50's, early diagnosis offers hope of decades of mental health.

Still the wider prognosis isn't good. Commemorating Alzheimer's Day last week, researchers at Spain's Institute of Neurosciences said that cases are expected to double in the next 20-30 years.



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OUT IN THE LURCH: Torrevieja and Costa Blanca South get unfair tax treatment.

Worst funded residents in Spain

By Matthew Elliott

RESIDENTS of the Costa Blanca South receive less bang for their tax buck than the Spanish average. Both Murcia and the Valencian Community, which includes Alicante Province, receive less funding per person from the national government than most other regions.

The revelation comes courtesy of a new report from major bank BBVA. It is an analysis of the financing of Spain's autonomous regions over the course of 13 years from 2002 to 2015.

Published this week, the comprehensive report concludes that Murcia and the Valencian Community are the two worst funded regions in the country.

Residents of Alicante Province received just €2,178 from Madrid each year on average. Murcians didn't fare much better, with an average payout of €2,236.

In Andalucia people also have cause for complaint. Their funding equates to €2,272 per person. The best funded region is Cantabria, where locals get €2,906 per year, more than €700 compared to their compatriots in Murcia.

Angel de la Fuente, chief author of the report, described the extreme differences between regional funding as "barely justifiable." These systemic inequalities put some communities in a better starting position than others, he said.

The fault isn't solely Madrid's he noted. Bargaining between regional politicians and the national decision makers determines spending levels. Arguably, Costa Blanca South politicians are selling their people short.

The set up goes against the basic principle of equality, de la Fuente argued. He has called for a radical overhaul of the system to ensure equal per capita spending from parliament.



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TEN exquisite quilts have been donated by Barbora Dick of Skalabara Quilts to raise desperately needed funds for new internal fencing at Easy Horse Care Rescue Centre near Alicante.

Czech-born Barbora, who now lives in Alicante, doesn't know Easy Horse Care founders Sue and Rod Weeding personally, but learnt of their work and funding struggles through long-time supporter of the charity, Kate Cammish, and local English newspapers.

"I have decided to donate the quilts to Easy Horse Care because I think both Sue and Rod are doing an incredible job with the charity," Barbora said. "I honour their enthusiastic work of the charity. So why not help a local charity that is entirely dependent on donations?"

Barbora's donation has come at a fortuitous time, as the rescue centre looks to raise funds for new, permanent internal fencing.

The existing fencing is made largely of electric tape and plastic posts, which degrade rapidly in the Spanish sun and require constant upkeep. The new fencing will be strong and permanent, made from 1,500m of Tornado Wire. But at €40 per metre, it doesn't come cheap.

Sue and Rod aim to replace the fencing in stages as they raise the needed money and to minimise disruption to the rescued horses.

All proceeds from the quilts will go towards the fencing fundraiser and will help purchase nearly 50m of fencing for the first 128m stage. The quilts are available for purchase at easyhorsecare.net/shops/online-shop/homewares. Monetary donations can also be made at easyhorsecare.net/donate/help-build-fences.

The sanctuary is entirely reliant on donations not only for maintenance projects, but also for the ongoing care of the rescued equines, estimated to cost nearly €150,000 per year.

Sue expressed her gratitude to Barbora saying, "Without the support from the public and their kind donations of furniture, clothes and

now quilts, we wouldn't be able to do what we do."

The need for these donations has only grown with increasing numbers of horses, ponies and donkeys being abandoned to the streets.

"It's hard to imagine what it would be like if the police weren't taking quick action to rescue these animals and we weren't here to provide them a home," Sue said.

"The government don't have any facilities to house these animals, so we're not just saving them, we're providing a public service to get them off the street."

Recent rescue Pee-wee, a miniature pony, is just one example of this disturbing trend. He was left tied to railings in Lorca for a week, before a neighbour reported him and the police acted to save him from starvation.

Arriving at the centre in a skeletal state, with serious health issues including a mouth infection, many rotten teeth, blood coming from his penis and a tumour pushing one eye out of its socket, Pee-wee has now gained 20 kilograms and is going from strength to strength. But he has a long way to go.

Of most concern is the tumour, which needs to be removed before it causes further damage. The operation will happen as soon as Pee-wee is strong enough to handle it.

"I'm overjoyed at the progress he's made. He's absolutely beautiful and a pleasure to look after, but I still worry about him constantly," Sue said.

Anyone interested in making a donation to Easy Horse Care Rescue Centre, becoming a long-term sponsor, or volunteering at the sanctuary or in the charity shops can call Sue on 652 021 980.

The Easy Horse Care Rescue Centre, located just outside Rojales at Partido Lo Garriga, 59, opens to the public on the first Sunday of every month between 1pm and 4pm. For more details and directions, please visit www.easyhorsecare.net.

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REHEARSALS: David Whitney (front) and cast. |

Cinder Hella is coming

THE Deadwood Stage Company followed the trail to The Madhouse recently to rehearse their production of 'Cinder Hella,' under the direction of David Whitney.

They enjoyed the meeting, supported by other members of the society. Laughter permeated The Madhouse, an ideal venue,

throughout the reading of the script.

The final production will be staged daily from February 9-11, 2018.

There is still the opportunity of joining the friendly group, in whatever capacity Watch this space for more information or ring Vida on 966 77 4127.

THE Velvetones were on hand to celebrate Peter's special birthday at the Friendly Bar, Los Montesinos last week.

They sang a variety of songs from the 60's which were very well received by the party goers and the birthday boy!

Birthday bash

If you would like them to sing at your party get in touch with Ena on 965 707 598 or Maryanne on 966 714 973. Proceeds from the night go to their charity:

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The two lead roles are played by Luke Ringrose as Captain Bob Wallace, and Nick Morgan as Private Phil Davies. It's 1954, and Bob and Phil have become famous entertainers since leaving the army at the end of the Second World War. Appearing on the Ed Sullivan Show they perform their Christmas hit number 'Happy Holidays.'

A chance encounter with a female duo sets the scene for intrigue, comedy, and a great storyline. But will romance



STARS: Luke Ringrose (left) and Nick Morgan.

be in the air for Bob and Phil? Festive entertainment for all the family is guaranteed, so why not start Christmas off with a visit to this great show.

Show dates are Wednesday November 29 to Saturday December 2 at the Cardenal Beluga Theatre in San Fulgencio, all performances start at 7.30pm with doors open 7pm. Reserved seating tickets are

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NEWS IN BRIEF



| BEAUTY QUEEN: Pilar Magro.

Making a splash

PILAR MAGRO, a contestant in the 2017 Miss Spain beauty pageant, sparked a stir on social media after a video emerged of her tumbling into a swimming pool during rehearsals.

All hail!

A FIERCE hailstorm brought the town of San Juan in Teruel to a complete standstill, leaving many locals trapped in their cars and four people requiring treatment for hypothermia.

Prices soar

THE cost of a holiday in Spain is set to climb by 10 per cent in 2018 according to Thomas Cook Chief Executive Peter Fankhauser, who delivered the revelation on the BBC's Today show.

Live wire

THE world's highest capacity subsea internet cable, which stretches almost 6,500 kilometres from the United States to Bilbao in Spain and can transmit data 16 million times faster than a home connection, is complete.

On porpoise

BEACHGOERS in Cadiz have been hailed after battling to save the life of a beached dolphin with pieces of fishing net caught in its mouth, cutting the net away before the animal swam free.

Big brother

AROUND 40 per cent of Spanish men and 70 per cent of Basques descended from a common ancestor who lived 4,500 years ago, according to a new study by researchers from Barcelona.

EU law to prevent cruel tradition

A NEW EU law will help stop the mutilation of dogs in Spain.

The cruel practice of severing of tails and ears of hunting dogs has gone on for years in Spain, with another recent trend occurring to cut their vocal chords to prevent nuisance barking.

Much of this is done by the

hunters themselves using a razor or a similarly crude cutting tool.

Many of the animals mutilated in this way suffer from pain, infection and other health problems due to the lack of veterinary knowledge or qualifications of their owners.

Until recently, Seprona agents (the Guardia Civil's animal protection

branch) did not deal with such incidents as a criminal offence despite laws which clarified the acts as such.

The European Convention for the Protection of Companion Animals is soon to enter into force in Spain, an act that will greatly aid the prosecution of those who abuse animals.

No cover for Ryanair flight cancellations

By Karl Smallman

INSURANCE experts are warning that not all travel policies will cover your costs if you're one of the hundreds of thousands of passengers affected by Ryanair's cancellation of 40-50 flights a day until the end of October.

A survey of travel insurers has found that most standard policies will not cover 'consequential losses' such as hotels and car hire as a result of flights being cancelled by an airline.

Insurance professional Fiona Macrae, of the Travel Insurance Explained campaign, said unless a policy specified cover for cancelled flights, claims were unlikely to be successful.

Ryanair claim that the cancellations, due to a 'mess up' over the holiday roster for its pilots, amount to less than 2 per cent of its over 2,500 daily flights.

The low-cost airline is offering €13,500 (£12,000) tax-free bonuses to its pilots to tempt them to give up days off and holiday and avoid further cancellations.

EU compensation rules for 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.

Consumer organisations have called on Ryanair to automatically compensate affected passengers.



| RYANAIR: Are cancelling 40-50 flights a day until end of October.

UK company boss held over terror link

ARMED officers of Spain's National Police have raided a property in Merida and arrested Ataul Haque who is accused of financing DAESH and sending 'technological material' to Syria for weapons purposes.

It is also claimed he was working on developing drones for combat purposes.

Haque, 34, is linked to a network of front companies that specialised in computer support, run from an office in Cardiff.

The Bangladeshi lived with his partner in a rented flat and has two young children.

The complex investigation has been carried out by the National Police with the collaboration of the

National Intelligence Centre (CNI) and the Bangladesh security services.

Several relatives of the arrested man have also been detained.

Since June 26, 2015, when the Ministry of the Interior raised the Anti-Terrorism Alert Level (NAA) to 4, security forces have arrested 202 terrorist jihadists in operations in Spain and abroad.

French fugitive found

AFTER officers of the Guardia Civil received a complaint of sexual assault from a tourist, they discovered a Frenchman wanted for murder in France living in a commune.

A group of people had settled in the forests around the Beneje de Cañar area of Granada amongst whom was the wanted man, who when arrested was found to be in possession of the dead person's mobile phone.

As well as the alleged sexual assault, two members of the community were also accused of attacking a third party and as officers searched the area, so they discovered that the area was being used to grow cannabis plants.

Rather than having one large plantation, the 24 people arrested and accused of cultivating the illegal plants had spread them around the forest in small groups to avoid discovery alongside some 40 illegally diverted water catchments.

In all, 2,320 marijuana plants were removed for destruction, with officers establishing that 103 environmental violations had taken place within the Sierra Nevada Natural Park.

Sex trio arrested

THREE members of a sex trafficking network in Ibiza have been arrested.

Police have also released seven young women who were held captive by the Romanian organisation - two were in Spain and five in Romania.

The organisation allegedly lured young women in Romania from low social and economic backgrounds and promised them a better life but instead forced them into prostitution.

If the victims tried to leave they suffered all manner of threats and abuse from their 'controllers.'

Any women who tried to contact the police were sent back to Romania and also held captive.

Goat to be kidding

A PILOT programme in Girona is using hungry goats to prevent forest fires. Known as 'Goat Fire

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DENMARK

Royal rounds

PRINCE HARRY will make his first official visit to Denmark next month. The two-day visit will focus on meeting the young people of Copenhagen and will include an audience with Queen Margrethe II.

Stepping up

DENMARK will give an additional €42 million to international women's charities, including family planning clinics, affected by Donald Trump's decision to scrap funding for the organisations.

REGAL RENDEZVOUS:
Prince Harry will make his first visit.



Ace venture

A DANISH family has been found guilty of smuggling 83 animals to Sweden without the proper paperwork. The animals, which included 69 dogs, 10 horses and four goats, were brought over in several round trips.

Working girls

MORE boardroom positions in Denmark are now going to women thanks to a Danish law which promotes equal numbers of men and women in management positions.

GERMANY

Win for Merkel

GERMAN Chancellor Angela Merkel has been re-elected to a fourth term in power following the election last Sunday. The chancellor is now tasked with forming a coalition after winning 33 per cent of the vote.

Walking away

THE leader of Germany's far right party Alternative für Deutschland

(AfD) dropped a bomb on her party members by resigning right after the party came third in the election. She will instead serve as an independent MP.

High hopes

BANKRUPT airline Air Berlin confirmed last Monday that it was in negotiations with Germany's Lufthansa

and Britain's easyJet to sell off parts of its business, which looks promising for the future of its 8,000 employees.

Treasure trove

A BOUNTY of rare silver pieces from the Viking Age has been discovered on the north German island of Sylt. The large collection of coins and jewellery weighed in at around one kilo in total.

FRANCE

Chemical cuts

FRANCE is planning to reduce the amount of all pesticides used on crops. Europe's biggest food producer is committed to cutting back on the use of the chemicals over fears that they cause certain diseases.

Trade block

TRADE unionists in France blocked access to several fuel depots last Monday to protest the government's plan to overhaul employment laws. Police were sent to the sites to stop the protesters from causing nationwide fuel shortages.

Nanny nightmare

A FRENCH au pair who was allegedly murdered by her employers in London had reportedly spoken to her father about escalating tensions in the house before police discovered her body on a bonfire.

Grape joy

EXPORTS of French wine have reportedly risen by 12 per cent in the first half of this year, putting total sales at around €6 billion.

BELGIUM

Right reform

A BELGIAN far-right politician has been sentenced to visit concentration camps and write about them after denying that the holocaust happened. The self-proclaimed 'anti-Zionist' must make the trip once a year for five years.

History intact

A GERMAN First World War submarine has been discovered in one piece off the coast of Belgium. The vessel found on the North Sea floor contained the bodies of 23 soldiers.

Student hustle

BELGIAN ministers have claimed they will take legal action against a sugar daddy website for advertising around university campuses. The site has been accused of encouraging prostitution and preying on the insecurity of young women.

Raids return

POLICE in Belgium raided eight locations across the country last Tuesday morning as part of an anti-terrorist operation. The investigation is targeting youths who went to fight in the Syrian war in 2014.

NETHERLANDS

Laughing matter

THE sale of laughing gas has risen by 400 per cent in The Netherlands, according to a BBC study. The drug is no longer classified as a medicine so it is now possible to buy canisters online.

Dodgy drugs

DUTCH customs officers have seized over 50,000 illegal medicines according to the Health Care Inspectorate. The officers inspected over 10,000 mail packages and found illicit substances in more than 300.

Falling star

AN unusually bright fireball was spotted in the sky across the Netherlands last Thursday. Dozens of people reported seeing the suspected meteor at around 9pm.

Bike hazard

OLDER Dutch cyclists have been warned by the police of the dangers of switching to electric bikes after a recent surge in deaths. Over 60's now account for 90 per cent of electric bike deaths.

SWEDEN

Fishy fire

POLICE investigating a fire that partly destroyed a mosque west of Stockholm suspect the blaze is the result of arson. The incident marks the second mosque fire near Stockholm this year.

Drunken deer

AN intoxicated deer broke into a house and caused havoc in Sweden's Ronninge Quarter. It is reported that the deer became inebriated after eating several fermented apples and injured itself after breaking through the glass door.

Gender gap

SWEDISH men are struggling to catch up with their female peers when it comes to education. Forty-seven per cent of women have a university degree in Sweden, compared to 36 per cent of men.

Mile high

A SCANDINAVIAN airlines crew member was arrested at Stockholm's Arlanda Airport after failing a breathalyser test following a long haul flight from Tokyo. Other flight attendants first raised the alarm about the drunken staff member.

NORWAY

Hungry hunters

WOLVES have been blamed for the plummeting numbers of elk in Norway's Elgregion region. Hunters claim this could pose a serious threat to the country's hunting season, which began on Monday.

Surfer panic

SURFERS taking part in the Norwegian Lofoten Masters surf competition had a close call when they ran into a group of hungry orca whales and were forced to abandon the competition.

Elderly remains

POLICE are investigating whether remains found in Norway's Finnmark county belong to an 85-year-old woman who disappeared in September 2013. The woman is the only person missing in the area.

Tasking drivers

TAXI drivers are hoping that the requirement to speak Norwegian at university level in Norway's Buskerud county will be revoked when the council makes the final decision on the law this week.

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A STATUE erected in central Moscow pays tribute to the inventor of the Kalashnikov rifle. The 30-foot-tall statue of Mikhail Kalashnikov was unveiled with a great deal of pomp. It was blessed with Holy Water by a Russian Orthodox priest who thanked Kalashnikov for defending the motherland.

Shock torture

SIX policemen from St Petersburg are facing torture charges. Mounting evidence suggests that they burned junkies and gamblers with cigarettes and hot water, and gave them electric shocks. One of their victims also claims that they forged his signature to secure a conviction. The officers are senior investigators.

Putin's protégé

ONE in five Russians was willing to vote for a fictional candidate made up by pollsters, when they were told he had President Putin's support. Andrei Semyenov was invented by pollsters as 'Putin's protégé.' He was an immediately popular candidate and 11 per cent even claimed to know him.

Clown state

ANTI-WAR activists dressed as clowns staged a colourful protest against Russia's recent military exercises. Placards read 'we need enemies' and 'did not serve, not a clown.' The so-called Clown State called for Russia's defence budget to be diverted to healthcare for pensioners and better schools.

Dark web

AN online drug market with 14,000 members was smashed by Russian cyber police. The dark website allowed users to pay using internet currencies and collect drugs at specified drop points. Drugs are big business in Russia with dealers making over 1.5 trillion rubles (€20 billion) a year.

Thick of it

SCOTTISH director Armando Iannucci's new comedy film The Death of Stalin is facing a ban in Russia. It has been called 'revolting' by the Communist Party. The Kremlin has said it hopes the culture minister acts 'responsibly' when considering whether to grant a licence for the film.

War games

THREE people were injured when a Russian attack helicopter accidentally fired a missile towards a truck during war games. The Zapad military exercises simulate a response to a hypothetical NATO-inspired uprising in Belarus. Video footage showed the 'Alligator' combat helicopter send several men in military gear flying from the missile strike.



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New LIDL chief

AS the German supermarket group LIDL continues to grow in size and market share in Spain it has announced the promotion of Claus Grande to General Manager. His predecessor who was responsible for developing a stronger Spanish identity has moved within the group. For three years in a row, LIDL has seen greater growth than any other supermarket.

No cashless society yet

AS the British public found another new bank note, entering into circulation, a report suggests that despite increased usage of technology, cash is still king.

The new £10 note featuring Jane Austen to commemorate the 200th anniversary of her death has been produced with a number of new security features to attempt to prevent forgery but as with the Winston Churchill £5 note it is printed on polymer which contains an element of tallow made from animal fat.

Groups as diverse as Hindus, Mus-

By John Smith

lims and Vegans were up in arms about the use of the tallow which could contain fat from cows, pigs or sheep but the Bank of England decided to do nothing to change the constituent parts of either of these notes.

Research shows that in Britain, the older the person, the less prepared they are to accept a cashless society and Spain which has embraced mobile phone technology seems much more attuned to cashless payments with the introduction of bank Apps allowing pay-

ments to friends and suppliers.

According to Mintel, the world's largest market intelligence agency with global offices in Europe, the Far East and Asia, the top three payment methods used in the last three months in Britain are cash (93 per cent), debit card (Chip & PIN) (82 per cent) and direct debit/standing order (79 per cent).

There is a steady growth in the use of contactless credit and debit cards in 2017 both in Britain and Spain but many older users dislike the charges that are sometimes associated with using cards abroad.

Allegations to be probed

HAVING received 30 formal complaints against the board and principal directors of Banco Popular the Anti-Corruption Prosecutor's Office has received permission to investigate the allegations.

It is alleged that investors were misled and lost everything when the bank was sold to Santander for €1 at the behest of the European Central Bank.

Quote of the Week

The concern among financial investors is remarkable and everyone is worried about the banks," according to former Spanish Minister and President of the European Parliament, Josep Borrell on Catalan banks and independence.



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LONDON: The company has 21 days to appeal.

Uber and out

THE writing could be on the wall for Uber in Spain following a shock decision in London where Transport for London (Tfl) has refused to renew its private hire licence.

There have been taxi driver's strikes in major cities in Spain due to the competition caused by the arrival of Uber which has been welcomed by many passengers but hated by registered drivers.

The Tfl indicated that it does not believe that Uber is "fit and proper" and took the

step to refuse to renew their licence due to "public safety and security implications."

Whilst the London division of Uber says that it has 3.5 million customers a year conveyed by 40,000 drivers it has been blamed for increased congestion, failure to police or report sexual offences, not doing proper criminal checks and a rise in collisions.

The company has 21 days to appeal the ban and can continue to operate in the meantime.

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Project extended

BRITISH company W Resources Plc which is involved in mining for tungsten has three projects in Spain and a number in Portugal. It has now received approval from the Portuguese government to extend its tungsten exploration project in Tarouca.

UAE boost

THE UAE-Spain Economic Forum was held last week in Madrid to explore ways of increasing Spanish investment in the United Arab Emirates. A Spanish government spokesman stressed that the foreign trade policy of Spain classifies the UAE as a strategic partner.

Eurozone

ACCORDING to Euromonitor International the eurozone continues to strengthen significantly but there is considerable divergence within the bloc. Spain is forecast as having 2.9 per cent growth in 2017 GDP whilst Italy may only manage 1.1 per cent.

Taking its toll

THE attempted takeover of Spanish toll road group Abertis by Italian company Atlantia is being challenged by British fund TCI.

The Children's Investment Management Fund (TCI) run by Sir Chris Hohn is the major private shareholder in airport management group Aena and it had lobbied the Spanish government to which it holds 51 per cent of Aena to make a bid for Abertis which was de-

clined. Now TCI has taken 1 per cent of the shareholding in Abertis pushing the price more than 50 cents higher than the Atlantia bid, although largest shareholder Caixa Bank seems to support the Italian position.

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COMPANY	PRICE(P)	CHANGE(P)	% CHG.	NET VOL
Anglo American	1,322.50	-10.50	-0.79	18,723.40
Associated British Foods	3,199.50	-23.50	-0.73	25,515.66
Admiral Group	1,801.00	-8.00	-0.44	5,158.62
Ashtead Group	1,780.50	-4.50	-0.25	8,911.18
Antofagasta	929.75	-9.75	-1.04	9,262.12
Aviva	503.75	-2.25	-0.44	20,363.05
AstraZeneca	4,941.25	29.25	0.60	62,180.87
BAE Systems	633.75	1.75	0.28	20,129.76
Babcock International Group	847.00	-2.50	-0.29	4,295.04
Barclays	190.43	-1.12	-0.58	32,633.62
British American Tobacco	4,599.00	-12.00	-0.26	105,753.83
Barratt Developments	595.50	-1.50	-0.25	6,029.11
Berkeley Group Holdings	3,569.00	1.00	0.03	4,866.17
British Land Co	597.25	-1.75	-0.29	6,120.93
BHP Billiton	1,342.25	-2.75	-0.20	28,407.37
Bunzl	2,219.00	11.00	0.50	7,416.21
BP	467.23	0.63	0.14	92,189.54
Burberry Group	1,779.00	0.00	0.00	7,647.02
BT Group	283.53	0.73	0.26	28,047.12
Coca-Cola HBC	2,526.50	-10.50	-0.41	9,214.27
Carnival	4,724.50	-26.50	-0.56	10,138.13
Centrica	189.40	1.30	0.69	10,519.59
Compass Group	1,587.50	-0.50	-0.03	25,113.42
Croda International	3,738.00	-17.00	-0.45	4,933.80
CRH	2,706.00	-15.00	-0.55	22,758.35
ConvaTec Group	266.50	-0.50	-0.19	5,210.43
DCC	7,095.00	0.00	0.00	6,320.11
Diageo	2,440.25	3.75	0.15	61,373.61
Direct Line Insurance Group	367.85	-1.65	-0.45	5,080.63
Experian	1,489.50	-6.50	-0.43	13,919.92
easyJet	1,178.50	-12.50	-1.05	4,730.75
Ferguson Ord 10 5366p	4,735.00	-7.00	-0.15	12,010.22
Fresnillo	1,411.50	-25.50	-1.77	10,589.16
G4S	274.55	0.75	0.27	4,248.27
GKN	346.25	-1.35	-0.39	5,969.92
Glencore	349.15	2.00	0.58	49,971.34
GlaxoSmithKline	1,470.50	-3.50	-0.24	72,499.02
Hargreaves Lansdown	1,453.00	-1.00	-0.07	6,896.59
Hammerson	537.25	-3.25	-0.60	4,287.36
HSBC Holdings	723.45	-3.65	-0.50	146,059.83
Int. Consolidated Airlines Gr	588.25	0.25	0.04	12,182.54
InterContinental Hotels Gr	3,802.50	-0.50	-0.01	7,225.33
3i Group	924.00	7.00	0.76	8,921.06
Imperial Brands	3,233.75	6.25	0.19	30,942.39
Informa	666.75	0.75	0.11	5,487.87
Intertek Group	4,887.50	-8.50	-0.17	7,901.68
ITV	168.55	2.25	1.35	6,694.26
Johnson Matthey	3,497.50	5.50	0.16	6,758.19
Kingfisher	297.10	0.40	0.13	6,469.14
Land Securities Group	962.25	-0.25	-0.03	7,611.92

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Legal & General Group	257.45	-2.05	-0.79	15,458.87
Lloyds Banking Group ORD	66.69	-0.22	-0.33	48,141.96
London Stock Exchange Gr	3,779.00	-8.00	-0.21	13,149.18
Micro Focus International	2,439.00	3.00	0.12	10,597.36
Mediclinic International	663.00	-17.50	-2.57	5,016.94
Merlin Entertainments	448.55	0.05	0.01	4,555.91
Marks & Spencer Group	347.95	2.85	0.83	5,606.96
Mondi	2,036.50	0.50	0.02	9,885.88
Morrison (Wm) Supermarkets	234.40	-0.30	-0.13	5,526.47
National Grid	945.25	1.15	0.12	32,263.42
NMC Health	2,698.50	25.50	0.95	5,460.56
Next	5,142.50	2.50	0.05	7,558.71
Old Mutual Group	193.80	-1.40	-0.72	9,627.72
Paddy Power Betfair	7,245.00	-30.00	-0.41	6,139.82
Prudential	1,755.25	-18.75	-1.06	45,873.53
Persimmon	2,489.00	5.00	0.20	7,666.27
Pearson	580.25	3.75	0.65	4,744.88
Reckitt Benckiser Group	6,805.50	-1.50	-0.02	47,888.37
Royal Bank of Scotland Gr	261.95	-0.35	-0.13	31,227.77
Royal Dutch Shell	2,187.75	-2.25	-0.10	98,782.53
Royal Dutch Shell	2,239.00	-2.50	-0.11	83,955.09
RELX	1,623.50	6.50	0.40	17,249.48
Rio Tinto	3,476.25	-23.75	-0.68	47,966.81
Rolls-Royce Group	886.25	-5.75	-0.64	16,418.00
Randgold Resources	7,367.50	-52.50	-0.71	6,980.24
RSA Insurance Group	633.00	-1.50	-0.24	6,489.24
Rentokil Initial	292.60	-0.30	-0.10	5,381.55
Sainsbury (J)	233.90	0.60	0.26	5,109.46
Schroders	3,289.00	1.00	0.03	7,431.62
Sage Group (The)	709.00	-2.50	-0.35	7,689.94
Segro	529.50	-2.50	-0.47	5,317.38
Shire	3,822.75	-1.75	-0.05	34,737.42
Smurfit Kappa Group	2,341.00	-6.00	-0.26	5,558.66
Sky	921.75	-2.75	-0.30	15,892.31
Standard Life Aberdeen	422.75	-5.05	-1.18	12,736.77
Smiths Group	1,527.50	10.50	0.69	6,001.80
Scottish Mortgage Invest. Trst	413.20	0.10	0.02	5,766.96
Smith & Nephew	1,319.50	2.50	0.19	11,521.58
SSE	1,418.50	4.50	0.32	14,100.28
Standard Chartered	722.80	-7.20	-0.99	24,029.78
St James's Place	1,117.50	-2.50	-0.22	5,920.72
Severn Trent	2,184.00	0.00	0.00	5,159.34
Tesco	184.48	0.63	0.34	15,055.43
TUI AG	1,290.50	-0.50	-0.04	7,578.66
Taylor Wimpey	185.60	-0.20	-0.11	6,079.35
Unilever	4,275.00	11.00	0.26	53,795.42
United Utilities Group	861.00	0.50	0.06	5,867.65
Vodafone Group	207.03	-1.22	-0.59	56,938.83
Worldpay Group	412.30	0.60	0.15	8,234.00
WPP Group	1,411.50	-2.50	-0.18	17,946.52

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3M	210.76	0.15%	0.32	125,780.61
AMERICAN EXPRESS	88.4	-0.02%	-0.02	78,134.96
APPLE	151.89	-0.98%	-1.5	784,029.96
BOEING CO	256.45	0.16%	0.41	151,618.80
CATERPILLAR	124.43	-0.29%	-0.36	73,528.83
CHEVRON	117.29	0.70%	0.82	222,226.97
CISCO SYSTEMS	33.37	2.05%	0.67	166,951.80
COCA-COLA	45.49	0.20%	0.09	193,986.03
DOWDUPONT	69.96	-0.51%	-0.36	163,354.54
EXXON MOBIL	79.92	0.04%	0.03	338,629.50
GENERAL ELECTRIC	24.87	0.48%	0.12	215,409.70
GOLDMAN SACHS	231.03	-0.11%	-0.26	89,360.42
HOME DEPOT	159.97	0.49%	0.78	188,563.66
IBM	145.13	-0.09%	-0.13	135,196.58
INTEL CORP	37.18	-0.05%	-0.02	175,104.17
J.P.MORGAN CHASE	94.83	-0.21%	-0.2	333,791.37
JOHNSON & JOHNSON	131.39	-0.27%	-0.36	352,623.88
MC DONALD'S CORP	158.91	-0.08%	-0.12	128,684.16
MERCK AND CO. NEW	65.13	-0.72%	-0.47	177,741.68
MICROSOFT	74.41	0.27%	0.2	574,329.11
NIKE	53.24	0.09%	0.05	69,806.28
PFIZER	35.96	-0.03%	-0.01	213,866.67
PROCTER AND GAMBLE	92.24	-0.43%	-0.4	235,085.81
TRAVELERS CIES	122.04	0.45%	0.55	33,676.58
UNITED TECHNOLOGIE	115.01	0.45%	0.51	91,801.60
UNITEDHEALTH GROUP	193.03	-1.12%	-2.18	186,603.97
VERIZON COMMS	49.9	1.96%	0.96	203,562.46
VISA	105.56	0.24%	0.25	193,108.30
WAL-MART STORES	79.53	-0.60%	-0.48	237,602.02
WALT DISNEY CO	98.6	-0.29%	-0.29	152,164.07

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COMPANY	PRICE	CHANGE NET / %
Most Advanced		
Ascendis Pharma A/S	\$ 34.24	6.50 ▲ 23.43%
Alpine Immune Sciences, Inc.	\$ 11.55	1.87 ▲ 19.32%
Marinus Pharmaceuticals, Inc.	\$ 4.88	0.52 ▲ 11.93%
Zogenix, Inc.	\$ 14.40	1.35 ▲ 10.34%
Iovance Biotherapeutics, Inc.	\$ 7.70	0.70 ▲ 10%
BSQUARE Corporation	\$ 4.9245	0.4245 ▲ 9.43%
Norwood Financial Corp.	\$ 31.71	2.73 ▲ 9.42%
Town Sports International Holdings, Inc.	\$ 7	0.60 ▲ 9.38%
Strattec Security Corporation	\$ 42.70	3.40 ▲ 8.65%
Juno Therapeutics, Inc.	\$ 45.14	3.52 ▲ 8.46%
Merus N.V.	\$ 18.32	1.41 ▲ 8.34%
Most Declined		
Versartis, Inc.	\$ 2.675	18.925 ▼ 87.62%
Intercept Pharmaceuticals, Inc.	\$ 61.59	12.11 ▼ 16.43%
Exelixis, Inc.	\$ 24.47	3.54 ▼ 12.64%
YogaWorks, Inc.	\$ 3.53	0.47 ▼ 11.75%
Zai Lab Limited	\$ 27.73	3.38 ▼ 10.86%
Epizyme, Inc.	\$ 16.95	1.75 ▼ 9.36%
Tactile Systems Technology, Inc.	\$ 30.86	3.12 ▼ 9.18%
PTC Therapeutics, Inc.	\$ 18.52	1.53 ▼ 7.63%
Vascular Biogenics Ltd.	\$ 6.15	0.50 ▼ 7.52%
Amicus Therapeutics, Inc.	\$ 14.61	1.17 ▼ 7.41%
Orexigen Therapeutics, Inc.	\$ 2.12	0.165 ▼ 7.22%

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Gold is still popular

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IN times of international trouble and dispute, investors like to head towards gold as an alternative option to traditional stocks and shares.

The precious metal has enjoyed a buoyant few months especially with the 'disagreement' between North Korea and the USA having gained 12.9 per cent so far in 2017.

The current price of €1,090 for a troy ounce of fine (24 carat) gold is only slightly down on its highest price this year but for the small investor, spot price and actual cost to purchase can be quite different.

In many ways the most sensible way of purchasing gold is to buy bullion coins from reputable dealers and the larger the coin, the smaller the percentage over spot price they cost.

Countries such as Australia and South Africa which produce a great deal of gold are happy to use some of it in bullion coins in order to obtain foreign currency and the Kangaroo and Krugerrand amongst other gold coins are easily traded as well as being VAT free.

Investors are advised to keep well away from gold proof coins as although they are sold with pre-announced issue limits, they are sold at large percentages over spot and with so many being issued by literally hundreds of countries worldwide, the chance of a profit is very low.

There are other precious metal coins available, particularly platinum and silver but neither has the allure and general investment following as gold.

In addition to coins, it is possible to invest in bullion bars which have no legal tender status and may, in some countries be subject to VAT.

Spain does not produce any gold bullion coins and the only regularly produced coins from European Union countries are from France



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and the United Kingdom.

Whilst it is attractive to regard jewellery as an investment, it is worth noting that modern jewellery tends to be sold at up to 300 per cent more than spot, is generally made from a mix of gold and a second metal in order to add strength and also attracts VAT.

Jewellery is certainly an attractive way of owning precious metal but as an investment is not as certain as bullion coins which are portable and easily obtained, but like all investments, gold prices can go down as well as up.

BRITISH BANKS TO CHECK IMMIGRATION STATUS

New law effective January

ALTHOUGH legislation has existed since 2016, it will not be until January 2018 that banks will be required to check on the immigration status of customers.

The decision has been made in order to try to identify whether bank customers are resident in the UK legally or if they have either overstayed their visas or absconded from immigration checks.

Information on the identities of known persons due for deportation from the UK will be supplied by not for profit organisation Cifas to the banks who will then be required to close or freeze accounts for anyone appearing on the lists.

As Cifas is primarily an anti-fraud and money-laundering operation and as banks are likely to have to check up to 70 million accounts each quarter, it is suggested by observers that this may not be the best way to police the system.

With such a large number of accounts to check, the fear is that the banks and Home Office which will also supply information could make mis-



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takes, leading to perfectly honest customers having their accounts frozen, especially as the banks are likely to err on the side of caution in order to ensure that they are not penalised.

Chief Executive of the Joint Council for the Welfare of Immigrants Satbir Singh told *The Guardian*: "The government's own record shows that it cannot be trusted even to implement this system properly.

"Immigration status is very complex, and the Home Office consistently gives out incorrect information and guidance."

This crackdown which seems more likely to affect those with common ethnic names or multiple accounts, may go some way to stopping some fake accounts, but with advance notice, anyone who is illegally in Britain will have time to close their bank accounts and remove their cash.

Indeed much of the 'black economy' operates with cash and sees those without papers working for third parties cash in hand.

The government however also plans to crack down on landlords and employers who do not obtain proper documentation from those who have no right to be living or working in the UK.

It is to be hoped that those expatriates living in Spain but with bank accounts in the UK will not fall foul of this new investigative procedure, although possession of a UK passport should go a long way to proving right of abode in the UK and Spain.

Ryanair tries to sort out mess

SPEAKING at the Annual General Meeting of Ryanair in Dublin, Michael O'Leary CEO admitted that the cancellation of flights would cost the airline at least €25 million.

He accepted that the problem was one caused within the airline as pilots tried to take 12 months of holidays in nine months due to an enforced change in the leave year and sympathised with passengers who had been affected.

The company is trying to persuade pilots to give up one week of their holiday in exchange for a cash payment which could be as much as €12,000 but both they and first officers are trying to hold out for new contracts and better conditions.

Spain's two top brands

IN an international review of the value of brands, the leader once again is Apple with a declared worth of €154.65 billion.

There are just two Spanish brands in the top 100, Inditex, owner of Zara comes in at number 24 with a value of €15.6 billion although it still sits one place behind Scandinavian competitor H&M.

The other Spanish success is the Santander banking group which sits in 68th place with a value of just €5.6 billion although it is the 10th most valuable group in finance and is beaten by global brands such as American Express and Visa.

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Sky TV now online

WHILST many English speaking residents in Spain have been eager to learn details of the new Sky online package, it now appears to be cheap but not very inclusive.

The Spanish service is now available without contract at a cost of €10 per month with the first month free and a box costing €25.

The drawback is that there will only be 12 local pay-TV channels included in the package all broadcast in Spanish plus a limited number of 'box series.'

Channels supplied with this new service include Comedy Central, Nickelodeon, Disney's XD and Disney Junior, Syfy, TNT, TCM and Fox which will allow subscribers access to The Walking Dead and Big Bang Theory.

Due to licensing arrangements, there is no offer of Sky Sports or Sky Movies and although inexpensive, the whole package will have to compete with Amazon, HBO and Netflix as well as the English-speaking channels supplied unofficially via VPN or IPTV.

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Spanish government has not spent EU youth grants

CRITICS of the Spanish government claim that they are running the risk of further alienating unemployed under 25s even though the EU had granted €1.9 billion.

Despite the fact that the Spanish economy is recovering more quickly than most of the eurozone, the huge number of young people still unemployed is close to 40 per cent and many who do have jobs have short term contracts which pay badly.

The European Union youth jobs and employment programme was launched in 2014 but because Spain was required to spend the money first and then reclaim, it was initially reluctant to spend more money as it was being threatened with fines if it didn't reduce the public

deficit.

Now with the economy in a much happier state, it has to spend €1 billion by the end of 2017 and the balance in 2018 and opponents suggest that the government doesn't have a proper plan in place and therefore is sponsoring useless training which youngsters only apply for because they are bored.

If this suggestion is based on fact, then there is a distinct possibility that the European Union will refuse to refund the money spent as it will be reviewing the effectiveness of the training programmes put into place.

There was some thought of using the funds to 'top up' low youth salaries, but this may not be acceptable under EU budgetary guidelines.

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OTHERS THINK IT



WELL, well. For the first time ever, this week I had a post removed from my Facebook (FB) pages. The short video was indeed distasteful, but one I felt deserved as much publicity as it could get. The film showed a naked white man being kicked and stoned to death by a number of black youths on a busy street in South Africa.

This horrific act was taking place in broad daylight and with no assistance whatsoever from any law enforcement or indeed passers-by.

The whole incident made me sick to my stomach and in normal circumstances I would never have dreamt of passing it on to friends and pursuers of my FB page, but these are not 'normal' times, are they? Not only did the piece make me wonder how the public, particularly the 'lurvee' brigade, would have reacted had it been a black man being kicked to death by a gang of whites, but it made me seriously wonder where the priorities of those faceless individuals who control the FB content actually lies.

At any given time, on this and the YouTube social media site, you can see men with their heads being sawn off, women stoned to death



NO QUESTIONS: Social media giants won't take action.

and the goriest executions imaginable, so why, can anyone enlighten me, do they find the murder of a white man by blacks so abhorrent they deem it necessary to take down? Would it, I wonder have anything to do with the fact that South Africa has been a democratic disaster and

a place of danger and injustices for white people for years, far worse in fact than it was for the black residents during apartheid?

I have regular contact with a number of friends who are among the dwindling numbers of those whites who still try to exist in this most

dangerous and blatantly anti-white country. Basically, the terrorists are now in charge and, like Saudi Arabia, which is also run by an undemocratic bunch of cruel dictators, control so many of the world's natural rich resources they literally get away with murder on a grand scale and are never brought to book.

Their horrendous practices are conveniently overlooked by the rest of the world's leaders because, well, money makes the world go around and heaven forbid any adverse publicity should be allowed to interfere with world economy or affect the purses of the small number of faceless individuals who actually run the world we live in. No. Don't expect any recriminations of SA from multi-billion conglomerates like FB or YouTube. It's not exactly rocket science is it?

Well you didn't think politicians were our overall masters did you? It's all a game my friends and you, me and our esteemed governmental elects merely the players.

Much love and congratulations to my beautiful daughter Melanie and handsome beau David, tying the knot this weekend. I wish you long, happy and peaceful lives together, your old Dad couldn't be more proud and happy for both of you.

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By Steve Collins

Christmas is coming

WE all have different ideas as to what constitutes the first signs that Christmas is on the way, although the seemingly unrelenting high temperatures being experienced at the moment may well see some wishing their lives away for the cooler times around that time of the year.

I've only been in Spain full time for a handful of years - since 2009 - and Christmas takes some getting used to with neighbours and friends planning big events on the beach in glorious sunshine for most of the time.

In my final years in the UK, I knew I was counting down to the festive season when the X Factor auditions and the announcement of partners for Strictly Come Dancing were announced. Now, it's the annual announcement of the El Gordo (The Big One) Christmas Lottery tickets going on sale!

Even though it's not drawn until December 22 every year (a Friday for 2017), the world famous state lottery tickets always go on sale in July. The aim of making them available so soon is to encourage holiday-makers to buy one of the décimo, or 10th of a ticket which are sold at a set price of €20 per ticket. This is the price charged in the official lottery offices but you may see some in other venues for €22 or €23. Usually, these tickets have been purchased by a club or fundraising society and they are allowed to add an extra couple of euros.



THE BIG ONE: Life-changing Christmas tickets on sale.

Why put them up for sale so early? The official line is to 'encourage tourists to take a piece of Spanish luck home with them.' Also, it will help cash flow for year-round residents who would otherwise decide not to buy an El Gordo ticket in December as the usual extra Christmas ex-

penditure means €20 is harder to find. Many local people form syndicates and pay in so much a week to buy the tickets from different parts of Spain, and I can remember delighted customers in my local asking me to get a couple of El Gordo tickets for them when I announced I was

off to Barcelona for a weekend!

The 2017 draw will see 170 million 10ths of a ticket put on sale - five million more than last year - of numbers ranging from 00000 to 99999. The total value of prize money available will be €2,380,000,000 and €70,000,000 more than in 2016.

However, because a full ticket costs €200, most people only buy a décimo, or 10th of a ticket at €20, meaning the first prize equates to €400,000.

Second prize is €1.25m for a full ticket or €125,000 for a 10th, whilst for third place; the pot comes to €500,000 for a ticket or €50,000 for a 10th. There is a selection of fourth or fifth prizes too and if your ticket is picked out among the hundreds of individual numbers drawn, that 10th is worth €200.

Remember, if you don't see the five-figure number you want hanging up in the lottery offices, ask the person behind the counter if yours is available and they can print one out especially for you.

The traditional singing of the lottery numbers on December 22 by children of the San Ildefonso School in Madrid is, for many, and probably me too after my eight years the real start of Christmas.

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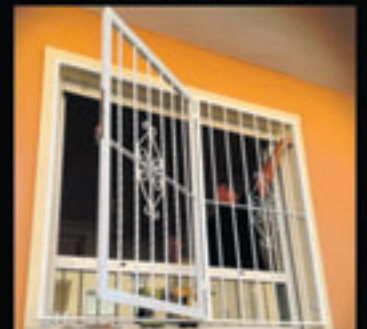
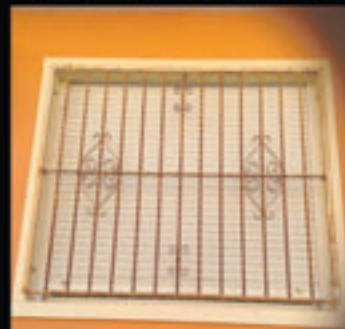
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MARBELLA:
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On the higher end of the property market, Marbella has long been a favourite of the rich and famous and boasts some pretty impressive luxury villas in its register. Nearby Malaga airport offers year-round flights to the UK and the town is known for its upmarket array of shops, restaurants and nightclubs - where you might just spot a familiar face or two.

By Kat Ashton

SPAIN welcomed a record number of tourists to its shores this summer, and the temptation to buy a second home abroad becomes even stronger after returning to the daily grind. The promise of a great climate, cheap flights and Mediter-

ranean lifestyle is particularly appealing to Brits who continue to flock to buy property in their favourite holiday spots. While the property market continues to show strong signs of recovery, a new survey by one of Spain's top homebuilders has revealed which areas are the most in-demand among British investors:



TORREVIEJA:
Popular.

TORREVIEJA

Topping the list as the most popular destination to buy a second home is Torrevieja on the Costa Blanca. This town is located in the southern part of the Alicante Province and seems to have it all, with affordable properties, white beaches, and the Alicante airport just a short drive away.

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By John Smith

ALTHOUGH it is easier to purchase citizenship in the smaller European Union states such as Cyprus and Malta, Spain also offers succour to wealthy foreigners.

Just four years ago, the Spanish government introduced legislation to grant residency permits (known as Golden Visas) to foreign nationals who were either prepared to invest large amounts of money or were highly qualified in professions that Spain needed.

Since that time, after what was a relatively slow start, the number of Chinese and Russians in particular taking advantage of this option has actually increased with investment exceeding €1.5 billion since 2013.

This investment has been achieved with some significant 'tweaking' of the initial legislation in order to make inward investment more attractive although there are still a large number of quite different and bureaucratic rules that need to be followed, in some cases depending on your country of birth.

The fall in value of property in Spain and then the green shoots of recovery have helped to attract wealthy foreigners and adding to this has been an increasing number of executives posted to the major Spanish cities all of whom need to find accommodation for themselves and their families.

As Spain continues to be one of the stronger economies in the eurozone more and more wealthy migrants are likely to settle in the country, especially as the government has made investment so much easier.

The natural step from residency is the granting of nationality which does come in time.

Golden Visas attract property investors



FLASHING THE CASH: The visas are available to wealthy foreigners.



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Crowdfunding attracts investors in property

By John Smith

JUST over two years ago, 49 investors raised €80,500 via crowdfunding to purchase an apartment in Madrid which was the first reported example of use of this internet phenomenon within the Spanish property market.

The concept is relatively simple in as much as different investors commit different amounts of money in order to be able to afford the purchase of property in the expectation that in a rising market they will be able to receive income either from property rental or eventual sale.

This could however be a dangerous operation if complete strangers try to invest together, with no strategic plan or anyone to control the property or properties.

Certain companies such as Housers have



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Crowdfunded property purchases on the rise.

been set up to take advantage of this opportunity and they promote particular properties, encouraging small investors to place

funds with them in order to purchase properties around Spain where they believe there is a potential for profit and of course take a

percentage for themselves.

Recently they have gone further and raised nearly €2 million to purchase land in Madrid and they will use the balance of the funds raised to build the properties and expect to sell them at a 30 per cent uplift.

There are of course risks to any investment as prices can go down as well as up but provided that any company involved in this type of business is properly structured then those committing funds should be relatively well protected as the property itself should have an intrinsic value.

The other danger is that the huge stockpile of old and unsold properties held by the Spanish 'Bad Bank' Sareb are released and depress the market, although this is considered highly unlikely as the Spanish government would not wish to see the blossoming market crash again.



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DRY DOWNPOUR: The couple has fun posing next to unusual buildings.

Insta-fun

By Kat Ashton

A YOUNG Spanish couple has attracted a large following on Instagram thanks to their eccentric architectural posts.

Daniel Rueda and Anna Devis, from Valencia City, have received a lot of online attention after posting a series of photos which sees them posing in quirky ways be-

side unusual buildings.

The photos document the pair's unique perspective on the world around them - be that in their home city or on travels farther afield. Hence, it should not come as much of a surprise that they both have a background in design (Rueda is an illustrator and Devis is an architect).

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Our very special Murcia

IT was raining hard at 05.00 as we climbed into our taxi taking us back to East Midlands Airport for our flight home to Murcia having spent three very busy days at the NEC Birmingham at A Place in the Sun Exhibition.

Many people will be thinking about escaping the weather this morning we thought.

Talking about our home in Spain for three whole days was no hardship, the area had captured our hearts and it felt natural to be passionate about it and share our love of it.

The overwhelming observations from the show are that the love affair that we British have for Spain and in particular the more traditional 'more Spanish' Costa Calida is as strong if not stronger than before.

The natural beauty of the Mar Menor and the coastal towns of San Pedro del Pinatar and Lo Pagan are attracting a lot of attention from serious property hunters across all ages and with varying agendas.

Because of the diversity the area offers families and retirees alike. They want the climate and the lifestyle and the need to be part of a genuine Spanish community.

I spoke with so many people looking to relocate, ready now to start their adventure of 'living the dream' but also with others planning ahead by looking at making that commitment now and buying with a view to moving in two



DANNY BLUNSTEN:
Talking about our home was no hardship.

years time. They are also refusing to be stifled by Brexit.

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China State to buy out Spain's OHL

THE Spanish building company Obrascon Huarte Lain (OHL) is in talks with China State Construction Engineering (CSCE) over selling a stake of the company.

The company, which was founded in Bilbao in 1911, operates in 30 countries across five continents and is partly owned by the Villar Mir family who have a 51 per cent stake.

The potential deal comes after the company received increased pressure from creditors over mounting debt. It is believed the group has short-term debt obligations worth around €500 million. OHL stock fell around 3 per cent following reports of the negotiations in the Spanish press.



DREAM HOME: Villa Moana.



Homes with the X Factor

By Kat Ashton

ANY devoted (and loaded) fans of the X Factor can now get a taste of what it feels like to make it to the judges houses part of the show - by buying one of Simon Cow-

ell's houses.

Two of the luxury Marbella villas that were used in the series are currently on the market, but it costs a pretty penny to buy a piece of TV history.

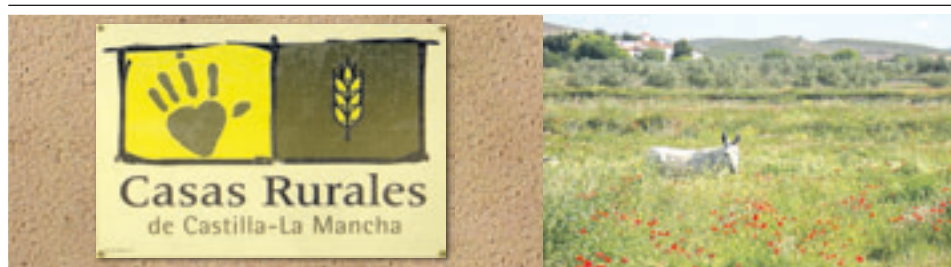
One of the most iconic 'judges homes' used in the

series is Villa Moana, where Simon Cowell memorably gave boy band One Direction their first big break and put them through to the live shows. The stunning estate, often called the most luxurious villa on the Costa del Sol, will set you back a staggering €40,000,000.

LUXURY: "It's not hard to see why."

With a tennis court, indoor and outdoor pools, and a

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LUXURY: Villa sits in a stunning position.

How to enjoy serious savings when saying 'adios' to Spain

If you're planning to send money back to the UK from Spain, getting the right support could make all the difference - particularly in the current climate. While Spain remains one of the most popular European emigration destinations, events since the UK referendum have left some expats reconsidering their tenure here in Spain.

Since the UK voted to leave the EU in June 2016, it's fair to say that uncertainty has been the order of the day. And with the surprising outcome of the 2017 UK general election and Brexit negotiations already hitting big obstacles, the outlook for British nationals living abroad remains murky.

The initial vote to leave may have been a shock, but GBP/EUR has taken a further beating since. Theresa May's ill-advised snap general election saw the Tories barely clinging onto power. At the beginning of August, a pessimistic outlook from the Bank of England (BoE) saw the GBP/EUR exchange rate crash to a fresh seven-year low.

Recent developments, such as increasing optimism at the BoE and softer-than-expected signs of weakness in the UK economy have pushed the pound higher. But even with this current strength taken into account, GBP/EUR has only been able to climb back to what was the worst post-referendum level before the latest bout of weakness.

For anyone looking to move money back to the UK from Spain, this is great

news, as your euros will buy more pounds. There are still important things to be aware of, however.

1. Transfer timing

As the past year has shown, exchange rates are capable of sudden, dramatic movement. The pound dropped 8% in the wake of the EU referendum result and lost 2% on the day after the UK general election.

Timing can make a huge difference when it comes to getting the best return on your currency transfers, so stay up-to-date with the latest news if you want to be able to time your transfer effectively and move your money when the exchange rates is in your favour.

2. Transfer fees

Most banks apply a transfer fee when moving money abroad, but you can avoid this charge by using a reputable currency broker to manage your funds instead. Currency brokers are also able to offer more competitive exchange

rates than other providers, potentially saving you thousands on larger transfers.

3. Transfer deals

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With uncertainty likely to remain the watchword as 2017 comes to a close, it's essential that you have access to expert support and insight when you need to move money to or from Spain.

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Nora Johnson
Breaking Views

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NEARLY half a million passengers hit by Ryanair's cancellation fiasco, half a billion pounds wiped off the airline's value and CEO Michael O'Leary's own admission: 'it's a mess-up'!

But knowing Ryanair, I'm sure it already has a plan to restore its fortunes. After all, you've only got to look for clues at O'Leary's own past announcements:

1. On upright seating: "I'd love to operate aircraft where we take out the back 10 rows and put in hand rails. We'd say if you want to stand, it's €5. People say: 'Oh, but the people standing may get killed if there's a crash.' Well, with respect, the people sitting down might get



RYANAIR: Stack 'em high, sell 'em cheap and (inset) beleaguered boss Michael O'Leary.

killed as well."

2. On low fares: "I don't see why in 10 years' time you wouldn't fly people for free. Why don't airports pay us for delivering the passengers to their shops?"

3. On turbulence: "If drink sales are falling off we get the pilots to engineer a bit of turbulence. That usually spikes up the drink sales."

Those of you familiar with Ryanair will recall the bad old

days: the no-frills flights but with all the usual trimmings. The constant hard sell from the moment you boarded to the moment you landed: snacks, scratch cards, duty-free goods, rail tickets, babies from East European orphanages. I made the last bit up but you get the message.

Overall, it's hugely improved. And, generally, it's been punctual, efficient and does what it says on the tin. Trouble is, the

travelling public would love flying to be like it's depicted in the old Hollywood movies. Beautiful, dolly bird hostesses and handsome, square-jawed pilots who never flapped in an emergency. If it was still like that, only oligarchs would be able to fly.

O'Leary put it in a nutshell: nowadays a plane is just a bus with wings and the passengers referred to as SLF (self loading freight). You can expect to get the same treatment as on the number 53 bus.

Bon voyage and happy landing!

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

THURSDAY THOUGHTS

By Graham Braben, Almeria

Money well spent

BOY did we make a mistake! We went on the M1 a few weeks ago. Little did we know that we had chosen National Traffic Standing Still Day for our journey! Well being stuck on the M1 made me think of the Voyager Space Probes.

You may recall that the Voyagers were launched in 1977 with a big fanfare as they were designed to go deep into space and make contact with alien life. To help with this they had on board golden records with contemporary sounds of the Earth. There are two things here I don't think NASA thought about.

First of all, where are those poor aliens going to get hold of a turntable at such short notice so they can play the records? Then the other, major oversight! If they contain contemporary sounds don't they think that once whoever finds these probes gets to the track with Boney M singing Ma Baker that they'll decide that Earth's intelligent life is not quite worth the trouble of popping over to meet us?

But this is going off the point. The reason these probes came to mind when we were on the M1 is that mission control at NASA say that after 40 years their journey is only just beginning! And that's exactly the length of time we felt as if we were on that motorway without any sense of movement.

Apart from reminding me of Voyager, that traffic jam did give me an idea for a tip top business. Surely, if you go into business designing more red cones than you'll make a fortune! But there were road works, cones, speed limits but not a sign of anyone working! Where do they all go? Perhaps on its journey into deep space Voyager will uncover the planet where all road workers go to, now that would be money well spent by NASA.

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BBC one

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2:00pm	BBC News at One
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	<i>The latest news, sport and weather from London.</i>
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BBC TWO

7:00am	Flog It! Trade Secrets
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8:00pm	This Farming Life
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10:00pm	Russia with Simon Reeve
11:00pm	The Premier League Show
11:30pm	Newsnight
12:15am	The Detectives
1:15am	Celebrity MasterChef
2:45am	This Farming Life
3:45am	This is BBC Two

BBC FOUR

8:00pm	Beyond 100 Days
	<i>The latest national and international news, exploring the day's events from a global perspective.</i>
8:30pm	Top of the Pops
	<i>Richard Skinner and John Peel present the pop chart programme, first broadcast on 9 August 1984.</i>
9:00pm	British History's Biggest Fibs with Lucy Worsley
10:00pm	The 80s with Dominic Sandbrook
11:00pm	Top of the Pops
12:00am	Top of the Pops
1:00am	Top of the Pops
1:35am	Music Moguls: Masters of Pop
2:35am	Twin Sisters: A World Apart
3:35am	British History's Biggest Fibs with Lucy Worsley
4:35am	This is BBC Four
	<i>BBC Four is the BBC channel for people who want more.</i>

CHANNEL 4

7:00am	Countdown
7:45am	King of Queens
8:10am	King of Queens
8:35am	King of Queens
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8:55pm	The Political Slot
9:00pm	The Supervet
10:00pm	Educating Greater Manchester
11:00pm	The Great British Bake Off: An Extra Slice
11:50pm	The Undateables
12:55am	Gogglebox

CHANNEL 5

8:20am	Noddy: Toyland Detective
8:35am	Paw Patrol
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7:00pm	Home and Away
7:30pm	5 News Tonight
8:00pm	Police Interceptors
9:00pm	Nightmare Tenants, Slum Landlords
10:00pm	Eamonn and Ruth's 7 Year Itch
11:00pm	Gypsy Kids: Our Secret World
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10:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
10:30am	Live British Masters Golf
	<i>Day one of the British Masters supported by Sky Sports, held at Close House, Northumberland.</i>
6:30pm	Live British Masters Masterclass
7:00pm	Live Presidents Cup
	<i>Day one of the Presidents Cup, hosted at Liberty National Golf Club in New Jersey.</i>
8:30pm	Live Super League
11:00pm	The Debate - Live
12:00am	Through the Night

itv

7:00am	Good Morning Britain
9:30am	Lorraine
10:25am	The Jeremy Kyle Show
11:30am	This Morning
1:30pm	Loose Women
2:30pm	ITV Lunchtime News
2:55pm	ITV News London
3:00pm	Judge Rinder
4:00pm	Dickinson's Real Deal
5:00pm	Tipping Point
6:00pm	The Chase
	<i>Quiz show hosted by Bradley Walsh.</i>
7:00pm	ITV News London
7:30pm	ITV Evening News
8:00pm	Emmerdale
8:30pm	Work 'till You Drop? Tonight
9:00pm	Emmerdale
9:30pm	Paul O'Grady: For the Love of Dogs
10:00pm	Safe House
11:00pm	ITV News at Ten and Weather
11:30pm	ITV News London
11:40pm	UEFA Europa League Highlights
12:55am	Bear Grylls: Mission Survive
1:45am	Jackpot247

itv2

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10:00pm	Bromans
11:00pm	Celebrity Juice
11:50pm	Family Guy
12:15am	Family Guy

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12:35pm	On the Buses
	<i>Sitcom about a bus company.</i>
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6:20pm	George and Mildred
6:55pm	Heartbeat
8:00pm	Murder, She Wrote
9:00pm	Foyle's War
	<i>Feature-length drama about an enigmatic detective working on the south coast during World War II.</i>
11:10pm	Lewis
1:10am	Wycliffe
2:15am	Wycliffe
3:10am	ITV3 Nightscreen

itv4

7:00am	Hat-Trick Heroes
7:15am	The Chase
8:00am	The Chase
9:00am	The Car Chasers
9:30am	The Car Chasers
10:00am	Pawn Stars
10:30am	Pawn Stars
11:00am	Test Match Bowls Live
	<i>Rishi Persad, Paul Coleman and John Price present live coverage of day two of the mixed test match between England and Wales.</i>
6:30pm	The Car Chasers
7:00pm	The Car Chasers
7:35pm	Storage Wars
8:00pm	Pawn Stars
8:30pm	Pawn Stars
9:00pm	Hornblower
11:15pm	Heartbreak Ridge
12:15am	FYI Daily
	<i>A round-up of the latest entertainment news.</i>
12:20am	Heartbreak Ridge
1:55am	Red Heat
2:55am	FYI Daily
3:00am	Red Heat
4:00am	Teleshopping

sky CINEMA ACTION & ADVENTURE

9:40am	The Karate Kid, Part II
11:40am	Charlie's Angels
1:25pm	Charlie's Angels: Full Throttle
3:20pm	In the Heart of the Sea
5:25pm	The Patriot
8:15pm	xXx2: The Next Level
10:00pm	Tarzan
12:00am	The Bourne

sky CINEMA COMEDY

7:10am	Ghostbusters: Special
7:40am	Fred Claus
9:40am	Gremlins
11:35am	Robin Hood: Men in Tights
1:25pm	Popstar: Never Stop Never Stopping
3:00pm	Bruce Almighty
4:45pm	Crocodile Dundee II
6:45pm	Knocked Up
9:00pm	Popstar: Never Stop Never Stopping
10:35pm	Couples Retreat
12:35am	Zoolander 2
2:25am	Bad Santa
4:15am	Grosse Pointe Blank

sky CINEMA PREMIERE

7:00am	Born to be Blue
	<i>Haunting drama following legendary jazz musician Chet Baker as he struggles to launch a comeback.</i>
8:50am	The Top Ten Show 2017
9:10am	Away
11:15am	Girl Asleep
12:45pm	Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them: Special
	<i>Sky Movies takes a behind-the-scenes look at the latest trip into JK Rowling's wizarding world.</i>
1:15pm	The Accountant
3:35pm	Hijacked: Terror in the Sky
5:20pm	Born to be Blue
7:10pm	Southern Fury
9:00pm	The Accountant
11:15pm	Hijacked: Terror in the Sky
1:00am	Southern Fury
2:45am	Graduation
5:00am	Girl Asleep

sky sports football

11:00am	Eredivisie
12:00pm	Football Years
12:30pm	Football Countdowns
1:00pm	Eredivisie
2:00pm	Football's Greatest Teams
2:30pm	Football's Greatest Teams
3:00pm	Eredivisie
4:00pm	Football's Greatest Teams
4:30pm	Football's Greatest Teams
5:00pm	EFL Greatest Games
5:30pm	SPFL Greatest Games
6:00pm	Football Years
6:30pm	Football Countdowns
7:00pm	La Liga Icons
7:30pm	La Liga Greatest
8:00pm	EFL Matters
8:30pm	EFL Midweek Goals: Championship
9:00pm	EFL Midweek Goals: Leagues 1 & 2
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Cassandra Nash

A weekly look

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

Spectre from the past

THEY got Al Capone for unpaid taxes and they're digging for dirt on Cataluña's regional president Carles Puigdemont.

Allegedly Puigdemont can be linked to dodgy deals and contracts in Girona whose mayor he was before being called to greater things in Barcelona.

Puigdemont, incidentally, was never elected president but took over when CUP demanded Artur Mas's head in exchange for their votes in the 2015 regional elections.

Much of CUP's disapproval of Mas resided in his links to the demonstrably corrupt Pujol governments. Now it turns out that Puigdemont isn't exactly lilywhite himself and allowed questionable contract procedures to continue. Hardly heinous but not the best image for someone who enjoys throwing the first stone where corruption is concerned.

Grammar lesson

JUNCKER said it loud and clear and not for the first time: if Cataluña leaves



INDEPENDENCE PLAYERS: Catalans demand the right to vote and (inset) from left Jean-Claude Juncker, Mariano Rajoy and Carles Puigdemont.

Spain it leaves the European Union. Asked if the EU would recognise an independent Cataluña as a country he replied that it would if that were the outcome of a legal referendum.

Jubilant secessionists threw their Catalan-Phrygian caps in the air before Juncker got to the end of the sentence and were crestfallen when they learnt that the EU president had used the conditional tense and the adjective 'legal.'

The separatists have only even listened to what they wanted to hear and

never did manage to get the message sent by the poor turnout for the November 9 mini-referendum in 2014 and the discouraging 2015 regional elections.

The snowball and the avalanche

EIGHT of the 12 ministers in Rajoy's first government were lawyers and two - including the vice-president Soraya Saenz de Santamaria - were State

lawyers. Dolores de Cospedal, Saenz de Santamaria's eternal rival who is also the Partido Popular's Secretary General in the present government, is another.

They are the legal representatives of state and public bodies, possessing a prestigious qualification requiring years of study. Rajoy was Spain's youngest ever Property Registrar - another plum post - at the age of 23.

Rajoy's government knows the law inside out and sheltering behind the legal system and the courts is its habitual response to corruption scandals and Catalan independence.

Snowballs become avalanches and Catalan independence is enveloping Spanish politics in a whiteout that will not clear whether or not the referendum is eventually held and whatever its outcome.

The snowball that Mariano Rajoy's government has ducked time and time again is hitting home and it's full of stones.

But instead of reacting with an 'Ouch!' and offering to talk about it, Rajoy remained calm and warned the

snowball-throwers that they must face the legal consequences.

It didn't work when the Catalan separatists began baying during Rajoy's first term. It has produced disastrous results in the second and no-one, let alone Rajoy and his legal eagles, knows where it is leading to now.

Back to basics

PODEMOS and the small parties under its umbrella are planning a national assembly that will back separatism throughout Spain.

Presumably that will make kingdoms of Valencia, Navarra, Aragon and Castillas with Andalucia reverting to a caliphate. Not so good, though, for Cataluña in the event of a Catflap (Cat-exit, gettit?) as it would be reduced to the vastly inferior status of a measly county.

Venezuelan dictator Nicolas Maduro has expressed his support for the Catalan Proces towards independence. With friends like that who needs an enema, as the poet once said.

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9:30pm	Only Connect
10:00pm	Victoria Coren Mitchell hosts the series where knowledge will only take you so far.
11:00pm	Gardeners' World
11:30pm	Mock the Week
11:30pm	Newsnight
12:05am	Dragons' Den

BBC FOUR

8:00pm	World News Today
8:30pm	Top of the Pops
9:00pm	Miley Cyrus and More: Live Lounge Special
10:00pm	Clara Amfo takes us behind the scenes of Radio 1's Live Lounge. She heads to Malibu to catch Miley Cyrus in session in her very own back garden.
10:00pm	The Last Pirates: Britain's Rebel DJs
11:00pm	Disco at the BBC
12:00am	TOTP 2 Presents the 90s
1:00am	A Top of the Pops 2 special featuring music from the 90s, with archive studio performances and promo videos.
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	A comprehensive review of all the night's football news, plus a look ahead to the morning headlines.

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12:35pm	On the Buses
1:05pm	On the Buses
1:40pm	Bargaining Round Britain with John Sergeant
2:10pm	Heartbeat
3:10pm	Doc Martin
4:15pm	Doc Martin
5:20pm	Wild at Heart
6:20pm	George and Mildred
6:55pm	Heartbeat
8:00pm	Murder, She Wrote
9:00pm	Rosemary and Thyme
10:00pm	Long Lost Family
11:05pm	Lewis
1:05am	Mr Selfridge
2:05am	My Boy Jack
3:45am	Lewis
5:20am	Housewife 49

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7:00am	The Chase
7:50am	The Chase
8:45am	The Avengers
9:50am	The Car Chasers
10:25am	The Car Chasers
10:50am	Pawn Stars
11:20am	Pawn Stars
11:50am	Cash Cowboys
12:50pm	The Avengers
1:55pm	River Monsters
2:30pm	ITV Racing: Live From Newmarket
5:00pm	Minder
6:00pm	The Avengers
7:05pm	The Car Chasers
7:35pm	The Darts Show
8:05pm	Pawn Stars
8:35pm	Pawn Stars
9:00pm	The Living Daylights
10:05pm	FYI Daily
10:10pm	The Living Daylights
11:40pm	Fire Down Below
12:45am	FYI Daily
12:50am	Fire Down Below
1:55am	Universal Soldier: Day of Reckoning
2:55am	FYI Daily
3:00am	Universal Soldier: Day of Reckoning
4:00am	Teleshopping

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11:05am	Behind Enemy Lines
1:00pm	X-Men Origins: Wolverine
2:55pm	Green Zone
4:55pm	Walking Tall
6:30pm	Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World
9:00pm	Hanna
11:00pm	Underworld: Blood Wars
12:40am	300

sky CINEMA COMEDY

10:00am	Gremlins 2: The New Batch
11:50am	Notting Hill
2:00pm	Mike and Dave Need Wedding Dates
3:50pm	Paul
5:40pm	Ordinary World
7:15pm	Dad's Army
9:00pm	Mike and Dave Need Wedding Dates
10:45pm	Paul
12:35am	Uncle Buck
2:20am	Planes, Trains and Automobiles

sky CINEMA PREMIERE

7:00am	Love of My Life
9:00am	Southern Fury
10:50am	The Accountant
1:05pm	Xxx: Return of Xander Cage
3:05pm	Hijacked: Terror in the Sky
4:50pm	Away
6:50pm	The Accountant
9:00pm	Xxx: Return of Xander Cage
11:00pm	Southern Fury
12:50am	Hijacked: Terror in the Sky
2:35am	Girl Asleep
4:10am	Graduation

sky sports football

7:00am	EFL Greatest Games
7:15am	EFL Greatest Games
7:30am	SPFL Greatest Games
7:45am	SPFL Greatest Games
8:00am	Football Years
8:30am	Football Countdowns
9:00am	Football's Greatest
9:30am	EFL Matters
10:00am	EFL Midweek Goals: Championship
10:30am	EFL Midweek Goals: Leagues 1 & 2
11:00am	Football
1:00pm	Eredivisie
2:00pm	EFL Matters
2:30pm	EFL Midweek Goals: Championship
3:00pm	EFL Midweek Goals: Leagues 1 & 2
3:30pm	MLS Round Up Show
4:00pm	Football's Greatest
4:30pm	Football's Greatest Teams
5:00pm	Football
7:00pm	SPFL Matters
7:30pm	EFL Matters
8:00pm	Football
11:15pm	SPFL Matters
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12:45am	La Liga Greatest

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Travelling further afield

FORGET Gap Year students donning backpacks and exploring the globe, according to recent travel trends, it's the over 50's who are consistently taking globetrotting by storm and travelling further afield and more often than ever before.

An impressive 85 per cent travel more than twice a year. And why not! The over 50's are living longer and are more health conscious - and with a greater disposable income, it would be a shame not to travel wouldn't it?

Holidays escalate higher up our 'essentials list' as we get older and what's more, the older we get, the more we like to travel - with over 65's being the most prolific travellers of the over 50's market. With the time, interest and enthusiasm to explore the world, over 50's are travelling to more adventurous and undiscovered places than ever before. Whether it's

visiting family, taking a trip of a life time on the Orient Express, luxury cruise, or glamping in Nepal or Borneo, there is no stopping this sea change, so don't forget to make sure you are covered by a quality travel insurance policy for that essential peace of mind.

That's why at Globelink from October 1, we will be expanding our products to offer Annual Multi-Trip Insurance to the over 75's and extending the trip durations available on our 71-74 yrs Annual Policies.

You will need to wait until on or after October 1 before you can view or purchase these new products, but we look forward to you taking a peak - especially as we have also improved the Cancellation and Curtailment benefit on all of our products, so you now get £6,000 of cover per person on our Comprehensive cover with Cruise cover as standard on all policies!



MULTI-TRIPS POLICY: Decide on essential cover you need.

On the whole, travellers over 50 are smarter when it comes to buying travel insurance. As a seasoned traveller, you understand the importance of having the right cover and what can go wrong if you don't. But which policy is best to buy? You can be forgiven by being baffled by the variety available so we have outlined some key items to look out for:

- Is it better to buy an an-

nual travel insurance policy or a single trip? This dilemma is easily solved by asking yourself some simple questions - Are you considering two trips outside of your home country? Will you be travelling outside Europe for one of these trips? Eg: long haul to the US or Asia? Thinking of a winter sports break as well as a summer break?

If you answer 'yes' to any

of these questions, then odds are that it will be more cost effective purchase an annual multi-trip policy.

- Don't just look at the price - check the detail. Such as the maximum trip duration being offered. You don't want to find yourself uninsured for your longest trip. Also check Excess levels and Geographical restrictions. These all impact on price.

- Decide on essential cover you need. For example Medical and Repatriation expenses, which will likely run into thousands if things go wrong. Also think about the value of your holidays so you can ensure that the Cancellation and Curtailment cover is right for you.

What luggage and valuables will you take with you?

- Do you have Pre-existing Medical Conditions? Most policies have restrictions and it could invalidate your claim if you do not fully declare every-

thing at the time of purchase (and if something changes after you purchase). Most companies cover certain stable conditions as standard and there may be the option to pay an additional premium to cover pre-existing conditions. Globelink will be expanding the list of conditions covered as standard from October 1 to include reflux, certain cancers and many others, so take a look at our website after October 1.

- Is cruise cover included? With cruise cover becoming ever popular you may want to look for a policy that covers this as standard, in case you later opt for a cruise trip as one of your breaks, otherwise this could make your policy premium rise a lot. Look out for other extras too such as adventure activities as these all make a difference.

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7:00am	Breakfast
11:00am	Saturday Kitchen Live
12:30pm	The Hairy Bikers' Comfort Food
1:00pm	Football Focus
2:00pm	BBC News
2:10pm	Weather
2:15pm	Rugby League
3:15pm	Bargain Hunt
4:15pm	Escape to the Country
5:00pm	Final Score
6:10pm	Invictus Games 2017
6:40pm	BBC News
6:50pm	Regional News
6:55pm	Weather
7:00pm	Pointless
7:45pm	Strictly Come Dancing
9:50pm	Casualty
10:40pm	Mrs. Brown's Boys
11:10pm	BBC News
11:25pm	Weather
11:30pm	Match of the Day
12:55am	The NFL Show
1:25am	The Salton Sea
3:00am	Weather for the Week Ahead
3:05am	BBC News

BBC TWO

7:15am	How We Won the War
7:45am	Coast
8:30am	Herbie Goes Bananas
10:00am	Saturday Mash-Up!
10:20am	Danger Mouse
10:35am	Danger Mouse
11:00am	The Next Step
11:15am	The Next Step
12:00pm	Natural World
1:00pm	Rick Stein's Long Weekends
2:00pm	Flog It!
2:30pm	Mastermind
3:00pm	University Challenge
3:30pm	Only Connect
4:00pm	Rowing
6:30pm	Gardeners' World
7:30pm	The Big Family Cooking Showdown
8:30pm	Front Row
9:00pm	Britain Afloat
9:30pm	Dad's Army
10:00pm	Stop All the Clocks
11:00pm	Kate Tempest Presents...
11:30pm	Later... with Jools Holland
12:35am	The Edge of Love
2:20am	Trishna

BBC FOUR

8:00pm	The Incredible Human Journey
9:00pm	Wild China Documentary series whose pioneering images capture the dazzling array of the mysterious and wonderful creatures that live in China's most beautiful landscapes.
10:00pm	Black Lake
10:40pm	Black Lake
11:25pm	James May: The Reassembler
11:55pm	James May: The Reassembler
12:25am	Top of the Pops
1:00am	Top of the Pops
1:30am	Sammy Davis Jr: The Kid in the Middle Documentary telling Sammy Davis Jr's remarkable life story.
2:30am	Bombay Railway
3:30am	Wild China
4:30am	This is BBC Four

CHANNEL 4

7:00am	Nic Hamilton's Racing Dream
7:55am	Formula 1
9:25am	F1 Meets
9:55am	Formula 1
12:45pm	World's Most Expensive Cars
1:40pm	The Simpsons
2:05pm	The Simpsons
2:30pm	Formula 1
4:30pm	Homes by the Sea
5:30pm	A Place in the Sun
6:35pm	Location, Location, Location
7:30pm	Channel 4 News
8:00pm	Britain's Ancient Tracks with Tony Robinson
9:00pm	WWII's Great Escapes
10:00pm	Now You See Me
12:10am	Tower Heist
2:05am	The Last Leg
3:00am	Hollyoaks Omnibus
5:05am	Location, Location, Location Phil Spencer and Kirstie Allsopp help two couples in Gloucestershire.

CHANNEL 5

10:55am	Peppa Pig
11:00am	Olly the Little White Van
11:10am	Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles
11:45am	Cats Make You Laugh Out Loud
12:40pm	On Benefits
1:40pm	Nightmare Tenants, Slum Landlords
2:35pm	Nightmare Tenants, Slum Landlords
3:35pm	The Nightmare Neighbour Next Door
4:35pm	The Nightmare Neighbour Next Door
5:35pm	5 News Weekend
5:40pm	Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
6:35pm	Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
7:35pm	The Fifth Element
8:35pm	5 News
8:45pm	The Fifth Element
9:55pm	5 News Weekend
10:00pm	Football on 5
11:00pm	Football on 5
11:25pm	Jumper
1:05am	Super Casino

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7:00am	Stage School
7:30am	Stage School
7:55am	Stage School
8:30am	Stage School
9:00am	Stage School
9:30am	The Goldbergs
10:00am	The Goldbergs
10:30am	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
11:00am	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
11:30am	The Goldbergs
12:00pm	The Goldbergs
12:30pm	The Goldbergs
1:00pm	The Goldbergs
1:30pm	The Goldbergs
2:00pm	Cheaper by the Dozen
3:55pm	Don't Tell the Bride
5:00pm	The Great British Bake Off
6:15pm	The Great British Bake Off: An Extra Slice
7:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
7:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
8:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
8:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
9:00pm	Volcano
11:00pm	Dredd
12:55am	The Inbetweeners
1:30am	The Inbetweeners
2:00am	Celebs Go Dating

sky sports main event

7:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
8:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
9:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
10:00am	Live Malaysian GP: Qualifying
12:30pm	Football Huddersfield Town take on Tottenham Hotspur at John Smith's Stadium in the Premier League.
4:00pm	Live Super Lge Million Pound Game
6:30pm	Football
8:40pm	Live Fight Night
12:30am	Rugby Union
2:45am	Super League Highlights
3:00am	Through the Night
4:00am	Through the Night
5:00am	Through the Night A comprehensive review of all the night's football news, plus a look ahead to the morning headlines.

itv

7:00am	CITV
10:25am	ITV News
10:30am	Saturday Morning with James Martin
12:25pm	Hungry Sailors
1:20pm	ITV News and Weather
1:25pm	Midsomer Murders
3:25pm	Catchphrase
4:10pm	The X Factor
5:10pm	Thunderbirds are Go Reboot of the classic 1960s series following the exploits of the Tracy brothers.
5:40pm	Little Big Shots
6:35pm	Local News and Weather
6:45pm	ITV News and Weather
7:00pm	Cannonball!
8:00pm	The Family Chase
9:00pm	The X Factor
10:30pm	The Jonathan Ross Show
11:30pm	ITV News and Weather
11:45pm	American Pie 2
1:40am	Jackpot247

itv2

7:00am	Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records
7:10am	Emmerdale Omnibus
9:45am	Coronation Street Omnibus
12:30pm	The X Factor
1:35pm	Take Me Out
2:55pm	Babe
3:55pm	FYI Daily
4:00pm	Babe
4:45pm	Smurfs 2
5:45pm	FYI Daily
5:50pm	Smurfs 2
6:50pm	The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey
7:50pm	FYI Daily
7:55pm	The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey
10:00pm	The Hangover
11:00pm	FYI Daily
11:05pm	The Hangover
12:05am	Family Guy
1:10am	Family Guy
1:35am	American Dad!
2:05am	Celebrity Juice
2:50am	Bromans
3:40am	Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records

itv3

7:00am	Judge Judy
7:20am	Murder, She Wrote
8:15am	Death on the Nile
9:15am	FYI Daily
9:20am	Death on the Nile
11:00am	Columbo
12:40pm	Hidden Treasure
2:45pm	Rosemary and Thyme Light-hearted drama series about a pair of gardening enthusiasts turned amateur sleuths.
3:45pm	Foyle's War
5:55pm	Foyle's War
8:00pm	Midsomer Murders
10:00pm	Midsomer Murders
12:05am	My Boy Jack
2:05am	On the Buses
2:35am	On the Buses
3:00am	ITV3 Nightscreen
3:30am	Teleshopping Innovative, value-for-money products brought directly to you at home.

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7:00am	Football Rivalries Man Utd v Liverpool.
7:10am	Brdc British F3 Championship Highlights
8:00am	Motorsport UK
9:00am	Monster Carp
10:00am	Fishing Allstars
10:30am	ITV Racing: The Opening Show
11:30am	World Cup Top Goalscorers
11:45am	Pawn Stars
12:10pm	Pawn Stars
12:40pm	Pawn Stars
1:05pm	Pawn Stars
1:35pm	Pawn Stars
2:00pm	Pawn Stars
2:30pm	ITV Racing Live
5:00pm	Pawn Stars
5:25pm	The Dam Busters
6:25pm	FYI Daily
6:30pm	The Dam Busters
8:00pm	Hornblower
10:20pm	Heartbreak Ridge
11:20pm	FYI Daily
11:25pm	Heartbreak Ridge
1:00am	Falling Down
2:00am	FYI Daily
2:05am	Falling Down

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11:10am	G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra
1:10pm	Troy
3:55pm	Jack Reacher: Never Go Back
6:00pm	Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Out of the Shadows
8:00pm	Beowulf
10:00pm	Jack Reacher: Never Go Back
12:05am	I Am Legend

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8:05am	Hot Shots!
9:40am	Hot Shots! Part Deux
11:15am	Zoolander
1:00pm	Bridget Jones's Baby
3:10pm	Mrs. Brown's Boys D'Movie
4:50pm	The Blues Brothers
7:15pm	Walk Hard: The Dewey Cox Story
9:00pm	Bridget Jones's Baby
11:10pm	Mrs. Brown's Boys D'Movie
12:50am	Dirty 30
2:30am	Krampus

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7:00am	Away
9:00am	The Accountant
11:10am	Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them: Special
11:40am	Xxx: Return of Xander Cage
1:40pm	Cooties
3:20pm	Born to be Blue
5:10pm	Hijacked: Terror in the Sky
6:50pm	The Accountant
9:00pm	Xxx: Return of Xander Cage Beefed-up superspy Xander Cage is brought out of exile to retrieve a powerful weapon known as Pandora's Box.
11:00pm	Cooties
12:45am	Southern Fury
2:40am	Hijacked: Terror in the Sky
4:25am	Girl Asleep

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7:00am	EFL Greatest Games
7:15am	EFL Greatest Games
7:30am	SPFL Matters
8:00am	Football
11:15am	SPFL Matters
11:45am	La Liga Greatest Games
11:55am	Live La Liga 2017/18
2:00pm	Gillette Soccer Saturday
4:15pm	Gillette Soccer Saturday
6:15pm	Football
8:40pm	Live La Liga 2017/18
10:45pm	EFL Goals: Championship
11:15pm	Ronaldo
11:45pm	EFL Greatest Games
12:00am	EFL Greatest Games
12:15am	EFL Goals: Championship
12:45am	MLS Greatest Games
1:00am	Football
3:00am	MLS Greatest Games
3:05am	Football
5:10am	EFL Goals: Championship
5:45am	MLS Greatest Games

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7:00am	Breakfast
8:35am	Match of the Day
10:00am	The Andrew Marr Show
11:00am	Sunday Morning Live
12:00pm	Sunday Politics
1:15pm	Bargain Hunt
2:00pm	BBC News
2:10pm	Weather for the Week Ahead
2:15pm	Money for Nothing
3:00pm	Escape to the Country
4:00pm	Points of View
4:15pm	Songs of Praise
4:50pm	How to Stay Young
5:50pm	Invictus Games 2017
6:50pm	BBC News
7:05pm	Regional News
7:10pm	Weather
7:15pm	Countryfile
8:15pm	Strictly Come Dancing
9:00pm	Antiques Roadshow
10:00pm	The Last Post
11:00pm	BBC News
11:20pm	Regional News
11:25pm	Weather
11:30pm	Match of the Day 2
12:35am	The Women's Football Show

BBC TWO

7:00am	Great British Garden Revival
8:00am	Gardeners' World
9:00am	The Beechgrove Garden
9:30am	Countryfile
10:30am	Saturday Kitchen Best Bites
12:00pm	Athletics
2:45pm	NFL Live
7:00pm	Rugby League Super League Playoff Highlights
8:00pm	Russia with Simon Reeve
9:00pm	Astronauts: Do You Have What it Takes?
10:00pm	Dragons' Den
11:00pm	Dawn French Live: 30 Million Minutes
12:55am	Isn't She Great
2:25am	Question Time
3:25am	Holby City
4:25am	This is BBC Two Highlights of programmes on BBC Two.

BBC FOUR

8:00pm	Robins of Eden
8:10pm	Betjeman and Me: Rick Stein's Story
9:00pm	Cornwall's Native Poet
10:00pm	Men Who Sleep in Cars
11:00pm	Child in Mind
	<i>Every year in Britain an estimated 3,000 plus children are placed into the care system.</i>
12:00am	Rhymes, Rock and Revolution: The Story of Performance Poetry
1:00am	Acoustic at the BBC
2:00am	Bombay Railway
3:00am	Treasures of Ancient Greece
	<i>Series in which Alastair Sooke explores the dazzling artistic legacy of ancient Greece.</i>
4:00am	Darcey's Ballerina Heroines
5:00am	This is BBC Four

CHANNEL 4

7:05am	King of Queens
7:30am	Motorsport
8:00am	Formula 1
8:35am	Formula 1
11:10am	Formula 1
11:30am	Sunday Brunch
2:30pm	Formula 1
	<i>Another chance to catch all the action from the Sepang Circuit in Malaysia.</i>
5:15pm	The Crystal Maze
6:15pm	The Great British Bake Off
7:30pm	Channel 4 News
8:00pm	Escape to the Chateau
9:00pm	Escape: Human Cargo
10:00pm	Electric Dreams
11:05pm	A Year in the Life of Boris Johnson
12:05am	8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown
1:05am	American Hustle
3:35am	Location, Location, Location
4:30am	Grand Designs
5:25am	Gillette World Sport
5:55am	KOTV Boxing Weekly

CHANNEL 5

9:20am	Noddy: Toyland Detective
9:35am	Floogals
9:55am	Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom
10:05am	Shimmer and Shine
10:20am	Digby Dragon
10:35am	Peppa Pig
10:45am	Peppa Pig
10:55am	Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles
11:30am	Football on 5
12:30pm	Football on 5
1:00pm	Pets Make You Laugh Out Loud
1:30pm	Bewitched
3:30pm	Leap Year
5:20pm	Serendipity
6:20pm	5 News
6:25pm	Serendipity
7:05pm	Jack the Giant Slayer
8:05pm	5 News
8:10pm	Jack the Giant Slayer
9:00pm	Aviva Premiership Rugby Highlights
9:55pm	5 News Weekend
10:00pm	The Expendables 3
11:00pm	5 News
11:05pm	The Expendables 3
12:25am	Under Siege
2:20am	Super Casino

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7:00am	Kevin Can Wait
7:25am	Couples Come Dine with Me
8:25am	Couples Come Dine with Me
9:25am	Hollyoaks Omnibus
12:00pm	Don't Tell the Bride
1:00pm	My Hotter Half
1:30pm	My Hotter Half
2:00pm	The Goldbergs
2:30pm	The Goldbergs
3:00pm	The Goldbergs
3:30pm	The Goldbergs
4:00pm	Never Been Kissed
6:05pm	The Big Bang Theory
6:35pm	The Big Bang Theory
7:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
7:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
8:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
8:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
9:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
9:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
10:00pm	The Twilight Saga: Eclipse
12:25am	Gogglebox
1:30am	Natural World
2:35am	Celebs Go Dating
3:35am	Celebs Go Dating
4:30am	Hollyoaks Omnibus

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7:00am	Through the Night
8:00am	Live Malaysian GP: Pit Lane Live
8:30am	Live Malaysian GP: Race
11:30am	Live British Masters Golf
1:00pm	Football
3:15pm	Live Nissan Super Sunday
5:15pm	Live Nissan Super Sunday
8:00pm	Live World Grand Prix Darts
1:00am	Live NFL
	<i>A match from week four of the 2017 NFL season.</i>
2:00am	Live NFL: Indianapolis @ Seattle
	<i>Seattle Seahawks meet Indianapolis Colts at CenturyLink Field in the National Football League.</i>
5:30am	Live ATP 500: Tokyo
	<i>Day one of the Rakuten Japan Open, held at the Ariake Coliseum in Tokyo.</i>

itv

7:00am	CITV
10:25am	ITV News
10:30am	Best Walks with a View with Julia Bradbury
11:00am	Peston on Sunday
11:55am	Amazing Animal Births
12:25pm	Robson Green's Coastal Lives
12:55pm	Bigheads
1:55pm	ITV News and Weather
2:00pm	ITV Racing: Prix De L'arc De Triomphe
4:30pm	The X Factor
6:00pm	Victoria
7:00pm	Local News and Weather
7:10pm	ITV News and Weather
7:30pm	Tipping Point
8:30pm	The X Factor
10:00pm	Victoria
11:05pm	ITV News and Weather
11:20pm	Peston on Sunday
12:20am	Liar
1:15am	Jackpot247
4:00am	Motorsport UK

itv2

8:05am	Coronation Street Omnibus
11:00am	Guidance
11:25am	L.A. Story
11:35am	Cheerleaders: Steel Rays
12:00pm	Ready, Set, Style
12:10pm	Third Wheel
12:45pm	The X Factor
2:15pm	Take Me Out
3:25pm	Funniest Ever You've Been Framed
3:55pm	The Flintstones in Viva Rock Vegas
4:55pm	FYI Daily
5:00pm	The Flintstones in Viva Rock Vegas
5:45pm	Happy Feet
6:45pm	FYI Daily
6:50pm	Happy Feet
7:55pm	The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug
8:55pm	FYI Daily
9:00pm	The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug
11:00pm	Family Guy
11:30pm	Family Guy
12:05am	Family Guy
12:30am	American Dad!
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itv3

7:00am	Agatha Christie's Marple
8:45am	Heartbeat
9:50am	Heartbeat
10:50am	Murder, She Wrote
11:55am	Murder, She Wrote
1:00pm	Murder, She Wrote
2:05pm	The Belles of St. Trinian's
3:05pm	FYI Daily
3:10pm	The Belles of St. Trinian's
3:55pm	Columbo
6:00pm	Agatha Christie's Marple
8:00pm	Midsomer Murders
10:00pm	Sunday Night at the Palladium
11:00pm	If I Had You
1:00am	Heartbeat
2:05am	The Knock
3:05am	The Knock
4:00am	Mr Selfridge
4:50am	Lewis
	<i>The heavily anticipated detective drama follows up to the hugely acclaimed Inspector Morse series.</i>

itv4

7:00am	Football's Greatest
7:10am	The Darts Show
7:35am	The Avengers
8:45am	The Car Chasers
9:15am	Storage Wars
9:40am	Storage Wars
10:10am	Pawn Stars
10:35am	Pawn Stars
11:00am	Pawn Stars
11:30am	MSA British Touring Car Championship
7:35pm	Goodwood Revival
8:35pm	Fishing Allstars
9:00pm	The Chase: Celebrity Special
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11:00pm	FYI Daily
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12:10am	Car Crash Global
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3:50am	ITV4 Nightscreen
4:00am	Teleshopping
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10:10am	The Bourne Identity
12:15pm	The Bourne Supremacy
2:15pm	The Bourne Ultimatum
4:15pm	The Mask of Zorro
6:40pm	The Legend of Zorro
9:00pm	The Bourne Identity
11:00pm	The Bourne Supremacy
12:55am	The Bourne Ultimatum

sky CINEMA COMEDY

9:40am	Scouts Guide to the Zombie Apocalypse
11:20am	The House Bunny
1:05pm	Central Intelligence
3:00pm	The Top Ten Show 2017
3:20pm	Dumb and Dumber
5:15pm	Back to the Future
7:15pm	Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story
9:00pm	Central Intelligence
11:00pm	Couples Retreat
1:00am	Get a Job
2:30am	Laid in America

sky CINEMA PREMIERE

7:00am	Born to be Blue
8:50am	Away
10:50am	The Top Ten Show 2017
11:05am	Xxx: Return of Xander Cage
1:05pm	A United Kingdom
	<i>Trouble brews when an African prince falls for a London office worker.</i>
3:10pm	The Accountant
5:25pm	Cooties
7:10pm	Xxx: Return of Xander Cage
	<i>Beefed-up superspy Xander Cage is brought out of exile to retrieve a powerful weapon known as Pandora's Box.</i>
9:00pm	A United Kingdom
11:00pm	The Accountant
1:10am	Cooties
2:55am	Hijacked: Terror in the Sky
4:40am	Girl Asleep

sky sports football

7:00am	EFL Goals: Championship
7:35am	Football
10:00am	EFL Goals: League One and League Two
10:30am	The Sunday Supplement
12:00pm	EFL Goals: Championship
12:30pm	EFL Goals: League One and League Two
1:00pm	Football
3:30pm	Ronaldo
4:00pm	Live La Liga 2017/18
6:05pm	La Liga Icons
6:25pm	Live La Liga 2017/18
8:30pm	Live La Liga 2017/18
10:30pm	La Liga Icons
10:45pm	La Liga Icons
11:00pm	EFL Goals: League One and League Two
11:30pm	EFL Goals: Championship
12:00am	20 Years of El Clasico
12:45am	La Liga Icons
1:00am	Football
3:30am	Football's Greatest
4:00am	Football Years
4:30am	Football Countdowns

LEGALLY SPEAKING

Driving classic cars

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



CLASSIC CARS: Governed by the same rules as normal vehicles.

A NUMBER of classic car owners and associations have asked about the laws that refer specifically to this type of vehicle and what provisions the drivers must make when driving on Spanish roads.

Royal Decree 1247/1995, deals with the reglamento de vehículos históricos, rules for historic vehicles, or classic cars, under article 10 of the Normas de circulación.

First and foremost, unless rules are specifically in place for this type of vehicle, classic cars are governed by the same laws and rules as normal vehicles, including the requirement of liability insurance.

The rules relating to the technical inspection and registration are also applicable, as per normal vehicles. The period of the technical inspection also remains the same, unless otherwise indicated in the official report.

Those vehicles which, on account of their age or constructive characteristics, do not have lights or indicators as are normally required by law, are

not allowed to travel between sunset and sunrise, or in circumstances which would normally require the use of these lights and indicators.

Historic vehicles that are not able to exceed the speed of 40 kilometres per hour should drive on the shoulder, if practicable, or, alternatively, as close as possible to the right outside edge of the roadway, except when overtaking or turning left, manoeuvres which may force other drivers to abruptly change the direction or speed of their vehicles. Historic vehicles are not allowed on the motorway if they are unable to reach a speed of at least 60 kilometres per hour.

The Dirección General de Tráfico also reserves the right to prohibit classic cars on certain dates and routes, if they are not able to exceed the speed of 80 kilometres per hour.

As for situations when classic cars can travel on the roads as a group, Annex II of the Reglamento General de Circulación, article 32 of section 3 details Participación de vehículos históricos and refers to group activities.

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

Where are his title deeds?

Q. How can I find the title deeds for my apartment in Alcudia, Mallorca? We left them with Halifax Bank España, with whom we had a mortgage. This was paid off several years ago but we let the

bank hold the deeds for us. As far as I can ascertain the branches in Mallorca have now closed, leaving us with no one to contact.

PC (Balears)

A. When you purchased your flat, you signed the deed at a Spanish Notary, at the same time you signed the mortgage deed.

This Notary has your original title deed in his computer. The bank has an authorised copy. The

David Searl
You and the Law
in Spain



piece of paper is not important. Go to the Notary and get an authorised copy of your deed. Be alert. Even if your mort-

gage is paid, it is quite possible that the bank has not officially cancelled it in the Property Registry.

The Notary or your lawyer can check on this. You might need to contact Halifax Lloyds Bank to find out. Try calling 902 024 365.

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

Can you believe it's run off Windows 7??

Mike Senker

In my opinion

Views of a Grumpy Old Man



I WENT off on my travels last week. First stop was London with Monarch that does flights not leaving at silly o' clock in the morning. I have to say that I was very impressed with their in-flight food menu.

They even did a mini English breakfast so I settled back in my seat and waited for the crew member to ask what my choice of culinary delight would be. The trolley pulled up and she looked at me and asked would I like anything from the trolley.

I said, 'yes please, I'd like the English breakfast.' 'Sorry, we don't have any left.' 'Hmmm OK, I'll have the bacon baguette please.' 'Sorry, actually we don't have any food left.' Now for those of you thinking 'full flight - these things happen - you are right it does. But I was in row seven and they had sold out. ROW SEVEN! It doesn't make sense does it? They present you with this menu of goodies then nada.

They should at least make some announcement and inform you. I'll tell you what they didn't run out off though - their bloody scratch cards! They were on the PA system quick enough, flogging them, telling us that we could win lots of money from what they collect and a 'percentage' goes to charity.

They didn't say how big the percentage was and old, cynical me thinks that it's not very much. If it was 100 per cent I might be more tempted and if the first prize was a bacon sarnie I would definitely have had a punt!

My next leg was to the USA. I get there and everything is going nice and smoothly until I reach security. I'm in my wheelchair with someone helping me to get through.

We get up to the bit where they look at your boarding pass and make you look into a camera. It's the bit you get to before you have to take your belt off and shoes and have to walk through (not me of course) holding your trousers up and hoping you don't step on anything that is going to injure you. Anyway it's not working and I watch the security guy reset the computer.

Ready for this? The security system runs off Windows 7! Yup Gatwick Airport runs off Windows 7!! It's an absolute farce.



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BBC one

7:00am	Breakfast
10:15am	Rip Off Britain
11:00am	Homes Under the Hammer
12:00pm	Neighbourhood Blues
12:45pm	Caught Red Handed
1:15pm	Bargain Hunt
2:00pm	BBC News
2:30pm	Regional News
2:45pm	Doctors
3:15pm	The Boss
4:00pm	Escape to the Country
4:45pm	Garden Rescue
5:30pm	Antiques Road Trip
6:15pm	Pointless
7:00pm	BBC News
7:30pm	Regional News
8:00pm	The One Show
8:30pm	Inside Out
9:00pm	EastEnders
9:30pm	Panorama
10:00pm	Relik
11:00pm	BBC News
11:30pm	Regional News
11:40pm	Weather
11:45pm	Stacey Dooley Investigates
12:20am	Annie: Out of the Ashes

BBC TWO

7:00am	Flog It!
7:30am	Fake Britain
8:15am	Neighbourhood Blues
9:00am	The Big Family Cooking Showdown
10:00am	Victoria Derbyshire
12:00pm	BBC Newsroom Live
12:30pm	The Daily Politics
2:00pm	Canoeing
3:00pm	Rowing
4:45pm	Great American Railroad Journeys
5:15pm	This Farming Life
6:15pm	Flog It!
7:00pm	Eggheads
7:30pm	Strictly it Takes Two
8:00pm	Antiques Road Trip
9:00pm	University Challenge
9:30pm	Upstart Crow
10:00pm	The Human Body
11:00pm	W1A
11:30pm	Newsnight
12:10am	Weather
12:15am	Today at Conference
12:45am	Billion Dollar Deals and How They Changed Your World
1:45am	Countryfile
2:40am	Celebrity MasterChef
3:40am	This is BBC Two

BBC FOUR

8:00pm	Beyond 100 Days
8:30pm	Race and Pace: The West Indians in East Lancashire
9:00pm	Ocean Giants
10:00pm	Tunes for Tyrants: Music and Power with Suzy Klein
11:00pm	The Vietnam War
11:55pm	The Vietnam War
12:55am	Cold War, Hot Jets <i>Two-part film looking at how the invention of the jet engine transformed Britain after the Second World War.</i>
1:55am	The Art of Gothic: Britain's Midnight Hour
2:55am	Treasures of Ancient Greece
3:55am	Tunes for Tyrants: Music and Power with Suzy Klein
4:55am	This is BBC Four <i>BBC Four is the BBC channel for people who want more.</i>

CHANNEL 4

7:00am	Countdown
7:45am	King of Queens
8:35am	King of Queens
9:00am	Everybody Loves Raymond
10:00am	Frasier
10:35am	Frasier
11:05am	Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA
12:00pm	Undercover Boss USA
1:00pm	Channel 4 News
1:05pm	Couples Come Dine with Me
2:05pm	A New Life in the Sun
3:10pm	Countdown
4:00pm	Find it, Fix it, Flog it
5:00pm	My Kitchen Rules
6:00pm	Come Dine with Me
7:00pm	The Simpsons
7:30pm	Hollyoaks
8:00pm	Channel 4 News
8:55pm	The Political Slot
9:00pm	Jamie's Quick and Easy Food
9:30pm	Superfoods: The Real Story
10:00pm	The Undateables
11:00pm	First Dates
12:00am	Too Posh to Parent

CHANNEL 5

8:35am	Paw Patrol
8:50am	Rusty Rivets
9:05am	Digby Dragon
9:15am	Floogals
9:35am	Peppa Pig
9:45am	Peppa Pig
9:55am	Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom
10:05am	Mofy
10:15am	The Wright Stuff
12:15pm	Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
1:10pm	5 News Lunchtime
1:15pm	The Hotel Inspector
2:15pm	Home and Away
2:45pm	Neighbours
3:15pm	The Mentalist
4:15pm	The Novel Murders: Garage Sale Mystery VI
6:00pm	5 News at 5
6:30pm	Neighbours
7:00pm	Home and Away
7:30pm	5 News Tonight
8:00pm	Car Crash TV
9:00pm	Police Interceptors
10:00pm	Paddington Station 24/7
11:00pm	Shark Attack
12:05am	Total Recall
2:15am	Super Casino

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7:00am	Hollyoaks
7:30am	Hollyoaks
8:00am	Charmed
9:00am	Melissa and Joey
9:30am	Melissa and Joey
10:00am	2 Broke Girls
10:30am	2 Broke Girls
11:00am	Baby Daddy
11:30am	Baby Daddy
12:00pm	How I Met Your Mother
1:00pm	The Goldbergs
1:30pm	The Goldbergs
2:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
2:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
3:00pm	Melissa and Joey
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7:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
8:00pm	Hollyoaks
8:30pm	All Star Driving School
9:00pm	Johnny English
10:40pm	Tattoo Fixers
11:50pm	The Big Bang Theory
12:20am	The Big Bang Theory

sky sports main event

7:00am	Live ATP 500: Beijing <i>Day one of the China Open, on the ATP World Tour from Beijing.</i>
12:30pm	Sky Sports Now
1:00pm	Sky Sports Today
1:30pm	Live Tennis: Beijing
3:30pm	Sky Sports Today
4:00pm	Sky Sports Today
5:00pm	Sky Sports Today
6:00pm	Sky Sports News
7:00pm	Sky Sports News
8:00pm	Live World Grand Prix Darts
1:00am	Through the Night <i>A comprehensive review of all the night's football news, plus a look ahead to the morning headlines.</i>
2:00am	NFL Masterclass
2:15am	Live NFL: Washington @ Kansas
5:45am	Live ATP 500: Tokyo <i>Day two of the Rakuten Japan Open, held at the Ariake Coliseum in Tokyo.</i>

itv

7:00am	Good Morning Britain
9:30am	Lorraine
10:25am	The Jeremy Kyle Show
11:30am	This Morning
1:30pm	Loose Women
2:30pm	ITV Lunchtime News
3:00pm	Judge Rinder
4:00pm	Alphabetical
5:00pm	Tipping Point
6:00pm	The Chase
7:00pm	Local News and Weather
7:30pm	ITV Evening News
8:00pm	Emmerdale
8:30pm	Coronation Street
9:00pm	Countrywise
9:30pm	Coronation Street
10:00pm	Liar
11:00pm	ITV News and Weather
11:40pm	100 Year Old Driving School
12:40am	The Jonathan Ross Show
1:40am	Jackpot247
4:00am	The Jeremy Kyle Show
4:55am	Nightscreen

itv2

7:00am	You've Been Framed!
7:25am	Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records
7:50am	Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records
8:15am	Below Deck
9:00am	Emmerdale
9:30am	Coronation Street
10:30am	The Ellen DeGeneres Show
11:20am	Below Deck
12:15pm	Dress to Impress
1:20pm	Emmerdale
1:50pm	Coronation Street
2:50pm	The Ellen DeGeneres Show
3:45pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show
7:00pm	Dress to Impress
8:00pm	You've Been Framed!
9:00pm	Two and a Half Men
9:30pm	Two and a Half Men
10:00pm	Family Guy
10:30pm	Family Guy
11:00pm	American Dad!
11:30pm	American Dad!
12:00am	Family Guy
12:30am	Family Guy

itv3

7:00am	On the Buses
7:25am	Heartbeat
8:20am	Where the Heart is
9:20am	Wild at Heart
10:20am	Judge Judy
10:45am	Judge Judy
11:15am	Judge Judy
11:40am	Bertie and Elizabeth
1:45pm	Wild at Heart
2:45pm	Heartbeat
3:45pm	Classic Coronation Street
4:20pm	Classic Coronation Street
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itv4

7:00am	Cash Cowboys
7:45am	Pawn Stars
8:10am	Pawn Stars
8:30am	The Saint
9:30am	Ironsides
10:35am	Quincy, M.E.
11:35am	Minder
12:35pm	The Avengers
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4:55pm	The Sweeney
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7:25am	Babylon A.D.
9:05am	Hitman
10:50am	2012
1:30pm	Point Break
3:30pm	Walking Tall
5:05pm	Hitman
6:50pm	Rocky
9:00pm	2012
11:40pm	Point Break
1:40am	Rambo
3:15am	Ultraviolet
4:50am	Superman III

sky CINEMA COMEDY

7:15am	This Christmas
9:20am	All About Steve
11:05am	In Her Shoes
1:20pm	27 Dresses
3:20pm	Keanu
5:05pm	The Cable Guy
6:50pm	The Intern
9:00pm	Keanu
10:45pm	Knocked Up
1:00am	Superbad
3:00am	Don Verdean
4:45am	Tenacious D in the Pick of Destiny

sky CINEMA PREMIERE

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3:25pm	Born to be Blue
5:15pm	Cooties
7:00pm	A United Kingdom
9:00pm	Xxx: Return of Xander Cage
11:00pm	Bridgend
1:00am	Cooties
2:45am	Hijacked: Terror in the Sky
4:30am	Girl Asleep <i>Surreal, 70s-set coming-of-age tale about a shy teen flung into a parallel world when her parents throw her a surprise birthday party.</i>

sky sports football

7:00am	EFL Greatest Games
8:00am	Football Years
8:30am	Football Countdowns
9:00am	Football's Greatest Teams
9:30am	Football's Greatest Teams
10:00am	Scottish Cup Greatest Games
10:30am	La Liga Greatest Games
11:00am	La Liga
5:00pm	Scottish Cup Greatest Games
5:15pm	Scottish Cup Greatest Games
5:30pm	La Liga Greatest Games
6:00pm	Football Years
6:30pm	Football Countdowns
7:00pm	The Best La Liga Goals 2016/17
8:00pm	Soccer A.M.
8:40pm	Info not available
11:00pm	SPFL Round Up 2017/18
11:15pm	Scottish Cup Greatest Games
11:30pm	MLS Round Up Show
12:00am	Soccer A.M.
12:30am	Ronaldo

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Prime Minister's Italian Job a farce

SIR,

THE question is why did the PM bother to go to Florence to make this speech before a handpicked audience of mostly British journalists?

She gave the impression that it was the EU leaving Britain rather than the other way round and it is the EU which will have to make concessions. A typical arrogant British trait.

She seemed to forget that Britain needs the EU (40 per cent of British trade) more than EU member states need Britain!

We are none the wiser on the specific details as there was nothing in the speech which was not already common knowledge.

She said that EU citizens would always be welcome in the UK but they would have to 'register,' again no specific details, nor the implications for British citizens in the EU which will be determined by the EU, not Britain.

She wants neither a Norway model

Floating memory

WHAT a surprise being taken down Memory Lane in Malaga Port while on a holiday visit to friends in La Cala.

My wife and I were looking around the port in what we view as a wonderful and ever-improving city, and there at berth was the Braemar, a ship that is part of the Fred Olsen line.

Sixty-two years ago I travelled on that very same ship as part of a British school party visiting Norway.

It looked smart in the Mala-



THE BRAEMAR: Recently visited Malaga.

ga sun and has obviously undergone refits (perhaps several) over the years.

But a real happy memory of my schooldays, as well as an

additional one of another enjoyable visit to such a fine Spanish city.

*Bren Small
Shropshire, England*

nor a Canadian model; perhaps a North Korean model!

Summing up on the security issue, the Irish border arrangements are an invitation for criminals, illegal migrants and potential terrorists to fly Ryanair to Dublin, hire a car to Belfast and then take a flight to any English airport.

She described so many advantages of maintaining a perfect partnership and relationship with the EU that the obvious solution seems to be to remain part of it.

Peter Fieldman, Florence

Dear Mr Lee...

I AGREE with almost all of what you say! This gender rubbish in the UK has gone way over the top! But I have more than a twitch over same sex couples adopting. And whereas I think civil partnership is absolutely right, I do not agree with same sex marriage. It will also be very, very confusing for the children.

Thank you one and all.

Phillip Walker, Mazarron, Murcia

Currently staying in the Costas and came about the paper. I scoffed slightly when reading the feature headline and your personal photo/mission statement.

However on reading the article I realised this was not a substandard bit of tired journalism and I agree with your opinion 100 per cent. The media - particularly the BBC - have rammed this PC gender bender nonsense down the throats of the British public for far too long. The Champagne socialists have taken the opportunity to manipulate current blurred lines to reinforce their sexual nirvana. Let the kids work it out for themselves without any influence from their elders.

MA Coleman, UK

Left or right?

WHAT is it with Spanish drivers and indicators? Do they not understand that their use is for the benefit of other road users? I have been a resident for nine years but still find myself waiting at roundabouts as people sail by with no sign of exit they are going to take. If I wanted to play Russian roulette I would have bought a gun!

John Wareing, Almeria

HAVE YOUR SAY

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British PM explains Brexit expectations

THERESA MAY confirmed in her Florence speech that she hopes to obtain a two year extension.

Citizens' 'rights/privileges' and of course OBLIGATIONS are precisely those, attributable to Citizens NOT non-citizens. If you wish to enjoy them, apply for citizenship and swear loyalty to Queen and country. Otherwise apply for 'indefinite leave to remain.'

If majority of our trade presently operates on WTO tariffs what's the UK's practical 'difficulty' with EU trade being handled the same way? Any potential 'disincentive' from application of 2 per cent WTO on exports to EU has surely been offset by depreciation/regularisation of £ exchange rate? As the UK operates a substantial trade deficit with EU surely application WTO tariffs will have a net beneficial effect on HM Treasury receipts?

'No speech is better than a bad speech.' Surely the two years from triggering Article 50 IS the transition period?'

Drew Edgar

Comments from EWN online

efforts to stop the upcoming independence referendum.

Isn't it a Democratic right to protest for change? Unless the laws here are different, I thought individuals had a right to demonstrate for change if that's how they feel and they want something different. Not unlike the Brexit argument where two sides differ. Democracy allows for a difference of opinion does it not? A right to change your mind too if that's how the area/region/country feels.

Allam Hill

They are acting against the Spanish laws, and at the moment Cataluña is Spain.

Juan Aguilar Suau

injuries during his Magaluf stag party.

I think there's more to this, a skilled fireman, who's more aware of health n safety of buildings...going into a building site?? Only few hours into a stag night?? Nah, something fishy there?

Julie Jones Peel

About time to cut the habit of drinking so much? Every night young men can be found drunk in the streets. England has no culture left other than drinking. No decent artist inspiring writer is coming out of England.

Reggy Wilson

Man taunting a bull gets pummelled

FOOTAGE of a 'have-a-go matador' getting brutally pummelled by a charging bull in a Spanish town has gone viral.

And this year's Darwin award goes to...

*Steve Walsh
Christina Petrie*

Bull 1. Idiot 0. Lol

Got all he deserved, idiotic and barbaric custom that should be banned.

Jill Hayles

Tensions rise as police storm Catalan offices

SPANISH Guardia Civil officers swooped on Catalan government offices and arrested 14 senior officials as the national government intensified

British father injured in Magaluf stag party

ALEX GREEN is fighting for his life after being found unconscious in a street with serious head



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7:00am Breakfast
10:15am Rip Off Britain
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2:00pm BBC News
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2:45pm Doctors
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4:00pm Escape to the Country
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6:15pm Pointless
7:00pm BBC News
7:30pm Regional News
8:00pm The One Show
8:30pm EastEnders
9:00pm Holby City
10:00pm Doctor Foster
11:00pm BBC News
11:30pm Regional News
11:40pm Weather
11:45pm The Insider
12:40am The Monkey Lab
1:15am Weather for the Week Ahead

BBC TWO

7:00am Flog It!
7:30am Rip Off Britain
8:15am Neighbourhood Blues
9:00am World's Busiest Cities
10:00am Victoria Derbyshire
12:00pm BBC Newsroom Live
1:00pm The Daily Politics
2:00pm For What It's Worth
2:45pm £100k House: Tricks of the Trade
3:45pm How the Wild West
4:45pm Great American Railroad Journeys
5:15pm This Farming Life
6:15pm Flog It!
7:00pm Eggheads
7:30pm Strictly it Takes Two
8:00pm Antiques Road Trip
9:00pm Saving Lives at Sea
10:00pm Reformation
11:00pm Later Live... with Jools Holland
11:30pm Newsnight
12:10am Weather
12:15am Today at Conference
12:45am NFL
1:35am How to Stay Young
2:35am Without Limits: Vietnam

BBC FOUR

8:00pm Beyond 100 Days
The latest national and international news, exploring the day's events from a global perspective.
8:30pm The Flying Archaeologist
9:00pm Vienna: Empire, Dynasty and Dream
10:00pm Sex, Chips and Poetry: 50 Years of the Mersey Sound
11:00pm Henry VIII: Patron or Plunderer?
12:00am Jerusalem: The Making of a Holy City
Author and historian Simon Sebag Montefiore presents a three-part series illuminating the history of Jerusalem.
1:00am Black Lake
1:40am Black Lake
2:25am Treasures of Ancient Greece
3:25am Vienna: Empire, Dynasty and Dream
4:25am This is BBC Four

CHANNEL 4

7:00am Countdown
7:45am King of Queens
8:10am King of Queens
8:35am King of Queens
9:00am Everybody Loves Raymond
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10:00am Frasier
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11:05am Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA
12:00pm Undercover Boss USA
1:00pm Channel 4 News
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2:05pm A New Life in the Sun
3:10pm Countdown
4:00pm Find it, Fix it, Flog it
5:00pm My Kitchen Rules
6:00pm Come Dine with Me
7:00pm The Simpsons
7:30pm Hollyoaks
8:00pm Channel 4 News
9:00pm The Great British Bake Off
10:15pm When Mary Met Barbie
11:20pm Gogglebox
12:25am Parenting for Idiots

CHANNEL 5

8:35am Paw Patrol
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8:00pm Tony Robinson: Coast to Coast
9:00pm The Yorkshire Vet
10:00pm Alaska: A Year in the Wild
11:00pm When Chat Shows Go Horribly Wrong
1:55am Super Casino

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7:30am Hollyoaks
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8:30pm All Star Driving School
9:00pm Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs
11:00pm 8 Out of 10 Cats
11:55pm The Big Bang Theory
12:25am The Big Bang Theory

sky sports main event

7:00am Live ATP 500: Beijing
5:00pm Sky Sports Today
6:00pm Sky Sports News
7:00pm Sky Sports News
A comprehensive round-up of the football headlines and all the day's sports news.
8:00pm Live World Grand Prix Darts
Day three of the Unibet World Grand Prix of Darts from the Citywest Hotel in Dublin.
12:00am Through the Night
1:00am Through the Night
2:00am Live WWE Late Night Smackdown
Tom Phillips, JBL and Byron Saxton present Smackdown, featuring all your favourite WWE stars.
4:00am Through the Night
5:00am Live Tennis Tokyo
Day three of the China Open, on the ATP World Tour from Beijing, China.

itv

7:00am Good Morning Britain
9:30am Lorraine
10:25am The Jeremy Kyle Show
11:30am This Morning
1:30pm Loose Women
Actor and Spandau Ballet member Martin Kemp joins the ladies for a lunchtime chat.
2:30pm ITV Lunchtime News
3:00pm Judge Rinder
4:00pm Alphabetical
5:00pm Tipping Point
6:00pm The Chase
7:00pm Local News and Weather
7:30pm ITV Evening News
8:00pm Emmerdale
8:30pm Save Money, Good Health
9:00pm Robson Green's Coastal Lives
9:30pm Call the Cleaners
10:00pm Cilla
11:00pm ITV News
11:40pm Safe House
12:40am Lethal Weapon

itv2

7:50am Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records
8:15am Below Deck
9:00pm Emmerdale
9:30am Coronation Street
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10:30am The Ellen DeGeneres Show
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7:00pm Dress to Impress
8:00pm You've Been Framed!
9:00pm Two and a Half Men
10:00pm 22 Jump Street
11:00pm FYI Daily
11:05pm 22 Jump Street
12:15am Family Guy

itv3

7:00am Classic Coronation Street
7:25am Classic Coronation Street
7:50am Heartbeat
8:50am Where the Heart is
9:50am Wild at Heart
10:50am Judge Judy
11:15am Judge Judy
11:40am A Touch of Frost
1:40pm Wild at Heart
2:40pm Heartbeat
3:45pm Classic Coronation Street
4:20pm Classic Coronation Street
4:55pm A Touch of Frost
7:00pm Heartbeat
8:00pm Murder, She Wrote
Murder mystery series.
9:00pm The Booze Cruise
11:10pm Lewis
1:10am A Touch of Frost
3:15am ITV3 Nightscreen
3:30am Teleshopping
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itv4

7:00am The Car Chasers
7:25am The Car Chasers
7:50am Pawn Stars
8:10am Pawn Stars
8:35am The Saint
9:35am Ironside
10:40am Quincy, M.E.
11:40am The Sweeney
12:50pm The Avengers
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9:00pm World Superbike Highlights
10:00pm Benidorm
11:00pm Car Crash Global
12:00am Fire Down Below
1:05am FYI Daily
1:10am Fire Down Below
2:10am Motorsport UK
3:10am Brdc British F3 Championship Highlights
4:00am Teleshopping

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8:50am Charlie's Angels: Full Throttle
10:45am 300
12:50pm Sahara
3:00pm Behind Enemy Lines
4:55pm Rocky II
7:00pm The Bourne Identity
9:00pm The Bourne Supremacy
11:00pm The Bourne Ultimatum
1:00am 300

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7:00am Trapped
9:00am The Tiger Hunter
10:40am How to Lose Friends and Alienate People
12:40pm Billy Madison
2:20pm Mean Girls
4:05pm Popstar: Never Stop Never Stopping
5:40pm Drillbit Taylor
7:30pm Grimsby
9:00pm Mean Girls
10:45pm Popstar: Never Stop Never Stopping
12:20am Starsky and Hutch

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7:00am The Top Ten Show 2017
7:15am Born to be Blue
9:10am Moana: Special
9:40am A United Kingdom
11:45am Out Of The Shadows
1:35pm Xxx: Return of Xander Cage
Beefed-up superspy Xander Cage is brought out of exile to retrieve a powerful weapon known as Pandora's Box.
3:35pm Cooties
5:20pm Hijacked: Terror in the Sky
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12:40am Bridgend
2:40am Cooties
4:25am Hijacked: Terror in the Sky

sky sports football

1:45pm Scottish Cup Greatest Games
2:00pm MLS Round Up Show
2:30pm Soccer A.M.
3:00pm SPFL Round Up 2017/18
3:15pm Scottish Cup Greatest Games
3:30pm MLS Round Up Show
4:00pm Football's Greatest
4:30pm Info not available
7:00pm SPFL Round Up 2017/18
7:15pm Scottish Cup Greatest Games
7:30pm MLS Round Up Show
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11:00pm Revista de la Liga
11:30pm La Liga World
12:00am Magical Messi
1:00am Football



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9:00pm	Who Do You Think You Are?
10:00pm	The Apprentice
11:00pm	BBC News
11:30pm	Regional News
11:40pm	Weather
11:45pm	A Question of Sport
12:15am	Ambulance
1:15am	Weather for the Week Ahead
1:20am	BBC News

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7:00am	Flog It!
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4:45pm	Great American Railroad Journeys
5:15pm	This Farming Life
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7:00pm	Eggheads
7:30pm	Strictly It Takes Two
8:00pm	Antiques Road Trip
9:00pm	Billion Dollar Deals and How They Changed Your World
10:00pm	The Detectives
11:00pm	The Apprentice: You're Fired!
11:30pm	Newsnight
12:10am	Weather
12:15am	Today at Conference
12:45am	Astronauts: Do You Have What it Takes?
1:45am	See Hear

BBC FOUR

8:00pm	Beyond 100 Days
8:30pm	The Flying Archaeologist
9:00pm	Barcelona: An Art Lovers' Guide <i>Series in which art historians Dr Janina Ramirez and Alastair Sooke take us on three entertaining and revealing cultural city breaks.</i>
10:00pm	Britain's Lost Masterpieces
11:00pm	The Renaissance Unchained
12:00am	British Gardens in Time <i>Series which explores four iconic British gardens.</i>
1:00am	Penny Blacks and Twopenny Blues: How Britain Got Stuck on Stamps
2:00am	Carved with Love: The Genius of British Woodwork
3:00am	Britain's Lost Masterpieces
4:00am	Barcelona: An Art Lovers' Guide
5:00am	This is BBC Four

CHANNEL 4

7:45am	King of Queens
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7:30pm	Hollyoaks
8:00pm	Channel 4 News
8:55pm	The Political Slot
9:00pm	Location, Location, Location
10:00pm	Grand Designs
11:00pm	Back
11:35pm	8 Out of 10 Cats
12:35am	Does Countdown Educating Greater Manchester

CHANNEL 5

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3:15pm	The Mentalist
4:15pm	Fatal Memories
6:00pm	5 News at 5
6:30pm	Neighbours
7:00pm	Home and Away
7:30pm	5 News Tonight
8:00pm	Britain by Bike with Larry and George Lamb
9:00pm	GP's: Behind Closed Doors
10:00pm	Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
11:00pm	Notorious Fritzl: What Happened Next
12:05am	The Body in the Freezer: Countdown to Murder

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7:00am	Hollyoaks
7:30am	Hollyoaks
8:00am	Charmed
9:00am	Melissa and Joey
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9:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
10:00pm	Don't Tell the Bride
11:00pm	My Hotter Half
11:30pm	Naked Attraction
12:30am	The Big Bang Theory

sky sports main event

7:00am	Live ATP 500: Beijing
12:30pm	Sky Sports Now
1:00pm	Sky Sports Today
1:30pm	Live ATP 500: Beijing
3:30pm	Sky Sports Today
4:00pm	Sky Sports Today
5:00pm	Sky Sports Today
6:00pm	Sky Sports News
7:00pm	Sky Sports News
8:00pm	Live World Grand Prix Darts <i>Day four of the Unibet World Grand Prix of Darts from the Citywest Hotel in Dublin, Ireland.</i>
12:00am	Through the Night <i>A comprehensive review of all the night's football news, plus a look ahead to the morning headlines.</i>
1:00am	Through the Night
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3:00am	Through the Night
4:00am	Through the Night
5:00am	Live ATP 500: Tokyo <i>Day four of the Rakuten Japan Open, held at the Ariake Coliseum in Tokyo.</i>

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7:00am	Good Morning Britain
9:30am	Lorraine
10:25am	The Jeremy Kyle Show
11:30am	This Morning <i>Morning magazine show presented by Phillip Schofield and Holly Willoughby.</i>
1:30pm	Loose Women
2:30pm	ITV Lunchtime News
3:00pm	Judge Rinder
4:00pm	Alphabetical
5:00pm	Tipping Point
6:00pm	The Chase
7:00pm	Local News and Weather
7:30pm	ITV Evening News
8:00pm	Emmerdale
8:30pm	Coronation Street
9:00pm	Bad Move
9:30pm	Coronation Street
10:00pm	Doc Martin
11:00pm	ITV News
11:40pm	Play to the Whistle
12:25am	Unbelievable <i>Moments Caught on Camera</i>
1:20am	Jackpot247
4:00am	May the Best House Win
4:50am	Nightscreen

itv2

7:00am	You've Been Framed!
7:25am	Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records
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8:15am	Below Deck
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10:00pm	Hellboy II: The Golden Army
11:00pm	FYI Daily
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12:20am	Family Guy

itv3

7:00am	Coronation Street
7:25am	Coronation Street
7:50am	Heartbeat
8:50am	Where the Heart is
9:50am	Wild at Heart
10:50am	Judge Judy <i>The Emmy nominated reality courtroom series, presided over by outspoken family court judge, Judge Judith Sheindlin, invites viewers into the courtroom to witness hard-hitting and compelling disputes between real litigants.</i>
11:15am	Judge Judy
11:40am	A Touch of Frost
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2:50pm	Heartbeat
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5:00pm	A Touch of Frost
7:00pm	Heartbeat
8:00pm	Murder, She Wrote
9:00pm	Foyle's War
11:05pm	Lewis
1:05am	A Touch of Frost

itv4

7:00am	Snooker v Darts
7:05am	The Car Chasers
7:30am	The Car Chasers
7:55am	Pawn Stars
8:20am	Pawn Stars
8:50am	The Saint
9:55am	Ironsides
11:00am	Test Match Bowls Live <i>Rishi Persad, Paul Coleman and John Price present live coverage of day one of the test match between England and Scotland women.</i>
6:30pm	The Car Chasers
7:00pm	The Car Chasers
7:30pm	Storage Wars
8:00pm	Pawn Stars
8:30pm	Pawn Stars
9:00pm	British Superbike Highlights
10:00pm	The Living Daylights
11:05pm	FYI Daily <i>A round-up of the latest entertainment news.</i>
11:10pm	The Living Daylights
12:40am	Memphis Belle
1:40am	FYI Daily
1:45am	Memphis Belle

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7:15am	The Karate Kid
9:25am	The Karate Kid, Part II
11:25am	Warcraft
1:35pm	Lawrence of Arabia
5:20pm	X-Men: The Last Stand
7:15pm	Rocky III
9:00pm	Warcraft
11:10pm	Hanna
1:05am	Troy
3:50am	Lawrence of Arabia

sky CINEMA COMEDY

9:55am	Sadie's Last Days on Earth
11:35am	Miss Congeniality
1:35pm	The Top Ten Show 2017
1:50pm	Did You Hear About the Morgans?
3:40pm	Keeping up with the Joneses.
5:30pm	Ghost Town
7:20pm	Zoolander
9:00pm	Did You Hear About the Morgans?
11:00pm	Keeping up with the Joneses
12:50am	Deuce Bigalow: Male Gigolo

sky CINEMA PREMIERE

7:00am	Away
9:05am	Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them: Special <i>Sky Movies takes a behind-the-scenes look at the latest trip into JK Rowling's wizarding world.</i>
9:35am	A United Kingdom <i>Trouble brews when an African prince falls for a London office worker.</i>
11:40am	Cooties
1:25pm	Xxx: Return of Xander Cage <i>Beefed-up superspy Xander Cage is brought out of exile to retrieve a powerful weapon known as Pandora's Box.</i>
3:25pm	Out Of The Shadows
5:10pm	A United Kingdom
7:15pm	Cooties
9:00pm	Xxx: Return of Xander Cage
11:00pm	Made in France
12:50am	Out Of The Shadows
2:40am	Bridgend

sky sports football

10:30am	La Liga Greatest Games
11:00am	Revista de la Liga
11:30am	La Liga World
12:00pm	The Best La Liga Goals 2016/17
1:00pm	Revista de la Liga
1:30pm	La Liga World
2:00pm	Info not available
2:30pm	La Liga Greatest Games
3:00pm	Revista de la Liga
3:30pm	La Liga World
4:00pm	Football's Greatest Teams
4:30pm	Football's Greatest Teams
5:00pm	Scottish Cup Greatest Games
5:30pm	La Liga Greatest Games
6:00pm	Info not available
6:30pm	Football Countdowns
7:00pm	Revista de la Liga
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Monica said with the average cost of a funeral in this area being €4,400 this policy will even leave some cash left over to help



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With the Brexit process now pending, many British expats are concerned about their medical care and feel in limbo over their future health cover with their SIP card, but Sunbay Insurance provides quality health plans, including co-payment plans, from just €29 a month.

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Adventure in the peaks of Europe

By Ben Harris

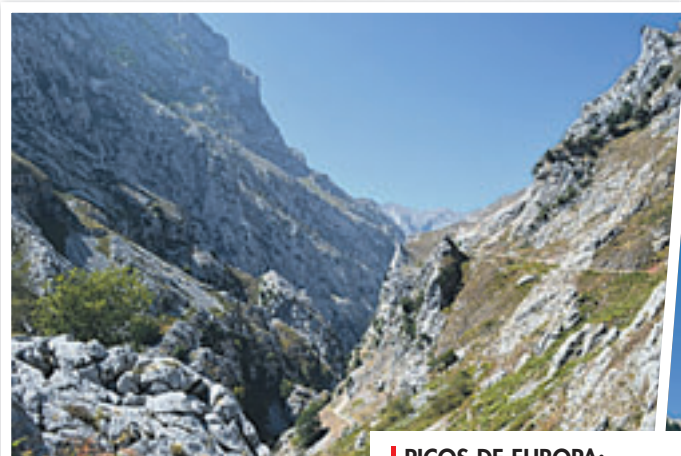
THE Picos de Europa are defined by soaring mountains, diverse wildlife and miles of forest making them the ideal location for thrill seekers looking for an adventure off the beaten track.

Thinking of tourist attractions in Spain often conjures up images of beaches layered with sun cream lathered bathers or towns with a contrasting mix of Moorish and Christian architecture.

Very few think of the mountain peaks in the north west with walking trails and scenery to challenge hiking holiday locations like the Black Forest or the Alps.

The name was given by the early colonialists on their way home from America, as this was the first landmark they could identify. This is not surprising as the mountains are so huge they stretch through parts of Asturias, Cantabria and Castile and Leon.

The animals which roam throughout the area, most of which is protected national park



PICOS DE EUROPA: The ideal location for thrill seekers.



Photos by Matt Ford

land, is one of the biggest draws of the Picos. In the most remote parts there are significant populations of wild wolves and brown bears which are known for avoiding humans and being quite timid.

Buzzards, eagles and vultures can be spotted as well if you keep your eye to the sky.

As physically challenging as it may be to hike around the Picos de Europa it is a rewarding experience which will provide breathtaking views of Lakes of Covadonga and vast expanses of forest relatively untouched by waves or tourists.

If hiking up great hills doesn't sound enjoyable the Fuente De cable car will take you up 800 metres to a great peak from which you can hike down. There is also a great network of natural caves beneath the mountains believed to be the deepest in the world which are still being explored.

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Women's wit

“To portray a maniac offers a compelling challenge.”

Bela Lugosi - Actor

Famous quote

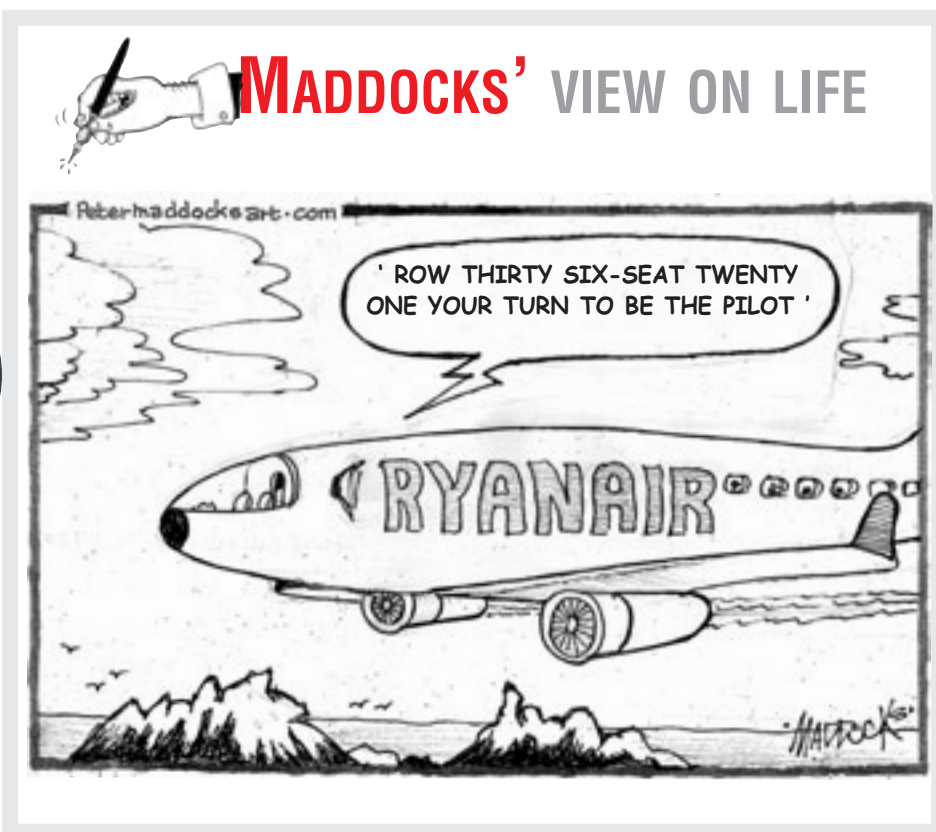
“It's rare when you have everything going perfectly all at the same time.”



Sigourney Weaver - Actress

World of English

“An argument between the past, present and future would prove a tense situation.”



Spanish beers

TOP 5

A COLD beer is always welcome in the hot Mediterranean climate of Spain. España is home to some of the best beers in the world and this week we take a look at the top five Spanish beers.

1. Legado de Yuste

Brewed at the Heineken España brewery, this traditional recipe produces a fantastically intense flavour. This bitter beer is complimented by hints of honey and coffee. The flamenco-style beer has a powerful aroma of various fruits, herbs, cereals and caramel. Amber, with a ruby tinge, this beverage has an alcohol percentage of 6.5.



Credit: webcampista.com

Legado de Yuste.

beer proves that strength does not always reign supreme. A drink growing in popularity and appearing on tap in more bars every month, this delightfully refreshing beverage combines the crisp taste of Cruzcampo lager with the thirst-quenching bite of natural lemon.

A light beer, with an intense citrus aroma and pale colour, Cruzcampo Radler is quite possibly the best beer to enjoy on a shady terrace after a long hot day beneath the Spanish sun.

5. Alhambra Premium Lager

This classic Andalusian beer is a great all-rounder, ideal for any occasion.

Golden in colour, Alhambra premium lager is made with premium barley malt and has a dry and bitter yet well-balanced taste which results in a light pilsner flavour. A very aromatic beverage it is by far the most versatile beer of the Alhambra range with an alcohol percentage of 4.6.

sweet malt flavours with mild hints of citrus and honey.

With a powerful and funky aroma, this beer can be enjoyed at any time of the day and has an alcohol percentage of 5.4.

3. San Miguel 1516

An upgrade on the standard San Miguel, this special edition has a classic beer flavour.

Benefiting from a biscuity aroma of cereals, fruits and flowers, San Miguel 1516 is an intense and creamy beer.

A refreshing beverage with a bitter finish, this lager's alcohol volumen comes in at 4.2 per cent.

4. Cruzcampo Radler

Though the lowest alcohol rating on the list at 2.2 per cent, this

2. Estrella Damm

Brewed in Barcelona, Estrella Damm is one of the quintessential Spanish beers.

Exported to numerous countries, this beverage is popular worldwide.

It has been perfected by generations of master brewers before becoming a landmark in world beers.

Coloured clear and golden with a pure white head, this beer has

UK NATIONAL LOTTERY	IRISH LOTTO	EURO MILLIONS		LA PRIMITIVA	EL GORDO DE LA PRIMITIVA
					
Saturday September 23	Saturday September 23	Tuesday September 19	Friday September 22	Saturday September 23	Sunday September 24
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BONUS BALL (57)	BONUS BALL (17)	LUCKY STARS (2) (3)	LUCKY STARS (1) (3)	REINTEGRO (43) (7)	REINTEGRO (1)

LOTTERY

YOUR STARS FOR NEXT 7 DAYS

AQUARIUS (January 21 - February 19)

There is a wonderful enthusiasm about you at the moment. Seeing the reaction of others to you, it occurs that you should have taken this attitude before. Therefore, make a resolution to put more energy into everything that you do. The rewards are both social and financial.

PISCES (February 20 - March 20)

Something new which you started in recent weeks becomes more than a passing interest. Although it may be surprising to you, it is owing to a predictable situation. In opening your mind, you also seem to have opened your heart. Many people do that at this time of the year and so you are not alone. Trusting is sometimes difficult but it must happen sometime.

ARIES (March 21 - April 20)

Being totally inspired this week, you could be tempted to let enthusiasm run away with you. It is a lovely feeling, like being a child again. Be sure to have fun, but do keep as much money in your pocket as possible. With many demands at the moment, restrict your exuberance on finances.

TAURUS (April 21 - May 21)

There will be a certain amount of discussion regarding holiday plans. You know what you want but how do you persuade others? It's quite easy really. All you have to do is to get someone else to suggest a certain place.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)

You are so sharp that there is a danger you will cut yourself! Seriously, though, try not to appear pompous over a certain matter. You may be right and you may be clever, but smarty pants are rarely popular. Some of that sharpness gets things going for you in the love department.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)

With everyone busy round you, the chance may be taken to show what you are capable of. Instead of watching someone make a pig's ear of a work project, offer to help. It's important to let them think any bright ideas were theirs.

LEO (July 24 - August 23)

A business partnership takes on a romantic tinge this week. It is possible that the other party sees this as more significant than you.

To avoid problems later it would be best to let them do all the running.

VIRGO (August 24 - September 23)

Your outgoing attitude is spot on. Some may say you are a little crazy, the way you go for things.

Each person has their own way and yours can be quite unique but that certainly does not make it wrong. People who make the world around us that little bit more colourful are gems.

LIBRA (September 24 - October 23)

Some legal matters need your attention. That's not really what you want at this time of the year. A decision has to be made and it needs a fine balance. Asking others may just confuse matters, so only seek expert advice. At the end of the day, you will know what is both best and acceptable.

SCORPIO (October 24 - November 22)

A last-minute invitation turns out to be just the ticket in more ways than one. An invitation to join a holiday may be proffered. This is unusual, certainly, but keep an open mind. Your company is clearly well appreciated so why not make that a point of pride? Let's face it, who is best equipped to blow your trumpet?

SAGITTARIUS (November 23 - December 21)

Someone you mistrust offers to add to your celebrations. Why not call a truce? We both know that little long term will come out of it, but who cares? Sometimes, it is better to share one good moment with someone than none at all.

CAPRICORN (December 22 - January 20)

As you are very much in the limelight, it comes as no great surprise that admiration comes your way.

What may surprise you, however, is the direction it comes from. Who would have thought that such a situation would arise? Strange things happen sometimes.

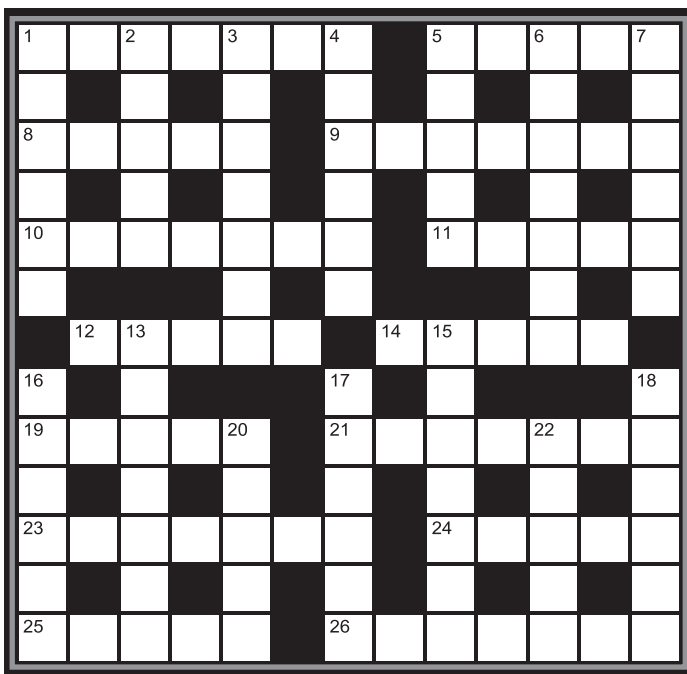
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Cryptic

- Across**
 1 Famous Shakespearian actor, one seen in musical (7)
 5 Some echo relieves boring task (5)
 8 Get to share a cheap piece (5)
 9 Many very angry at being duped (7)
 10 Plague cures go wrong (7)
 11 She's caught in the beam (5)
 12 Go round capital (5)
 14 Squander, say, part of the body (5)
 19 Spreads out nurses after operation (5)
 21 To clarify matters was once simple (7)
 23 Smoothing things out at the end of the day (7)
 24 Cheer up a source of inspiration (5)
 25 Trials for important matches (5)
 26 Streets confused the examiners (7)

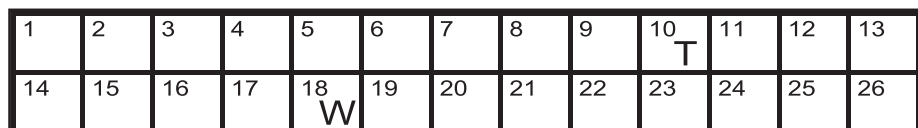
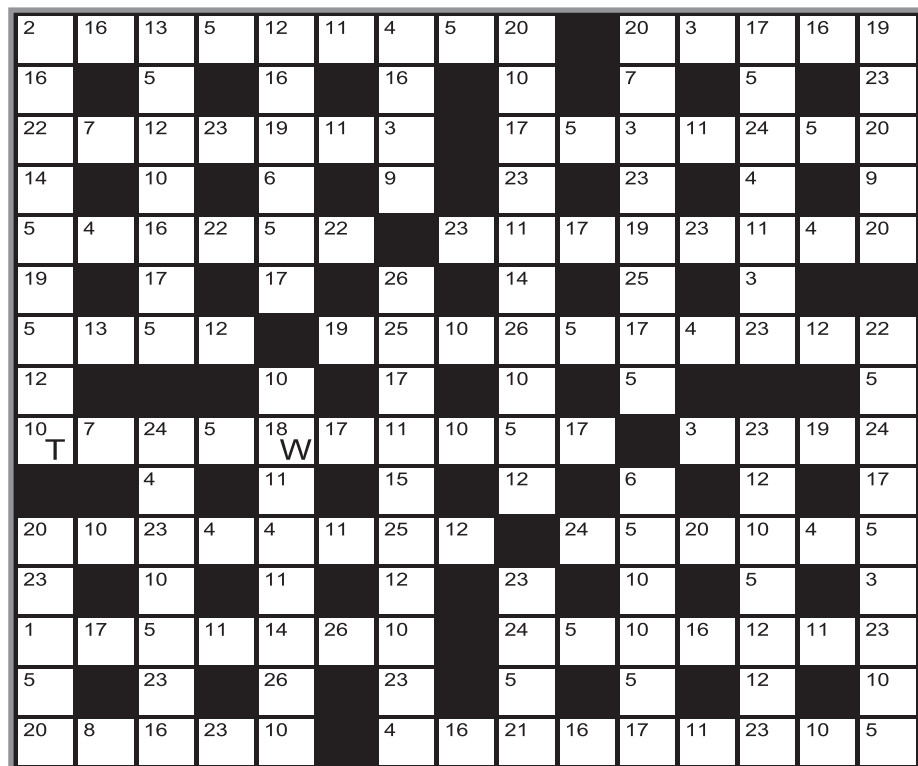


- Down**
 1 Some progressive woman who's monstrous (6)
 2 I did have a gardening implement, by the sound of it, in a state (5)
 3 Get left in scratchin' her itch? (7)
 4 Chair for a biker (6)
 5 Board game commences with

- children holding every single square (5)
 6 Gets in boats at sea (7)
 7 Did see exotic whirlpools (6)
 13 Pathetic plea to be more economical (7)
 15 Seems dad has turned against fruit (7)
 16 Humble fashions start trend (6)
 17 Importance of delay, we hear (6)
 18 If not the United Nations has a smaller amount (6)
 20 Mistakes made on the cricket field (5)
 22 A quaintly pleasing accent (5)

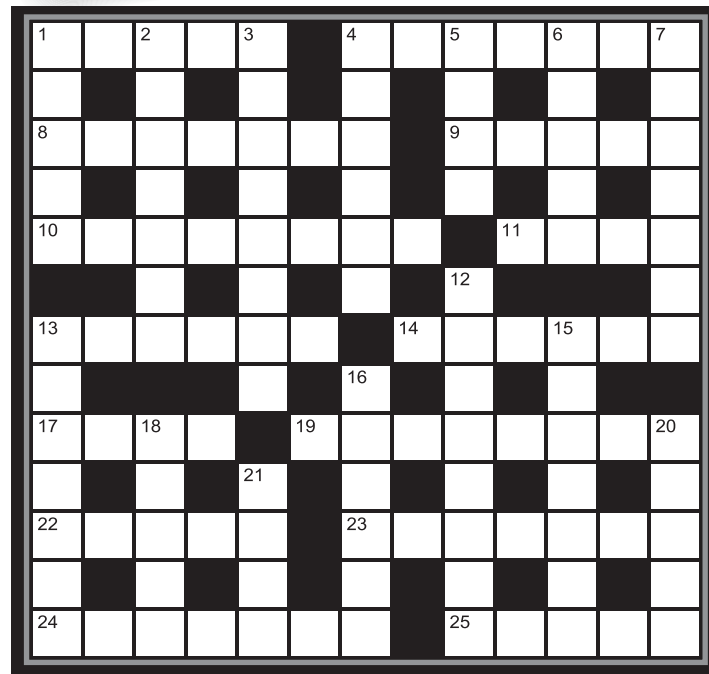
Code Breaker

Each number in the Code Breaker grid represents a different letter of the alphabet. In this week's puzzle, 10 represents T and 18 represents W, so fill in T every time the figure 10 appears and W every time the figure 18 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.



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION FACING PAGE

Quick

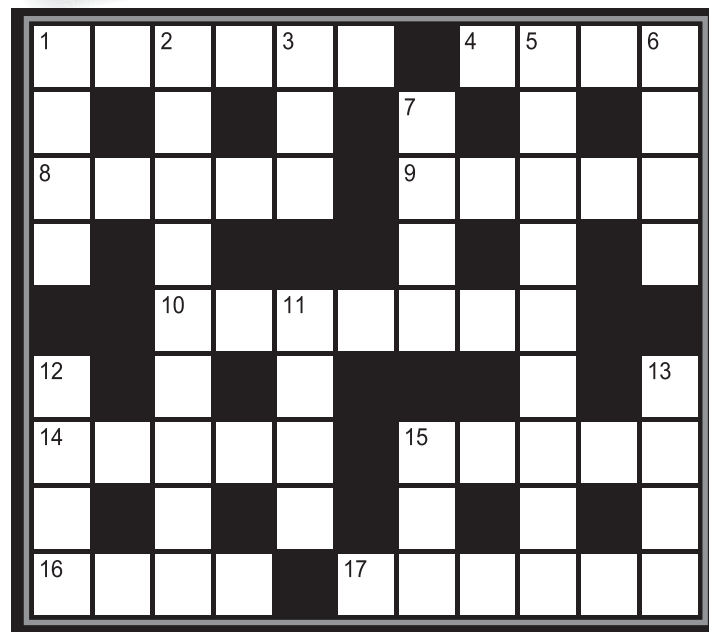


- Across**
 1 Drops (5)
 4 Selects (7)
 8 Check closely (7)
 9 Crustaceans (5)
 10 Came before (8)
 11 Subdivision of a particular kind of thing (4)
 13 Rubbish (6)
 14 Assisted (6)
 17 Nothing (4)
 19 Brings to a destination (8)
 22 Pass along (5)
 23 Reflecting light (7)
 24 Decreases in size, range or extent (7)
 25 Conjecture (5)

- Down**
 1 Having a sharp inclination (5)
 2 Closest (7)
 3 Shook in the cold (8)
 4 Mentally quick and resourceful (6)
 5 On one occasion (4)
 6 Provoking fear or terror (5)
 7 Hang (7)
 12 Determining (8)
 13 Scaly reptiles (7)
 15 Exact (7)
 16 Animals (6)
 18 Measuring device (5)
 20 Indications (5)
 21 Sacred song (4)

English - Spanish

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



- Across**
 1 Strike (of workers) (6)
 4 Flower (4)
 8 Mouse (5)
 9 Blonde (5)
 10 Flag (of country) (7)
 14 Young girl (5)
 15 Muñeca (anatomía) (5)

- Down**
 1 Daño (4)
 2 Establecer (9)
 3 Ginebra (3)
 5 Bibliotecas (9)
 16 Eight (4)
 17 Poetry (6)

- 6 Tejado (4)**
7 Verdadero (4)
11 Cerca (indicando proximidad) (4)
12 Eco (sonido) (4)
13 Other (f) (4)
15 Quién (3)

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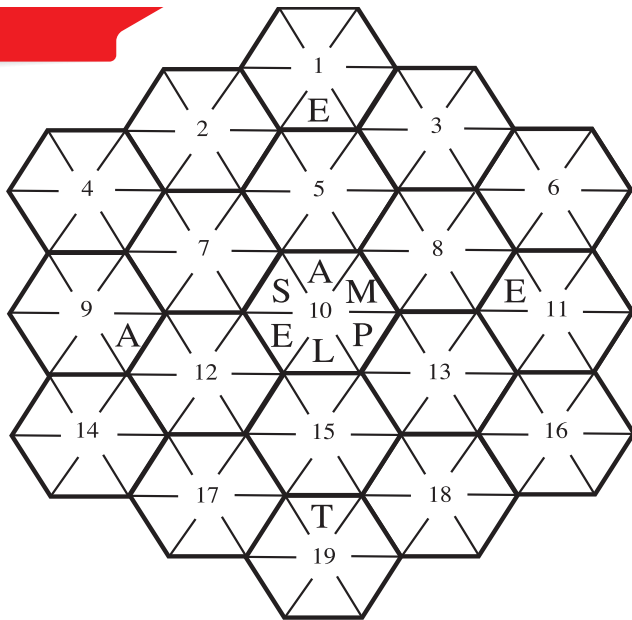
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Hexagram

- ADORES
- COARSE
- DETOUR
- EXEUNT
- FILTER
- IDEATE
- MAIDEN
- MUSEUM
- REPUTE
- SAMPLE (10)
- SHEATH
- SPLEEN
- SQUIRT
- STAYED
- STREET
- THEIST
- TOILET
- WINTER
- YEARLY



The purpose of the Hexagram puzzle is to place the 19 six-letter words into the 19 cells. The letters at the edges of interlocking cells **MUST BE THE SAME**. The letters in the words must be written **CLOCKWISE**. The word in cell 10 (**SAMPLE**) and one letter in four other cells are given as clues.

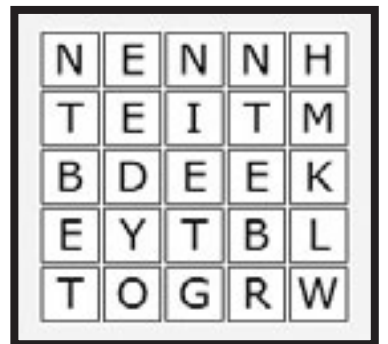
LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

- 1 Strand 2 Ravage 3 Cheesy 4 Strait
- 5 Heater 6 Teethe 7 Strive 8 Ferret
- 9 Strain 10 Shrunken 11 Affect 12 Catkin
- 13 Fescue 14 Police 15 Incite
- 16 Leaden 17 Serene 18 Grisly
- 19 Struck.

Boggled

How many English words can you find in the Boggled grid, according to the following rules?

- The letters must be adjoining in a 'chain'. They can be adjacent horizontally, vertically or diagonally.
- Words must contain at least four letters and may include singular and plural or other derived forms.
- No letter may be used more than once within a single word, unless it appears twice.
- No vulgarities or proper nouns are permitted.



TARGET:

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

SCORING:

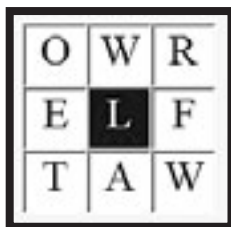
- 4 letters: 1 point
- 7 letters: 5 points
- 5 letters: 2 points
- 8 or more letters: 11 points
- 6 letters: 3 points

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

beth bent bene bean beany bead beady beach hurt ether etna enter enact enacted each ever fete fever fane face faced facet fade fact aether anther ante anew aced ache achene achy acted hyena cant canter cane caner cafe cadet cache cachet coda code ceca dace dyne dyer decant decanter decaf decay deco cyan chert churn echt etch etcher

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



TARGET:

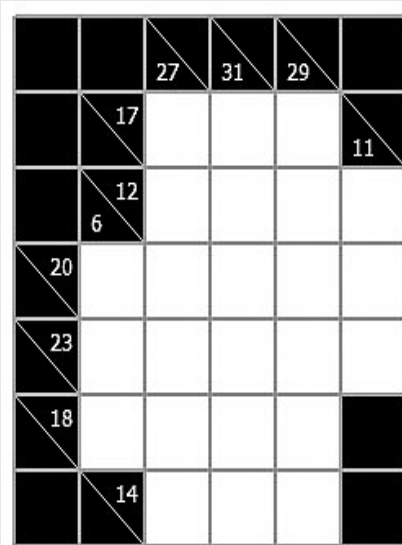
- Average: 12
- Good: 17
- Very good: 24
- Excellent: 31

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

acne acre arco cane cant care cart cent cert ciao cite coat coin coir cone conn core corn cote cran icon narc nice once orca olic race rice taco torc acorn actin actor antic cairn caner canoe canon canto caret carte cater cento ceria citer coati conte crane crate crone enact erica nacre narco nicer ocean react recon recta recti recto tonic trace trice action aortic atonic canine canner cannot canter canton cantor carton cation citron coiner contra cornea cornet craton cretin enatic erotic nectar noetic notice octane recant tannic trance aconite ancient cannier carotin certain connate contain enactor erotica creation reaction CONTAINER CREMATION NARCOTINE

Kakuro

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



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

ENGLISH-SPANISH

- Across:** 2 Sacar, 6 Lujo, 7 Ayer, 8 Mares, 9 Mole, 10 Tree, 11 Traer, 12 With, 13 Isla, 14 Igual, 15 Stun, 16 Loro, 17 Graso.
- Down:** 1 Autopista, 2 Something, 3 Cerradura, 4 Rastrillo, 5 Jewellery.

CODE BREAKER

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

CRYPTIC

- Across:** 1 Perverse, 7 Ranch, 8 Sacrilege, 9 Tun, 10 Real, 11 Odious, 13 Sampan, 14 Cartel, 17 Ignore, 18 Guam, 20 Den, 22 Operation, 23 Allow, 24 Stiletto.
- Down:** 1 Poser, 2 Reclaim, 3 Emit, 4 Steady, 5 Knots, 6 Chancel, 7 Removal, 12 Rainbow, 13 Sandbag, 15 Tourist, 16 Priest, 17 Ingle, 19 Mango, 21 Mail.

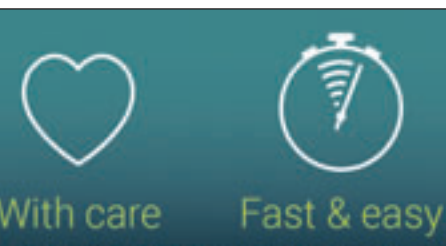
QUICK

- Across:** 1 Dull, 3 Daughter, 9 Centaur, 10 Omits, 11 Egret, 12 Ignite, 14 Supper, 16 Serene, 19 Pester, 21 Repel, 24 Again, 25 Gherkin, 26 Omelette, 27 Iris.
- Down:** 1 Decrease, 2 Lunar, 4 Afraid, 5 Groan, 6 Thistle, 7 Rush, 8 Battle, 13 Reclines, 15 Prepare, 17 Earned, 18 Bright, 20 Tense, 22 Poker, 23 Dado.

App of the week



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We all float down here

Stephen King

HOT on the heels of the latest film release, IT, has soared back up the book charts as it did when the last instalment of the killer-clown hit the big screen in 1990.

In the storm drains and sewers lurks a terrifying presence, IT, a most foul creature which assumes the form of one's deepest fears and dreams.

A group of children know what hides in the sewers, the eerie being who sometimes reaches up out of its hide-away, seizing, tearing and killing.

The children grow up and leave the town of Derry, Maine where the nightmarish entity resided.

Time passes and they get on with their lives, but they never forget what they saw.

They are drawn back, called back to the town where it all began once more as IT slithers and stirs amidst the depths of their memories and the nightmares they endured in the past become a reality once more in the present.

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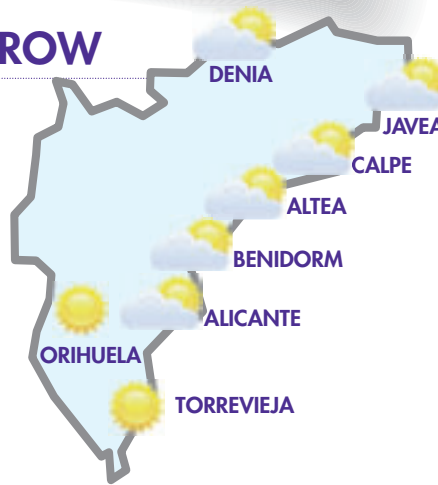
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TODAY



TOMORROW



SATURDAY



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S: Sun ☀ Cl: Clear ☁ C: Cloudy ☁ Sh: Showers ☔ Th: Thunder ⚡ Sn: Snow ❄

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BIRTHDAYS

- **Gillian McKeith, 28 September (58)** Nutritionist, TV presenter, writer
The former host of Channel 4's You Are What You Eat and the Canadian hit show, Eat Yourself Sexy. She has written several books about nutrition but is most famous for her appearance on, reality show, I'm a Celebrity, Get Me Out of Here, where she fainted live-on-air.
- **Seb Coe, 29 September (61)** Former athlete, politician
British Olympic legend, Sebastian Coe won four medals including golds in the 1,500 metres in 1980 and 1984. He also

- set world records in middle distance track events. He is Chairman of the British Olympic Association.
- **Theresa May, 1 October (61)** British Prime Minister
Theresa Mary May, the current Prime Minister of the UK and former Home Secretary in the Conservative-Liberal Democrat Coalition government. She recently caused great division over her plans for a hard Brexit and refused to stand down from her position.



Theresa May.

- **Mike Rutherford, 2 October (67)** Musician
A founding member of rock group, Genesis, Michael John Cleote Crawford Rutherford is bassist and backup vocalist but can also play rhythm and lead guitar. He is also famous for his solo band Mike and the Mechanics who had several international hits.
- **Clive Owen, 3 October (53)** Actor
Now a world-famous actor, he first gained

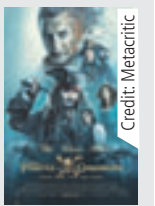
- recognition in the UK for his leading role in the ITV series Chancer. He has worked on television, stage and film in a number of roles before achieving international notice for his performance as a struggling writer in 1998 film, Croupier.
- **Stacey Solomon, 4 October (28)** Singer, television presenter, reality star
Rising to fame as a result of the sixth series of the ITV hit show The X Factor, Solomon has gone on to enjoy a successful music career, as well as becoming a presenter. She did win I'm a Celebrity, Get Me Out of Here in 2010.

DVD

Dead men tell no tales

Starring: Brenton Thwaites, Geoffrey Rush, Javier Bardem, Johnny Depp, Kaya Scodelario, Orlando Bloom.

The latest instalment of the hit Pirates of the Caribbean film series, Captain Jack Sparrow (Johnny Depp) finds himself



Credit: Metacritic

down on his luck, a wanted man with a dwindling crew who he cannot afford to pay. Adding to his woes are a ship full of cursed, immortal pirates who want nothing more than to bring about his death, lead by the evil Captain Salazar (Javier Bardem).

Sparrow's only hope for survival is the Trident of Poseidon but in order to obtain it, he must make uneasy alliances with astronomer Carina Smyth (Kaya Scodelario) and Royal Navy sailor, Henry Turner (Brendan Thwaites). The crew set sail on Jack's run-down ship, the Dying Gull, in a bid to save Captain Jack.

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.

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

Word Ladder

HOME

Move from the start word (**HOME**) to the end word (**PARK**) in the same number of steps as there are rungs on the Word Ladder. You must only change one letter at a time.

PARK

- JO
- PARK
- PORK
- PORE
- TORE
- TOME
- HOME
- Solution

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

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

Trivia PS

Due to material shortages during the Second World War, some women used to paint their legs with gravy to simulate tights.

This week in history

- 1066 - England invaded**
William, Duke of Normandy, invades Britain's south-east coast claiming his right to the English throne.
- 1854 - Ships collide**
A thick fog causes two ships to collide off the coast of Newfoundland. 322 people die as a result of the accident.
- 1908 - Ford unveil the Model T**
The first Model T Ford is completed at the company's plant in Detroit.
- 1918 - Allies break through Hindenburg Line**
A 56-hour-long bombardment allows allied forces to breach the last line of German defences on the Western Front, named after the German general, seen as a pivotal achievement during the First World War.
- 1936 - Franco appointed**
General Francisco Franco is named head of the rebel Nationalist government in Spain as the Spanish Civil War rages on.
- 1955 - Car accident kills James Dean**
Twenty-four-year-old actor James Dean is killed in Cholame, California, when his Porsche 550 Spyder (which he affectionately named Little Bastard) collided with another vehicle.
- 1970 - Janis Joplin dies**
The drifter turned rock and roll superstar dies as a result of a heroin overdose.

Advertising feature

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SUMMER will soon be nothing more than memories and CHRISTMAS is coming! Often the highlight of many people's year it is a time of socialising, parties and looking fabulous in that little black dress.

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By Kat Ashton

HIKING outdoors is good for the body and mind, and gives you the chance to explore the world while you're at it.

While jogging remains a popular form of exercise among fitness enthusiasts, many don't realise that walking in the outdoors may actually be better for you. This powerful cardio workout puts less pressure on the bones, joints, and heart and is a proven mood booster - especially if you trek around somewhere particularly scenic.

Going on regular hikes could lower your risk of heart disease as it reduces blood pressure and blood sugar levels. It helps to build strength in your quadriceps, glutes, hamstrings, as well as muscles in the hips and lower legs.

Rambling over a rocky terrain also, unsurprisingly, improves balance by strengthening the core - which will come in handy if you find yourself stumbling down a particularly steep slope.

Hiking is as good for the mind as it is the body, as research has proven that it is effective at combating the symptoms of stress and anxiety. The president of the American Hiking Society claims this is because nature is ingrained in our DNA, and hiking helps us to escape from the noise and chaos of towns and cities.

There are several ways you can make the most of your hikes, whether you're an experienced stroller or setting off for

Take a hike



HAPPY HIKERS: Walking outdoors is proven to boost both fitness and happiness.

the very first time:

Tackle a few hills along the way as even a small hill will burn extra calories and intensify your heart rate.

If you carry some extra weight in your pack, such as extra water reserves, this can help to build muscle strength in your back.

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HAPPY TEETH: Flossing every day could save your life.

String theory

By Kat Ashton

WHILE many people make a point of brushing their teeth every day, less people make the effort to floss. This small chore can sometimes feel like an unnecessary burden, and it's easy to forget to do it.

Dentists have a point when they emphasise how important flossing is as it ac-

tually plays a vital role in dental health. Flossing gets into the spaces between the teeth that a toothbrush can't get to, and removes the stubborn bits of tartar and food that can get stuck in these places.

The main risks of not flossing include an increased risk of developing cavities and gum disease, as dental plaque can lead to the

growth of harmful bacteria that destroys the enamel between teeth and irritates the gum tissue.

There is also evidence that taking good care of your teeth and gums does much more than give you a flashy smile. A healthy mouth can also help to prevent some serious illnesses which can be life threatening, such as diabetes and heart disease.



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Why tooth loss matters

A missing tooth or teeth can take away from the smile that's really you, but tooth loss can have many negative effects on your oral health, including:

- Bone loss
- Shifting and drifting teeth
- Bite changes
- Chewing difficulty
- Wearing down of remaining teeth
- Changes in the jaw joint



Implant or bridge



Unlike dental implant treatment, traditional bridges replacing a single tooth or several teeth use adjacent healthy teeth, which must be ground down, for support. Moreover, implant solutions stimulate the underlying jawbone, resulting in preserved bone and gums.

About implant treatment

Dental implants are nothing new. They have been used to permanently replace teeth since the mid 60s. Dental implants have many advantages compared to traditional crown and bridge solutions:

- They look, feel and function like your natural teeth.
- Healthy teeth do not need to be ground down to support the dental implants.
- Anchoring dental implants in the jawbone stimulates bone tissue and gums, ensuring an attractive, esthetic result while helping to maintain facial structures.
- Dental implants do not require any adhesives to hold the new teeth in place.
- They eliminate the discomfort and insecurity of loose, ill-fitting dentures.
- You have a secure, permanent tooth replacement.

Replacing one tooth

A crown mounted on a dental implant is the best choice if you have a tooth missing in the upper or lower jaw. The need to replace a missing tooth could be the result of an accident or because there was no predisposition for a tooth at birth.



Replacing several teeth

If you have lost several teeth there are two solutions: separate crowns on dental implants or a bridge attached to several dental implants.



Replacing all teeth with dental implants

If all of your teeth are missing in the upper or lower jaw, dental implants are the best solution. You can choose a full bridge that is attached to several dental implants. Another option is a removable prosthesis that is attached via anchoring devices to two or more dental implants. The prosthesis remains securely in place in your mouth – yet it is easy to remove.



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UNDER PRESSURE: Too much stress can lead to health problems like headaches, depression, and heart disease.

Are you too stressed?

By Kat Ashton

WHILE feeling stressed can sometimes be a good thing - it can help to conquer fears or motivate you to get things done - it can also have a negative impact on your physical and mental health.

A staggering 90 per cent of all disease and illnesses are stress-related, accord-

ing to the Centre for Disease Control and Prevention. The body gives off a few tell-tale signs when stress is starting to get you down and recognising the symptoms in time could help to prevent them from leading to anything more serious.

Chronic cold

If it feels like you can't go a week without having a

“ A constant, throbbing headache can be a sign of stress.

cough or a runny nose, this could be a consequence of your workload rather than allergies or germs. Our bod-

ies produce the stress hormone cortisol when under pressure which is needed to help fight illnesses and it can quickly get used up.

Troubled mind

If you have trouble concentrating during the day, or switching off at night, this is also a big indication that you're under too much stress. Excess amounts of cortisol can cause your brain's memory centre to shrink which makes it harder to focus.

If you feel tired but have a hard time shutting off, this could mean you have stress-related fatigue.

Throbbing head

A constant, throbbing headache is often a sign of mounting stress, and can be difficult to treat. Making small lifestyle changes can help but always see a doctor if the headaches become severe.

Aches and pains

If you suffer from a lot of unexplained joint, neck or back pain this could mean you're spending too much time in a stressful environment. High stress levels can cause muscles to tighten and leads to spasms.

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Wasp stings



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When you are stung by a wasp on your skin, the area infected will become inflamed and red with a noticeable centre where the sting occurred. In general the reaction is contained to where you are stung, however some people can have reactions all over their body.

Can they be dangerous?

Wasp stings tend to hurt, but are not often dangerous. In some cases, especially with people who are allergic to them, the reaction can be much more severe and can cause death.

How can you tell if you are having an allergic reaction to a sting?

Normally when a person is stung by a wasp the

reaction is contained to the area they were stung. However if a person feels generally unwell, begins to sweat, has other skin lesions appear on their body, swollen lips or face, difficulties breathing or loss of consciousness and chest pains, among other things, then it is certainly an allergic reaction.

What should I do if I get stung?

Normally if it only causes a reaction on the skin you don't need to see a doctor. However if the area stung becomes infected or you notice an allergic reaction then immediately go to accident and emergencies where you will be prescribed with treatments which can include anti-inflammatories, corticoids or maybe even antibiotics.

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How to have a relaxing day at home without spending a fortune

By Kat Ashton

AFTER a long and busy week, there's nothing better than putting aside some time to unwind and de-stress - and there's no better way to do this than by pampering yourself from head to toe. While forking out for a spa day can be expensive, it's really easy to create a DIY version at home that's just as relaxing and will cost you a lot less.

First things first, get in the mood by putting on some relaxing music, lighting some candles and pouring yourself a glass of fizz or cup of herbal tea. Allowing your body and mind to slow down will help you to appreciate the treatments even more.

A great way to start things off is to open your pores with a quick home steam. All you have to do is soak a towel in hot - not

boiling - water, add a few drops of essential oils and place it over your face for about 10 minutes.

Next apply a hair mask or treatment of your choice. Wrap your locks up in a towel while it soaks in and run yourself a hot bath (candles and

bubble bath optional).

After you've relaxed in the tub for as long as you please, have a quick rinse off in the shower and take the opportunity to exfoliate your body. Remember to moisturise so

you're left with soft, supple skin.

Finally apply a home-made face mask. Mashed avocado or natural yoghurt are firm favourites but feel free to experiment with whatever you have lying around the kitchen.

You'll probably feel quite drowsy after

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All about the beets

By Kat Ashton

BEETROOT has long been known for its 'superfood' properties, and has also gained popularity in the baking community who use the purple root to reduce sugar quantities in sweet treats and add an instagram-worthy pink hue to food.

Now there's another great reason to add more beetroot to your diet - it can help your muscles to recover after a workout.

Dr Emma Derbyshire, a public health nutritionist who wrote a paper based on these findings for Complete Nutrition, claims athletes who eat a portion of beetroot within 90 minutes of doing exercise experience less muscle soreness and are able to achieve higher performance results.

Beetroots are full of nitrates which release oxygen into the bloodstream and boost circula-

tion to the places that need it. This helps to aid muscle recovery, especially after high intensity interval training (HIIT), and can even lower blood pressure.

The increase in oxygen levels also brings along other health benefits, such as improving concentration, increasing stamina and helping to prevent illnesses caused by high blood pressure such as heart attacks and strokes.

They are jam packed with other essential nutrients as well, including iron, potassium, B vitamins, magnesium and manganese - which is good for the bones, kidneys and liver. Drinking beetroot juice is also an effective way to help the body detox, as it is a natural blood cleaner.

Eating this wonder vegetable on a regular basis becomes even more important as we



PURPLE GAIN: Beetroots have been proven to reduce post-workout pain.

age, as research shows that our capacity to produce nitric oxide, which the body generates from nitrate-rich foods, decreases as we get older. Eating a diet full of beetroot can

help to keep the mind fresh as it stimulates blood flow to the brain's frontal lobe which improves skills like organisation and attention to detail.



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Birthday fun time

ZENIA Boulevard is celebrating its fifth birthday this weekend.

A host of special events will be taking place including face painting, a concert and record signing by Los del Rio, a birthday parade and a confetti-laden sing-song atop the stage in the main square to sign off festivities.

Big screen

GAMING enthusiasts can play the Playstation 4 on the huge screen at Zenia Boulevard.

Next Thursday will see the two-hour event take place in the main square at 5.30pm.

Avid gamers are set to be in for a treat in this fun event hosted by Media Markt.

Metal legend coming to Murcia

ONE of the most recognisable voices in metal is coming to Murcia.

Udo Dirkschneider, formerly of German thrash legends, Accept, has embarked on a second instalment of his Back to the Roots world tour with his current band, Dirkschneider.

The tour celebrates all of his former band's greatest hits with fan favourites such as Balls to the Wall, Midnight Mover as well as the iconic Metal Heart all being performed live in 2017 by the voice that first sung them.

After various solo albums and tours, Udo has chosen 2016 and 2017 to perform many of the hits which made him famous whilst starting out in his former band.

On previous solo tours, he has performed other material and often received shouts from his fans for Accept songs which he was not able to fit into the show.

This tour is designed for those fans and will contain only songs from his time in Accept. On a group page on Facebook, he said:

"There are a lot of songs that we could not play and the fans shouted at us

from the audience. Now, it's your turn. We simply want to return to give everything for them, for our faithful followers who have been waiting for something like this for years."

Accept have found a new singer in Mark Tornillo and released several albums whilst continuing to play songs from the band's entire back catalogue live on tour but many long-standing Accept fans only want to hear the old songs performed by the original, high-pitched, gravel-infused voice that made them successful.

Back to the Roots was meant to be a small collection of dates as Udo closed the chapter on his time in Accept but overwhelming success has caused him to extend the world tour and give more fans across the globe a chance to enjoy the memorable screams of the stout German and his band.

A family affair, Udo's son,



Credit: Wikimedia

ACTION PACKED: Udo puts everything into his shows.

Sven Dirkschneider, is playing the drums on this tour.

When previously asked in interviews if he would be willing to get back together with Accept, Udo declined emphatically so this will possibly be one of the last chances to hear some of Accept's best material sung by the original singer as true, screaming heavy metal comes to Murcia.

Support comes from Raven, the English metal group who have previously had Udo guest on one of their records and describe their sound as 'athletic metal.'

As one of only four dates on this tour, tickets are selling quickly and a sell-out crowd is anticipated on Friday, October 20 at the Sala Gamma on Calle Las Moreras.

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Organised by Agility Torrevieja, with the collaboration of the council, the event will pay homage to the recently disappeared hound, Blas, a dog who

was among the first to compete in the local contest.

More than 100 dogs are registered and the top three dogs in each category will win a prize.

There will also be a special memorial prize in honour of Blas, which will be given to the best dog of the entire weekend.

The guest judge for the event will be Iban Cubedo, who has been approved by the RSCE.

Commencing next Satur-

day at 3.30pm, the pooches will undergo a number of tests throughout the weekend which will see trophies presented at the end of each day.

Sunday's show begins at 8.45am and those wishing to arrange camping at the event can do so by contacting the organisers.

All those interested, can contact agilitytorrevieja@gmail.com for more information or Jose Paredes on 635 413 031.

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The fun gets underway tomorrow (Friday) at 9:30am where attendees meet at the entrance of the Archaeological Museum.

Areas which will be visited include Rodeo Caves, Gasparito's Cisterns, a nearby windmill, Hydraulic Monuments and the museum itself.

The tour is completely free and provides a great opportunity to discover the hidden wonders of Rojales.

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The group have played all over Europe at some huge venues, including the Viva in Blackpool, UK, and Benidorm Palace.

Appearing for one final time this year at the Emerald Isle in La Florida, an electrifying show is guaranteed where spectators can enjoy some fantastic music whilst sat by a glittering pool, enjoying quality food and drink.

The sounds of Freddie Mercury and friends are injected with new life as the group bring some of the iconic rockers' biggest hits to fans in a show that is nothing short of mesmerising.

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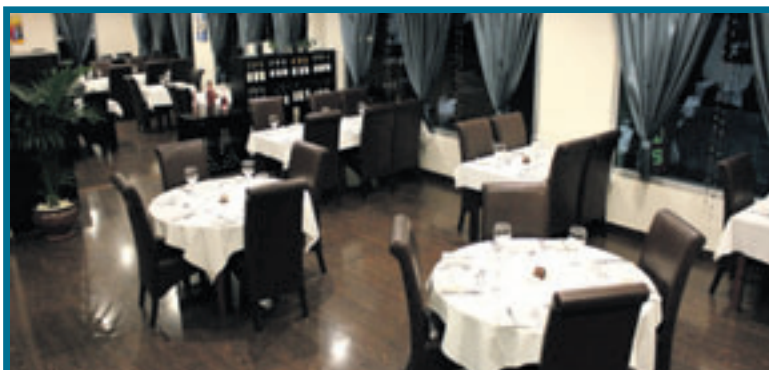
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This educational offering has been prepared by experienced professionals who have extensive training in education, biology and conservation. Through these



ACTIVITIES: Learning about animals.

school trips, children will be taught to show respect for the environment as well as about the importance of conservation. The activities will also strengthen teamwork skills and allow children to develop through fun.

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LEARNING: About reptiles and camouflage

Get up and dance



FOR a truly Spanish night involving fun, laughter and plenty of dancing, Miguel Alarza is a man who can guarantee just that.

The popular singer, dancer and saxophonist brings his unique style to Bar Argento in Cabo Roig next Tuesday.

Covering venues all across the Costa Blanca and beyond, Miguel never fails to get people on their feet, joining him on the dance floor.

The tight-trousered, nimble-footed Spaniard brings his own brand of flamenco-infused sounds to the stage, performing a number of vibrant Spanish songs from across the decades as well as a few English ones thrown in for good measure.

Be sure to listen out for his Spanish version of the Billy Ray Cyrus hit, Achy Breaky Heart which always goes down a storm.

Inspired by music from a young age, he has performed shows across Europe and regularly participates

in musicals, theatres and big events. Bar Argento provides a brilliant

“ A popular singer, dancer and saxophonist with a unique style.

location for this multi-talented artist as spectators can choose to sit inside or out in the fresh air, enjoying top quality food and drink whilst witnessing Alarza tripping the light fantastic in this friendly, family-run bar.

Scheduled to begin around 9pm, he continues through to the early hours with a short intermission in between.

He always attracts a large crowd and booking is advised which can be done via phone 966 760 930 or the bar's Facebook page.

Sweet feet: Multi-talented Miguel is set to light up Bar Argento next Tuesday.

new fun, children!

and the experience is complemented by balanced menus, served in Terra Natura's restaurant area, which are suited to the age of the group. Visits by ESO and Bachillerato students includes a trip to Aqua Natura during its open season.

For more information, teachers can visit <http://benidorm.terrarnatura.com>, or come to one of Terra Natura's open days until October 31.

Terra Natura, which opened in 2005, is located at Partida Foia del Verdader, s/n, 03502 Benidorm, Alicante, Spain and can be contacted on 966 072 770.



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Girls rev it up

LADIES, start your engines because a chopper celebration is back for a second instalment.

This weekend will see Garage Party II take place in Alicante, an event for all female motorcyclists and bike enthusiasts organised by Harley-Davidson Alicante.

Easy riders are welcomed, no matter what the quality of their bike and girls are guaranteed a great time as a host of different activities take place over the course of the weekend as numerous quality motorcycles are on display whilst top-notch food, drink and music are enjoyed.

Harley Davidson is dedicated to paying homage to the

girls who straddle their hogs and their Alicante branch are looking forward to what is sure to be another successful weekend.

Accommodation has been officially organised at the nearby Holiday Inn hotel which also includes free parking, though attendees can organise their own place to stay should they wish.

The event will commence Friday at 5.30pm, at the Harley Davidson Alicante showroom on Carratera Ocaña.

For further information, event organisers can be contacted via email on eventoshdalicante@gmail.com or via WhatsApp on 664 369 649.

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WITH GARRY WAITE

I HAVE always been a great lover of 'free pouring' - the absence of using fixed measures of alcohol.

Even though it was technically against the law, it was well practised in my restaurants in the UK. It must have been the Spanish influence even all those years ago. But even with this method it was possible to pour exactly the same measure into each glass. Apart from alcohol, pubs and restaurants started to use legally (or voluntarily) measure marks on the wine glasses.

But most bars and restaurants here free pour without such guidelines, which leads to differences that are quite noticeable.

Last week I had occasion to be in three different establishments of varying standard. One was a place I pop into quite often. A family run eatery of few tables and fewer



Too much.

customers, but a warm welcome and a decent glass of Rosé, well chilled but the measure is half as much again as I would pour. They must be getting four glasses out of the bottle at the most: and at €3.95 a glass they are selling the bottle of wine for €15. Makes sense even if it looks generous.

The second place was a restaurant that is very busy and whose prices are quite high. A glass of red wine from Ribera del Duero (the price I do not know as I was being invited - but I imagine around the €5 mark) came in a modern glass with a wider base and a curved side, the sort of glass used by most upmarket establish-



Too little.

ments. I tell my staff to fill the glass to just above the curve, which gives five good glasses from the bottle. But on this occasion the measure was below the curve which would give the house six glasses to the bottle. Making a bottle of house wine worth around €30 a bottle, which I am sure we would all say is too much.

However I did ask them to fill it to above the curve which they did without question.

The third place was a very modern tapas/raciones/and restaurant operation in Marbella. Very professionally run. We had a bottle of wine which was their house



Perfect.

wine at €21 from Castillo de Mancha, which wasn't particularly good. The red wine by the glass was pleasant enough and at €3.50 a glass was good value. The measures poured were also correct.

Now dear reader, you may have got down to the bottom of this article and ask if there is a point to it? Well, my point is that whatever price you charge, or quantity you give, the chances are it is normally more expensive to drink wine by the glass than the bottle.

This last place was charging less for drinking by the glass than the bottle. White by the glass at €3 means €15 a bottle, red at €3.50 means €17 for the bottle. With the former being €21 a bottle and the latter €25 it's obvious which makes more sense to the consumer.



I have an obsession with quality. I work for my guests - not to obtain Michelin Stars.

Alain Ducasse

Stars that burn out

FORGIVE me if I have told you before but, because once again the subject of Michelin stars is back in the news, as we hear that the renowned three-Michelin-starred French chef Sébastien Bras has asked Michelin not to include him in the 2018 edition of its gastronomic guide to the country citing the "great pressure" involved in maintaining Michelin's top honour, I am reminded of my old friend Chris Oakes who opened a restaurant in Stroud and gained a star in his first year and then a second in his second. The cost of maintaining such an accolade and the subsequent strain of doing so, made him sell up.

Sébastien, who is the son of Michel Bras and runs Le Suquet in Laguiole near Rodez, took over the restaurant that his father founded 10 years ago. The restaurant, opened in 1992, won its third star in 1999 and has held them ever since.

Although unusual this action is not unheard of as the pressure on health and family life has made several chef/proprietors make the same decision over the years.

Weeds are flowers too - once you get to know them

(A.A. Milne)

I DON'T know about our readers, but I am sure there are many of you that have beautiful gardens and perhaps grow your own vegetables. Some of you could have window boxes or, if like me, a couple of terraces with jardineras. My grandfather loved his garden and grew vegetables, wonderful flowers and everything was in order. His greenhouse flourished.

He passed away before I bought my first restaurant where I had a greenhouse as well as a vegetable garden. No matter what I did I couldn't get the rotation right and despite regular maintenance I was never going to be competition for Covent Garden. So needless to say it was never going to be my forte.

After years of replanting my plant troughs here in Spain on a regular basis, at considerable cost, I decided to lay weed protective material with stone covering and fill with cacti. Seemed sensible to me, after all, Aloe Vera and cacti thrive in desert conditions, so they were bound to thrive on my terraces.

Have you ever been surprised when in the countryside to see flourishing trees and bushes



Grandad's.

that receive no water from artificial sources, neither pruning nor maintenance, yet are healthy and happy?

Switch to my terraces and after two years, despite the odd watering ('don't water them too much' said the gardener) and talking to them they have now reached the end of their lives and will be consigned to the garden rubbish.



Mine.

However, a thought crossed my mind; if I leave them where they are I could be the only one out of my neighbours that will have a dried cactus display.

224 the number of Michelin stars awarded to Spanish kitchens.

3,300 the number of Michelin stars in Japan.

252 the number of Michelin stars in Great Britain.

924 the number awarded in France (strange that?).

Figures based on the number of stars per million of population)

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

*Garry Waite is a foodie and restaurateur and Hospitality Management Consultant. If contemplating setting up an operation, or having problems with an existing project contact him on garryphwaite@gmail.com.

Autumn gardening - Mediterranean style

GRAEME TYRRELL

UNLIKE northern European regions, autumn is a busy time to clean up the garden and start planting the winter and spring annuals, flowering perennials, herbs and vegetables.

It is the best time to set out new garden designs to allow new trees and shrubs to get established with the winter rains and cooler weather benefiting them to grow stronger before the onset of the next hot, dry summer season. Pruning back spent flowers and scraggly growth can also be done now.

Flowering annuals and perennials to plant now include sweet alyssum, calendula, Canterbury bells, English daisy, African daisy, Iceland poppy, larkspur, lobelia, pansy, annual phlox, ranunculus, stock, sweet pea, sweet william, viola, primroses, cyclamen, and bulbs such as daffodils and jonquils. Having flowers always brightens up the home garden, balcony or terrace and take up only a small area whether in pots, planter boxes or the garden.

Vegetables to plant now include beet, bok choy, broccoli, brussels sprouts, carrot, cabbage, cauliflower, celery, endive, garlic, kale, kohlrabi, leek, head and leaf lettuce, onion, pea, radish, spinach, snow peas, Swiss chard and turnip. There is nothing like your own fresh vegetables if you have the time and space.

Most herbs are planted at this time but lavender, marjoram, oregano, sage, rosemary, tarragon, thyme, parsley, basil, chives, mints, dill, coriander, are all favourites that have a variety of different forms to add

even greater interest to the garden and the kitchen meals. Herbs can be grown near or even in the kitchen where there is sufficient light so that they can be easy to gather when needed.

The most successful time to plant most trees and shrubs is just after the first good rains have moistened the soil. Add compost in proportion to the needs of the plants' requirements to do their best. Integrate the compost into the natural soil through cultivation.

It is well worth the effort to prepare the soil to allow the plants to have a good

start in their new location and the compost will give better water retention to help the soil continue to provide nutrients and moisture more evenly for many years. Mulching the plants is not essential until before the hot weather returns in spring. I prefer to leave the soil free of mulch over winter in case of water logging and introduction of fungal problems to the soil over the cooler wet months.

Plants that have flowered over summer but are now finishing their flowering should be clipped back where necessary and tidied

up. It is not a good time for severe pruning as large cuts can allow entry of diseases in large wounds on trees and shrubs while the weather is still warm and humid. It is better to just use clip-

pers and leave the saw in the shed except for dead limbs and fallen trees.

Autumn is a busy time in the garden while the days are still long and warm. The works will pay off with the

establishment of a wonderful garden over winter and allow the blossoming in spring and the garden will have gained hardiness for the next summer's heat and dryness. Enjoy.



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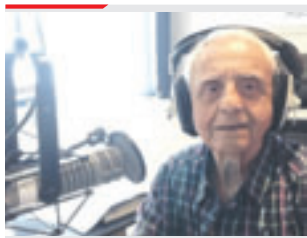
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MANY people think they are being kind giving their dog freedom to bounce around the car, but actually, dogs will feel much safer secured in a travel kennel, wearing a harness, on the floor of the car, or behind a dog guard.

The National Canine Defence League urge dog owners to give their dog the same attention they would give a small child when they travel, and always make sure that the dog is restrained in the rear of the car.

Dogs must get used to travelling in vehicles, so it is best to get them



DANGER: Make pet travel safe.

used to travel safely as soon as possible when they are young. I would not encourage holding puppies on the lap, this way you are training the puppy that this is the place to travel. As a dog gets bigger he is put in the back of the car and will

not like the idea which results in barking and jumping. This then results in owners shouting and turning around, thus being inattentive to their driving.

Many owners think that it is a good idea to let dogs have their

heads hanging out of the window of the car whilst travelling. This is dangerous for the dog and can cause many health problems to the eyes and to the nose. Never let your dog hang his head out of the window. Many a dog has jumped out of a travelling car through the win-

dow, resulting in death.

In many parts of Europe, it is an offence to allow dogs to be loose or unsecured in cars and can be very costly in fines.

A dog should never be left in a car during hot weather for longer than a few minutes. Owners should park in shaded areas, keeping in mind that the sun moves. Even if the windows are left open the temperature can reach 35 degrees in a few minutes. Dogs can suffer from heatstroke within 10 minutes or less.

From a training point of view, it is a good idea to make dogs sit before allowing them into the car. When opening a car door dogs should be trained to stay, so that there is no chance of them jumping out onto a road and causing an accident or indeed killing themselves.

There are many products on the market to ensure your pet's safety and to ensure the safety of the car!

Pets get back to school blues

IT is not just children who feel down when summer is over and they have to go back to school, new research has shown that family pets also get a bit blue during this period.

A study by *Pets at Home* revealed that four in 10 children admitted to having more fun with their pet over summer than their siblings or friends, and a third are unhappy when spending time away from them.

Pet experts claim that cats and dogs are more likely to experience separation anxiety when children return to the classrooms as they will



DOG IN THE DUMPS: Pets hate end of holiday time.

often go from being around family members 24/7 to being left on their own for most of the day. This is especially difficult on young

animals or new pets as they haven't developed the coping strategies to deal with these changes yet.

There are a few things you can do to help pets along with the transition:

- Make sure they have lots of toys to play with
- Keep all arrivals and departures low-key
- Leave behind an item of clothing in their bed as having your scent around will help them to relax
- Leave the TV or the radio on so the sound of voices will stop them from feeling alone.

Alfredo is sensitive

YOU may know a dog that is particularly fond of company, your own pets may be just as affectionate with visitors as with your own family. We hear about devoted, affectionate pets all the time on David the Dogman's radio show on TRE each Saturday morning.

Alfredo is just one of these friendly sensitive types according to his owners. Whenever they plan to go away they worry about how he will fare in their absence. Previous experience shows them that a kennel doesn't suit Alfredo, he loses weight, and loses his voice. It's too disconcerting. He needs to stay in his own environment.



ALFREDO the Lhasa Apso.

So they are now going to prepare ahead of their next holiday by finding housesitters to come to their home to care for him. They'll maintain his routine, check on his well-being and generally take care of him. He simply doesn't seem to like change or the

absence of people from the house.

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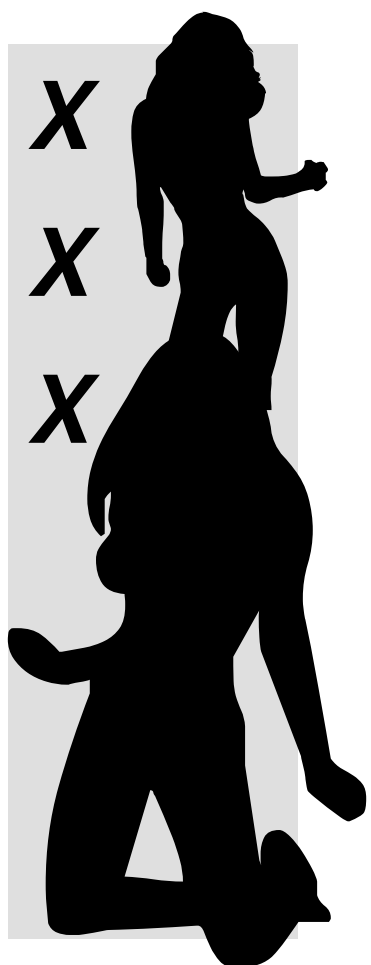
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HYBRIDS may actually pump out higher emissions into the atmosphere than diesel engines. New analysis from The Miles Consultancy (TMC) found that plug-in hybrid electric vehicles gave out CO2 emissions of 168g/km, compared to 159g/km for diesels.

The report also questioned the efficiency of hybrids. It found that many drivers, especially in the transport industry, relied far more on petrol or diesel, preferring fuel to charging up the battery.

TMC concluded that companies are actually increasing their fuel bills, despite labouring under the impression that hybrids were greener and more efficient.

Hybrids were only cost-effective when the battery was charged daily, the report said. Standard hybrids were found to be much better than plug-in varieties.

British Mini versus hard Brexit

by Matthew Elliott

A HARD Brexit could see BMW renege on a pledge to build its new electric Mini in the UK. Harald Kruger, chairman of the German giant, warned that if there was no Brexit deal then production of the hotly-anticipated new car could easily be shifted to the Netherlands.

Over summer BMW said plans to mass produce the electric Mini at its Oxford factory would go ahead despite the Brexit complication.

But as a ‘hard Brexit,’ whereby Britain would revert to default World Trade Organisation (WTO) import/export tariffs, looks increasingly likely, BMW has backtracked.

“BMW can’t invest in a future if you don’t have any free trade agreements,” he told *The Times*.

At present it is tariff-free between the UK and EU countries. A reversion to WTO standards would estab-

“Investment future looks bleak without free trade.”

lish a 4.5 per cent duty on parts and 10 per cent duty on cars shifting across the new border.

BMW isn’t the only company worried about a lack of progress in negotiations. At the outset, the British government was warned by motoring leaders that the industry

needed to know where it stood quickly.

Jaguar CEO Ralf Speth reportedly had a heated exchange with British Prime Minister Theresa May during a Downing Street summit.



BUZZKILL: BMW can pull plug on British electric Mini.

The firm has since revealed that it has invested in a back-up factory in Slovakia as a ‘hedge’ against a hard Brexit.

Purple reign!

New Indigo 3000 R hits road

THE Indigo 3000R Signature Series has debuted in Sweden and is available in Spain.

Production has now started on 10 numbered examples, as has final testing and certification. The SPV Group is representing Indigo 3000R on the Iberian Peninsula.

Deliveries to identified buyers are expected to take place in 2017/18. There has been considerable market interest in and demand

for the Indigo 3000R.

In conjunction with the car’s Revival and launch in June, it was revealed that preparations are underway for a follow-up small-scale series production with additional exciting versions. These will be based on the same basic model and be priced from around €130,000.

SPV Racing based in Alhaurin el Grande, Malaga is contributing to the production and certification

of the Indigo 3000R in a number of ways.

SPV Racing mechanics assisted in the production in Sweden, while testing of the current and future models will be done in the Costa del Sol region.

The founders’ vision presented to the market three years ago was a limited edition sports car. It was to be based on existing technology from the Indigo 3000 and priced at less than €100,000.

But it soon became clear it was neither relevant nor legally possible to bring a car to the market based on simple updates to 20-year-old functionality and quality standards.

Consequently, the project’s ambitions had to be raised for both technical reasons and practical market expectations. The result is a modern sports car with classic style elements. The new Indigo 3000R delivers modern performance, functionality, and quality to meet the certification requirements and market expectations for a modern car.

The three-litre six-cylinder engine is based on



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Chassis: Galvanised steel, independent suspension with composite transverse front and rear springs

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Engine: 2.9 litre, inline 6-cylinder with twin turbo

Engine output: 307 hp at 5300 rpm, 400 Nm at 2500 rpm

Transmission: Manual Tremec 5-speed gearbox

Weight: 1,273 kg

Weight distribution: Front 642 kg - 50.4%, rear 631 kg - 49.6%

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

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

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

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

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

Son of the Defender



DEFENDER: Design classic getting billionaire reboot.

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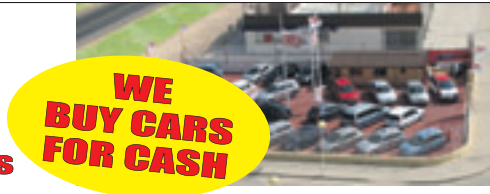
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International Sports

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Costa de Almeria

City 21 goals, Palace nil, Celtic and Barca unbeaten, Marquez wins again

IF you're interested in sport, there's enough to suit everybody over the next few weeks including football, boxing, cricket, golf, horse racing, rugby, tennis and motorsport. You won't be disappointed, whatever or wherever it is!

SPORTING CALENDAR

On Sunday, Sepang hosts the Malaysia F1 Grand Prix where Lewis Hamilton could virtually clinch the driver's championship and horses race in the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe in Chantilly.

In Rugby's Super League semi-finals, Castleford meet St Helens tonight, while Hull face Leeds tomorrow... there's cycling in Italy... golf in the British Masters and President's Cup tournaments in Newcastle and Jersey City and later at Carnoustie (Dunhill Links: October 5 - 8)... we have tennis in Chengdu, Beijing, Shenzhen, Tashkent, Tokyo and Wuhan... World championship canoeing in Pau, France... the World Darts Grand Prix in Dublin...

and the Invictus Games in Toronto, Canada... plus loads of football action as well.

Indeed, we've already had European Champions League matches this week and coming up there's Europa League action tonight, followed by WC qualifiers featuring England-Slovenia, Northern Ireland-Germany and Scotland-Slovakia next Thursday (October 5) and Georgia-Wales and the Republic of Ireland-Moldova 24 hours later. And don't forget the domestic competitions, including games in the FA Youth Cup, Checkatrade Trophy, the UEFA Women's Champions League and English Premiership with Chelsea-Manchester City, Huddersfield-Tottenham and Manchester United-Crystal Palace on Saturday, followed 24 hours later by Arsenal-Brighton and Newcastle-Liverpool. Also it's Cardiff-Leeds and Sheffield United-Wolves in the Championship; Peterborough-Oxford in FL1; Exeter-Morecambe in FL2 and Celtic-Hibs in the SPL.

ROUND-UP

- It was a Spanish 1-2-3 in last Sunday's MotoGP in Aragon with Marc Marquez finishing ahead of Dani Pedrosa and Jorge Lorenzo. Valentino Rossi was fifth. Marquez leads the rider's championship by 16 points.

- England won the first and third One-day cricket internationals against West Indies. The second was abandoned through rain after just 14 balls. Their 124-run victory at Bristol last Sunday included a Moheen Ali century in nine overs, with 61 runs coming in 14 balls (eight sixes). This was the second-fastest 'ton' ever by an Englishman in one-day cricket. The Oval staged the fourth game yesterday and the fifth and final international takes place today in Southampton.

- Joe Parker beat Hughie Fury to retain his WBO heavy-weight boxing title and Luke Campbell also lost his lightweight fight against Jorge Linares. Sadly, the oldest former world champion, Jake 'the Raging Bull' LaMotta, has

died, aged 95.

- 85,000 fans saw Jacksonville Jaguars crush the Baltimore Ravens 44-7 in the annual NFL match at Wembley.

- Be prepared: Roger Federer and Rafael Nadal may partner each other in men's doubles.

- And the rules of cricket could change soon, allowing bowlers to use right or left arms. A Pakistani is doing this at junior level.

FOOTBALL DIGEST

* Last Saturday, PL leaders Manchester City walloped 'goalless' Crystal Palace 5-0. City are the first team to score five or more goals in three successive PL games. And they've already netted 21 this season, while Palace haven't scored at all!

Manchester United, whose manager José Mourinho was sent to the stands (again) won unconvincingly by 1-0 win at Southampton... Two-goal Harry Kane helped Spurs beat West Ham 3-2 in the London derby... Chelsea thumped Stoke 4-0 with Alvaro Morata grab-

bing a hat-trick... Liverpool triumphed 3-2 at Leicester for whom Jamie Vardy missed a late penalty... Brighton beat Newcastle 1-0... Everton edged out Bournemouth 2-1... Watford were 2-1 victors at Swansea... and Arsenal beat WBA 2-0 on Monday when Albion's Gareth Barry made his record-breaking 633rd PL appearance.

- Before the mid-week fixtures, Leeds, Wolves and Cardiff stood 1-2-3 in the Championship, all with 20 points... and United beat Wednesday 4-2 in Sunday's Sheffield 'steel' derby... Peterborough recorded their 1,000th League win (3-2 over Wigan) to stay top of FL1... Notts County lead Exeter on goal-difference in FL2... SPL table-toppers Celtic defeated Rangers 2-0 in the Old Firm derby to extend their unbeaten domestic run to 56 matches... Barcelona, with six wins out of six, head La Liga, followed by

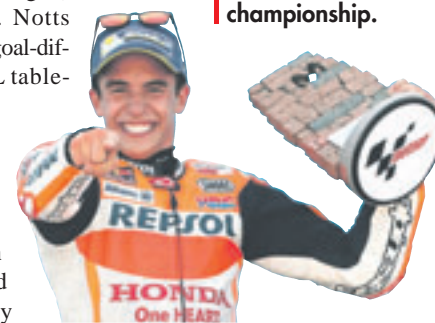
Atletico Madrid and Sevilla... and five players were sent-off (three late on) as Fenerbahce beat Besiktas 2-1 in Turkey.

- In the SLC semi-finals, it's Motherwell v Rangers and Celtic v Hibs. Motherwell haven't won this trophy since 1951.

- Chelsea's Diego Costa will return to Atletico Madrid in January... and the Spanish club will host the 2019 Champions League final.

- And ex-Manchester United and England footballer Rio Ferdinand is to become a professional boxer.

MARQUEZ:
Leads the rider's
championship.



Belspain Cribbage League

RESULTS FOR WEEK 2 18/09/17						
La Cripplin Tavern	1	*	8	Spanglish Robins		
Reflections	3	*	8	Izzy's Owls		
New York Magpies	8	*	3	Caterosa A		
Rojales Lions	4	*	5	Da Vinci's Ospreys		
Da Vinci's Alpha	6	*	3	Rojales Tigers		
Caterosa B	4	*	5	Casa Ventura Falcons		
The Archers Jays	6	*	3	Floranillas Marlies		
Spanglish Voles	4	*	5	Concierto Jaguars		
TEAM NAME	P	W	L	F	A	TOTAL
Spanglish Robins	2	2	0	15	3	4
Da Vinci's Ospreys	2	2	0	12	6	4
Casa Ventura Falcons	2	2	0	12	6	4
Concierto Jaguars	2	2	0	11	7	4
Rojales Lions	2	1	1	11	7	3
Caterosa B	2	1	1	10	8	2
Caterosa A	2	1	1	9	9	2
The Archers Jays	2	1	1	9	9	2
New York Magpies	2	1	1	8	10	2
Da Vinci's Alpha	2	1	1	8	10	2
Izzy's Owls	1	1	0	6	3	2
Reflections	2	0	2	6	12	0
Spanglish Voles	2	0	2	6	12	0
Floranillas Marlies	2	0	2	6	12	0
Rojales Tigers	2	0	2	5	13	0
La Cripplin Tavern	1	0	1	1	8	0

CRIBBAGE: Two pairs won all their games for an 8-1 win.

SPANGLISH ROBINS had two pairs Yvonne and John, Pat and Alan win all their games for an 8-1 win.

Jean and John from Izzy's Owls won all three games to get a win of 6-3. New York Magpies pair John and Don won all their games to win 6-3.

Two pairs from Da Vinci's Ospreys won two games each for a 5-4 win.

Da Vinci's Alpha had all three pairs winning two games each to get a win of 6-3.

Ron and Mel from Casa Ventura Falcons won all their games to get a win of 5-4.

Archers Jays pair Les and Jim won all their games to get a win of 6-3.

Shelagh and Sue gave the Concierto Jaguars three points towards their 5-4 win.

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The Linea Directa Valencia Bowls Championships will be held at the Emerald Isle, San Miguel and Quesada Bowls Clubs. The championship will be played between the September 20 and October 3.

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19th Hole monthly medal

WEDNESDAY September 21 saw the 19th Hole GS play their Monthly Medal competition at the Aguilon golf course. Several of their group managed to return good scores, notably the Men's Medal winner Sean Curtis with a net 72, followed closely by Sam West (73) who finished second on a count-back from Doug Birrell (73) in third.

The Ladies Medal was also a close affair with Ellen Lea (68) prevailing over Nekane Galindez (69). There were three two's recorded, with Terry Ayling on the 12th hole and both Sean Curtis and Karyn Esposito succeeding on the 17th.

The nearest the pin competition continued to throw up different winners:

Third, Dave Wadey. Eighth, Ron Curtis. 11th in 2, Brian Lowden. 12th, Terry Ayling. 14th, Steve Newberry. 17th, Karyn Esposito.

The 19th Hole Golf Society play on local courses every week.

Contact mikeesposito54@yahoo.com.

International Rugby 7's coming to Elche

ELCHE will be holding their third international rugby seven's tournament at the Estadio Martinez Valero on October 28 and 29 and the entrance fee is €10€ for one day and €15 for the two days.

The teams that are taking part are Wales,

Ireland, France and Spain for the men and England, Ireland, Spain and France for the women.

Tickets will be on sale soon, check on the Facebook page for Garry Dutch or Elche CRU page and also check for game times.



MANCHESTER CITY are the first team to score five or more goals in three successive PL games.

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La Roja return for Cup qualifier

MORE than 8,000 tickets sold in just seven hours for the upcoming Spain versus Albania match in Alicante. The Jose Rico Perez stadium, home to Hercules CF, was selected as the venue for the World Cup 2018 qualifier.

Tickets have been released in batches for the Saturday October 6 fixture. The sale of the last 8,000 was the fastest so far. Individuals can only buy four tickets at a time, proof, said Spanish Football Federation president Juan Luis Larrea, that fans are flocking to support the national team.

National coach Julen



Photo by Wikimedia (stadium) Facebook (coach inset)

CRUCIAL: Spain manager (inset) sees Alicante as World Cup stepping stone.

Lopetegui called on Alicante fans to fill the 29,000 capacity stadium for what he called a "crucial match." Victory for group leaders Spain would guarantee their passage to Russia next summer.

The last time Spain's national side played at the Rico Perez stadium they defeated England 2-0 in a 2015 friendly. Lopetegui's

last visit to the ground was as manager of Spain's under-21 side in 2012. On that occasion they thrashed Croatia 6-0.

Alicante mayor Gabriel Echavarrri expressed his pride that the city was chosen for the important match. He declared that new grass has been laid and promised to roll out the full red carpet for La Roja.



READY: Mapfre team confident of victory with Blair Tuke on board.

Volvo lineup revealed

Strong Spanish team plans to make history

By Matthew Elliott

SPAIN'S crew for the Volvo Ocean Race has been announced. The epic round the world sail departs from Alicante port for the fourth time in its history next month.

Sponsored by Mapfre, the Spanish team is skippered by Xabi Fernandez. The Olympic Gold medallist has four Volvo Ocean Races to his name and is one of the most decorated sailors in Spanish history.

He replaces the evergreen Iker Martinez who took the Mapfre crew to fourth place in the 2014-15 race. Starring alongside Fernandez is Blair Tuke, another Olympic medalist and America's Cup winner from New Zealand. Tuke is hoping to become the first man to win the

'Triple Crown' of the sailing world, with Olympic, Americas and Volvo victories.

In charge of navigation will be veteran sailor Joan Vila who, at 55, is returning from a 15-year hiatus from the sport.

Other crew members include Tamara Echegoyen, Louis Sinclair, Rob Greenhalgh, and Sophie Cizek.

Expectations are high for Mapfre after the team set a new world record in the qualifying stages. But the real grind begins on October 22 when they set sail for Lisbon before racing down the west African coast and then onto Australia.

They will spend around nine months at sea before finishing in Holland next June. Team manager Pedro Campos has said that solidarity and spirit will be crucial to their success.

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