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School's out forever?

A PRIVATE nursery in Torre del Benagalbon may be forced to close its doors.

It comes after the Torresol centre was shut down by Rincon de la Victoria Council following a complaint from the Andalusian Association of United Children's Schools, which claims that it is not authorised by the Spanish Ministry of Education.

A total of 30 children between the ages of 0 and three are currently stuck at home as a result of the move.

An official from the school, speaking anonymously, told local media sources that the issue is connected to a change of ownership which has been unresolved for a decade.

"The Junta de Andalucía is requesting a document that the council won't give us due to a town planning problem relating to the plot where the school is built.

"It is a very unpleasant situation and we hope it can be resolved quickly."



HEIST: The Unicaja branch in Huelin and (inset) the Huelin pharmacy and bank in Benamargosa.

Photo credit: Google Maps

Smash and grab

A FRIGILIANA pensioner claims to have been robbed at home.

The 70-year-old victim told police that a gang of thugs entered his property near the Los Cortijos de San Rafael urbanisation just before dawn, tying and gagging him before hitting him with the butt of a gun and threatening to shoot him.

He said that he managed to escape unharmed but that the thieves stole a Volkswagen Touareg car plus €300 in cash, two expensive watches, jewellery including gold rings and a collection of 200 antique 2,000 peseta coins.

The man, who has not been named, added that he thinks the robbers were connected to him in some way, either directly acquainted or being friends of a friend.

Manhunt

Gunman on loose as one held

By Matt Ford

Police are probing a series of armed raids in Malaga Province.

The three attacks happened within a 24-hour period, with a local pharmacy and bank hit ahead of a second bank robbery in the village of Benamargosa.

Investigators believe the two earlier incidents - both of which occurred in the Huelin district of Malaga City - may be related, while a suspect has been held in connection with the third.

In the first assault, a ski mask-clad

gunman burst into a pharmacy on Calle Infantes before punching the assistant on duty, who handed over the contents of the till.

The next day, a man wearing a motorcycle helmet over a balaclava entered the Unicaja branch on Calle La Hoz.

He initially stood in line before pulling out a gun and shouting at staff to hand over the cash.

But a female client managed to escape the scene and raise the alarm at a local bar, with the raider fleeing before police arrived at the scene, sparking a manhunt.

Less than half an hour later, a second Unicaja branch was targeted in Benamargosa, after a man dressed in motorbiking gear and wielding an axe threatened staff before making off with €18,000 in cash.

The mayor, Jose Gallego, confirmed that he fled on foot, dropping bank notes as he went, and police were able to track him down after he threw his clothes and weapon into a nearby rubbish container.

The case remains open as detectives work to determine whether he worked alone or with an accomplice.

Joint effort

THREE men and three women have been held on suspicion of drug trafficking in Velez-Malaga.

The accused allegedly owned eight marijuana plantations containing 550 plants which they powered with stolen electricity.

A probe was launched after investigators received a tip about a family living in Velez-Malaga which was growing and selling cannabis, leading to a police raid on their homes, which reportedly smelled strongly of the plant.

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Port in a storm

THE departure of the ferry from Melilla to Motril was delayed when a stowaway was crushed under a lorry as it drove on to the vessel, with a man described as "North African" by police killed instantly.

Crooks held

TWO people have been arrested for committing 17 internet scams in Torrox, taking money for goods online without sending the products, as police believe the con netted the scammers around €66,000.

Crop success

THE increase in growing tropical fruits has not had as much of an impact on Axarquía's 'greenhouse' crops - those grown under plastic sheets - as had previously been feared.

Sacked Catalan leader flees country

By Kat Ashton

EX-CATALAN leader Carles Puigdemont faces up to 45 years in prison if he fails to appear before the Spanish government.

Following a vote by the Spanish Senate backing the decision to impose direct rule on Cataluña, Prime Minister Mariano Rajoy sacked the leader of the Catalan Parliament and dismissed the rest of his cabinet.

After declaring Cataluña's independence, Puigdemont fled to Belgium as Spanish prosecutors called for him to show his face in Madrid to face charges of rebellion and sedition, punishable by up to 30 years and 15 years in prison respectively.

He ignored orders to return to Spain and claimed he would not go back until he was guar-

anteed a fair trial, while his lawyer suggested that he could testify from Brussels.

It was initially reported that Puigdemont chose to flee to Belgium with several members of his cabinet to seek political asylum. Theo Francken, Belgium's immigration minister,

had previously suggested that it was not "unrealistic" for Puigdemont to be granted protection.

Puigdemont later denied that he had fled to seek asylum, but claimed he had left "for safety purposes." He also declared he would accept the results of the snap regional elections called by Rajoy for December.

However, if he refuses to return to Spain, the court could issue an arrest warrant which would make it impossible for him to run for re-election.

Belgium's Prime Minister Charles Michel also revealed that an asylum request was "absolutely not on the agenda" and claimed the ex-Catalan leader would be treated the same as any other European citizen.



ON THE RUN: Carles Puigdemont has fled Spain where he could face a 30-year prison sentence.

Tension goes on

FOLLOWING the fallout of the controversial Catalan independence referendum on October 1, Spanish Prime Minister Mariano Rajoy and his government voted to invoke article 155 to suspend Cataluña's powers and remove Carles Puigdemont and his cabinet from government.

Rajoy then announced new regional elections will be held on December 21.

Puigdemont refused to call regional elections himself or appear in front of the Spanish parliament to explain his actions and instead declared Cataluña's independence from Spain.

Spain's attorney general then called for charges of rebellion and sedition to be brought against 14 cabinet members accused of coordinating the independence movement, who are due to appear in court on Thursday and Friday.

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Scam plot foiled

TWO people have been arrested for allegedly taking money for goods online without sending the products. Police believe the con netted the scammers around €66,000 and say there could still be further victims. The pair were arrested in Fuengirola and handed over to a court in Torrox.

Crash chaos

A 37-YEAR-OLD man has been hospitalised after his car overturned in Chilches. The man, who was driving an Audi, is said to have hit a roundabout, causing his car to flip and had to be rescued by firemen from Rincon de la Victoria after he became trapped.

Armed robbery

A MAN in Frigiliana was held up at gun point and robbed in his own home. The victim was allegedly tied up by two perpetrators wearing balaclavas who then made off with a Volkswagen Toureg, €300 in cash, two luxury watches, jewellery and a collection of old coins.

Letter found

A JOURNALIST has uncovered a love letter which was written in May 1943 from a soldier to his fiancée in Velez- Malaga. The letter explained the man's plan to fake appendicitis so he could be released from the army and return home to marry his love.

Don't dump

THE council in Salobreña has changed the times for collection of bulky items to Thursday evenings between 8pm and 11pm. The reason for this was because material left out on Friday mornings made the town look like a rubbish tip. Out of time dumping can lead to €600 fines.

SPANISH FACTS OF LIFE...35

Wild mushroom season is officially upon us and is the highlight of the year for fungi fans, reports Kat Ashton.

No 'shroom for error!



TASTY TREATS: Foraging for mushrooms is a popular pastime.

BOTH Spaniards and tourists alike flock to the countryside in the autumn months to forage for their favourite fungi, which can reach record sizes thanks to the moist woodland conditions.

The mushroom business is estimated to be worth millions of euros each year, and a whole range of varieties grow across the Iberian Peninsula. Experts believe that the climate creates the ideal environment for mushrooms to grow, with hot summers followed by autumn downpours.

The season tends to fall in October or November but can be earlier or later, depending on the weather. Due to the increase in popularity, many companies now organise mushroom hunts to help tourists seek out the best areas where they are found, often followed by a tasting.

As edible and toxic mushrooms tend to grow side by side, it is always advisable to go foraging for mushrooms with such an expert. There are around 50 species of poisonous fungi in Europe, and six of these can be lethal.

Mushrooms or setas are a staple Spanish cuisine and are often served on their own as the popular tapas dish *champinones al ajillo* (garlic mushrooms), as well as being used to make stews, soups and croquettes.

Top five wild Spanish mushrooms

1. Amanita caesarea: Commonly known as Caesar's mushroom, this prized fungi is easily the most expensive on the market and foragers can charge as much as €120 a kilo. It is prized in the culinary world for its bright orange colour and soft texture. Renowned Spanish chef Ferran Adria was known to use it to make fluorescent mousses.

2. Niscallo (Lactarius deliciosus): Commonly found in Mediterranean pine forests, this flavourful mushroom can also reach a high price in markets but is worth the price. It's known as the 'saffron milk cap' in English as it oozes a reddish-orange liquid when

bruised or cut.

3. Boletus del Pino (Boletus pinophilus): This popular mushroom is known for its sweet taste and can be recognised by its white or creamy brown cap and thick stem.

4. Rebozuelo (Cantharellus cibarius): This yellow, trumpet shaped 'shroom can be found in woods where pine, chestnut or oak trees grow. It can be eaten raw, but also goes great in stews or with meat dishes.

5. Seta de Cardo (Pleurotus eryngii): Considered one of the tastiest mushrooms out there and highly prized in the mushroom community. Studies have suggested that this species may also have therapeutic properties and could help to reduce cholesterol.



KING OF FUNGI: Caesar's mushroom resembles a boiled egg before it is fully grown.

Workers revolt

OVER 200 farm workers in Albuñol have met with union representatives to complain about their poor working con-

ditions. Many of the workers, who are mostly from Morocco, Romania or Senegal, are not covered by Social Security and are only paid €30 to work a 10-hour day.

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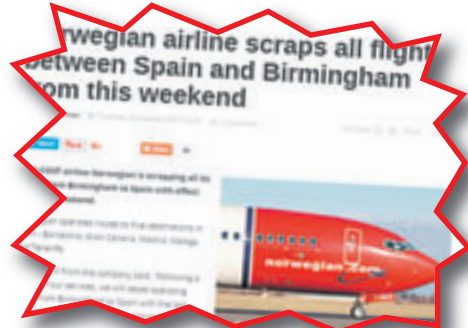
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- 2 Ryanair release £5 flights between UK and Spain - But deals expire tonight - **7,204**
- 3 Costa del Sol insect bite sparks two year battle for life of British dad - **6,701**
- 4 Winter flights between Manchester and Spain axed by Norwegian airline - **6,523**
- 5 Motor homes plague Costa Blanca beach - **4,548**



NORWEGIAN: All flights to Spain from Birmingham scrapped

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Following the Guardia Civil's announced crackdown on horse hobbling, are police doing enough to combat animal cruelty in Spain?

LAST WEEK'S POLL:

After France announced it will introduce fines for wolf whistling, should it be banned in Spain?

Yes = 34%
 No = 66%

Top Social Media comments

Man wanted for beheading his two-year-old daughter arrested in Spain -

Dear God I cannot comprehend anything more abhorrent than what this man did to his child. I hope he never leaves prison. *Jan Andersen-Page*
 Great work by the Spanish police. *Karen Joy Harley*

Police look into second incident of street porn filming in Spain -

Gosh! How terrible!! I remember once in Sitges with a group of friends, we were walking round the back streets and came across a porn film shoot. We passed by without comment. *Peter Harvey*

Carles Puigdemont flies to Brussels as rebellion charges loom -

Strange how this politician AND his party has created so much upheaval AND are now jumping ship to Brussels. *Colin Carter*

Get back here and face the music you weasel, cause all this unrest and upheaval then run for the hills. Coward that you are!! *Karen Joy Harley*
 Brits in Benidorm wreck hotel room and get banned from flight home - They should lock them up in Spanish prison for five years and ban them from ever returning to Spain again! They are an

embarrassment to the British people! Disgusting cretins! *Julie Jones Peel*

And so they should, they should be made to pay for all the damage before they are allowed to leave the country, they should be grateful that they haven't been put in jail for a while, before having to go to court! *George R Carman*

Catalan leaders summoned to Madrid to face sedition charges

Sedition? Rebellion? Are we in the 15th century? Have an agreed referendum. It is what most people in Cataluña want. They will probably vote no, but at the rate the PP and their allies are going, more yes votes are probably being created everyday. To be against separation is a reasonable position. To be against a referendum, when separatist parties have a majority in the Catalan parliament, is not reasonable. *David Coughlan*

They should be jailed for the trouble and unrest they have caused, pathetic how they have run for the hills at the first sign of trouble. Come back and face your punishment. Spain will not be held to ransom by people who will seek to destroy its Constitution!! *Karen Joy Harley*

TRIVIA FROM AROUND THE WORLD

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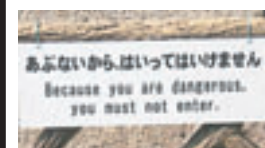
An Argentinian man planted 7,000 trees in the shape of a guitar as a tribute to his late wife. Although designed to be seen from above, Pedro Martin Ureta has never seen the instrument as he has a fear of flying.

The Burj Khalifa in Dubai is the tallest building in the world at 830 metres.

★★★★★ Did you know?

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OUR VIEW

Direct control in place

WHILST it could be very tempting not to return to the Catalan problem, it is the most important piece of recent news to hit Spain.

With article 155 actually in place and most of the Catalan cabinet dismissed, the Public Prosecutor has said that he wishes to charge a number of the politicians with rebellion, sedition and misuse of public funds, which would certainly see them imprisoned if found guilty.

During an interview, Foreign Minister Alfonso Dastis confirmed that a new election for the Catalan Parliament which will be held on December 21 would be managed by a special electoral committee and that assuming former president Carles Puigdemont was eligible (not in jail) then he would be free to stand.

In the meantime, after leaving a recorded message of defiance, Mr Puigdemont reportedly fled to Brussels with members of his former cabinet as they may be offered political asylum by the Belgian Secretary of State for Immigration and Asylum.

Slowly but inexorably, the Madrid government is taking over the running of Cataluña and at the moment only the Catalan Speaker's Committee which is 'standing in' for the dismissed government is immune from prosecution until the December elections.

One unexpected result of article 155 is that Spaniards all over the country have clamoured to buy lottery tickets ending in that number.

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THOUSANDS of people flocked to the graves of deceased relatives to pay respect as Spain marked the Dia de Todos los Santos (All Saints' Day).

As is custom, many Spaniards took the national holiday as an opportunity to return home and decorate the graves of dead family members with elaborate floral displays.

Town councils also made sure local

Spain honours dead

graveyards were cleaned and ready for yesterday's public holiday. As happens every year, the graveyards were crowded with visitors, the surrounding roads were packed with traf-

fic and stalls selling flowers lined the streets.

Many also indulged in the traditional food eaten on this day, including chestnuts and sweet treats.

Fines for animal beggars

NERJA Council is cracking down on people who use animals while begging.

While begging is not illegal in Spain, Local Police have long tried to discourage people using dogs and cats to beg. The council has now passed a proposal banning pets being used for the practice.

Mari Carmen Lopez, council spokesperson, explained, "we are aware of the important feelings of

protection, respect and defence of animals among the inhabitants of the municipality and the need to regulate the coexistence of people and domestic animals when it comes to hygiene and safety."

Rosa Arrabal, Nerja's mayor, added the proposal had been studied and had the backing of animal groups. She explained the fines levied will now be decided by lawyers and local technicians.

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To the Tardis!

SHE is set to become a household name as one of three new Doctor Who companions.

And ex-Hollyoaks star Mandip Gill was understandably thrilled as she said: "I am over the moon to be joining the Doctor Who family. Certain roles seem unattainable and this is one of those, so much so I didn't believe it to be true for the first few weeks!"



OVER THE MOON: Mandip Gill.

The 29-year-old will play new character Yasmin in the Sci-Fi show and is clearly no stranger to celebrations after a series of images of her living it up on party island Ibiza emerged on social media in the wake of the big announcement.

She was pictured at the Ocean Club Champagne Spray Party alongside bikini-clad actress and friend Jennifer Metcalfe, 35, as the pair indulged in a spot of synchronised dancing while knocking back mixed drinks.



Hiba Abouk/Instagram

CHEEKY: Hiba Abouk. |

Birthday suit!

SHE'S the Spanish actress who made her name playing idealistic teacher Fatima in hit TV series El Principe.

But Hiba Abouk showed she has few hang-ups as she celebrated her 31st birthday by posting a naked photo of herself on Instagram.

Wearing only a baseball cap and with a lit cigarette in her mouth, she captioned the sizzling photo 'Happy birthday to me.'

Oar-some display

SHE'S the ex-Love Island star who famously flashed her boobs at Cheltenham Racecourse.

And Katie Salmon let it all hang out again as she paddled topless in Ibiza after slipping into a skimpy black bikini before whipping off her top.



Katie Salmon/Instagram

MAKING A SPLASH: Katie Salmon.

He's a safe pair of hands

HE'S the ex-Real Madrid goalkeeper who became a heartthrob following his heroics with the Spanish national team.

And World Cup winner Iker Casillas, 36, was all smiles as he attended current club Porto's gala evening accompanied by stunning journalist wife Sara Carbonero, 33.

The pair's romance first came to light in 2010, and they had their first child Martin in 2013 before marrying at a secret ceremony in



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Madrid last year.

The stopper has recently been linked with a move to Premier League sides Liverpool and Newcastle, although the rumours have been scotched by his agent Carlo Cutropia.

He told Spanish radio: "Of the crazy stuff I have seen, this is the craziest.

"It is crazy and there is no truth in it."

HANDSOME PAIR: Carbonero and Casillas.

Got the boot

SHE'S the ex-desperate Housewives star who recently broke her leg while on holiday in Spain. And Eva Longoria, 44, has been told to wear a leg brace by doctors as she continues her recovery. She was seen sporting the boot-like device at a Los Angeles salon opening where she was joined by Victoria Beckham.



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Legend lives on

FILM crews have started shooting scenes in Malaga capital for a new National Geographic series about the life of Pablo Picasso which will star Antonio Banderas.

Taxi pirates

POLICE officers in Malaga capital have uncovered 53 taxi drivers operating without a licence, of these 44 were caught out at the entrance to the airport and eight were found out in the bus station.

Great grant

THE Malaga regional authorities have granted €280,000 to the Nerja Council to spend how they please, after putting a sum aside to give to towns in the region with more than 20,000 inhabitants.

Say cheese

NERJA hosted this year's Andalusian Cheese Festival which saw more than a dozen cheese producers from across the region showcase their wares on the Balcony of Europe.

Back on

THE Gran Miramar Hotel in Malaga capital reopened with a bang following a €65 million renovation project which took 10 years to complete, with more than 1,400 guests at the opening party.

Family feud

POLICE have held six people for possession of illegal weapons in Malaga capital, including three shotguns and a machine gun, during investigations following a heated family argument during which the accused brandished knives.

THE Junta de Andalucia is meeting with irrigators next week to agree measures to deal with the current water shortage.

Benjamin Fauli, president of the Asaja farming group, told one publication his group was prepared to consider industrial action if no improvements were made, "since we have been warning about this for several years and practically nothing has been done to avoid it."

Jose Fiscal, Minister for Environment,

Drought concerns addressed

said if more rain does not fall it is "probable" a drought will be declared. While the Junta has met several times this year already to discuss the water shortage, very few of the proposals put forward by irrigators have yet been put into effect.

Irrigating communities have asked

for the Rio Chillar to be connected to La Viñuela reservoir, which would bring in around 2.5 cubic hectometres of water a year, as well as further connections with reservoirs in Velez-Malaga, Algarrobo and Torrox, which they believe would bring in a further 10 cu-

bic metres of water, costing €800,000.

Since the beginning of the year, irrigators have been banned from watering their crops one day a week in a bid to reduce water use by 10 per cent. In July the Junta admitted the plan was not doing enough to prevent water shortages.

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NEWS EXTRA

Bridging the gap

ROADWORKS to improve access to the Los Pinos and Principe Asturias neighbourhoods from the N-340 via the old Rio Verde bridge are almost complete, Almuñecar Town Hall has announced.

New wheels

ALMUÑECAR and La Herradura's Local Police force has received a new all-terrain patrol vehicle at a cost of €18,000 "in order to improve surveillance work in the municipality," an official said.

Rag and bone

ALMUÑECAR Council has released a statement reminding citizens there is a free municipal service for the collection of old furniture and other household items on Friday mornings, call 958 838 600 from 9am-2pm on weekdays.

Photo op

A GRANADA man has won €1,000 in a photography contest.

Jose Andres Chamorro Villar won first prize in the Almuñecar-based competition for his photograph of Playa San Cristobal, while local man Leo Cervilla Rivero won €500 for second place

The contest, organised by the tourist office, was titled City of Almuñecar, Mediterranean Paradise, and is in its fourth year. Councillor for Tourism, Rafael Caballero

Jimenez, explained around 300 photographs were entered into the competition, covering themes including heritage, nature, festivals, tradition and the area's landscape.

He added the aim was to "promote and publicise the tourist offering of the municipality through award-winning photographs which will help us unveil the area as an excellent tourist destination."

The competition was open to anyone aged over 18, whether a



Ayuntamiento de Almuñecar

WINNING SHOT: Playa San Cristobal.

professional or amateur, and was intended to show off the municipality's gastronomy and heritage.

Photographs could be in colour or black and white, and each contestant was able to submit between eight and 12 photographs covering

different themes and aspects of the area.

The tourist board is now considering the possibility of using the 12 best photographs to create a promotional calendar which could further raise the area's profile.



Ayuntamiento de Almuñecar

JULIO ROMAN PUNZON: Speaks about the Roman Villa of Salar.

Archaeological discovery

ALMUÑECAR has celebrated its fourth Archaeology and Costa Tropical History conference with guided tours around a recently discovered necropolis. The find, which is located in Cerro de Velilla, was discovered by a group of archaeologists led by a professor from the University of Granada, Andres Adroher.

Councillor for Culture and Education, Olga Ruano, and the municipal archaeologist, Elena Navas Guerrero, explained one of the event's highlights was the visit to the new Necropolis. Other highlights of the event, which was held in the House of Culture, was an exhibition of the

contents of the archaeological museum by the municipal archaeologist, before another lecture by Maribel Mancilla Cabello, archaeologist and president of the Archaeology Section of the Official College of Physicians.

Julio Roman Punzon, PhD in History, researcher of the MEMOLA project and archaeologist director of the excavations in the Roman Villa of Salar, then spoke about his finds there before the day concluded with a lecture by Antonio Lopez Martos, archaeologist director of the archaeological excavations of the Roman theatre of Guadix. Admission to the two-day event was free.

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Fire station to open next year

WORKS to Nerja's beleaguered fire station remain paralysed with the building now expected to open in 2018.

While the project is almost complete, with only doors now waiting to be installed, progress halted after an argument over billing brewed between Nerja Council and the Provincial Council.

In March, following protests over the delay in opening the fire station, the town's councillor for Civil Protection and Firemen, Oscar Jimenez, provided an update on the building's progress.

Mr Jimenez explained the delay was

caused by a bill for modifications to the building's original design. He added a conflict had broken out between Nerja's city council and the government in Malaga, who are sharing the costs, over who should pick up the additional €90,000 bill.

The councillor insisted Nerja's own government had done everything it can, explaining, "we are waiting for the government in Malaga to open the new Park," and that "the council has done its duties and our priority is for the new station to be inaugurated and to be able to provide a good service for Nerja."

It now seems the situation will not be resolved before the new year, leading to the station being opened almost a year and a half after it was originally planned.



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PROBLEMS: Nerja's new fire station.

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Plane crash

CIVIL AVIATION is investigating after a plane came off the runway as it landed at El Trapiche aerodrome.

The plane, which was being flown by a student pilot, stopped at the perimeter fence. According to media reports, no one was injured, although the female pilot was said to be in shock and the plane suffered damage to its front axle.

The incident is the second of its kind in the past six months. In May another small plane crashed through the fence at the same aerodrome as it landed, almost landing in the riverbed.

The three passengers, including one instructor, a student and a passenger, were unharmed.

According to the investigation carried out after-



Photo by Radio 1 Málaga/Twitter

FATAL: The plane that came down in May.

wards, the plane set off from Murcia-San Javier airport at 11.25am before flying to El Trapiche. The aircraft attempted to land two times before finally setting down and careering through the fence at 1.35pm.

Several other plane crashes involving small aircraft have proved fatal in Axarquía this year. In January a man and a woman died after their plane crashed and caught light in an avocado field in Velez-Málaga, while three people were killed in May when their plane crashed into the Sierra Tejada as they took part in an air rally.

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We hope the information provided in this article is of interest.

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Photo by Debra-Butterfly Children Charity

PRINCESS ELENA of Spain (left) with an affected child and mother.

New research into a terrible condition

RARE, incurable conditions are often overlooked by medical research in favour of those diseases which claim large numbers of victims.

It is not a matter of health specialists being uncaring, but there is only so much money available although now some of it will be spent on studying Butterfly Skin (Epidermolysis bullosa) which affects children giving them extremely fragile skin which blisters and bleeds.

Even the simplest of activities can be extremely painful and the children often have to be heavily bandaged and cannot live a normal life of rough and tumble. Little is known about the cause or treatment of the disease but parents of sufferers are delighted that the Ministry of Health, Social Services and Equality has sanctioned the La Paz University

Hospital, Madrid, Sant Joan de Déu-Clinic Hospital, Barcelona in collaboration with the Provincial Hospital Clinic of Barcelona to introduce the first Reference Centres for Epidermolysis bullosa (EB) in Spain.

A Reference Centre is a health centre that dedicates its work fundamentally to the care of certain recognised conditions and has the mission of providing multidisciplinary team care.

This news means that there will be more help and assistance for those affected with Butterfly Skin in Spain and there is the possibility that new treatments and even a cure may be found in time. An official ceremony at the La Paz Children's Hospital in Madrid formally announced this news in the presence of

health specialists, Princess Elena of Spain, Nieves Montero an architect from Marbella who is President of the Spanish Association of EB Debra-Butterfly Children Charity alongside sufferers and their families.

Princess Elena in her role as project Director of the Mapfre Foundation has been collaborating with the charity via the 'Donate a Euro' campaign involving more than 4,600 employees of Mapfre to help raise much-needed funds.

It is believed that the establishment of these reference centres will not only help to highlight the needs of the children but will also lead in the long term to an extension of knowledge in how to treat the condition and bring some relief to those who suffer from its awful effects.

Love a Child Foundation

LOVE A CHILD Foundation would like to inform all its donors and supporters that John Margetson and Lynne Carr-Jones will be retiring from the foundation at the end of this year.

The foundation has now completed all its overseas projects and will not be taking on any further projects or sponsors.

A small number of children are still sponsored and they will continue to support these children.

They would like to take this opportunity to thank Nicole Brouwers and her wonderful shop; Pocapecunia for the tremendous support that she has given the foundation since its inception; without Nicole and Ted's help many of the projects would not have come to fruition.

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Repaying debts

THE Spanish government has received permission from the European Stability Mechanism (ESM) to make an early repayment of €2 billion to reduce its borrowings to save banks.

This does however still leave an outstanding debt of €31.7 billion from the €41.3 billion originally borrowed in 2012 to allow it to save a number of struggling banks. The entire debt is due for repayment by 2027 but the ESM is impressed with current early repayments.

Comparison site review

A BRITISH initiative which will review the clarity and honesty of hotel booking comparison sites could well benefit consumers and hotels in Spain.

The Competition and Markets Authority (CMA) is contacting all of the major websites operating in the UK such as Booking.com, Expedia and Trivago to try to establish a number of matters.

The enquiry will want to discover whether there are any hidden charges, how accurate the discount offers are and whether the sites are influenced to promote particular establishments due

By John Smith

to the commission they receive.

According to the CMA as many of 70 per cent of UK residents looking to make hotel bookings do compare options on the various websites and should there be any evidence that consumers are being misled then action will be taken.

Having contacted hotel groups and websites, the watchdog also wants to hear from the general public about their experiences with these sites.

One area of particular interest is

whether sites ignore criteria entered by those searching for hotels and respond with lists of those hotels where they receive the greatest commission.

Another area of interest is the accuracy surrounding the number of rooms still available in a particular hotel as there is some fear that the numbers may be manipulated in order to encourage immediate booking.

One early conclusion is that those searching websites for hotel availability should check with more than one site to ensure the best available deal.

Bad news Barcelona

THE president of the Spanish Confederation of Employers' Organizations (CEOE) believes that the 1,500 companies leaving Cataluña employ 30 per cent of the Province's workforce. He made it clear that this situation is potentially damaging not only for the Catalan people, but also for the economy of Spain as the return to growth and prosperity could be halted.

Quote of the Week

"Our programme is flexible enough that we can adjust its size smoothly." European Central Bank President Mario Draghi on decision to halve the amount spent on government euro bonds.



Photo by The Djehuty project

THE TEAM involved in excavations.

Egyptologists turn to crowdfunding

AN incredibly successful team of Spanish archaeologists who have unearthed numerous valuable Egyptian artefacts is so poor that it has had to turn to crowdfunding to raise €20,000.

Whilst the group has been excavating the tomb of Djehuty and others in Luxor, many of their rare and exquisite finds are the property of the Egyptian government and end up in local museums. These experts are not treasure hunters but are dedicated to their work howev-

er they need to be able to pay their local teams of labourers in order to launch next year's exploration session in January and February.

Needing to raise €20,000 the group came up with the idea of making an appeal on the Kickstarter platform and with more than a month before the appeal ends, they have already raised just short of €28,000 from 247 supporters who will receive small tokens such as books and videos in thanks.

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More in work

LATEST unemployment figures show that the number without jobs in Spain has dropped to its lowest level since 2008. The National Statistics Institute third quarter figures show unemployment at 16.38 per cent, down from 17.22 per cent in the previous quarter.

La Caixa

LA CAIXA bank's CEO Gonzalo Gortazar said that whilst he feels that the Catalan situation would be resolved, there could be economic problems if matters drag on. Having moved its HQ from Barcelona, he confirmed that few withdrawals by disgruntled Catalans had occurred.

In the money

SPANISH billionaires saw their wealth increase by 10 per cent to a total of €105.81 billion in 2016 according to a report by Swiss bank UBS and consultancy PwC. The number of billionaires also increased by four to 25.

Sacked for working too hard

IN what is an unusual case, a store worker who was sacked for working too hard has taken former employer Lidl to court claiming unfair dismissal.

The supermarket branch in Barcelona for which he worked accused him of breaches of his employment contract as he turned up early and spent between an hour and an hour and a

half stocking shelves and generally tidying up.

Apart from working too hard, he also didn't clock in whilst he was doing this work as he didn't expect to get paid and didn't know that he wasn't allowed to do this as it breached the company's rules which required payment for all work undertaken.

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AMERICAN EXPRESS	95,7900	+0,10%	0,1000	83,154,04
APPLE	163,050	+3,58%	5,640	842,087,12
BOEING CO	256,460	-1,08%	-2,810	151,447,39
CATERPILLAR	137,810	+0,64%	0,870	81,447,87
CHEVRON	113,54	-4,14%	-4,90	215,897,66
CISCO SYSTEMS	34,430	+0,47%	0,160	172,001,86
COCA-COLA	46,07	-0,35%	-0,16	196,459,91
DOWDUPONT	72,54	-0,70%	-0,51	169,381,35
EXXON MOBIL	83,71	+0,29%	0,24	354,497,46
GENERAL ELECTRIC	20,7900	-2,49%	-0,5300	179,955,41
GOLDMAN SACHS	241,71	-0,00%	-0,01	93,511,59
HOME DEPOT	167,3400	-0,18%	-0,3100	197,275,12
IBM	153,68	+0,05%	0,08	142,279,90
INTEL CORP	44,4000	+7,38%	3,0500	208,635,60
J.P.MORGAN CHASE	101,7700	+0,03%	0,0300	353,024,63
JOHNSON & JOHNSON	141,7800	-0,02%	-0,0300	380,510,64
MC DONALD'S CORP	165,3900	+0,84%	1,3800	133,953,19
MERCK AND CO. NEW	58,24	-6,05%	-3,75	158,950,21
MICROSOFT	83,810	+6,41%	5,050	645,602,09
NIKE	55,96	-1,50%	-0,85	72,881,69
PFIZER	35,6000	-0,39%	-0,1400	211,636,42
PROCTER AND GAMBLE	87,040	-0,53%	-0,460	220,740,72
TRAVELERS CIES	131,06	-0,67%	-0,88	35,865,11
UNITED TECHNOLOGIE	119,07	-0,72%	-0,86	95,051,71
UNITEDHEALTH GROUP	212,60	+1,65%	3,45	205,559,25
VERIZON COMMS	48,87	-0,04%	-0,02	199,401,46
VISA	109,71	-0,08%	-0,09	200,681,89
WAL-MART STORES	88,1700	-0,51%	-0,4500	263,321,87
WALT DISNEY CO	98,3100	-0,25%	-0,2500	151,743,42

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CLOSING PRICES OCTOBER 30

COMPANY	PRICE	CHANGE NET / %
Most Advanced		
FARO Technologies, Inc.	\$ 46.25	8.30 ▲ 21.87%
First Solar, Inc.	\$ 57.67	9.75 ▲ 20.35%
Tivity Health, Inc.	\$ 46.05	6.55 ▲ 16.58%
Align Technology, Inc.	\$ 235.94	32.96 ▲ 16.24%
Heidrick & Struggles International, Inc.	\$ 24.75	3.30 ▲ 15.38%
MINDBODY, Inc.	\$ 32.65	4.30 ▲ 15.17%
MediciNova, Inc.	\$ 7.21	0.86 ▲ 13.54%
Marinus Pharmaceuticals, Inc.	\$ 5.99	0.70 ▲ 13.23%
Amazon.com, Inc.	\$ 1,100.95	128.52 ▲ 13.22%
SVB Financial Group	\$ 216.69	24.32 ▲ 12.64%
Hub Group, Inc.	\$ 44.65	5 ▲ 12.61%
Most Declined		
Electronics for Imaging, Inc.	\$ 29.75	12.38 ▼ 29.39%
Town Sports International Holdings, Inc.	\$ 5.80	1.20 ▼ 17.14%
Expedia, Inc.	\$ 123.79	23.56 ▼ 15.99%
LeMaitre Vascular, Inc.	\$ 31.26	5.94 ▼ 15.97%
Liberty Expedia Holdings, Inc.	\$ 46.15	7.60 ▼ 14.14%
Marlin Business Services Corp.	\$ 23.90	3.75 ▼ 13.56%
VSE Corporation	\$ 50.02	7.50 ▼ 13.04%
IRSA Propiedades Comerciales S.A.	\$ 56.25	8.40 ▼ 12.99%
Endo International plc	\$ 5.88	0.81 ▼ 12.11%
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ECB decision and Catalan concerns drive euro

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FOR the last few weeks central bank speculation and political developments have been the driving force behind currency movement.

Euro

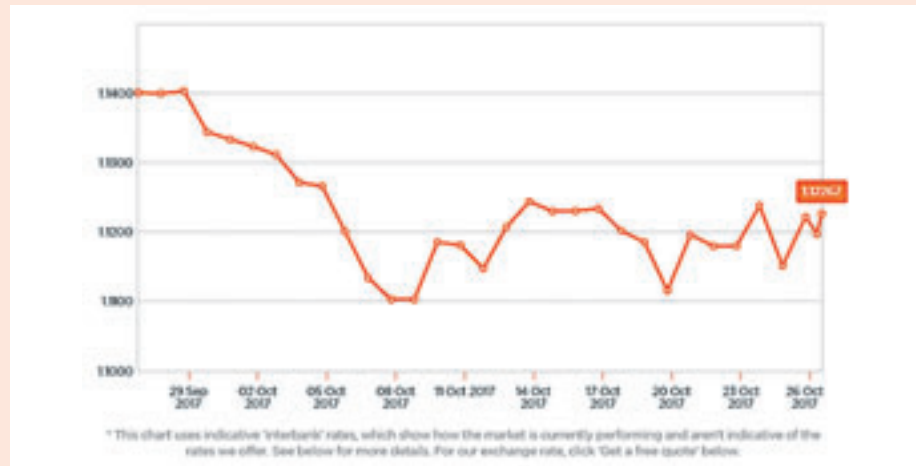
EUR/GBP: Up from £0.87 to £0.90

EUR/USD: Up from \$1.16 to \$1.18

Although the euro has been pressured by political tensions in Cataluña and uncertainty about the path the European Central Bank (ECB) will take with fiscal policy, the common currency has still managed to strengthen against both the pound and US dollar over the last four weeks.

The euro was kept on its toes as the Catalanian populace voted overwhelmingly for independence, igniting fears for Spain's economic outlook. However, with Madrid refusing to sanction a split, EUR exchange rates recovered losses.

Hopes that the European Central Bank (ECB) would taper its quantitative easing scheme also bolstered the euro - right up until investors found



CURRENCY MOVEMENT: Has been driven by political developments.

out that the central bank was scaling down its programme, but running it for longer. The move inspired some EUR losses as October drew to a close.

The repercussions from the ECB decision are likely to remain a cause of euro movement over the next few weeks. Any significant developments in Cataluña are also liable to spark EUR shifts.

Pound

GBP/EUR: Down from €1.14 to €1.12

GBP/USD: Down from \$1.34 to \$1.32

The pound was knocked around a fair bit during October. The British currency swiftly dropped from September's highs as Brexit negotiations ended in deadlock - potentially delaying discussions about the UK's future trading relationship with the EU. A string of less-than-impressive UK ecostats (including concerning services and retail sales stats) also kept the pound under pressure.

However, towards the end of October the UK's third quarter growth data was published. The data showed quarterly growth of 0.4 per

cent, slightly better than the expected rate of 0.3 per cent. As the result was viewed as upping the odds of the Bank of England (BoE) increasing interest rates at its November policy meeting, GBP exchange rates were able to recover some of their recent losses.

The BoE rate decision is liable to be the biggest cause of pound volatility in the month ahead. A rate hike would lift GBP, while the decision to leave policy unchanged would weaken Sterling.

US Dollar

USD/GBP: Up from £0.74 to £0.76

USD/EUR: Fluctuating between €0.84 and €0.85

While expectations for a December rate hike from the Federal Reserve have been lending the US dollar support, USD gains have been limited by the debate over who President Donald Trump will appoint as Chairman of the Federal Reserve. A Chairman who is likely to increase the pace or size of interest rate adjustments would boost the US dollar, while a dovish President could send USD sliding.

The December Federal Reserve decision is edging ever closer but as long as upcoming US releases keep the odds of a December rate hike high, USD will remain sturdy.

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MORE GOVERNMENT MONEY TO BE COMMITTED

Spain wants electric cars

THE Spanish government is to spend a further €50 million to support the widespread introduction of electric charging points and to encourage drivers to purchase electric cars.

This decision has been made despite the fact that a previous effort to assist purchasers of environmentally friendly vehicles was spoiled by the Volkswagen diesel emission scandal.

Of the money now due to be made available, €30 million will be put towards the introduction of more electric charging points which are almost non-existent in many parts of Spain as well as supporting additional research and development.

The balance of €20 million is expected to be paid to motorists in the form of 'cash backs' or discounts from manufacturers' price when purchasing a new electric car or one that uses a propulsion system that is not oil based.

This new initiative which is expected to be in addition to €50 million previously agreed by government for expenditure in the second half of 2017 has been championed by the Ministry of



Velantur prototypes.

Energy, Tourism and Digital Agenda and is expected to be managed by the Institute for Energy Diversification and Saving (IDAE).

This whole enterprise is quite different to previous funding plans as it will be managed by IDEA rather than Tragsa - which is associated with the Ministry of Agriculture - and whereas the previous campaign looked to persuade car owners to swap their old vehicles for more fuel and environmentally friendly oil driven cars, this

campaign will only apply to vehicles which use alternative energy.

As the world moves to develop vehicles driven by electric power and in some cases liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) the current option of hybrid vehicles continues to be a major leader in environmentally friendly motoring and will remain so until such time as electric car batteries can hold much greater charges and can be topped up quickly.

It will be very difficult to persuade drivers to give up their gas guzzlers in exchange for a vehicle which has a range of less than 300 kilometres and could take hours to recharge.

SEAT will be cooperating with the entire Volkswagen Group in order to try to find a workable solution and a small Spanish manufacturer Velantur has been trying to launch its four seater electric luxury sports car which it hopes will have a range of 400 kilometres.

Tesla continues to increase the charges of their batteries but unless it is quick, cheap and easy to recharge an electric vehicle, then the entire concept could turn into a disaster.

Royal Mint takes a pounding

WITH companies around Britain furious about the short time allowed for the changeover between the old and new pound coins, many are still accepting them as legal tender.

Councils who have not changed their parking machines to take the new pound are under fire from drivers and associations as they are fining anyone parking without a valid ticket, even though many have disposed of their old round pounds.

Gibraltar has taken the step of demonetising British round pounds but is continuing to allow Gibraltar round pounds to be considered legal tender on the Rock as the company they use to mint their pound coins has simply not been able to obtain blanks from the Royal Mint.

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MONARCH SHAREHOLDERS ADMIT MORAL DUTY May pay charter costs

THE main investors in Monarch Airlines have confirmed that they have a moral duty to help repay £60 million (€68 million) spent by the tax payer.

Greybull Capital have written to the UK Transport Committee confirming that it would be prepared to assist in paying some of the repatriation costs involved in bringing more than 100,000 people back to the UK if it makes a profit when the liquidation is finalised.

The British government chartered aircraft at short notice to bring back stranded Monarch passengers in what is believed to be the largest ever peacetime repatriation and picked up all of the costs.

The private investment company was responding to an observation made by Chris Grayling, the Minister for Transport with regards to the morality of the situation should Greybull - which is Monarch's main secured creditor - actually make a profit from the closure of the airline.

Much depends on whether the liq-



MONARCH'S first flight from Gatwick to Gibraltar May 2016.

uidators (KPMG) will be able to sell on the lucrative international take-off and landing rights 'owned' by Monarch and this is now being decided in court.

In the event that the court confirms that the rights can be sold to the highest bidder, certain of the rights to the more valuable slots could raise a significant amount of money, the bulk of which would be due to Greybull Capital.

If there was to be a 'bidding frenzy' then in theory, the main investor could

make a profit from the closure and it has confirmed that in such a scenario it would channel such profits back to the UK government as part repayment for the money spent on chartering the aircraft.

In its letter to the Transport Committee, Greybull maintained that whilst sorry for the closure it had been doing all that it could since 2014 - when it obtained the majority of shares in the airline - to try to stave off bankruptcy but was unsuccessful.

Apart from the inconvenience and in many cases financial loss suffered by passengers who may never receive their payments back, more than 2,000 Monarch staff have lost their jobs.

The other possible assets of the former airline will be their aircraft, although many have been leased rather than paid for outright and it may well be that the administrators will be unable to raise any funds from them and in fact depending on lease contracts, there may be a significant liability.

More steel production in the USA

THE steel manufacturer Acerinox has invested \$150 million (€129 million) to launch a new production line in its North American Stainless (NAS) plant in Kentucky.

The introduction of this new plant will increase capacity of the American subsidiary of the Spanish manufacturer by 10 per cent and allow it to increase the range of different stainless steel products that it can offer, including a range that is produced with a glossy finish.

Currently producing half of all US stainless steel, it believes that the days of cheap Chinese imports are gone and that the market can only increase for the high quality locally rolled steel that it manufactures.

The main markets for the company's products are situated within a nine-hour drive from the factory which employs more than 1,000 local staff.



Losing mental capacity whilst living abroad

by Stone King

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

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

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



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

What is an LPA?

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

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

Your attorney can be a professional,

such as a solicitor or a family member or friend.

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

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

Why should you get an LPA?

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

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

Will my LPA be recognised in Spain?

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

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



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I am now truly confused with it all!

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OTHERS THINK IT



I REALLY am up to my male chauvinistic eyeballs with women's lib.

To be honest, I'm not really sure what our ladies truly want any more. I'm beginning to think that many of them won't really be happy till the male of the species are homebound unpaid servants, escorted to the sperm donor's labs once a week, to keep the frozen coffers stocked up for future females to draw on.

I truly am confused with it all. Some (not all!) want to dress and look sexy and attractive, but don't want male reaction because they consider it sexist (no wolf whistles please.) They will NEVER forgive the creator for making them the only gender that can give birth (believe me they're working on that!).

They consider a pat on the bum sexual harassment, but still reckon squeezing a man's behind a bit of harmless fun. A man can be ruled by an overbearing woman, but reverse it and the man is described as a monster. We are now being deluged with 'personally moulded' tampons, intimate hair shavers and vaginal lubricants on TV, and the genital removers are gathering to operate on any man who has pub-



WOMEN'S LIB: Have things gone too far?

licly uttered any vaguely sexist remark over the last half century. Well, to my mind, one thing becoming painfully clear, is that it is not in fact equality the libbers ultimately seek, but female domination. These women want to rule the roost (and woe betide any woman who

doesn't think as the feminists do!). SKY news is a glaring example. Under Eammon Holmes it was considered a bit male chauvinist. Since his departure the producers have utterly capitulated and, with a new female anchor, have now managed to turn it into a newsy version

of 'Loose Women.'

Let's be perfectly clear. Equality is when both sexes have the same rights, not power. As a true adorer of the female gender, can't we just be sexy ladies and lusty males again? Come on girls, although I'm 100 per cent with you on equal pay, you're allowing the so-called feminists take all the fun away. Promise I won't pinch your bum if you don't pinch mine. Awright?

As I've got all the housework to do, I'll just finish up with a final observation on the Weinstein affair. Among the droves of complainers that are emerging from the woodwork, actress (not actor you notice!) Ashley Judd's story caught my eye. The 49-year-old apparently avoided the mogul's advances by promising to sleep with him when she won an Oscar for one of his films. It did remind me of the story attributed, among others, to George Bernard Shaw. The lady in question, when offered a paltry sum for sex, huffily retorted: "Five pounds? Just what do you think I am?"

"I think we've already established that," replied the great man. "I believe we're merely haggling over the price!"

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Staying safe

ONLINE fraud makes good headlines, but they don't always match reality as any *Daily Mail* reader knows.

This year's cybercrime estimate is €2.5 trillion worldwide, but very little of it is from online shopping.

Trusted payment methods like credit/debit cards or PayPal take the sleepless nights out of buying online. And if you're worried about an online retailer's reputation, so are they in these days of buyer review overload.

The better retailers are on rating sites like Trustpilot. When an order of mine disappeared into a Hong Kong void recently, my critique on that site quickly got my cash back.

Just be careful not to overdo it. It really is time to stop shopping online when the computer asks if you need another shopping cart.

TERENCE KENNEDY offers up the online shopper's prayer: 'Dear Lord, please don't let my wife be home when all my online orders arrive.'

Shop till your computer drops

AN older friend who doesn't 'do' the internet just gave a local travel agent nearly €400 for air tickets I found online for €89. Frankly I was amazed travel agents still exist.

Yes, doing stuff online can be risky, especially when a Nigerian prince offers you untold riches. But squadrillions of online transactions occur every day with barely a hitch, and by 2025 the majority of the world's retail trade will apparently happen online. So there.

Why then, like our overcharged dinosaur friend, wouldn't you do it? London department store Harrods used to advertise you could buy anything from an elephant to a safety-pin; these days with watertight security Amazon, China's Alibaba and eBay sell more in a second than Harrods could in a year.

Including elephants.

Hunt for an offbeat item in your local shops and you could be at it for days. Find it online in just seconds, have it delivered to your door the next day. Or perhaps in an hour if Amazon's current drone delivery tests work out.

The main objections are fraud and identity theft. Yes they do happen, but the percentage is minuscule, and if you use a plastic card your bank covers most of your risk anyhow if things go pear-shaped.

The bad news for online-shopping virgins is that they soon won't have any choice: from tax declarations to newsagents' top-shelf magazines, everything's moving online for better or worse.

Worse, certainly, for traditional



TECH FOR THE TIMID

SHOPPING: From the comfort of your own keyboard.

bricks-and-mortar retailers, whose plight has even added a new word to the Oxford dictionary, 'showrooming': the practice of examining and fondling a product in a physical shop before going home to order it more cheaply online.

It was an album by Sting which is said to have launched online shopping back in 1994, say the (online!) histories. By next year online shopping will be nearly 9 per cent of all retail sales (but 18 per cent for the world's most enthusiastic e-shoppers, the Brits). Seven out of every 10 internet users in Spain shop online, spending around

€1,100 each a year.

The bad news for our reluctant buddy is that it's unstoppable and that, inevitably, even he is going to have to bite the bullet (also available online). Within his lifetime only those enterprises which cannot easily sell through what he calls the 'Interweb' will be left standing, like convenience stores, bars, bistros and brothels. And perhaps elephant traders.

As for his happy travel agent? Most likely she will have followed the clever advice I once saw pasted up in a travel agent's window: 'Please go away!'

I'm pleased to hear that

Mike Senker

In my opinion

Views of a Grumpy Old Man



WHY does everything have to be so difficult? I mean things start off simple then everything goes downhill. I receive a UK pension which, thanks to Brexit, dropped by 20 per cent-ish just after the announcement. So gawd knows what will happen when the UK actually does leave the EU.

Anyway, somebody told me that, as I'd had my own business here in Spain and had paid into their system, I may be entitled to a small pension here too. Now, as you all know, nothing here is going to go the way you hope. You can't just call an office, give your social security number, and hope that someone says 'Oh yeah, we will sort that for you.'

I had to make an appointment at my local social security office and take a load of completed and duplicated forms. You all know the form filling procedures here so I won't bore you. That done I turn up for my appointment and a very helpful young man tells me yes I am entitled to a Spanish pension. He explained that all they have to do

is write to the UK pension office to confirm a couple of things and 'Roberto es tu tío' (Bob's your uncle!). I'm told it will take a couple of weeks or so.

Well, a couple of weeks came and went and we were well into the 'or so' territory as I originally went in June and it's now November. On Tuesday I went back to the Spanish social security office to see what was going on. I hadn't made an appointment so I had to wait for an hour and a half for them to tell me that they hadn't heard back from the UK pension office.

Next I phone the UK office and after pressing 1 for this, 2 for that, 4 for something else, 5 for losing the will to live, I finally get through and tell them Spain is waiting for a couple of bits of information. They tell me they haven't been sent yet because they are very busy! 'Oh, I'm pleased to hear that. I'd hate for you to be sitting around twiddling your thumbs.'

But, do you not appreciate that some people depend on their pensions to live and waiting six months for two forms to be sent back is not acceptable.' I'm told they will mark it urgent and get them sent as soon as possible. Let's see.

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LEGALLY SPEAKING

Checking your details at the roadside

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.



PDA: An essential tool.

AS they go about their duties patrolling the roads of Spain, the Guardia Civil traffic police have a whole range of tools in their arsenal to both help those in need, and of course deal with those drivers who break the law.

One piece of kit carried by all of the officers, often stored in the panniers of their motorbikes, or inside the patrol cars, is their Personal Digital Assistant, or PDA. The device is linked via Bluetooth to a thermal printer, and so able to issue fines on the spot, and pools its data with the central office of the DGT traffic department.

The PDA can be used to check driver and vehicle details, such as if you are actually qualified to drive, if you've been banned, if you own the vehicle you are driving, and details about that vehicle and its insurance.

The whole process of checking the informa-

tion is almost instantaneous, but it can take a lot longer if the information provided by the driver is either inaccurate, or unknown.

One particular problem facing foreign drivers is when they are not registered as residents in Spain, or have not transferred their licence to a Spanish one.

For those who have, you are likely to be sent on your way a lot quicker than those with no registered details, as a single check of a driver's NIE number links all of the relevant driver and vehicle details together, and so the officers can almost instantly find the information they are looking to confirm.

However, when the information is not linked, such as for drivers who haven't swapped to a Spanish licence, then the process takes a lot longer to complete, and your journey is likely to be increasingly delayed as a result.

Do I need a Spanish driving licence?

After recent confusion over the legality of driving in Spain on a UK licence, the Directorate General of Traffic has now clarified the full letter of the law concerning this complex matter.

Q. I am a British resident in Spain. Do I need a Spanish driving licence by law?

A. If you are the holder of a Group 1 licence (AM, A1, A2, A, B and BE) with a period of validity greater than 15 years - and this includes permanent licences - or a Group 2 licence (BTP, C1, C1E, C, CE D1, D1E, D, DE) with a period of validity greater than five years, then you must exchange the licence for a Spanish equivalent once you have been resident in Spain for two years.

If you are the holder of a

standard UK 10-year photo licence you do NOT need to exchange the licence for a Spanish equivalent until it expires, although you CAN do so voluntarily at any time.

However, if you are resident in Spain and your driving licence expires then you MUST renew it for a Spanish licence.

In a recent Legally Speaking Column article in *EWN Issue 1683* some information given by David Searl on this topic led to social media

users publishing contradictory views, some of those additionally incorrect.

Confusion over a long period according to the Directorate of Traffic has arisen due to various translations into English as to the law as outlined in Spanish.

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Women's wit

Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement. Nothing can be done without hope and confidence.

Helen Keller, Author

Famous quote

Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter.



Martin Luther King Jr

World of English

Allusion - a reference to an event, literary work or person - I can't do that because I am not Superman.

MADDOCKS' VIEW ON LIFE



' ON MY LEFT BREXIT AND EUROPE - ON MY RIGHT CATALAN AND SPAIN - AND STILL THE SUN CONTINUES TO SHINE! '

Most expensive Spanish footballers

TOP 5

AFTER Neymar's move to PSG from Barcelona in the summer, fees for footballers have gone through the roof. The Brazilian became the most expensive footballer in history, but who are the most expensive Spaniards of all time? The fees are reported figures based on the current exchange rate of £1 to €1.1221 and not the rate at the time of transfer.

1. Alvaro Morata €78.5 million - Real Madrid to Chelsea
Morata has been on the move many times in the past few years, but has been a success at both Juventus and Real Madrid prior to his move to London. In a move that could eventually cost Chelsea €78.5 million, Morata has hit the ground running, scoring seven times already.



Alvaro Morata.

2. Fernando Torres €56.1 million - Liverpool to Chelsea

Fernando Torres was a lethal striker during his Liverpool days, with his goalscoring exploits earning him a then World Record move to Premier League rivals Chelsea. Unfortunately for El Niño, the move to Chelsea didn't quite work out, but he has now found form again with the side where it all began, Atletico Madrid

3. Gaizka Mendieta €45 million - Valencia to Lazio

Another Valencia superstar, Gaizka Mendieta was considered one of the country's best midfielders when he made the move from La Liga to Serie A. Unfortunately, Mendieta couldn't quite fill the void left by departing superstars Pavel Nedved and Juan Sebastian Veron and failed to live up to expectations.

4. Juan Mata €41.6 million -

Chelsea to Manchester United

Mata swapped Valencia for Chelsea in 2010 and quickly became a fan favourite, but was deemed surplus to requirements by Jose Mourinho at Chelsea and was sold to then David Moyes' Manchester United. Mata now finds himself working with Mourinho once more, but has managed to work his way into the Portuguese's plans this time around.

5. David Villa - €38.3 million - Valencia to Barcelona

Barcelona shipped out a big fee for the man who scored more than 120 goals for Valencia. The Spaniard went on to form a formidable partnership with Lionel Messi and would go on to surpass Raul as the country's all-time top goalscorer.

YOUR STARS FOR NEXT 7 DAYS

AQUARIUS
(January 21 - February 19)

Your lot is to be optimistic and positive. Perhaps in the last few months there was the need to take on the problems of others. However, you absolutely must get a balance here. Concentrate this week on getting your body and mind in good shape. That means being a little self-centred to start with. A good routine is essential and the will to stick with it.

LEO
(July 24 - August 23)

Certainly there have been times that you felt crestfallen. Sometimes circumstances bring us down.

Avoid believing in the myth of 'what should have been'. What you are is not what others see but what you feel inside.

VIRGO
(August 24 - September 23)

The changes that have already started in the way that you see your life have given pause for thought. You are sure that you could have done better but maybe it is not clear how.

Take a step back now and see where you came from. Two years ago where were you heading? Do you still want to follow that path? A need to get back on track can start this week.

PISCES
(February 20 - March 20)

Your very nature can lead to internal struggles. In the coming months, however, the truth becomes clear. What is outside of your experience now will become a part of your make-up. Any fear that you had of the unknown gradually diminishes.

ARIES
(March 21 - April 20)

There has been a very strong feeling through these last few weeks. This feeling has been one of spirituality. Your thoughts have been deeper than usual and the sense that there is more to life is acute. This, therefore, gives an impetus to everything that you do this week. The need to progress both on the home and business front has rarely been stronger.

LIBRA
(September 24 - October 23)

It becomes clear to you that some friends are drifting away. We all have to make changes as life itself is a constantly shifting event. You prefer to hold on to what is familiar and you are not alone in that. At the moment, however, there is much for you to experience, see and feel.

TAURUS
(April 21 - May 21)

In the last few weeks there may have been a sense of being not quite in control. That is something to deal with this week. Real progress will only be made when you have faced what is not wanted. You will rid yourself of any negative emotions quickly by facing them.

SCORPIO
(October 24 - November 22)

With a lot of pent-up energy and not a little determination the month is off to a strong start with you.

Be aware, however, that treading on the toes of influential people is not to be advised. Your feeling that you are right is admirable, but be tactful.

GEMINI
(May 22 - June 21)

You are a great charmer but it is possible to have too much of a good thing. Is there the possibility that your romantic life needs tidying up? Perhaps the number of irons that you have in the fire is causing problems? This week, make it a priority to simplify your life. Be strong and straight with others. A clean slate for the future means not letting small matters run away with you.

SAGITTARIUS
(November 23 - December 21)

You of all people understand the importance of the spiritual side of life.

Despite being successful in your own right there is the need to bring this to other people. In sharing your experiences this year you come to a better understanding yourself.

CANCER
(June 22 - July 23)

The ever-inquisitive part of your brain is in high spirits. Clearly there is much to be known and enjoyed over the coming months. Begin at the beginning though. Before you throw yourself into a spiritual or business endeavour, get the facts. I don't mean what people tell you they think. What you need right now is proof that your interest in a certain area is justified.

CAPRICORN
(December 22 - January 20)

Your practical streak is in full force.

Over the next months you will bring much benefit to those around you, in financial terms perhaps, but also spiritually.

This week, in itself, shows you how others value your presence and advice.

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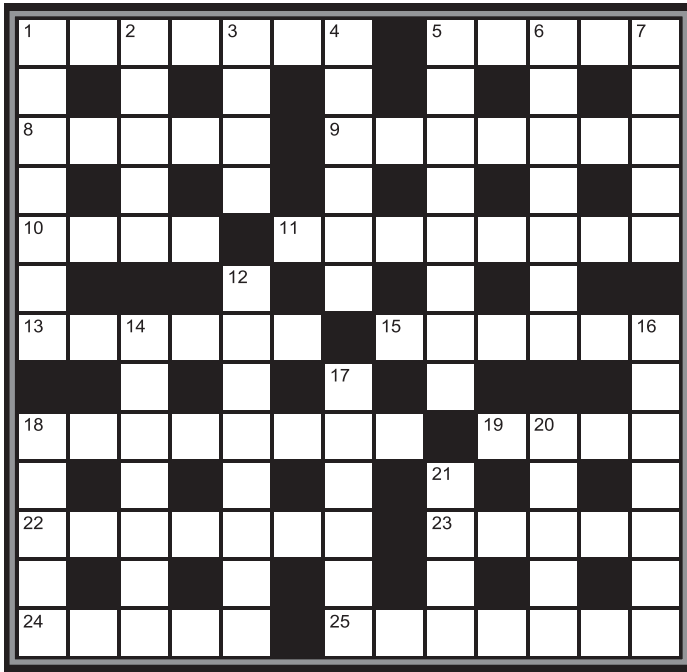
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Cryptic

Across

- 1 Chopper about to take off with revolutionary leader (7)
- 5 Follow the path (5)
- 8 It concerns Adam's wife and the bailiff (5)
- 9 Unconventional start in passage (7)
- 10 Occurrence in Monica Seles's day (4)
- 11 French boarding houses appreciated by the retired (8)
- 13 Public school admitting us, somewhere in London (6)
- 15 Sore when I wait on Her Majesty (6)
- 18 Old cabinetmaker as throne maker (8)
- 19 Temptation found in Cuba, Italy and France (4)
- 22 Greek wine, some clarets in Athens (7)
- 23 Nothing going right sweetheart (5)
- 24 Wheel covers made from pretty resilient stuff (5)
- 25 Keeps making chess move (7)

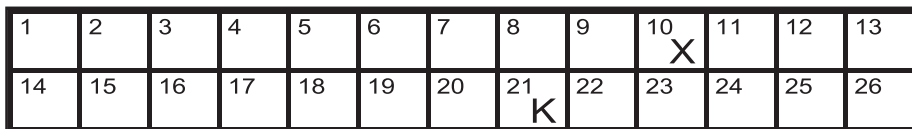
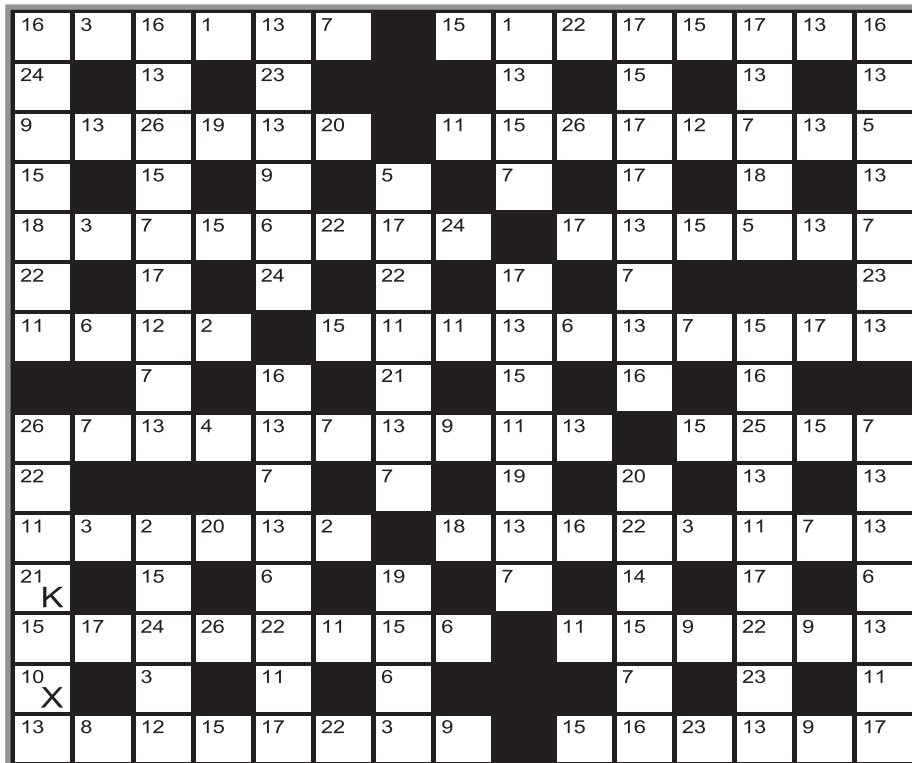


Down

- 1 Small boat from County Clare, possibly (7)
- 2 Vessels taking sheep over river (5)
- 3 See six points (4)
- 4 On the contrary, her art is moving (6)
- 5 US truck driver meets art work (8)
- 6 Take off nasty scab on poor Don (7)
- 7 Biblical refugee, American flower (5)
- 12 Not a sign of legal representatives (8)
- 14 Place of refuge lets her wander (7)
- 16 Quick replies for lab equipment (7)
- 17 Nothing found in reconditioned iMacs but a coloured pattern (6)
- 18 Dispute about right to get fish (5)
- 20 An incus is part of a Roman villa (5)
- 21 It's a positive sign, as well (4)

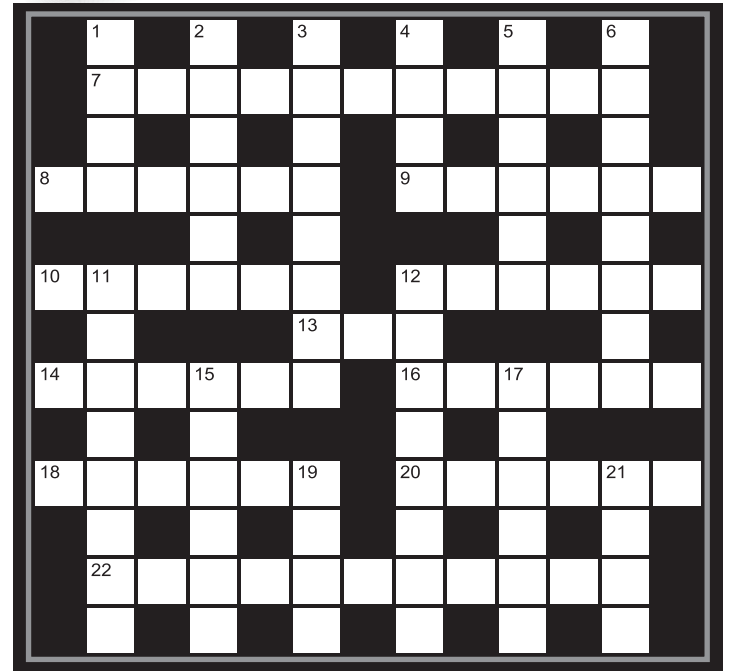
Code Breaker

Each number in the Code Breaker grid represents a different letter of the alphabet. In this week's puzzle, 10 represents X and 21 represents K, so fill in X every time the figure 10 appears and K every time the figure 21 appears. Now, using your knowledge of the English language, work out which letters should go in the missing squares. As you discover the letters, fill in other squares with the same number in the main grid and the control grid.



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION FACING PAGE

Quick



Across

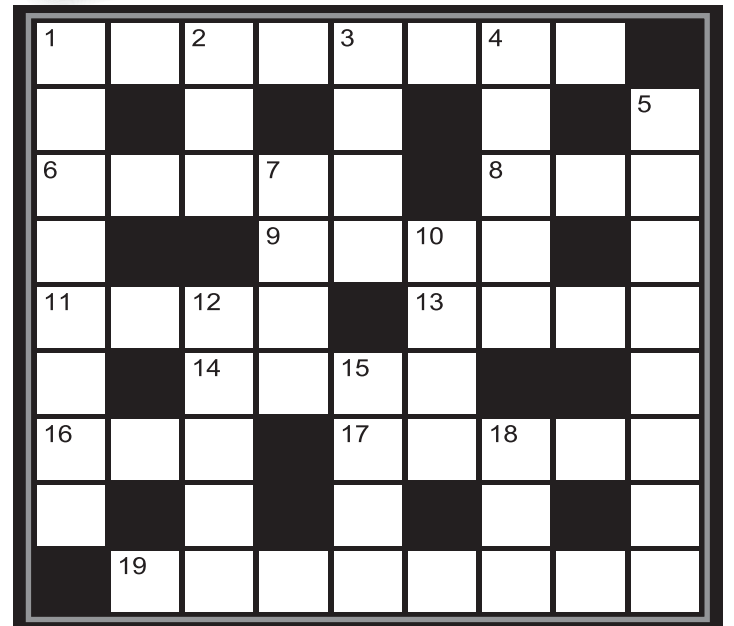
- 7 Exclusive right (11)
- 8 Fisherman (6)
- 9 Full supply (6)
- 10 Made afraid (6)
- 12 Real (6)
- 13 Firearm (3)
- 14 Dissimilar (6)
- 16 Public building for gambling and entertainment (6)
- 18 Capital of Austria (6)
- 20 Drink made of beer and lemonade (6)
- 22 Wife or widow of a marquis (11)

Down

- 1 Not shut (4)
- 2 Hawker (6)
- 3 Slang term for jail sentence (8)
- 4 Stinging insect (4)
- 5 Turn aside (6)
- 6 Hold back (8)
- 11 Establishes or strengthens as with new evidence or facts (8)
- 12 Forebear (8)
- 15 Disregard (6)
- 17 Apportions (6)
- 19 Feel physical pain (4)
- 21 Twilight (4)

English - Spanish

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



Across

- 1 Remolacha (8)
- 6 Swedish (f) (5)
- 8 Hielo (3)
- 9 Something (4)
- 11 Air (4)
- 13 Tintas (para escribir) (4)
- 14 To pray (say prayers) (4)
- 16 Grifo (de agua) (3)
- 17 Nail (metal) (5)
- 19 Season (period of the year) (8)
- 4 Cebolla (5)
- 5 Cucharilla (8)
- 7 To fall (4)
- 10 Chica (4)
- 12 Cuerdas (gruesas) (5)
- 15 Minutes (of a meeting) (4)
- 18 There (near you) (3)

Down

- 1 Enough (8)
- 2 Ojo (3)
- 3 Royal (4)

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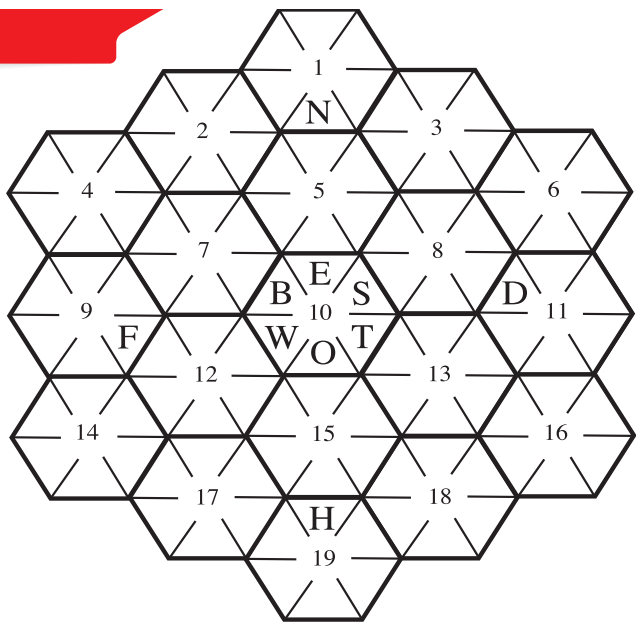
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Hexagram

- BEFORE
- BESTOW (10)
- COERCE
- COLEUS
- CURFEW
- EERILY
- EMERGE
- GIRDLE
- INHERE
- PLENUM
- PSYCHE
- RELIEF
- SCORCH
- SQUIRT
- STRIDE
- SUFFER
- TEeing
- TERROR
- TOUCHY



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

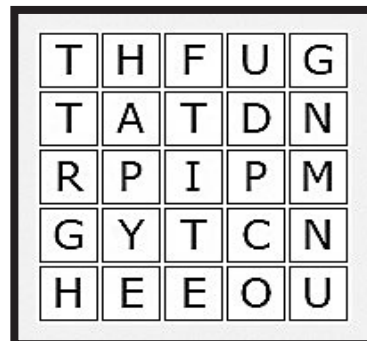
LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

- 1 Threat 2 Trauma 3 Stench 4 Clumsy
- 5 Errata 6 Search 7 Marble 8 Rascal
- 9 Browse 10 Berate 11 Marvel
- 12 Enable 13 Mortal 14 Strait 15 Target
- 16 Stolen 17 Teeing 18 Hearty
- 19 Trendy.

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: 14
- Good: 20
- Very good: 29
- Excellent: 37

SCORING:

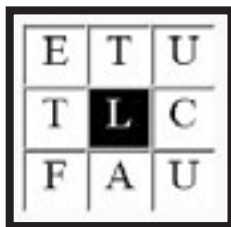
- 4 letters: 1 point
- 5 letters: 2 points
- 6 letters: 3 points
- 7 letters: 5 points
- 8 or more letters: 11 points

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

oven ovule ovine ever aery love levy levier levin lube lune vole viol venin view vine vino vinery oyer year yare yore rayon rein renin renown rowen ennui union inner oreo owner bevy benne buoy bunion bane banner nine none neon wive wine winner wino winery winery were wore annul anion anon hone honey

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:

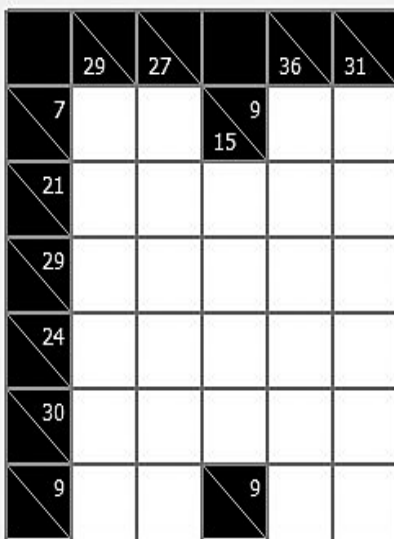
- Average: 7
- Good: 9
- Very good: 13
- Excellent: 17

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

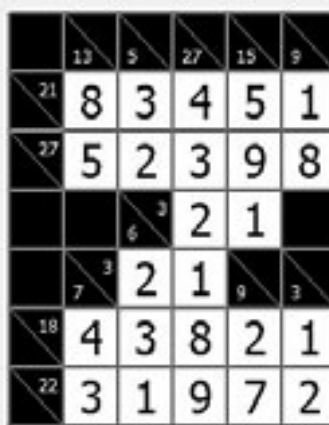
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Kakuro

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



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS

ENGLISH-SPANISH

- Across:** 2 Poison, 5 Ceja, 6 Perder, 7 Same, 8 Lid, 11 Envy, 13 Almond, 14 Odio, 15 Screws.
- Down:** 1 Vela, 2 Papel, 3 Seda, 4 Norway, 7 Salads, 9 Dedos, 10 Amar, 12 Vein.

CODE BREAKER

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

CRYPTIC

- Across:** 7 Carapace, 8 Seat, 9 Gentle, 10 Images, 11 Eager, 12 Relents, 15 Dentist, 17 Nasty, 20 Reveal, 22 Agates, 23 Kind, 24 Specimen.
- Down:** 1 Lacerate, 2 Rattle, 3 Races, 4 Decided, 5 Escape, 6 Lame, 13 Tottered, 14 Useless, 16 Trendy, 18 Aramis, 19 Cater, 21 Enid.

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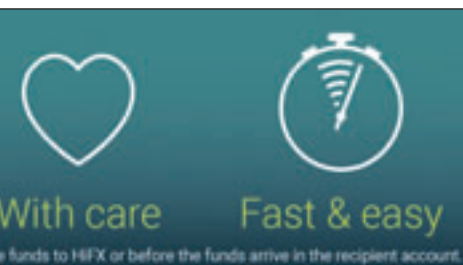
- Across:** 1 Last, 3 Official, 9 Burglar, 10 Enjoy, 11 Loses, 12 Salary, 14 Errors, 16 Prison, 19 Scrape, 21 Pupil, 24 Extra, 25 Statues, 26 Basement, 27 Lead.
- Down:** 1 Labelled, 2 Sorts, 4 Forest, 5 Ideal, 6 Injures, 7 Lays, 8 Closer, 13 Enclosed, 15 Recites, 17 Repeal, 18 Reason, 20 Alarm, 22 Pause, 23 Verb.

App of the week



Parcheesi

Parcheesi STAR is an online version of classic board game Parcheesi. The game is played with two dice, four pieces per player and a board with a track around the outside, four corner spaces and four home paths leading to a central end space. Known to many as Ludo in the UK.



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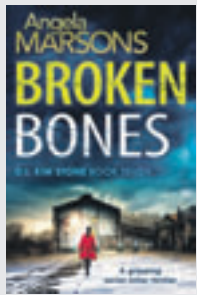
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Not so safe after all

AFTER a young prostitute and a baby are both found murdered and abandoned, Detective Kim Stone begins a disturbing investigation which brings her face to face with someone from her own horrific childhood.

More sex worker murders soon follow, with each becoming more violent than the last and Kim and her team soon realise that a twisted serial killer is preying on the vulnerable.

At the same time, the search begins for the desperate woman who left her newborn baby at the station, but what seems to be a tragic abandonment turns even more sinister when a case of modern slavery is uncovered. The two investigations bring the team into a terrifying world of human exploitation and cruelty, one that puts Kim's life at risk as shocking secrets from her own past are revealed.

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weather



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

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SATURDAY



BIRTHDAYS

• **Samantha Womack**, Actress, November 2, 45
Originally acted under the name Samantha Janus before her marriage and apart from regular TV spots including Eastenders she also represented the UK in the Eurovision Song Contest in 1991.
• **Anna Wintour**, Journalist, November 3, 68
British born fashion icon who moved from being a Biba shop assistant to become editor-in-chief of Vogue.

• **Rosario Flores**, Singer, November 4, 54
The actress and singer is the daughter of Lola Flores and the sister of two other singers, Lolita and Antonio Flores. She has won two Latin Grammy Awards.
• **Kasper Schmeichel**, Goalkeeper,



Rosario Flores.

November 5, 31
Son of long time goalkeeper for Manchester United Peter Schmeichel, Kasper is first choice goalie for Leicester City and like his father, Denmark.
• **Nigel Havers**, Actor, November 6, 66
The actor son of former Conservative minister Sir Michael Havers has worked continuously in cinema and TV, earning a BAFTA nomination for his role in Chariots of Fire. He is godfather of comedian Jack Whitehall.

• **Sharleen Spiteri**, Singer, November 7, 50
The Scottish born rock singer had her first hit with the band Texas in 1989 and has been playing with them on and off since that time.
• **Gordon Ramsay**, Chef, November 8, 51
Outspoken and often foul mouthed celebrity chef who has been extremely successful, opening numerous high quality restaurants and presenting any number of TV programmes about cooking.

DVD

Devious Plan

Director: **Juan Carlos Medina**
Stars: **Bill Nighy, Douglas Booth, Olivia Cooke**



IN the Limehouse Golem, based on a novel by Peter Ackroyd, a series of murders take place in Victorian London, and people suspect that a mythical monster known as the Golem is responsible.

The police, however, arrest a music-hall star named Elizabeth Cree for the killings, after she is suspected of murdering her husband.

Lead investigator on the 'Golem' case, John Kildare attempts to prove Elizabeth's innocence and narrows his search down to four suspects.

As Kildare investigates further all sorts of truths begin to unfold about who has been committing these brutal murders.

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.

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

Word Ladder

FAKE

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

COOK

COOK
CORK
FORK
FORE
FARE
FAKE
Solution

Trivia Fact

Between 1900 and 1920, Tug of War was an Olympic event.

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12:00pm Getting the Builders in	9:30am Caught Red Handed	9:00pm <i>Portrait of Jim Clark, one of the most talented and intriguing characters of the 1960s.</i>	10:05am Frasier	10:15am The Wright Stuff
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1:15pm Bargain Hunt	10:00am BBC Newsroom Live	11:00pm The Somme	11:05am Ramsay's Hotel Hell	1:10pm 5 News Lunchtime
2:00pm BBC News at One	1:00pm The Daily Politics	12:00am Empire of the Seas: How the Navy Forged the Modern World	12:00pm Undercover Boss USA	1:15pm The Hotel Inspector Returns
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2:45pm Doctors	2:45pm The Planners	1:40am The Man Who Discovered Egypt	1:05pm Come Dine with Me	2:45pm Neighbours
3:15pm Impossible	3:45pm Family Finders	2:40am Jim Clark: The Quiet Champion	2:05pm My Kitchen Rules Countdown	3:15pm NCIS
4:00pm Escape to the Country	4:15pm The Railway: Keeping Britain on Track	3:40am I Know Who You are Spanish thriller series.	3:10pm Countdown	4:15pm The Christmas Heart
4:45pm Money for Nothing	5:15pm Back in Time for Dinner	5:00am This is BBC Four	4:00pm A Place in the Sun	6:00pm 5 News at 5
5:30pm Antiques Road Trip	6:15pm Flog It!		4:00pm Coast v Country	6:30pm Neighbours
6:15pm Pointless	7:00pm Eggheads		5:00pm Four in a Bed	7:00pm Home and Away
7:00pm BBC News at Six	7:30pm Strictly - It Takes Two		6:30pm Steph and Dom's One Star to Five Star	7:00pm The Simpsons
7:30pm BBC London News	8:00pm The Super-Rich and Us		8:00pm Channel 4 News Stand Up To Cancer	7:30pm Hollyoaks
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9:00pm Harry Styles at the BBC	11:00pm Match of the Day		11:00pm The Great British Bake Off: An Extra Slice	9:00pm Bargain Loving Brits in Blackpool
10:00pm The Ganges with Sue Perkins	11:30pm Newsnight		11:50pm A Summer to Save My Life	10:00pm Rich House, Poor House
11:00pm BBC News at Ten	12:15am Louis Theroux			11:00pm Bad Habits, Holy Orders
11:30pm BBC London News				12:05am Borderline
11:45pm Question Time				
12:45am This Week				
1:30am Weather for the Week Ahead				

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11:00am Homes Under the Hammer	7:00am The Hairy Builder	8:00pm World News Today	8:10am King of Queens	10:05am Mofy
12:00pm Getting the Builders in	7:30am Countryfile	<i>The latest national and international news, exploring the day's events from a global perspective.</i>	8:35am Everybody Loves Raymond	10:15am The Wright Stuff
12:45pm Fugitives	8:15am Getting the Builders in	8:30pm The Good Old Days	9:00am Everybody Loves Raymond	12:15pm Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
1:15pm Bargain Hunt	9:00am See Hear on Tour	9:30pm Top of the Pops	9:30am Caught Red Handed	1:10pm 5 News Lunchtime
2:00pm BBC News at One	9:30am Caught Red Handed	10:05am Frasier	10:00am Victoria Derbyshire	1:15pm The Hotel Inspector Returns
2:30pm BBC London News	10:00am Ramsay's Hotel Hell	10:35am Frasier	10:00pm BBC Newsroom Live	2:15pm Home and Away
2:45pm Doctors	10:00pm Undercover Boss USA	11:05am Ramsay's Hotel Hell	10:00pm Queen: Rock the World	2:45pm Neighbours
3:15pm Impossible	1:00pm The Daily Politics	12:15pm Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!	11:00pm Queen: The Legendary 1975 Concert	3:15pm NCIS
4:00pm Escape to the Country	2:00pm The Code	1:10pm 5 News Lunchtime	12:00pm Queen: Rock the World	4:15pm Paper Angels
4:45pm Money for Nothing	2:45pm The Planners	1:15pm The Hotel Inspector Returns	1:00pm Channel 4 News	6:00pm 5 News at 5
5:30pm Antiques Road Trip	3:45pm Family Finders	2:15pm Home and Away	1:05pm Come Dine with Me	6:30pm Neighbours
6:15pm Pointless	4:15pm The Railway: Keeping Britain on Track	2:45pm Neighbours	2:05pm My Kitchen Rules Concert	7:00pm Home and Away
7:00pm BBC News at Six	4:15pm The Railway: Keeping Britain on Track	3:15pm NCIS	3:10pm Countdown	7:30pm 5 News Tonight
7:30pm BBC London News	5:15pm Back in Time for Dinner	4:15pm The Christmas Heart	4:00pm A Place in the Sun	8:00pm The Gadget Show
8:00pm The One Show	6:15pm Flog It!	6:00pm 5 News at 5	5:00pm Coast v Country	9:00pm The World's Greatest Bridges
8:30pm EastEnders	7:00pm Eggheads	6:30pm Neighbours	6:00pm Four in a Bed	10:00pm Eight Days That Made Rome: The Spartacus Revolt
9:00pm Harry Styles at the BBC	7:30pm Strictly - It Takes Two	7:00pm Home and Away	6:30pm Steph and Dom's One Star to Five Star	11:00pm Shrunken Heads of the Amazon
10:00pm The Ganges with Sue Perkins	8:00pm The Super-Rich and Us	8:00pm Channel 4 News	7:00pm Back in Time for Dinner	12:05am Jack the Ripper: The Missing Evidence
11:00pm BBC News at Ten	9:00pm The Big Family Cooking Showdown	8:00pm All New Traffic Cops	7:00pm Hot Chocolate at the BBC	
11:30pm BBC London News	10:00pm Exodus: Our Journey Continues	9:00pm Bargain Loving Brits in Blackpool	8:00pm Channel 4 News	
11:45pm Question Time	11:00pm Match of the Day	10:00pm Rich House, Poor House	8:30pm Unreported World	
12:45am This Week	11:30pm Newsnight	11:00pm Bad Habits, Holy Orders	8:55pm Stand Up To Cancer	
1:30am Weather for the Week Ahead	12:15am Louis Theroux	12:00pm The Great British Bake Off: An Extra Slice	9:00pm Food Unwrapped	
		12:00pm First Dates	9:30pm Travel Man	
		12:05am Borderline	10:00pm Gogglebox	
			11:00pm The Last Leg	
			12:05am First Dates	
			1:10am The Pyramid	

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Cassandra Nash

A weekly look

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

CARLES PUIGDEMONT, who disassembled for nearly a month, declared Catalan independence in a farcical vote in a half-empty parliament chamber.

Seventy pro-independence MPs were considered sufficient for UDI although changes to the region's electoral laws or the Statute of Autonomy require approval from 90.

Article 155 of the Spanish constitution has suspended Cataluña's autonomous status and on paper the separatists are set to lose the regional elections announced for December 21s

Vice-president Soraya Saenz de Santamaria, Mariano Rajoy's right-hand woman and not the best-loved member of his government, will oversee the day-to-day running of the region.

Anything can happen between now and the elections. And anti-system CUP plus Asamblea Nacional Catalana (ANC) and Omnium - obsessively separatist associations whose leaders are remanded for sedi-

Anything can happen

tion - will want to ensure that it does.

Good PR

THE secessionists are great communicators, foreign correspondents covering the Catalan drama said.

They praised their ease in reaching Raul Romeva, the Generalitat Catalan's Foreign Affairs chief and even the regional president Carles Puigdemont.

Getting a Madrid government spokesman to make a live public statement was virtually impossible, they lamented, and they are used to getting nothing specific or a sermon about the Catholic Monarchs at Moncloa press conferences.

Little wonder the sympathies of the international media lie with poor little Cataluña, trampled under the hoofs of the raging Spanish bull and tossed on its cruel horns.

FARCICAL:
Carles Puigdemont.



No matter that Carles Puigdemont, Oriol Junqueras and Anna Gabriel have done more to undermine democracy in their own region than anyone since Franco. That's good PR for you.

Conversation piece

ANTONIO TAJANI, president of the European Parliament, said that it is not Europe's job to mediate over a Spanish region.

Mariano Rajoy should have tried

that years ago but instead he and his government made a pig's ear of the Catalan issue. It started as a problem in 2010 when the Constitutional Tribunal overturned Cataluña's amended Statute at the Partido Popular's behest. Independence gathered momentum after 2012 and in 2017 ended in crisis and the Constitution's Article 155.

Unfortunately for Spain and Cataluña, Mariano Rajoy's brand of dialogue might be a monologue but Puigdemont's version was permission for independence.

Raking up the past

PABLO CASADO remarked that Carles Puigdemont could end up like Lluís Companys, the Catalan president executed by Franco's government in 1940 after the Gestapo returned him from occupied France.

Casado is the Partido Popular's Communications vice-secretary and as usual with politicians whose mouths run away with them, he immediately insisted that he hadn't meant that at all.

But Casado's original statement reeked of Spanish nationalism whose epicentre is based in Madrid. Despite the secessionists' provocation and disregard for law and democracy, this attitude is partly responsible for the escalation of the Catalan crisis and Mariano Rajoy's inability to do anything other than get out the rulebook and read it to the Catalans.

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7:00am Breakfast	7:45am Animal Park Summer Special	8:00pm The Inca: Masters of the Clouds	7:25am Adventure Racing	7:00am Milkshake! Programming aimed at children aged two to seven years old.
11:00am Saturday Kitchen Live	8:30am Naomi's Nightmares of Nature	9:00pm Gunpowder 5/11: The Greatest Terror Plot Drama documentary retelling the story of the Gunpowder Plot in 1605 in which Guy Fawkes and his fellow conspirators attempted to blow up king and parliament.	7:50am Everybody Loves Raymond	7:50am Everybody Loves Raymond
12:30pm The Hairy Bikers' Comfort Food	9:00am Deadly 60	10:00pm I Know Who You are	8:15am Everybody Loves Raymond	10:15am Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles
1:00pm Football Focus	9:30am Rugby League World Cup	11:15pm I Know Who You are	8:45am Frasier	10:50am The Gadget Show
2:00pm BBC News	12:30pm Coast	12:35am The Vietnam War	9:10am Frasier	11:45am Police Interceptors
2:10pm Weather	1:00pm Rick Stein's Long Weekends	1:30am Top of the Pops Special 20th anniversary edition of the pop chart programme, first broadcast on 5 January 1984.	9:35am The Big Bang Theory	12:45pm 12 Gifts of Christmas
2:15pm Rugby League World Cup Highlights	2:00pm Nigella at My Table	2:10am Top of the Pops	10:00am The Big Bang Theory	2:25pm Christmas Card
3:45pm Madagascar 3: Europe's Most Wanted	2:30pm Elsa: The Lioness That Changed the World	2:55am The Music that Made the Movies	10:30am The Big Bang Theory	4:10pm Christmas in the City
5:10pm Final Score	3:30pm Escape to the Continent	3:55am The Inca: Masters of the Clouds	10:55am The Simpsons	6:00pm A Mission for Christmas (Inc News Update at 18:00)
6:10pm Len Goodman's Partners in Rhyme	4:30pm Italy Unpacked		11:20am The Simpsons	7:45pm Rio Lobo
6:40pm BBC News	5:30pm Mastermind		12:20pm The Simpsons	9:55pm 5 News
6:50pm Regional News	6:00pm Flog It!		12:50pm Come Dine with Me	11:00pm NCIS: New Orleans
6:55pm Weather	7:00pm The Big Family		1:20pm Come Dine with Me	11:55pm NCIS: New Orleans
7:00pm Pointless	7:00pm Cooking Showdown		1:50pm Come Dine with Me	12:50am Lip Sync Battle Entertainment series seeing celebrities go head-to-head in a lip synching battle.
7:50pm Strictly Come Dancing	8:00pm Britain Afloat		2:25pm Come Dine with Me	1:15am Super Casino
9:20pm Casualty	8:30pm Front Row		2:55pm Come Dine with Me	
10:10pm Gunpowder	9:00pm Grand Tours of the Scottish Islands		3:25pm A Place in the Sun	
11:10pm BBC News	9:30pm Dad's Army		4:30pm A Place in the Sun	
11:25pm Weather	10:00pm Josh Widdicombe		5:30pm Best Laid Plans	
11:30pm Match of the Day	11:00pm QI XL		6:30pm Location, Location, Location	
12:50am The NFL Show	11:45pm Later... with Jools Holland		7:30pm Channel 4 News	
1:20am The Double	12:50am Red Tails		8:00pm Volatile Earth	
2:55am Weather for the Week Ahead			9:00pm Pearl Harbour	
			10:00pm The Other Woman	
			12:10am Unknown	

7:00am Breakfast	7:05am How We Won the War	8:00pm Only Connect A show in which connections must be made between seemingly unconnected things.	7:00am Kevin Can Wait	7:00am Milkshake!
8:35am Match of the Day	7:35am A to Z of TV Gardening	8:30pm University Challenge	7:25am Kevin Can Wait	10:50am Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles
10:00am The Andrew Marr Show	8:20am Great British Garden Revival	9:00pm Cult student quiz show where two rival university teams battle it out to see who has the most superior intellects.	7:50am Everybody Loves Raymond	11:25am Football on 5
11:00am Sunday Morning Live	9:20am The Countryfile Ramble for Children in Need	9:00pm October: Ten Days That Shook the World An epic masterpiece of silent cinema, sanctioned by the Bolsheviks to celebrate the tenth anniversary of the Russian Revolution of October 1917.	8:15am Everybody Loves Raymond	12:10pm Laugh Out Loud
12:00pm Sunday Politics	12:00pm My Life on a Plate	10:40pm Ceremony	8:40am Everybody Loves Raymond	12:40pm A Husband for Christmas
1:15pm Bargain Hunt	12:30pm MOTD2 Extra presents the latest football action.	11:40pm The Space	9:05am Frasier	2:25pm Grease: Coming Home for Christmas
2:00pm BBC News	1:15pm MOTD2 Extra	12:10am Gulag	9:30am Frasier	4:05pm Let it Snow
2:10pm Weather for the Week Ahead	2:00pm Echo: An Unforgettable Elephant: Natural World	3:10am Russia - A Century of Suspicion: A Timewatch Guide	10:00am Frasier	5:55pm 5 News
2:15pm Points of View	3:00pm Wild Brazil		10:30am Sunday Brunch	6:00pm Grease: Before and After They Were Stars
2:30pm Lifeline	4:00pm Flog It!		1:30pm Jamie's Quick and Easy Food	8:15pm Grease: Before and After They Were Stars
2:45pm FA Cup Final Score	5:00pm Rugby League World Cup Highlights		2:00pm Jamie and Jimmy's Friday Night Feast	9:15pm Rugby on 5: Anglo Welsh Cup Highlights
5:00pm Songs of Praise	11:00pm BBC News		3:00pm The Simpsons	10:00pm The Grease Story
5:35pm Blue Planet II	11:20pm Regional News		3:30pm The Simpsons	11:30pm Most Shocking Moments in Pop
6:35pm BBC News	11:30pm Match of the Day 2		4:00pm The Simpsons	2:15am Super Casino
6:50pm Regional News	12:45am Ronny Chieng: International Student		4:30pm The Great British Bake Off: The Final	4:10am GPs: Behind Closed Doors Documentary taking a look at what goes on in the consultation room.
6:55pm Weather			5:45pm Channel 4 News	
7:00pm Panorama			6:15pm Paddington	
7:30pm Countryfile Autumn Special			8:00pm Escape	
8:15pm Strictly Come Dancing			9:00pm Great Canal Journeys	
9:00pm Blue Planet II			10:00pm Big Ben	
10:00pm The Last Post			11:35pm Gogglebox	
11:00pm BBC News			12:35am The Railway Man	
11:20pm Regional News			2:40am The Supervet	
11:25pm Weather			3:35am Gillette World Sport	
11:30pm Match of the Day 2				
12:45am Ronny Chieng: International Student				

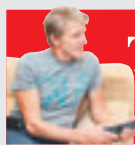
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7:00am CITV	7:25am Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records	7:00am Murder, She Wrote Drama series about a sleuthing writer who solves murder mysteries.	7:00am The Protectors The story of three freelance troubleshooters who run an international crime fighting agency.	7:00am SKY Sports News
10:25am ITV News	7:50am Emmerdale Omnibus	7:50am Murder, She Wrote	7:25am The Avengers	8:00am Live Chinese Super League
10:30am Saturday Morning with James Martin	10:25am Coronation Street Omnibus	8:45am The Mirror Crack'd Agatha Christie's Miss Marple investigates a murder on a film set.	8:30am Motorsport UK	10:00am Live European Tour Golf
12:25pm Gino's Italian Coastal Escape	1:20pm Take Me Out	9:50am FYI Daily	9:30am Fishing Impossible	Day three of the Turkish Airlines Open, on the European Tour.
12:55pm The Hungry Sailors	2:30pm Harry Hills Alien Fun Capsule	9:55am The Mirror Crack'd	10:30am ITV Racing: The Opening Show	12:30pm Football Stoke City v Leicester City.
1:50pm The Harbour	3:00pm See Spot Run	11:00am Wycliffe	11:30am Pawn Stars	3:55pm Rugby Union Barbarians v New Zealand.
2:20pm ITV News	4:00pm See Spot Run	12:05pm Columbo	12:00pm Pawn Stars	6:15pm Football Brentford v Leeds United.
2:30pm The X Factor	4:05pm See Spot Run	2:05pm Foyle's War	12:25pm Shed and Buried	8:40pm Live Fight Night International A West Bromwich Albion light heavyweight title battle between Dmitry Bivol and Trent Broadhurst headlines a big night of boxing from the Salle des Etoiles in Monaco.
4:30pm Thunderbirds are Go	5:05pm St Trinians: The Legend of Frittons Gold	4:10pm Midsomer Murders	2:30pm ITV Racing Live	12:00am Fight Night
4:55pm Father of the Bride	6:05pm St Trinians: The Legend of Frittons Gold	8:00pm Midsomer Murders	5:00pm Pawn Stars	
7:00pm Paul O'Grady: For the Love of Dogs	7:10pm The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King	8:05pm Midsomer Murders	5:30pm Hornblower	
7:25pm Local News and Weather	8:15pm FYI Daily	8:00pm Midsomer Murders	5:55pm World Series of Darts Finals Live	
7:35pm ITV News and Weather	8:20pm The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King	10:00pm Midsomer Murders	8:00pm The Glimmer Man	
7:50pm You've Been Framed!	11:00pm Celebrity Juice	12:00am The Syndicate	1:05am FYI Daily	
8:15pm Ninja Warrior UK	11:50pm Family Guy	12:05am Hazelwood Manor find their life changed when they win the lottery.	1:10am The Glimmer Man	
9:20pm The X Factor	12:20am Family Guy		1:50am The Sweeney	
11:05pm The Jonathan Ross Show	12:50am American Dad!		2:50am The Classic Car Show	
12:10am ITV News and Weather			3:40am ITV4 Nightscreen	
			4:00am Teleshopping	

7:00am CITV	7:00am Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records	7:00am Lewis	7:00am The Protectors	7:00am SKY Sports News
10:25am ITV News	7:15am The Cube	8:40am Heartbeat	7:25am The Avengers	8:00am Total Goals
10:30am Australian Wilderness with Ray Mears	8:05am Coronation Street Omnibus	9:45am Heartbeat	8:35am The Avengers	9:00am Total Goals
11:00am Peston on Sunday	11:00am Guidance	10:45am Murder, She Wrote Murder mystery series.	10:40am The Sweeney	9:30am Live European Tour Golf
12:00pm Columbo: Rest in Peace Mrs Columbo	11:30am L.A. Story	11:50am Murder, She Wrote	11:40am The Sweeney Hornblower	1:00pm Football Live Nissan Super Sunday
2:00pm ITV News	11:40am Ready, Set, Style	12:50pm Murder, She Wrote	1:45pm World Series of Darts Finals Live	2:15pm Live Nissan Super Sunday
2:10pm The X Factor	11:55am Ready, Set, Style	1:55pm Heidi	6:00pm Pawn Stars	5:15pm Live Nissan Super Sunday
3:50pm Catchphrase	12:05pm Third Wheel	4:05pm Carry on Follow That Camel	6:30pm Pawn Stars	Super Sunday continues as Chelsea meet Manchester United at Stamford Bridge.
4:35pm Ball and Boe: Back Together	12:25pm The X Factor	5:05pm FYI Daily	7:25pm Pawn Stars	8:00pm Live NFL: Game A match from the National Football League.
5:35pm A Very Royal Wedding	2:10pm You've Been Framed Gold!	A round-up of the latest entertainment news.	7:50pm Snooker v Darts	10:00pm Live NFL: Sunday Game A match from the National Football League.
6:50pm Local News and Weather	2:45pm Bean	5:10pm Carry on Follow That Camel	8:00pm World Series of Darts Finals Live	2:00am Live NFL: Oakland @ Miami
7:00pm ITV News and Weather	3:50pm FYI Daily	6:00pm Lewis	12:00am 6 Bullets	5:30am Sporting Records
7:10pm The Chase	3:55pm Bean	8:00pm Lewis	1:05am FYI Daily	
8:05pm The X Factor	4:30pm Looney Tunes: Back in Action	10:00pm The Syndicate	1:10am 6 Bullets	
10:00pm Sheridan	5:30pm FYI Daily	12:10am Honest	2:15am The Sweeney	
11:00pm ITV News and Weather	5:35pm Looney Tunes: Back in Action	1:05pm The Constant Gardener	3:15am Storage Wars	
11:20pm Peston on Sunday	6:20pm Clash of the Titans	1:10pm The Constant Gardener	3:35am British Touring Car Crashes and Smashes	
12:15am Caught on Camera	7:20pm FYI Daily	1:20am FYI Daily	4:00am Teleshopping	
1:10am Jackpot247	8:25pm Clash of the Titans	1:25am The Constant Gardener	4:00am Teleshopping Innovative, value-for-money products brought directly to you at home.	
	9:25pm Pacific Rim	2:40am The Knock		
	11:00pm Family Guy			
	12:00am Family Guy			

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TV Couch Critic

Strictly camera angles plus unripe avocados

STRICTLY COME DANCING (BBC1, Saturday & Sunday) continues to delight with glitz and sparkle even though I wasn't sure that without Sir Bruce and Seven-loving Len it would remain as a weekend favourite.

But it most certainly is. Twitter-using fans of the show will have seen a flood of comments about the camera angles over recent weeks and I agree.

Clearly someone has a new box of tricks and wants to throw them all at the dancers, with cameras spinning around the dance floor, way too many overhead shots and on one occasion a lens so close to the dancing couple there was a real danger of a collision.

All that glitter and hair product to clean up, and that's just from a slight

brush against Bruno!

Maybe Len needs to return and sort it all out, as only he can?

A show that on paper shouldn't work, but on the screen really does, is *James and Jupp* (BBC2 Wales, Sunday).

Maybe a touch of Miss Marple is needed to find this given the channel, but if you want a blast of stunning countryside and two-blokes-in-a-car-humour, seek it out.

The format is simple: comedians Elis James and Miles Jupp take a car trip around

Wales, and while it isn't Top Gear or the sort of comedy normally familiar from these two, the banter is genuine and the trip on the A470 connecting south and north Wales is spectacular.

Meanwhile I am getting increasingly worried by some content panellists on *Loose Women* (ITV, weekdays) are being given to work with.

As daytime telly, viewers expect mixed topics to be discussed from hard hitting to trivial.

But a recent item asked if viewers suffered 'avocado anxiety,' a term used following re-

search that revealed a fear among one in three millennials when their avocados aren't ripe.

This may be about the right level for lovely Stacey Solomon and lets face it Linda Robson will read anything from autocue, but the likes of Janet Street-Porter and Ruth Langford as serious commentators surely deserve something better.

The latest written-by and starring Jack Whitehall offering *Bounty Hunters* (SKY1, Wednesday) pairs Jack with Rosie Perez, while Robert Lindsay and

Charity Wakefield are thrown in for good measure.

As Jack has written this one I am unsure why he has cast himself as a middle class fool; maybe just to reinforce his one-trick pony CV?

His character, Barnaby - why give him such a name Jack? - is trying to save the failing family antiques business and gets involved with looted treasures from the East.

It is unclear how this will play out, but Rosie is gorgeous and Jack looks good with spectacles and trimmed beard, so I'm sticking with it.

Finally, *The Crown* (Netflix) starts a second season on December 8. With the story known inside out, based on season one there will be little if anything new.

Even so the date is already in my viewing diary.

Critique: AWL, Casares, Costa del Sol



GLITTERING: The Strictly Come Dancing 2017 lineup.

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BBC one	BBC TWO	BBC FOUR	CHANNEL 4	CHANNEL 5
4:45pm Money for Nothing	5:15pm Back in Time for Dinner	8:00pm Beyond 100 Days	1:05pm Come Dine with Me	1:15pm The Gadget Show
5:30pm Flog It!	6:15pm Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is	8:30pm Great Continental Railway Journeys	2:05pm My Kitchen Rules	2:10pm Access
6:15pm Pointless	7:00pm Eggheads	Armed with his 1913 Bradshaw's, Michael Portillo explores a very different Spain from the one he knows best and ventures across its border with Britain's oldest ally, Portugal.	3:10pm Countdown	2:15pm Home and Away
7:00pm BBC News	7:30pm Strictly it Takes Two	10:00pm The Art of Scandinavia	4:00pm A Place in the Sun	2:45pm Neighbours
7:30pm Regional News	8:00pm Match of the Day	11:20pm Leviathan	5:00pm Coast v Country	3:15pm NCIS: New Orleans
8:00pm The One Show	8:30pm Coastal Path	1:35am Lost Kingdoms of Central America	6:00pm Four in a Bed	4:15pm Defending Santa
8:30pm Inside Out	9:00pm University Challenge	11:00pm First Dates	6:30pm Steph and Dom's One Star to Five	5 News
9:00pm EastEnders	9:30pm Elizabeth I's Secret Agents	12:05am Celebrity Hunted	7:00pm The Simpsons	6:30pm Neighbours
9:30pm Would I Lie to You?	11:00pm Live at the Apollo	12:05am The One	7:30pm Hollyoaks	4:15pm Defending Santa
10:00pm Panorama	11:30pm Newsnight		8:00pm Channel 4 News	6:00pm 5 News
11:00pm BBC News	12:10am Weather		9:00pm Dispatches	6:30pm Neighbours
11:30pm Regional News			9:30pm Tricks of the Restaurant Trade	7:00pm Home and Away
11:40pm Weather			10:00pm 999: What's Your Emergency?	5 News
11:45pm Have I Got a Bit More News for You			11:00pm First Dates	7:30pm Home and Away
			12:05am The One	8:00pm Car Crash TV

itv	itv2	itv3	itv4	sky sports main event
7:30pm ITV Evening News	3:45pm The Jeremy Kyle Show	9:50am Judge Judy	7:00am The Chase	12:00pm Sky Sports Daily
8:00pm Emmerdale	4:50pm The Jeremy Kyle Show	10:15am Judge Judy	8:00am The Chase	1:00pm SKY Sports News
8:30pm Coronation Street	7:00pm Dress to Impress	10:45am Judge Judy	9:00am Storage Wars	2:00pm SKY Sports News
9:00pm The Harbour	8:00pm You've Been Framed Gold!	11:10am Inspector Morse	9:30am Cash Cowboys	3:00pm SKY Sports News
9:30pm Coronation Street	8:30pm You've Been Framed Gold!	11:25pm Wild at Heart	10:30am Ironside	4:00pm SKY Sports News
10:00pm Truly, Madly, Deeply	9:00pm Two and a Half Men	12:30pm Heartbeat	11:35am Quincy, M.E.	5:00pm SKY Sports News
11:00pm ITV News at Ten and Weather	10:00pm Family Guy	3:40pm Classic Coronation Street	12:35pm The Sweeney	6:00pm SKY Sports News
11:40pm Behind Bars: Inside Barlinnie	10:30pm Ghosted	4:15pm Classic Coronation Street	1:45pm Snooker	7:00pm SKY Sports News
12:40pm The Jonathan Ross Show	11:00pm Timewasters	4:45pm Inspector Morse	6:15pm The Avengers	8:00pm Sky Sports Tonight
	11:30pm American Dad!	7:00pm Heartbeat	7:20pm Storage Wars	8:30pm La Liga Greatest Games
	12:00am Family Guy	8:00pm Murder, She Wrote	7:45pm Snooker	
		9:00pm Agatha Christie's Marple	12:15am A Dangerous Man	
		11:00pm Lewis	1:25am FYI Daily	
		1:00am Inspector Morse	1:30am A Dangerous Man	
			2:10am Motorsport UK	
			3:15am The Protectors	
			3:50am ITV4 Nightscreen	

TUESDAY - 7 NOVEMBER

BBC one	BBC TWO	BBC FOUR	CHANNEL 4	CHANNEL 5
3:15pm Impossible	4:15pm Operation Gold	8:00pm Beyond 100 Days	1:00pm Channel 4 News	2:10pm Access
4:00pm Escape to the Country	Rush with Dan Snow	8:30pm Great Continental Railway Journeys	1:05pm Come Dine with Me	2:15pm Home and Away
4:45pm Money for Nothing	5:15pm Hebrides: Islands on the Edge	9:00pm Empire of the Tsars: Romanov Russia with Lucy Worsley	2:05pm My Kitchen Rules	2:45pm Neighbours
5:30pm Flog It!	6:15pm Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is	10:00pm The Real Doctor Zhivago	3:10pm Countdown	3:15pm NCIS: New Orleans
6:15pm Pointless	7:00pm Eggheads	11:00pm Timewatch	4:00pm A Place in the Sun	4:15pm I'm Not Ready for Christmas
7:00pm BBC News	7:30pm Strictly it Takes Two	11:45pm Storyville	5:00pm Coast v Country	5 News
7:30pm Regional News	8:00pm Match of the Day	12:15am Natural World	6:00pm Four in a Bed	6:00pm Neighbours
8:00pm The One Show	8:30pm Coastal Path	2:15am British Art at War: Bomberg, Sickert and Nash	6:30pm Steph and Dom's One Star to Five	6:30pm Neighbours
8:30pm EastEnders	9:30pm Elizabeth I's Secret Agents	3:15am The Real Doctor Zhivago	7:00pm The Simpsons	7:00pm Home and Away
9:00pm Holby City	11:00pm Live at the Apollo		7:30pm Hollyoaks	5 News
10:00pm The A Word	11:30pm Newsnight		8:00pm Channel 4 News	6:00pm 5 News
11:00pm BBC News	12:05am Weather		9:00pm The Secret Life of 4 Year Olds	6:30pm Neighbours
11:30pm Regional News			10:00pm Grand Designs	7:00pm Home and Away
11:40pm Weather			11:00pm Musul	5 News
11:45pm Hotel for Refugees			12:05am How to Get a Council House	7:30pm Home and Away
12:25am Generation Screwed?				8:00pm Yorkshire: A Year in the Wild

itv	itv2	itv3	itv4	sky sports main event
4:00pm Tenable	3:45pm The Jeremy Kyle Show	8:55am Wild at Heart	7:00am The Chase	9:30am Good Morning Sports Fans
5:00pm Tipping Point	4:50pm The Jeremy Kyle Show	9:55am Judge Judy	8:00am The Chase	10:00am Good Morning Sports Fans
6:00pm The Chase	5:55pm The Jeremy Kyle Show	10:20am Judge Judy	9:00am Storage Wars	11:00am Premier League Daily
7:00pm Local News and Weather	7:00pm Dress to Impress	10:50am Judge Judy	9:30am The Sweeney	12:30pm Sportswomen
7:30pm ITV Evening News	8:00pm You've Been Framed Gold!	11:15am Inspector Morse	10:30am Minder	1:00pm SKY Sports News
8:00pm Emmerdale	8:30pm You've Been Framed Gold!	1:35pm Wild at Heart	11:30am The Avengers	2:00pm SKY Sports News
8:30pm Countrywise	9:00pm Two and a Half Men	2:35pm Heartbeat	12:40pm The Saint	2:30pm Cricket
9:00pm The Daily Mirror	10:00pm Bridesmaids	3:40pm Classic Coronation Street	1:45pm Snooker	6:00pm SKY Sports News
	11:00pm FYI Daily	4:15pm Classic Coronation Street	6:15pm The Avengers	7:00pm SKY Sports News
	11:05pm Bridesmaids	4:45pm Inspector Morse	7:20pm Storage Wars	7:30pm SKY Sports News
	12:20am Lethal Weapon	7:00pm Heartbeat	7:45pm Snooker	7:30pm Live Next Gen
	1:15am Jackpot247	8:00pm Murder, She Wrote	12:15am World Superbike Highlights	8:00pm Tennis Finals
		9:00pm Midsomer Murders	8:00pm Gascoigne	11:30pm SKY Sports News at Ten
		11:05pm Lewis	2:25am FYI Daily	12:00am SKY Sports News
		1:00am Inspector Morse	2:30am Gascoigne	
			3:10am The Protectors	

WEDNESDAY - 8 NOVEMBER

BBC one	BBC TWO	BBC FOUR	CHANNEL 4	CHANNEL 5
7:00am Breakfast	9:30am Caught Red Handed	8:00pm Beyond 100 Days	9:05am Everybody Loves Raymond	7:00am Milkshake!
10:15am Women at War	10:00am Victoria Derbyshire	8:30pm Great Continental Railway Journeys	9:35am Everybody Loves Raymond	10:15am The Wright Stuff
11:00am Homes Under the Hammer	12:00pm BBC Newsroom Live	9:00pm Empire of the Tsars: Romanov Russia with Lucy Worsley	10:05am Frasier	12:15pm Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
12:00pm Getting the Builders in	1:00pm Easy Virtuesday	10:00pm Cosmonauts	11:05am Ramsay's Hotel Hell	1:10pm The latest news coverage.
12:45pm Fugitives	2:30pm Lifeline	11:00pm DetectoRists	12:00pm The Simpsons	1:15pm The Hotel Inspector Returns
1:15pm Bargain Hunt	2:40pm Grand Tours of Scotland	Sitcom in which two friends go hunting for their heart's desire with a couple of metal detectors.	12:30pm The Simpsons	2:10pm Access
2:00pm BBC News	2:45pm Permission	11:30pm Sleuths, Spies and Sorcerers: Andrew Marr's Paperback Heroes	1:00pm Channel 4 News	2:15pm Home and Away
2:30pm Regional News	3:45pm Family Finders	1:00am Queen Victoria's Letters: A Monarch Unveiled	1:05pm Come Dine with Me	2:45pm Neighbours
2:45pm Doctors	4:15pm Operation Gold	2:00am Pagens and Pilgrims: Britain's Holiest Places	2:05pm My Kitchen Rules	3:20pm NCIS
3:15pm Impossible	4:15pm Hebrides: Islands on the Edge	2:30am British Art at War: Bomberg, Sickert and Nash	3:10pm Countdown	4:15pm The Christmas Note
4:00pm Escape to the Country	5:15pm Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is		4:00pm A Place in the Sun	5 News
4:45pm Money for Nothing	6:15pm Where Your Mouth Is		5:00pm Coast v Country	6:30pm Neighbours
5:30pm Flog It!	7:00pm Eggheads		6:00pm Four in a Bed	7:00pm Home and Away
6:15pm Pointless	7:30pm Strictly it Takes Two		6:30pm Steph and Dom's One Star to Five	7:30pm 5 News
7:00pm BBC News	8:00pm Meet the Lords		7:00pm The Simpsons	8:00pm Traffic Cops
7:30pm Regional News	8:00pm MasterChef: The Professionals		7:30pm Hollyoaks	9:00pm GPs: Behind Closed Doors
8:00pm The One Show	9:00pm MasterChef: The Professionals		8:00pm Channel 4 News	10:00pm Big Family Values: More Kids Than Cash
9:00pm DIY SOS	10:00pm MasterChef: The Professionals		9:00pm The Supervet	11:00pm Shannon Matthews: The Mother's Story
10:00pm The Apprentice	11:00pm MasterChef: The Professionals		10:00pm The Truth About Slim People	12:05am When Kids Kill: Catfish Killer
11:00pm BBC News	11:00pm The Apprentice: You're Fired!		11:00pm Man Down	
11:30pm Regional News	11:30pm Newsnight		11:35pm Homecoming	
11:40pm Weather	12:10am Weather		12:35am Gogglebox	
11:45pm A Question of Sport			1:35am Pokerstars	
12:15am Junior Doctors				

itv	itv2	itv3	itv4	sky sports main event
7:00am Good Morning Britain	9:00am Emmerdale	7:00am Classic Coronation Street	7:00am The Chase	7:00am Good Morning Sports Fans
9:30am Lorraine	9:30am The Cube	7:25am Classic Coronation Street	8:00am The Chase	7:30am Good Morning Sports Fans
10:25am The Jeremy Kyle Show	10:30am The Ellen	7:55am Heartbeat	9:00am Storage Wars	8:00am Good Morning Sports Fans
11:30am This Morning	11:20am DeGeneres Show	8:55am Wild at Heart	9:25am The Sweeney	8:30am Good Morning Sports Fans
1:30pm Loose Women	12:20pm Dinner Date	9:55am Judge Judy	10:30am Minder	9:00am Good Morning Sports Fans
2:30pm ITV Lunchtime News	12:20pm Dress to Impress	The Emmy nominated reality courtroom series, presided over by outspoken family court judge, Judge Judy.	Modern-day re-imagining on the classic comedy-drama.	9:30am Good Morning Sports Fans
3:00pm Dickinson's Real Deal	1:20pm Emmerdale	10:20am Judge Judy	The Avengers	10:00am Good Morning Sports Fans
4:00pm Tenable	1:50pm You've Been Framed Gold!	10:50am Judge Judy	60s style action adventure, with the bowler-hatted sleuth Steed and a slinky succession of glamorous female sidekicks.	11:00am Premier League Daily
5:00pm Tipping Point	2:50pm The Ellen DeGeneres Show	11:15am Inspector Morse	The Avengers	12:00pm Sky Sports Daily
6:00pm The Chase	3:45pm The Jeremy Kyle Show	1:30pm Wild at Heart	60s style action adventure, with the bowler-hatted sleuth Steed and a slinky succession of glamorous female sidekicks.	1:00pm SKY Sports News
7:00pm Local News and Weather	4:50pm The Jeremy Kyle Show	2:35pm Heartbeat	60s style action adventure, with the bowler-hatted sleuth Steed and a slinky succession of glamorous female sidekicks.	2:00pm Live Next Gen
7:30pm ITV Evening News	5:55pm The Jeremy Kyle Show	3:40pm Classic Coronation Street	60s style action adventure, with the bowler-hatted sleuth Steed and a slinky succession of glamorous female sidekicks.	6:00pm SKY Sports News
8:00pm Emmerdale	7:00pm Dress to Impress	4:15pm Classic Coronation Street	60s style action adventure, with the bowler-hatted sleuth Steed and a slinky succession of glamorous female sidekicks.	7:00pm SKY Sports News
8:30pm Coronation Street	8:00pm You've Been Framed Gold!	4:45pm Inspector Morse	60s style action adventure, with the bowler-hatted sleuth Steed and a slinky succession of glamorous female sidekicks.	7:30pm Live Next Gen
9:00pm Gino's Italian	9:00pm Two and a Half Men	7:00pm Heartbeat	60s style action adventure, with the bowler-hatted sleuth Steed and a slinky succession of glamorous female sidekicks.	8:00pm Tennis Finals
9:30pm Coronation Street	9:30pm Two and a Half Men	8:00pm Murder, She Wrote	60s style action adventure, with the bowler-hatted sleuth Steed and a slinky succession of glamorous female sidekicks.	9:00pm SKY Sports News
10:00pm Doc Martin	10:00pm Celebrity Showmance	9:00pm Foyle's War	60s style action adventure, with the bowler-hatted sleuth Steed and a slinky succession of glamorous female sidekicks.	11:30pm SKY Sports News at Ten
11:00pm ITV News at Ten and Weather	11:00pm Family Guy	11:05pm Lewis	60s style action adventure, with the bowler-hatted sleuth Steed and a slinky succession of glamorous female sidekicks.	12:00am SKY Sports News
11:45pm Bear's Mission with Rob Brydon	11:30pm Family Guy	1:00am Inspector Morse	60s style action adventure, with the bowler-hatted sleuth Steed and a slinky succession of glamorous female sidekicks.	
12:45am Road Rage Britain: Caught on Camera	12:00am American Dad!		60s style action adventure, with the bowler-hatted sleuth Steed and a slinky succession of glamorous female sidekicks.	

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Follow your dreams

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ASTROLOGY: ignite your passions

Sun in Scorpio : This month the sun is influenced by the watery symbol of Scorpio. This sign brings the opportunity to get to the truth of the matter, whether concerning relationship issues, health problems or career direction. What makes your heart sing? Is there something you love to do (or someone you love to be with?) but need a little courage to follow your heart?

This is the month to follow your dreams and explore your own hidden depths to find out what really makes you tick. You may also help others to do the same, so take time to listen to friends and family this month, who may be looking for some guidance and reassurance.

Get in tune with the moon : The full moon on November 3 is in the earthy sign of Taurus. This is an excellent time to become clear about your vision for the new year. Whilst heading towards winter, when there is less light in the sky, you will be able to hear your inner voice more clearly. So take time out for yourself to walk,

write or meditate to help you become aware of your inner yearnings.

Putting together a collection of photos and words to represent your vision would be helpful at this time. This will give you something to look at as the year progresses. The new moon on November 18 is in the sign of Scorpio. Spend time with inspiring friends on this day and see what insights come to you. Then begin to take action to bring your desires to fruition, so that by the time spring arrives next year your plans are well under way.

Numerology: master your destiny

Number 11 : This is the number of the inspired healer and creative artist. It is an intuitive and instinctual number, dynamic and focused at its best, indecisive and alone when fearful. Consider where you are following your intuition, and whether you are making the most of your natural talents at this time. Is your energy buoyant or are you in need of a rest? Do you feel decisive about your future direction, or is it a little unclear? There may be a few tests thrown in this month, but don't despair. Everything happens for a reason. So embrace any difficulties you face this month with strength and confidence. Use your inner knowing to navigate through any challenges you may face.

SCORPIO: Get to the truth of the matter.

The Tarot: e m b r a c e change

In the Tarot Deck, the 11th card in the picture deck is the card of Justice. This card deals with the idea of karma, and the law of cause and effect, stating that all events, and all people are connected. This card also indicates that it is perhaps time to make an important decision. Will you continue your life as it is, or will you take real action to change?

This card indicates that now is the time to gain true satisfaction and you must evaluate your outer life using your inner wisdom. In order to assess your life you must be truly honest for this is an act of deep self love. Know that now is the time to begin creating the life you truly desire.



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For Theresa May 'important progress' was made at the recent EU summit. For Corbyn it was 'Groundhog Day'

Nora Johnson

Breaking Views

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DOUBLE TROUBLE: Juncker and Merkel.

Merkel has proved inflexible regarding making the EU more adaptive to the needs of its members, with David Cameron humiliated in his attempts to achieve some reform of the freedom of movement rules prior to the UK referendum.

In short, it's well past time for countries in the EU other than the UK to say

"enough is enough!" Cracks are appearing - even the Danish finance minister recently stated that the EU's wrangling over Brexit is "a game" and flexibility is required.

Thankfully, the EU is now showing a hint of flexibility, the 'sequencing' of talks having proved a major barrier to progress. All UK political parties should also be getting behind the government as it clearly has a very difficult job ahead. Labour in particular (yes, I'm looking at you, Mr 'Groundhog Day' Corbyn!) needs to stop all the political point-scoring.

Finally, talk of the billions of pounds 'owed' the EU is enough to drive us all crazy. Which reminds me of an old joke. Doctor: "Nurse, how is that little boy doing, the one who accidentally swallowed those old £1 coins?" Nurse: "No change yet."

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THURSDAY THOUGHTS

By Tobias Entwistle, Nerja

Comedy call - just hang up

YOU know what really gets me? Unnecessary voicemail messages. I do understand the need for important voicemails, but I am talking about the ones that go something like: "Oh hi, it's only me. Just wanted to chat, give me a call back, okay bye."

Now, there are a few things about this one, pointless, unnecessary, time-wasting message that wind me up.

Firstly, "It's only me." I know exactly who it was great granddad, the voicemail person has already told me the number in the slowest imaginable way and more importantly WE HAVE CALLER ID NOW, I know who called, when.

Secondly, "just wanted to chat." Of course, my mistake, I only didn't pick up Auntie Mabel because you usually call for your annual insurance quote. Thank you for clarifying though, I'll call you straight back.

Finally, "give me a call back." I don't know if this is just me, but whenever I do call back straight away, why is it that no-one ever picks up? Surely you must be near your phone, is this revenge for me missing your call?

The worst part though is that all those messages add-up and when you actually need a voicemail, you have to wade through hours of messages, what feels like years of your life, listening to them all just in case they were important but knowing you've ALREADY called back.

Save us both time and just hang up, I'll call back.

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THERESA MAY 'begged for help' and seemed 'tired' and 'politically weak' at the recent EU summit according to leaks reportedly by the EU side to further weaken the PM.

Regardless of the truth of these leaks, it's clear the UK needs to rapidly progress the negotiations before relationships deteriorate any further. Both sides are jockeying for position. The EU wants as much money as possible to offset the effect of the UK's departure. The UK wants to minimise the amount it pays AND have a trade deal with the EU.

Unquestionably, the EU under both Merkel and Juncker has proved inflexible and unaccommodating. Merkel gave carte blanche to migration into the EU when the so-called Dublin Regulation was suspended, turning a steady flow of migration into a flood. Eastern member states have objected to EU quotas for migrants and been taken to the ECJ in their quest for border controls.

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Liberal views a recipe for confusion?

SIR,

I have never written to a newspaper before.

But after reading the liberal bury your head in the sand - or somewhere else where the sun does not shine - full page (!) article entitled Children are not the confused ones that appeared in *issue 1684* I am compelled to comment.

So Anon (for it was written by an anonymous person), you feel that anyone that has a counter opinion to yours needs to be re-educated? I don't think so!

I agree with you that being LGBT is not a trend, it is a lifestyle chosen by those who make it. Most children are not mature or experienced enough to make choices on this or many other issues until they get into their teens, generally with some guidance from their parents.

If you have educated your children into believing that two men or two women having same sex sexual intercourse is 'normal' I fear that you gloss it over with statements like 'If a girl

Beeb should be ashamed

CASSANDRA NASH definitely hits the nail on the head this week (*issue 1686*) referring to the UK media's inaccurate reporting on the Catalan situation.

I agree with her 100 per cent!

I was shocked and angry at the way the BBC described the attempted Catalan Independence coup. Disgusted at the biased one-sided sensationalist take on the whole sorry affair.

Anyone would think Cataluña is a poor, downtrodden little region subjected to the evil tyranny of Madrid, instead of the wealthy, well-treated, spoiled region that it really is.



UK MEDIA: Inaccurate on Cataluña?

Why did they keep showing the same footage of the same independistas being dragged down a flight of stairs and pushed onto the street? Because that was all they had. These were isolated incidences and not widespread occurrences.

I expected more from a media corporation which has an international reputation for fairness and well-informed, accurate reporting. Can we believe anything the BBC says from now on? I for one certainly won't.

Lynn Hopkins, Fuengirola

feels more like a boy and dresses as such so what' and 'if a boy dresses like a girl so what.'

Recipe for childhood confusion!

Pedro J Elliott, address withheld

Law of the land

A SPANISH friend has explained to me that the Spanish Constitution would need to be changed in order to allow the Spanish government to agree to the secession of Cataluña. UK citizens may find this difficult to understand as - luckily in my opinion - we have no written constitution and thus it was relatively easy for Parliament in Westminster to allow the Scots to have a legal referendum.

Helena McGinty, Alhaurin El Grande

Stamp it out!

I WONDER if there is some official reason why most (or what feels like most) official documentation in Spain still needs to be rubber stamped as in the UK pre-1990s? Or is it because civil offices remain paper-based? If so the government should be urged to sort this dated and environmentally-damaging practice out!!

Bill Turnbull, Orihuela

No red tape

I HAVE recently sold my house in Calpe, and having heard many complaints about telephone and Wi-Fi suppliers would like to recognise some exceptional service. The helpline number at Orange was answered quickly and within seconds connected to an English-speaking operator. I gave the new information and as I was thanking him and saying goodbye he said 'that's all done now.' That's what I call good service!

Peter F Purvey, Calpe

Just chill out

IT was ice, not global warming, that killed and entombed millions of mammoths and woolly rhinos in Siberia and Alaska. It was unrelenting cold and then ice, not global warming, that forced the Vikings out of Greenland. It was bitter winters, not heat waves, that finally defeated the armies of Napoleon and Hitler in Russia. It is lethal global cooling we need to fear, not life-sustaining global warming.

Viv Forbe, Australia

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Catalan parliament declares independence

Irresponsible and tragic figures... this will only hurt their mislead supporters on the streets.

Most surely these immature cowards will not stand in the front line with their crowd against National Police. Ghandi was a great leader of peaceful disobedience, these guys are not.

I guess the vast majority of the people living in Cataluña thinks like us in this thread today. They never asked for any of this...

Let's keep our fingers crossed that no-one gets seriously injured the next days or worse... *Peter Redrin*
Wait till it hits the pocket of the average person in the street. Trouble ahead. *Catriona Ni Bhucalla*

More than one million protest a unified Spain

They have got to be better together as a nation, than apart and fractured, out on a limb, Spain has come so far since the passing of Franco's fascist ruling, let's hope they work things out, and not listening to people that are only thinking of themselves. *George R Carman*

Society's poison (Leapy Lee)

Typically one-sided, simplistic argument Lee. It's much more complex than you would like to pretend. Just

Comments from EWN online

for starters, many same sex parents are kind and caring. Some opposite sex parents get convicted of child cruelty etc. Your articles need more balance. *Sam B*
Praying for a peaceful conclusion, love Spain. *Maggie Champion*

Ryanair £5 UK to Spain flight deal

I would not use them even if the flight were for free ...Arrogant MD ...I'm happy to pay anything rather than fly with this company, if no other airline I'd rather drive to Europe... *Jane Duckworth*

Wild boar cull ordered

If they have to have a cull of the wild boar, then it should be done responsibly, or take as many of them back into the hills and forests, as is possible, and review the problem in a year's time. If the problem re-occurs then round up a said amount and send them to an abattoir, and the meat sold off. Which I am sure will be sold very quickly. *George R Carman*

My dog is currently seriously ill after being attacked by wild boar near our home. I'm going to report it to the police to try to get some action. *Sue Cook*

Costa del Sol port cruises to record year

Malaga Port may have a record 2017 but I just arrived back yesterday on the Pullmantur Horizon cruise ship and it was confirmed on board that they will NOT be using Malaga to board or disembark passengers in 2018 due to a massive increase in port costs!

If we want to do a similar cruise next year then we have no choice other than to board in either Alicante or Barcelona...

Talk about biting the hand that feeds you! *Lorraine Enriquez Murphy*

Man who raided 50 hotel rooms arrested

It's funny how people on holiday suddenly forget about taking care care of their valuables, money, and sometimes, their own safety, rogues, thieves, and vagabonds, even when they are on holiday, can't stop themselves from going about their profession. *George R Carman*

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Flu



SPECIALIST: Doctor Luis Perez Belmonte.

WHAT are the symptoms of flu?

The flu is an infection in the respiratory system caused by a virus that can bring about several symptoms that do not necessarily appear at the same time.

In general a person suffering from the flu will have a cough, fever, pains in their muscles and extremities, feel run down, tiredness, loss of appetite and lack of energy. These symptoms can last several days.

A person usually recovers gradually over a few days, however for some it can take several weeks before they are fully recovered.

How can you treat it?

Usually the best course of treatment is to take medication to manage the symptoms along with rest and plenty of hydration. In more severe cases antiviral or antibiotic medication may be required to deal with the virus.

Should I seek medical

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help?

It is recommended that you see your doctor for an initial evaluation so they can refer you to specialists or to take further tests if they are necessary.

When would it be advisable to get a flu jab?

The vaccination campaigns tend to start in autumn and it is recommended that you get the jab especially if you have a high risk of catching the flu. The elderly and those suffering from chronic illnesses are also advised to get vaccinated.

Are there people who are vulnerable to the virus?

People over the age of 65 are more likely to get the flu, and to suffer more seriously from it. Anyone with respiratory illnesses such as Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease or asthma, or other chronic illnesses such as diabetes and those suffering from cancer are the most vulnerable to the virus.

Immune boosters

AUTUMN can be one of the best parts of the year, offering up Halloween and fireworks parties as well as the exciting build-up to Christmas and some fantastic Saturday night TV.

This festive season can bring with it some unwanted bugs, however, and it is important to keep our immune systems as strong as possible to ward off illnesses.

While your immune system is largely dictated by your genetic make-up, there are certainly things you can still do to boost yours.

According to Harvard University, the best thing you can do is improve your general lifestyle by avoiding smoking, eating more fruit and vegetables, exercising regularly and maintaining a healthy weight.

The university also advises controlling your blood pressure, drinking alcohol only in moderation, getting enough sleep and washing your hands thoroughly and frequently, especially after contact with others. It is also important to maintain regular health screening if you suffer from any conditions.

While Harvard explains taking high doses of single vitamins will not boost immunity, taking a daily multi-vitamin may. Eating diets rich in zinc, selenium, iron, copper, folic acid and vitamin A have also



AUTUMN: A good time to boost the immune system with exercise.

been shown to increase immune responses in animals, according to the university, although the effects on humans are less clear.

The university concludes by

saying there may be a link between high stress levels and lowered immunity. While the phenomenon is still being studied, it will certainly help your

blood pressure to take more time to relax, perhaps by adding a hobby to your routine and you might even ward off that winter cold in the process!

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Fruity fiesta

VELEZ-MALAGA will celebrate the second annual Mango and Avocado Festival on November 19 in the Plaza de las Carmelitas square.

The festival was organised by the town council in collaboration with the Avocado Gastronomic Association. The event will kick off at 12pm with a speech by journalist Modesto Barragan and revellers will get the chance to try out recipes and tapas containing the two fruits.

Children will have the opportunity to participate in cooking workshops led by chefs Roberto Soler and Natividad Mercado, the winner of the last Mediterranean Cooking Competition.

In the lead up to the main event on November 19, bars and restaurants across the town will put on a special tapas tour featuring the two ingredients from November 5 to 15. An award will then be given to the best dish on the day of the festival itself.



LOCAL WONDER: The Nerja Caves were rediscovered by hunters searching for bats.

Poetry in motion

THE Nerja Foundation has launched a new campaign to help make the Nerja Caves a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

On Tuesday, to coincide with the 11th anniversary that the caves were declared a site of Cultural Interest (BIC), the organisation presented the project 'Nerja Caves: a Giant Poem.'

The 120-metre-long poem stretched out around the Balcony of Europe, and was influenced by the Poetopia organisation's 'Giant Poem' project, in which 150-metre-long poetry reels were placed in the streets and squares of dozens of cities and

have so far accumulated to more than 9,000 metres of verse across the globe.

It was hoped that the project would help boost the campaign to promote the Nerja Caves to UNESCO World Heritage Site status.

The Nerja Caves are considered one of the region's top attractions. They are home to the world's largest stalagmite at 32-metres high and also contain the first Neanderthal cave paintings to ever be discovered, which are also allegedly some of the oldest drawings in the world sketched by humans.

Jazz city

THE 38th annual Granada International Jazz Festival swings back into town from today (Thursday) until Sunday November 12.

The festival will take place at the Isabel la Catholica municipal theatre and Jazz musician Kyle Eastwood will be the first to take the stage tomorrow (Friday).

The eldest son of Clint, he is known for working on film scores for some of his father's more recent films, including Mystic River, Million Dollar Baby and Gran Torino. He will showcase his most recent musical projects along with his band.

Jazz legend Ron Carter will showcase his talent on November 11. The 80-year-old bassist played for the Miles Davis Quintet in the

1960s and won several Grammy's for his work.

He also holds the Guinness World Record for being the most recorded bass player in history and has played in concerts across the globe as part of important groups such as the Great Jazz Trio and VSOP.

Two concerts at special venues will also be held. The first will feature the Granada City Orchestra at the Manuel de Falla auditorium today (Thursday) and the second will star the Robert Glasper Trio in the Lorca Centre this Sunday.

Tickets can be purchased from Isabel la Catholica box office, from sites www.reden-tradas.com or www.jaz-granada.es or by ringing 958 222 907.

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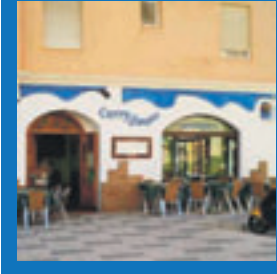
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SPAIN leads the world as a wine exporting nation, which is worth an impressive €2.64 billion a year.

But when it comes to wine consumption per capita then Spain - perhaps surprisingly to many - lags behind 17 other nations in global rankings.

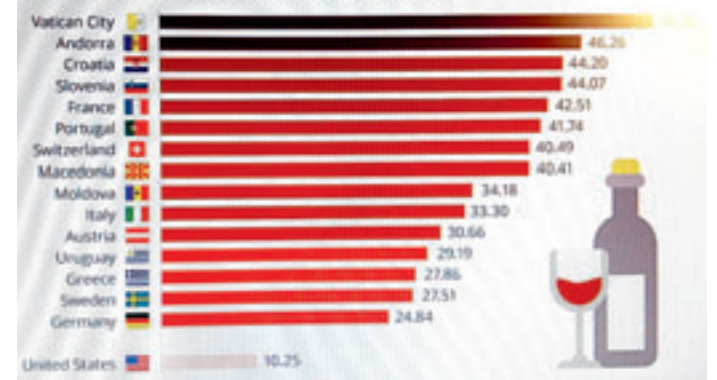
These sobering facts are spelled out in data from the California Wine Institute, whose most recently published findings put the Vatican at the head of world wine consumption with almost 55 litres per capita.

Spain with just 21 litres per capita trailed behind many fellow European countries including the UK with 22.1 litres per capita.

For Bacchus readers who may want to contribute to a

The World's Biggest Wine Drinkers

Annual per capita wine consumption worldwide (Nov 15)



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higher consumption in Spain, I can recommend a full-bodied Monastrell,

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Full bodied and high in al-

cohol, Monastrell - cultivated in Spain since 500BC - has a deep colour and is high in tannin with the scent of blackberries and fresh herbs.


A perfect pairing for game and grilled meats, it should be avoided with dishes with too much spice.

Interesting labels include Palomar Monastrell 2014 by Juan Gil; Monastrell Roble 2014 by Romeo and a young Peñarrubia Monastrell by Bodegas BSI.

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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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Sales boom for Spain

THE total number of property transactions could soar over the half million mark. An optimistic report from Anticipa Real Estate estimates that 526,000 residential home sales will be made in 2018.

If that figure is achieved it would represent a healthy 9.3 per cent increase on the 481,000 sales expected to be finalised by the end of 2017. This year has already seen an impressive 10 per cent rise in sales as the market bounces back strongly from the crisis years.

In 2013 there was a meagre 285,000 sales, a

figure which will be nearly doubled next year. The market is still some way off the record highs of 2006 when 900,000 sales were registered. But experts agree that today Spanish real estate is in a far more sustainable and secure position.

The report predicts that 63,400 new homes will be built next year. That represents a substantial increase over the 42,700 completed in 2016.

Projected home prices increases are in line with broader opinion. Homeowners can expect properties to increase in value by around 3 per cent annually until 2020.



POSH: Grosvenor family have owned swathes of London for centuries.

By Matthew Elliott

ONE of Britain's wealthiest men, Hugh Grosvenor, is set to make a major splash in the Spanish property market. The seventh Duke of Westminster is flush with hereditary cash and, at only 26, is one of the world's youngest billionaires.

He was bequeathed one of the UK's most powerful property firms, the aptly-named Grosvenor. Through it he controls extremely valuable properties in London's plush Mayfair and Belgravia neighbourhoods.

Now the firm has snapped up

British family fortunes Aristocrat places faith in Spain

three prestigious properties in Madrid. The most recent was in the wealthy Chamberi area and is a large former commercial headquarters that Grosvenor plans to convert into 'exclusive' flats.

"We want to have a bigger presence in Spain", said Fatima Saez del Cano, director of Grosvenor Europe in Spain, so

"we have decided to invest in the residential sector to develop exclusive housing projects.

"We love the neighbourhood of Chamberi. We believe it is the one with the most future," she added. "They are not luxury homes, we are looking for exclusive and special houses."

Similar projects are expected to crop up across the Spanish

capital in the near future. The Grosvenor group has at least €70 million worth of funds ready to invest in Spain.

Hugh Grosvenor, whose family fortune stretches back to 1677, personally owns the La Garganta estate in Ciudad Real, a sprawling 15,000 hectare site often used for hunting by British aristocrats.



BURST: Barcelona's luxury apartments going for cheap.

Luxury bubble bursts

A LUXURY housing crisis has added to Cataluña's political woes. A report from real estate company Barnes International argues that the wealthy region's luxury housing market experienced a bubble in the past two years.

But concerningly for owners of €1 million plus properties in Barcelona and other areas, that bubble has burst and it is now a buyers' market.

The report concludes that although 'the Catalan luxury real estate sector was performing at its best level since the economic crisis, prices have seen a strong downwards trend in recent months.'

Founding partner of Barnes Spain, Emmanuel Virgoulay, said "In the past two years Cataluña's luxury housing market was experienc-

ing a bubble, the steady rise in prices led many sellers to ask for prices similar to those in the elite neighbourhoods of Paris."

He said that in the short-term future only buyers with liquidity will be able to dictate prices.

The news isn't all bad. If Cataluña can recover from the current political turmoil then there is no reason why the luxury market won't soon rebound.

"There will always be investors interested in Cataluña, so the market will not collapse in the way businesses can, such as Lehman Brothers in 2008," Virgoulay said.

He also noted that the rental sector is continuing to witness sharp price increases despite the political crisis.

Buyers want to choose

A PERSONAL touch is the most sought-after quality in Spain's thriving real estate sector, according to property developer Gestilar.

The firm reckons that smart real estate agents are now competing with others to personalise properties for ever more demanding buyers.

General manager Marta Garcia-Valcárcel believes that a dynamic consumer market when it comes to material goods, including phones and clothing, is influencing choices in the property sector too.

This means that buyers, increasingly seen as clients and consumers, expect more than just the standard two-bed apartment. They want something different, whether it's an open-plan

kitchen or quirky loft space.

Real estate agents are expected to provide them with a wide range of innovative homes with different designs and architectures. Their ultimate choice will then be more personally tailored to their tastes.

Developers too are being asked to provide more choice. In one residential complex in Vallecas, the promoter gives buyers the option of removing partitions between rooms to create the illusion of more space.

While it doesn't make much difference to the promoter, it's the thought that counts. Buyers are increasingly aware of the power they wield and are growing more confident in their right to make demands.

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ATTRACTING birds to your garden is easy if you have the right plants that will provide water, food, shelter and protection from predators.

Birds do best in gardens with multiple storeys of plants from ground covers, shrubs as under storeys to taller tree canopies as an upper storey.

Providing water in the dry months in safe places for birds to drink is the sure way to have birds attracted to your garden. A steady, reliable source of water is a primary need, even more than food, if other sources of water are not nearby.

If you provide water, birds will visit regularly, if you provide food plants, they will stay longer and if you provide safe shelter as well, native birds may start to nest in your garden. Migratory birds will only visit but are more likely to visit if you have a food source as well as water.

There are many plants that can provide food for the birds. As different bird species have different requirements of seed, nectar or insects, a variety of different plants are needed to attract the bird species you wish to support in your garden.

The best way to provide food is to use a lot of native plants and have a wild zone for allowing naturally occurring non-invasive native plants - even the plants considered weeds in the ornamental and

Bird lovers paradise, a garden for the birds



ATTRACTING BIRDS:
Each species have different needs.

vegetable garden - to go through their full life cycle. Many plants considered weeds are useful plants for birds to feed on for the flowers nectar and seeds.

Birds usually prefer to arrive onto the upper storey to survey a garden for food and dangers before entering and different species build their nests in the upper storey for safety from

ground based predators.

Each bird species have different needs, however, so many smaller birds will look for nesting places in the understorey that have dense thickets

that prevent larger predators to enter. So to attract a wide range of birds having a wide range of plants that give good protection is important for diversity.

Plants that provide nectar include Sages (*Salvia* species), Grevillea species, Torch lilies (*Kniphofia* species), Lobelia species, Penstemon species, Verbena species, Sunflowers

(*Helianthus*), Thyme (*Thymus* species), Lavender (*Lavandula* species), Honeysuckle (*Lonicera* species), Ice Plant (*Sedum* species), Firethorn (*Pyracantha* species) and Barberry (*Berberis* species).

Seed plants include Sunflower (*Helianthus* species), Coneflower (*Echinacea* species), Aster species, Zinnia species, Cumin (*Cuminum* species), Calendula species and many others.

Attracting birds can just be a matter of widening the range of plants that you normally grow which may provide even more interest to your garden as many bird food plants are very attractive.

Hedges and thickets of plants will provide safe nesting places for smaller birds and tall trees can have nesting boxes installed to make trees a ready made nesting place. Applying natural mulches around your garden will help birds find materials to build the nests.

There is a wide variety of birds that live in the Mediterranean zone and if you make your garden more attractive for them, you can enjoy their presence in your garden.

Good neighbours

WHILE many people arrange their garden on what they think looks best, it is actually more beneficial to put plants that actually help each other out beside one another.

In the gardening community, this is known as 'companion planting' and it can have a big impact on the health and vitality of your garden.

Companion planting is all about achieving a good balance, and it can even help reduce the amount of pest or disease control spray you need to use.

By introducing more plants that repel unwanted bugs, or attract larger insects to eat the pests, this can help protect your garden without overloading it with chemicals.

It is even possible to create plant 'communities.' Certain species enhance each other's growth rate by distributing extra nutrients into the soil or by offering protection from the sun or wind.

If you have limited space in your garden, adding plants that grow at



BEST BUDS: Planting garlic near roses can protect them from unwanted pests.

different rates can also help you to maximise potential.

One of the most popular 'companion planting' combinations is rose and garlic, as garlic is believed to repel

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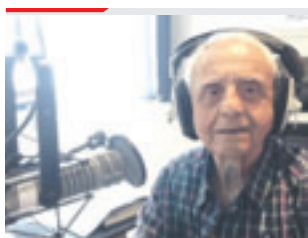


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CHOCOLATE: Toxic to dogs.

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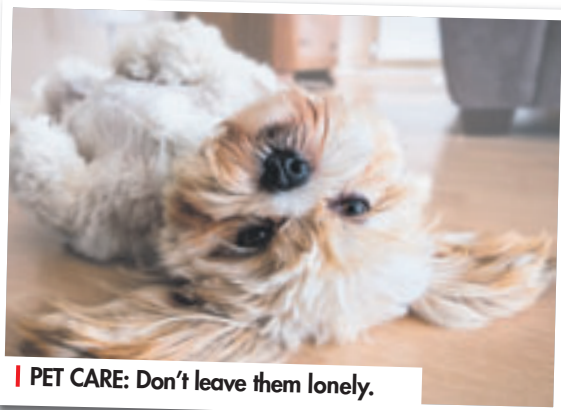
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CHICKENS: Are known to be very sociable creatures.

What the cluck!

A MORE unusual kind of pet has been rising in popularity in households in recent years.

An increasing number of people are choosing chickens as their pet of choice, and give them names and rights to roam in their gardens. More than half a million are now kept as domestic animals in households across the UK alone according to the Pet

Food Manufacturers' Association's annual survey.

Chickens have been shown to be very sociable creatures, are known to have their own personalities and like routine.

Chicken litter is a great natural fertiliser so if you let them have free range of your garden, your plants will start looking perkier in no time.

They also devour any un-

wanted pests and bugs in the gardens. Not to mention you'll get an endless supply of fresh eggs in the morning.

Before taking a few hens into your home, check with neighbours and the local council first, as they're classed as 'livestock' and sometimes aren't allowed to be kept in gardens.

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Toyota's show-stopping robot

Hopes and fears for UK's niche motors

by *Matthew Elliott*

TOYOTA pulled out all the stops to woo motoring enthusiasts at the Tokyo Motor Show, one of the wackiest spectacles in the business.

The Japanese firm used its home country to launch its sleek new concept car, the FT-1, and its futuristic new taxi.

The aptly named 'Japan Taxi' is slated for release ahead of the 2020 Tokyo Olympics. It is a hybrid fuelled by an electric motor and liquified petroleum gas which has been developed for at least four years by the firm's top engineers.

Extremely accessible with a low door and huge windows, it is wheelchair friendly and resembles a futuristic London Black Cab. It will be expected to dramatically cut pollution in the megacity.

It pales in comparison to the Toyota Century, the third generation of the limousine originally invented for the Imper-



CONCEPTS: Toyota's Taxi and FT-1 debuted in Tokyo.

al Family. The latest version has a V8 hybrid drivetrain, is 5.3 metres long, costs more than €100,000, and is relatively hard to find, with just 600 to be built a year.

It wouldn't be a Japanese motor show without at least some element of robotics. Toyota didn't fail to disappoint with its introduction of 'The Agent.'

Formerly known as 'Yui,' The Agent was described by Toyota as "more than a machine, a partner." The Agent is an in-

car computer system guided by artificial intelligence which can analyse facial expressions and voice tones to better 'understand' the driver. It will even study Facebook and Twitter feeds to build a picture of its driver's personality.

The Agent will understand when drivers are tired, perhaps even before they do via body language analysis, and make suggestions accordingly. It will also help with directions, music, calls and other standard tools.

Cool customer

THE 150 millionth Volkswagen rolled off the production line into the arms of a happy customer last week. The car is a plug-in hybrid Golf GTE. Built in Wolfsburg it was dispatched to Norway, one of the world's top green car destinations.

Volkswagen is planning to have built one million electric cars within the next decade. CEO Matthias Muller launched a scathing attack on American tech company Tesla, which is pioneering new electric and autonomous vehicles.

"There are companies which sell 80,000 cars a year," he said, "then there are companies like Volkswagen, selling 11 million a year," Muller mused as he announced VW's determination to dominate the electric market.



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Tour d' Extremadura

Route of the castles of Spain? From the Montes de Malaga it started!



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

Over 30 cars, an absolutely full entry, gathered on Monday morning last week at Venta Carlos del Mirador on the main A-7000 road out of Malaga towards the Montes de Malaga. All crews excited, looking forward to getting going on the 2017 Tour D'Extremadura.

A gorgeous variety of cars arrived for breakfast that morning including Peter Pollet in a spectacular 1920's Bentley Speed 8, Haig Oundijan, in contrast, in a stunning red Ferrari F430 Spyder, a brace of the new F-Type Jaguars alongside the stunning 1965, red Jaguar E-Type of Peter Cross. Quite a number of Jaguars were entered and, at the start, eight of them lined up together which was, in itself, quite an impressive sight. Other notable cars that were entered included a beautiful red Mercedes 280SL Pagoda and a Triumph TR6 also in red belonging to Carl Cullimore.

A regular on all these events, Stefan and Judith Nicholson brought their trusty and stunning, white Morgan +8 while David Stone had Ian Giles' lovely green MGR V8. Mac McCarthy and Jerry Watson (Team Naughty Boys) shared the driving of Mac's very original 1989 four-wheel drive Porsche 964 while Bruce and Gwenda Goodson had their late model Porsche 911 to enjoy. Tony Rielly had just taken

delivery of a superb red Lexus SC430 sports, yet another burbling V8 to have fun with!

Add to this Barry and Julie Surtees' yellow Corvette C5, a number of Mercedes Sports, Jaguars and Peter Bull's impressive Nissan 350Z and that made up quite an entry list.

The object was to get to, and to see, Extremadura so the first day saw a spectacular run over the Montes de Malaga, past Alfarate and the famous Alfarate Inn and then over the top of the lakes of Iznajar where stunning views were enjoyed. On through Priego de Cordoba to the Parador in Cordoba itself for the first night halt. A welcome cocktail party out on the warm terrace was followed by a Gala, Black-Tie dinner and something of a party after that!

Next was a longer day heading for the Parador in Guadalupe, now really well into Extremadura. And, what a stunning place that is! Extremadura's landscapes are characterised by the mountain ranges of Cordillera Central, the Montes de Toledo, and Sierra Morena along with the plains and fertile valleys of the rivers Tajo and Guadiana and the plain lands of Low Extremadura. An important area for wildlife, the region hosts two designated Natural Parks where wild Iberian pigs roam before being turned into beautiful Jamon Iberico!

The Tour route is a great way to follow in the steps of the Conquistadors, adventurers and pioneers with a chance to see rural Spain at its best and most enchanting. The area is littered with mediaeval palaces and castles, where the route took some of its night halts, and dined in luxury in elegant dining rooms. It was rather like stepping back in time and seeing parts of Spain just as they were hundreds of years ago.

dreds of years ago.

Day 2 was a longish but fast, easy-driving route through spectacular countryside before finishing for the night in the beautiful Parador of Guadalupe.

On the morning of Day 3, cars gathered in front of the spectacular Monestario in Guadalupe before setting off for a short drive skirting the lakes of Garcia Sola before crossing the Rio Tajo and into the old town of Oropesa and it's Parador where all took dinner together whilst the cars sat outside in a specially floodlit car park. It was indeed a spectacular sight!

Everyone seemed to enjoy the marvellous Parador in Oropesa. The following day (Day 4) took the cars through the Parque Natural of Monfrague before enjoying a night halt in the very mediaeval Trujillo. Some crews took a train ride to explore this marvellous city and all thoroughly enjoyed the restaurants and bars of this fascinating place where, it is said, the first adventurers gathered to set off to explore the Americas.

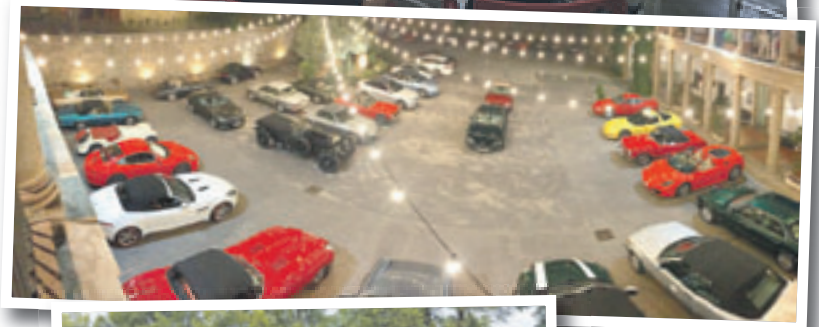
In fact, Trujillo has many links with the Trujillo that is in Peru as Triumph TR6 co-driver Maria Cullimore, herself from Peru, confirmed.

Day 5 saw the crews depart Trujillo and take a fairly long but marvellous drive across country through Guarena, Hornachos and Palomas to finish in Aracena in Huelva Province. Very fast, straight country roads with virtually no traffic was the reward for this fabulous 277 km journey.

Even after coffee stops and light lunches, crews all easily made the Convento Aracena by mid afternoon in time to get ready for a 'last supper' together and something of a party afterwards.

The week seemed to be over as fast as it began, although the Monday morning start still seemed a very long time ago! Departing Aracena, Day 6 was a pleasant drive to by-pass Sevilla and head cross-country towards Utrera and then Ronda. The finish itself was at the superb Molino del Santo in Benaolan where a first-class lunch was enjoyed.

Two prizes were presented by Ian Giles, one for the most desirable car of the event, which was voted for by participants, and went to the white F-Type Jaguar of John



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A spectacular sight at the Parador in Oropesa.



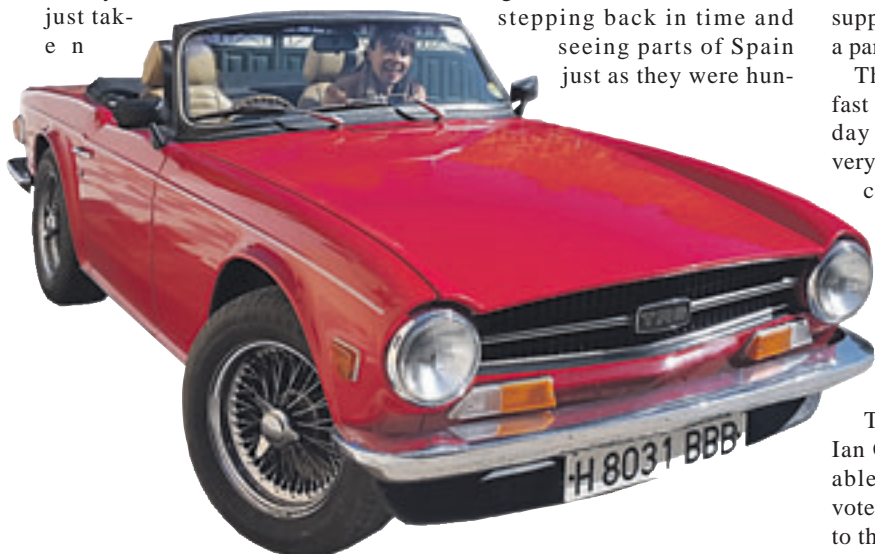
and Angela Lane. The award for 'Spirit of The Event,' was much approved by all and went to Peter and Pauline Bull in their Nissan 350Z.

It was unanimously agreed that this was one of the best 'Tours' so far, in marvellous company and extremely well organised.

On to the next 'Big One' in early February, although the CCCA monthly classic car runs continue as usual, the next one on Saturday, November 11.

Non-members and guests are also welcome to attend the Club's monthly dinner and Clubnight at El Chaparral on Tuesday, November 7.

That's it for this week.



Further information on Classic Car Club of Andalucia events can be found on the Club's website www.cccandalucia.com.

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MOTORING

Knockout blow 60 years before Rio's sucker punch

RIO FERDINAND'S decision to step into the boxing ring brought back memories of retired footballer octogenarian Peter Higham - who recalls scoring a goal - while wearing a boxing glove!

Ex-Nottingham Forest striker Higham, 86, found himself on the canvas in a derby clash against arch rivals Notts County in 1956, when he clattered a post, sustaining injuries.

"I got barged into the goalpost, sustaining a broken and dislocation of a finger, in a local derby against Notts County at Meadow Lane," said Higham.

"Trainer Tommy Graham got a boxing glove - God



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knows where from - and got permission from the referee for me to wear it, to protect my finger," said Higham.

"I remember the pain was excruciating. To this day, I can't straighten my little finger," said Higham.

Ex-Manchester United and England defender Ferdinand is bidding to become a professional at Cruiserweight after signing up to a lucrative deal with a bookmaker.

That led to criticism from boxers, including Tony Bellew, set for a December

rematch with heavyweight David Haye, hitting out at Ferdinand: "He's making a mockery. It's not a game - it's a serious sport - and can be very dangerous.

"It's attention seeking of the highest order. Why does he need to go into a boxing ring? It stinks of desperation, not being able to let go out of the spotlight," punched Bellew.

But Ferdinand hit back: "This is not a joke. Hopefully, I will get a licence, become a professional and fight someone."

Ferdinand, awaiting a licence from the British Boxing Board of Control, said: "Boxing can't be a gimmick. If I take it lightly, I will get hurt."

Ferdinand, 38, plans one fight, having initially spoken about ambitions of challenging for a belt: "I want to see if I can get a licence - become a professional - and have one fight," said Ferdinand.

Higham, who delivered a knock-out blow with a boxing glove in Forest's top of the bill match against County 60 years ago, said: "I scored the third goal - I have the picture - with the boxing glove over my left hand!"

Conte or Mourinho to sparkle on Bonfire night

JOSE MOURINHO and Antonio Conte are set to light up Bonfire night on November 5 - as Chelsea host Manchester United - in the Premier League at Stamford Bridge.

Mourinho, in charge at Chelsea during 2004-07 and 2013-15, departed in September 2007, following reports of a rift with owner Roman Abramovich.

After leaving Real Madrid in 2013 Mourinho returned to Chelsea, winning the Premier

League, only to be axed in December 2015, after a poor run of results.

Mourinho, appointed manager at Manchester United in May 2016, fired a rocket at his players after the shock defeat against newly-promoted Huddersfield Town in October.

Premier League leaders Manchester City manager Pep Guardiola believes the Blues will not repeat Arsenal's 'Invincibles' tag - The Gunners were unbeaten in 38 Premier League games - in the 2003-04 season.

City host Arsenal at The Etihad, in another Bonfire night spectacular, and Guardiola said: "We are going to lose games. Any team can beat us."

BARCELONA-born goalkeeper David Raya is set to return to FA Cup action as Blackburn Rovers host Barnet at Ewood Park on November 4.

"I've been here since I was 16 and it feels like home," said Raya, who signed a new extended contract at Lancashire League One club Rovers this year.

Raya, who has featured in five FA Cup ties since arriving in England as a teenager, joined Rovers Academy from Barcelona outfit UE Cornellà in 2012.

"It feels great," said Raya, 22, who signed professional forms in 2014, and has worked his way up to claim the number one jersey.

"It's a chance to carry on at this great club," said Raya, under former Celtic manager Tony Mowbray.

After four months' loan at Southport in 2014, where Raya made 15 appearances in the Conference Premier, he returned, making his Rovers first team debut against Leeds United in 2015.

"Leeds was where I made my full debut and it couldn't have gone any better, we won 3-0," said Raya, whose previous three year deal was set to end in 2018.

Former Rovers Academy starlet Raya, who has agreed a one-year extension to his contract until 2019, said: "I've been here for five years.

"It's given me a chance to grow up further as a footballer - and as a person - and I'm really pleased."

It has been a hard grind for Raya, who was a cameo player in the first team in the 2015-16 season, having only

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DAVID RAYA: Is set to return to FA cup action.

From Barcelona to Blackburn

been called upon after injury to first choice Jason Steele, at the tab end of last season.

"I hadn't played as much as I would have liked, but football is like that. When I got my chance, I just needed to take it," said Raya.

Rovers first team coach Mowbray, formerly in charge at Ipswich, Hibern-

ian, West Brom, Celtic, Middlesbrough and Coventry, who was appointed in February, has given Raya his big chance this season.

"David Raya finished the 2016-17 season extremely strongly. He's a very talented young guy - needed an opportunity - and we gave him one," said Mowbray.

"I waited for my chance to show the new manager what I can do," said Raya, called upon after Steele sustained an injury, after 82 consecutive league games.

"It was tough, but you get through it. Then, when you get your chance, you have to take it," said Raya.

Raya remained unfazed during that spell, saying: "You have to keep yourself motivated - keep working hard - and do your best."

Three years ago Raya was shipped out on loan to Southport and was a key figure in The Sandgrounders FA Cup run - progressing to the third round - before being knocked out by Derby County.

Rovers enter the first round of the FA Cup this weekend against Barnet, with a fixture in the EFL Trophy Northern Group C on November 7, prior to returning to a League One action against Walsall on November 11.

Blackburn, relegated from the Championship last season, are leading candidates to return to England's second tier at the first attempt, a task in the hands of Raya.

"I'm still young, I've got a lot of years ahead of me. Hopefully I can repay all the support I've had from the club," said Raya.

"I looked forward to this season after the summer holidays with my family, who I had not seen a lot of," said Raya.

Ex-UE Cornellà youth Raya said: "Blackburn gave me the chance to start my career. I want to stay for as long as possible. I'm very happy here."

Golf: Rose to bloom in Turkey

JUSTIN ROSE is hoping for a podium finish at the 2017 Turkish Airlines Open that takes place during November 2-5 at the Regnum Carya.

"I'm sure we'll have another good tournament and hopefully another podium finish," said 2013 US Open winner Rose.

Antalya hosts the Turkish Airlines Open for a fifth time in the first of three consecutive Rolex Series events which conclude the season-long Race to Dubai on the European Tour.

The 2014 US Open winner and former world number one Martin Kaymer will also feature in the Turkish Airlines Open, alongside Olympic medallists Rose, Henrik Stenson and Matt Kuchar.

The Turkish Airlines Open is part of the European Tour's Rolex Series - the premium category of eight events on the European Tour - each with a minimum prize fund of US \$7 million.



LEWIS HAMILTON has secured his fourth F1 World Title at the Mexican Grand Prix, despite only finishing ninth. Sebastian Vettel could only finish fourth, with the win making Hamilton the most successful British driver of all-time.

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England come from behind to beat Spain to U17 World Cup glory

ENGLAND'S U17 stars secured the U17 World Cup in India in emphatic style as they came from two goals down to beat European Champions Spain 5-2 in the final.

A brace from Manchester City's Phil Foden as well as goals from Chelsea's Marc Cuehi, Wolves youngster Morgan Gibbs-White and

Liverpool's Rhian Brewster, secured a famous comeback win for the Young Lions.

England came into the match having not lost a game all tournament but found themselves with everything to do after just 28 minutes in the final.

England left themselves open on the counter attack in the early stages and an

early double from Barcelona's Sergio Gomez left England needing to show their tenacity and spirit to get back into the game.

Eventual Golden-boot winner Rhian Brewster got the Young Lions on their way just before half-time with his eight goals of the tournament and England were deservedly level



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through Gibbs-White in the 56th minute.

After the equaliser, England continued to take the game to Spain and took the lead in the 68th minute

when Chelsea's Callum Hudson-Odoi squared for Phil Foden to finish.

Hudson-Odoi was a menace to the Spanish defence the whole evening and had a hand in the fourth goal as well.

After the Chelsea winger was fouled, he got back up and took the free-kick himself, whipping a fantastic ball into the back post which was nodded down by Captain Joel Latibeaudaire and finished by defender

Marc Cuehi.

A memorable comeback victory was settled in the 87th minute as Hudson-Odoi was again involved, teeing up Player of the Tournament Phil Foden for his second of the game and England's fifth.

The World Cup win adds to an already emphatic year for Young Lions' teams, with England winning the U20 World Cup in South Korea and the U19 European Championships in July.

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