

Bent copper rap

Ex-inspector jailed for dealing drugs

by Tom Woods

An ex-National Police inspector has been handed a six-year jail term for peddling drugs in an Alicante brothel that he ran himself.

A probe was launched in 2012 after an employee who worked in the club on San Juan beach reported a number of alleged crimes.

She decided to notify the authorities after realising that the management continued to sell cocaine to a friend who was 'hooked' and was spending all the money she earned.

To their surprise, the Internal Affairs Unit identified an individual who was at the time a serving inspector with the Alicante National Police.

A court authorised the covert monitoring of the suspect's telephone calls, his home, and the brothel.

A sum of €13,769 in cash was found in the club, along with 10 grams of cocaine, both of which were duly confiscated.

The man's house and car also contained a small amount of cocaine, as well as some hashish, MDMA and amphetamines.

The police investigation established that the then inspector effectively acted as the manager of the girls and other employees of the brothel.

Having endorsed the legality of wiretapping during po-



FACING JUSTICE: The ex-inspector ran into trouble in Alicante (inset).

lice operations, magistrates argued that 'his interest was not only as a shareholder in the profits but it went further,

he was the true director of the establishment.'

The court also ruled that the man directly participated

in drug trafficking inside the premises, either being involved in supply, or approving transactions.

Toddling along

A 27-YEAR-OLD man from Orihuela has been investigated after a video showing a young child at the wheel of his lorry was posted on social media.

Images and videos uploaded to Facebook appear to show a four-year-old boy at the controls of the vehicle, steering alongside an adult.

A probe was launched after the boy's father, who lives in Norway, reported the incident to the police.

As a result, the mother of the child, a 23-year-old woman from Torre Pacheco in Murcia, and the 27-year-old driver have been quizzed by the Guardia Civil's Traffic division.

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Knife trial

A MAN on trial for allegedly plunging a knife into his 43-year-old partner's back has been handed a provisional prison sentence by a court in Cartagena.

Frost losses

MURCIA'S farming minister has said that last week's frost is estimated to have caused €25 million in damage to fruit trees in Cieza and Calasparra following a meeting with farmers.

Drugs arrest

A MAN who allegedly offered people 'good joints' of hashish near the University of Murcia was arrested by one of the people he asked who was a plainclothes police officer.

By Matt Ford

A COURT CASE involving 35 members of MS-13, the murderous street gang also known as Mara Salvatrucha, is underway on the Costa Blanca.

A total of 12 sessions are scheduled for the trial, which will run until May, with the defendants facing prison sentences of two to 30 years for a range of charges including illegal weapons possession, attempted murder, conspiracy to murder, money laundering and drug trafficking.

It comes after a major police sting saw investigators swoop on the gang's Spanish headquarters in Ibi, Alicante, plus cells in Madrid, Barcelona and Gerona in the wake of a wiretapping probe.

The crackdown was designed to stop the organisation from expanding its operations in Spain, where it had been receiving funds from kingpins in the dangerous Central American country of El Salvador.

It also prevented the assassination of two people, including a man who witnessed the stabbing of a Romanian member of the Latin Kings - an enemy crew - in Alicante Port.

Among those on trial are several local bosses, who al-

legedly orchestrated violent territorial battles with rival gangs and set up drug trafficking networks.

But the majority are 'soldiers,' many of them children, who committed robberies and other petty crimes to pay the monthly membership fee of €100.

According to reports, defence lawyers have negotiated a number of reduced sentences in exchange for confessions, although this has not been made official with the trial due to recommence on Thursday March 8.

Originating in Los Angeles, United States, most MS-13 members are from Central America, particularly El Salvador.

They are famed for the tattoos covering their bodies



Photo credit: Guardia Civil/Twitter

STREET WARRIORS: A gang member at the time of his arrest and (inset) the men arrive at Alicante's provincial court.

and their motto 'Mata, roba, viola, controla' (kill, steal, rape, control). The gang is

mostly active in the US, El Salvador, Mexico, Guatemala, Honduras, and

Canada, and was planning to gain a foothold in Spain, according to detectives.

Gender horror attack

by Joe Gerrard

POLICE have begun searching for a man accused of shooting his former partner in Las Torres de Cotillas, near Murcia City.

The man allegedly shot Mari Angeles, his former partner and the mother of their two children, at point blank range in the Linasa industrial estate, according to reports. He has been named as Luis A and also

goes by the alias El Espinete.

They had arranged to meet at the estate and began fighting before the man took a cartridge gun out of his car boot and shot her. The 26-year-old then managed to escape in her car, according to her statement to police.

The woman arrived at the Accident and Emergency centre in the town with bullet wounds in the

side of her body at around 12.35pm.

She was taken from there by ambulance and moved to the Virgen de la Arrixaca centre at Murcia's University Hospital and operated on immediately, according to sources.

Police are now trying to trace the accused who separated from the woman two years ago and reportedly has no previous record of gender violence crimes.

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Car driven into ditch

A MAN was injured after he drove his car into a ditch in El Hondo. The man, from Crevillent, was taken to the Hospital of Vinalopo after emergency services personnel responded to the incident which involved four other people and took place on Monday morning.

Wife assault

A MAN accused of punching his wife in the face and pulling her hair in front of their 12-year-old daughter at their home in El Carmen, Murcia, has been arrested. The 45-year-old has been charged with gender violence crimes and breaching a court order.

Airport deal

MURCIA'S president has signed an agreement with the head of AENA confirming their running of the region's new international airport for the next 25 years. Jaime Garcia-Legaz, president of AENA, said the Juan de la Cierva airport would open by the end of this year.

Fire death

AN 88-year-old woman died after a blaze started in the care home where she lived in La Magdalena, Cartagena. Firefighters were able to put out the blaze which stopped them from entering the woman's room but she was dead when they reached her.

Plan doubts

TORRE LE MAR'S development councillor has said it is unclear how current financial arrangements for a planned Sports Pavilion were made. Fanny Serrano, of the Partido Socialista, said the previous Partido Popular administration had aimed to raise private funds for the building in 2014.

GHOST TOWN: Villagers are possessed by evil spirits that emerge from a mysterious crack in the ground each year.

THE BIG PICTURE Nº 3

Black as the devil

Photo by Twitter

ACCORDING to legend, they escape the underworld through a mysterious crack in the earth once per year.

And in the small village of Luzon, Castile-La Mancha, the demons roam the streets in one of Spain's most macabre celebrations.

Known as the Festival of Devils and Masks [La Fiesta de los Diablos y Mascaritas], revellers daub their faces with oil and soot before don-

ning horns and cow bells as they transform into servants of evil.

A set of huge, fearsome teeth carved from a potato completes the fiendish look of the diablos, innocent villagers possessed by evil spirits.

They wander the village, 'cursing' onlookers by smearing them with black marks.

The only people safe from their sinister touch are the mascaritas, white-masked figures clad in tradi-

tional women's clothing.

While the first records of the bizarre ritual date back to the 14th century, its genuine origin is unknown.

Outlawed during the reign of former dictator Francisco Franco, the event was rebooted in the 1980s.

Today, any type of costume - from cartoon characters to nuns to pirates - can be worn to avoid the demons' wicked touch.

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Will to win

EWN scoops national award



Karl Smallman

'HONOURED': EWN publishers Michel and Steven Euesden (centre) accept their award.

THE *Euro Weekly News* has bagged a national press association award for the second year in a row.

It comes after Spain's leading English-language weekly newspaper picked up the Professional Trajectory Award at the 2018 Spanish Periodical Association (AEEPP) Awards.

According to the organisers, the award is won by a company 'for its successes and outstanding professional journey.'

The jury featured Jose Manuel Velasco, president of Global Alliance, the international confederation of PR and communication management associations, and Miguel Justribo, Corporate Communication Director of Telepizza Spain, among others.

Other winners included national daily newspaper *El Español*, Spanish news website *El Diario*, and American streaming giant *Netflix*.

The association said in a statement: "We want to recognise the *Euro Weekly* - the leading English newspaper - as an invaluable information resource for the foreign community living on our coasts."

The AEEPP Awards event is now in its 12th year and is considered to be among the most pres-

tigious press awards in Spain.

The AEEPP comprises around 100 publishing firms which together produce more than 900 titles covering both online and printed media, with an estimated annual readership of almost 130 million.

EWN publishers Michel and Steven Euesden were on hand to collect the award at the glittering gala event, which took place in the auditorium of the famous Royal Post Office building in Spanish capital Madrid.

After collecting the award, a delighted Michel said: "The EWN Media Group is a family of people who work day and night throughout the year with dedication and passion."

"We are so honoured to have received this award from the AEEPP."

"As a team we work hard and believe in the future of all printed and digital publications."

"We would like to give thanks to our wonderful clients and readers."

"But in the main this award is for a team that has given everything over the last year, and we must also recognise their partners, as anyone in the world who works in print will understand."

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Police detain 15-year-old prostitute



Photo by Murcia Police

SEARCHED: Police found the knife along with several condoms and €100 in €50 bills in the girl's bag.

AN alleged 15-year-old prostitute was taken to a Local Police station in Murcia after officers found her in possession of a knife measuring almost 19 centimetres.

Police picked up the girl shortly after finding her with two other young people on the Avenida de Miguel de Cervantes in the early hours of Sunday. The two other

people claimed to be her boyfriend and friend.

Officers asked the 15-year-old why she was dressed in the way she was and she reportedly told them it was because she wanted to.

Police searched her bag and found an 18.5-centimetre knife inside, along with two €50 bills and 25 condoms.

The girl then told them she was a prostitute who charged €50 to her clients and that she carried the knife to defend herself.

The 15-year-old was taken to a Local Police station where officers contacted her mother who took her home. Proceedings have now been sent to the local Children's Prosecutor's Office.

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Purr-fect bikini bod

SHE'S the former Atomic Kitten singer who recently hit the headlines after changing her lifestyle.

Kerry Katona, 37, appeared keen to flaunt her beach body during a winter jaunt to Spain.

The Whole Again hitmaker slipped into a tiny fuchsia bikini as she showed off her toned physique while toping up her tan by the pool.

She again donned her favourite brown wig and posed for the waiting paparazzi before relaxing on a sun lounger and snapping some cheeky selfies.

The mum-of-four moved in with pal and Real Housewives of Cheshire stunner Ampika Pickston after splitting from third husband George Kay.

And she showed off her body transformation on Loose Women after revealing exercise changed her figure when she stopped taking drugs for bipolar disorder.

She said: "Exercise is a massive thing, more than anything and I've been off medication now for about eight months."

NAKED AMBITION: Emily Ratajkowski and (inset) her Vanity Fair Spain cover.

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PINK AND PERKY: Kerry Katona.



Laying it bare

SHE'S the model who shot to fame after appearing semi-nude in Robin Thicke's controversial Blurred Lines video.

And Emily Ratajkowski, 26, again bared all as she appeared topless on the cover of Vanity Fair Spain before stripping naked in a series of sizzling snaps inside the glossy magazine.

And the Westminster-born stunner shared a sultry image from the shoot on social media after the eye-popping cover hit the shelves.

Pay slips don't lie

COLOMBIAN pop superstar Shakira has allegedly paid almost €20.5 million to Spanish tax authorities.

The Whenever, Wherever singer - who lives in Barcelona with footballer husband Gerard Pique - reportedly forked out after being warned she could be prosecuted for tax evasion.

But Spanish media have reported that she may appeal the sanction after paying more than €20 million in tax during 2011.



WAKA WAKA: Shakira.

Is Love Island host dating CBB star?



Photo credit Twitter

FLACKING HELL: TV presenter Caroline.

SHE spends six weeks per year hosting ITV2's racy dating show Love Island in Spain.

But Caroline Flack, 38, showed she has been up to a little matchmaking of her own after stepping out with Celebrity Big Brother's Andrew Brady, 27.

The pair appeared totally enamoured as they were snapped enjoying an evening stroll in London, as they

walked arm in arm before Caroline brought her hand to rest on her toy boy's backside.

She is said to have enjoyed a 'string of dates' with the Cheshire-based project engineer after they met at a party.

They fuelled speculation over their blossoming relationship after sharing social media posts that appeared to be taken in the same room.

Classy ladies

THE REAL HOUSEWIVES OF ATLANTA set tongues wagging after a set-to between Porsha Williams and Marlo Hampton in Barcelona.

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Spain's never-ending corruption problem

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The country has been plagued by scandal in recent years, with members of the Royal Family, political parties, large corporations, and the police implicated.

Its Transparency International Corruption Perceptions Index score has now dropped by eight points (out of 100) since 2012, with its latest tally of 57 worse than most other European nations.

According to official figures, almost 1,500 individuals faced corruption trials in Spain between July 2015 and the end of 2016, while the issue has long ranked as the second biggest cause for concern after unemployment among the population.

In 2013 a European Council report questioned the integrity and impartiality of Spain's chief anti-corruption prosecutor, who was appointed by the government, and issued a series of 11 recommendations to help Spain tackle the problem.

But three years later, it concluded that none had been 'implemented satisfactorily.'

Some blame religion, since Catholicism allows for confession and absolution of sins, while others claim that corruption is a habit born in dictatorial times, when cheating the state was akin to an act of resistance.

And unless political forces can come together and deal with the issue as a state policy transcending individual parties, it appears that systematic corruption is here to stay.

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Woman arrested for alleged illegal abortion

AN 18-year-old accused of causing herself to have an abortion has been arrested by National Police in Murcia.

The woman, of Moroccan nationality, arrived at hospital bleeding heavily from her genitals. She reportedly told doctors

she had taken a stomach protector, which causes the uterus to contract and results in embryos being expelled from a pregnant woman.

Doctors who treated the girl found she had been pregnant for 20 weeks, with voluntary

abortion legal until the 14th week under Spanish law.

Police arrested the woman after staff at the hospital informed officers. She reportedly told police she was unaware she had been pregnant for so long while in custody.

A WOMAN

whose unemployment benefits were cut after her daughter found a job which paid €585 a month has lost a court appeal on the case.

The Superior Court of Justice of Murcia ruled against the woman due to her family's income exceeding 75 per

No more benefits

over the withdrawal of her benefits after her daughter found work in November 2015.

cent of the value of the benefit payments.

This is the cut off point for claiming the Minimum Inter-professional Salary.

The woman originally filed a lawsuit against the Public Employment Service (SPEE)

She requested an extension of her benefits in April 2016 which the SPEE refused, leading to the case being taken to Murcia's Social Court and then the region's Superior Court.

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‘Family friend’ accused of abusing two young girls

LOCAL POLICE in Murcia have arrested a man for allegedly sexually abusing two young girls aged just 12 and 10.

In their statements the girls, who are sisters, said that the man gave them sweets and money in his home, before giving them massages.

The mother of the children revealed that they had an ‘unusual relationship’

with a friend of the family, and that they ‘miss a lot of class.’

She added that she was worried about the absenteeism of her daughters, and that she had been widowed a few months ago.

Upon receiving the suspect's address from both the girls and the mother, a police unit made the arrest at his home on February 23.

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Illegal breeder arrested over 89 tortoises

THE Guardia Civil has arrested a man in San Pedro del Pinatar after he was found to be breeding a proverbial zoo of tortoises without the necessary licences.

Among the collection of 89 tortoises was a giant Aldabra, the male of which can grow to an adult weight of 250 kilos.

Investigations led police to the suspect's home where the Jurassic clan was taken into custody along with five eggs and four shells.

Other species in the haul include a Hermann's tortoise, a leopard tortoise, and a radiated tortoise.

It is a legal obligation in Spain to obtain the appropriate licences for the ownership, breeding and sale of these species, but the 48-year-old suspect was found to be operating without



STURTLING NEWS: Police examine the horde of tortoises.

documentation.

His attempts to publicly sell one of his radiated tortoises led him to the attention of the Guardia Civil, to began to investigate.

The property contained

areas that had been specially fitted out for the breeding and rearing of baby tortoises, along with food for the reptiles and all of the equipment needed to incubate eggs.

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NEWS EXTRA

Swimming contest

TORREVIEJA'S sports centre hosted 414 swimmers from 52 clubs for the 32nd Spanish Winter Rescue and Lifeguard Championship, with the Club Noja Playa Dorada from Cantabria coming first.

Bar closures

THE company which owns two of the three beach bars that have been closed in Rocio del Mar said they will not reopen after the council shut them down for allegedly not having a licence.

River works

A WATER company has cleared an eight-kilometre mantle of reeds and weeds on the banks of a river which runs through the Vega Baja region to reduce the risk of flooding.

By Tom Woods

THE National Police have arrested 23 people in an operation designed to dismantle a sophisticated drugs trade network in Alicante City.

Four 'narco-pisos' - private homes used for the consumption and sale of illicit drugs - were raided, and stockpiles of

23 arrested in drugs raid

cocaine and heroin were seized.

The raided yielded a horde of illegal goods including firearms, 500 packages of heroin and cocaine, piles of cash, five precision scales and defence spray.

Investigations began two

months ago when officers became aware of a series of drugs hubs in Alicante City.

Agents then discovered that the 'narco-pisos' were endowed with high quality security equipment, including surveil-

lance cameras above every door.

The cameras were monitored 24 hours a day and covered the interiors and exteriors of all four houses, while each of the homes had a system of metal

gates that guarded access.

However, this was not enough to keep the police at bay permanently, and on February 23 officers carried out their raids and made the arrests.

The detainees are 17 men and six women of Spanish nationality, between 32 and 51 years of age.

Thief's criminal past catches up with him

THE Guardia Civil has arrested a man in Torrevieja wanted for a string of violent robberies.

The 40-year-old fugitive tried to escape through the window of the house where he was hiding, while his partner tried to prevent the officers from reaching him.

There had been an arrest warrant issued for the man since 2014 for an alleged crime of theft by force.

In fact the detainee has a long criminal record and after leaving prison in

2013 he moved to Portugal.

He committed numerous crimes there before moving to Torrevieja, where friends and relatives protected him by questioning every person near his house that they did not recognise.

It was during the investigation of the robbery in 2014 that police established that the man was of Spanish nationality.

The suspect is currently remanded in prison without bail.

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MORE than 25 per cent of fatal traffic incidents in Murcia reportedly last year involved a lorry.

According to Governmental Delegate for Murcia, Francisco Bernabe, nine of last year's 35 fatal incidents in the region directly involved a lorry.

As a result of the figures, the government will carry out

Time to change

a number of campaigns to monitor lorries and buses between February 26 and March 4.

Speaking to Spanish Media, Bernabe sent a strong mes-

sage to all drivers and revealed shocking figures that the campaign has already uncovered.

"These actions have to be carried out, and much more when in the few hours since the beginning of this campaign we have detected six positive drivers in this type of vehicle for drug consumption,

five in lorries, and one in a bus," Bernabe said.

He continued: "When you take a vehicle, whatever it is, you have to be in perfect condition, but if we take a large-tonnage vehicle, whether it's a cargo or bus, the precautions should be even greater."

Of the nine accidents with fatalities involving a lorry last

year, five were reportedly caused by distraction, while two were due to inadequate speed and the final two caused by invading lanes in the opposite direction.

During the campaigns, an estimated 500 vehicles will be monitored with the Guardia Civil's traffic division, searching a number of aspects, including the vehicle's documentation, excess weight and whether the driver is under the influence of alcohol or drugs among others.

NEWS EXTRA

Hospital care plans

THE University Hospital of Torrevieja has announced plans to change conditions for patients in the centre's Intensive Care Unit by allowing patients to have books, music and phones and more visits from friends and family.

Beach clean

AROUND 1,320 cubic metres of algae and almost 254 cubic metres of other waste was removed from the Mar Menor coastline following cleaning efforts in 2017 which are expected to last until Easter this year.

Tax payments

THE average Murcian paid some of the highest levels of tax on their income, with those making €20,000 a year paying almost €2,400 in 2017.

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The new year brought welcome succession and gift tax reforms to some Spanish regions. This has virtually eliminated this unpopular tax for close family in regions such as Murcia and Andalucía, so is good news for expatriates owning assets or living there. However, the situation is likely to change for British nationals after Brexit.

The main issue is if Britain ceases to be part of the European Economic Area (EEA) when it leaves the EU. As things stand, if Britain leaves both the EU and the EEA after Brexit, Britons resident in Spain receiving inheritances could face a much higher succession tax bill. The same will apply to UK residents inheriting Spanish assets.

What will change with Brexit?

Spain treats non-EU/EEA residents differently for succession and gift tax purposes.

Currently, if you are Spanish resident and leave Spanish assets to someone living in the UK, as EU residents they are usually taxed according to the rules of the region where you are resident. Post-Brexit, however, once they become non-EU/EEA residents, UK beneficiaries

will be subject to the less favourable Spanish state rules instead.

What about if you are UK resident with Spanish assets? Today, your heirs (regardless of where they are resident) attract the rules of the Spanish region in which most of the assets are located, but after Brexit, once you become non-EU/EEA resident, the state rules will apply.

Spanish regional rates, reductions

and allowances are generally far more generous than the state rules. The highest reduction under state rules, for example, is just €15,956 for spouses and descendants, whereas some regions offer a 99% succession tax relief and even exemptions for the same family members.

As a result, wherever you are resident, your UK heirs could potentially pay significantly more tax after Brexit when inheriting Spanish assets.

What can you do?

While your Spanish home will always be subject to Spanish succession tax, irrespective of who inherits it, it may be possible to restructure other assets and wealth to reduce succession tax liability. A locally-based adviser with understanding of both the Spanish and UK tax regimes will be best

placed to recommend the most suitable options for your particular circumstances and goals.

As for other taxes, if you have secured permanent residency in Spain before the Brexit cut-off date – due on 29th March 2019 – you should receive the same treatment as you do today. However, if you are not resident in Spain but earn Spanish-sourced income or own Spanish assets post-Brexit, as a non-EU/EEA resident you could face higher income and wealth taxes. Also, note that non-Spanish residents who sell a Spanish main home and reinvest the proceeds into a new main home in the UK will no longer be able to receive capital gains tax relief in Spain once Britain is outside the EU/EEA.

While much is uncertain about the final Brexit deal – and we do not know what may change during negotiations – it is a good idea to be

as prepared as you can be. With only months left to go, now is the time to review your residency, estate planning, investments, pensions and tax planning to secure your position in Spain in the most tax-efficient way possible. Cross-border tax planning is a complex, specialist area, so take professional, personalised advice for the best results and to save your heirs from paying more tax than necessary.

The tax rates, scope and reliefs may change. Any statements concerning taxation are based upon our understanding of current taxation laws and practices which are subject to change. Tax information has been summarised; an individual is advised to seek personalised advice.

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By Gerald Turner,
Partner,
Blevins Franks

Spanish inheritance tax and the effect of Brexit

Workshops

Some Spanish regions have reformed their succession and gift tax rules for 2018. Looking ahead, Britain exiting the EU could also affect how British nationals are taxed on death and when making gifts in Spain.

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Living on the edge

FOUR children in 10 are in danger from poverty or social exclusion in the Murcia region, according to a report.

More than 120,000 children were living in vulnerable situations or were at risk of being excluded, the Situation of Childhood in the Region of Murcia 2017 study claimed. That is 32.9 per cent higher than the average for Spain and 26.9 per cent more than EU levels.

The report was undertaken by the United Nations' UNICEF body in the region, as well as the University of Murcia

(UMU) and the Polytechnic University of Cartagena (UPCT).

UNICEF Murcia said the data in the report would help them and authorities deal with the problem of child poverty.

"The fulfilment of the rights of children must be a commitment for all. Investment in childhood is fundamental for the sustainable development of present and future generations,

"Development will not be effective unless it is based on equity," the organisation said.

Research also suggested

that early school dropout rates stood at 26.4 per cent, above the Spanish average of 19 per cent and 15 percentage points higher than EU levels.

The proportion of children with special educational needs in normal schools stood at 87.6 per cent, five points above the national average of 82.6 per cent.

Proposals including increasing public spending on children and raising childhood participation in decision making were presented by UNICEF along with the report at the University of Murcia.

Blazing controversy

Police slammed over shock video

POLICE in Spain have attempted to defend their actions after a video appears to show officers 'ignoring' a man lying unconscious on the ground after leaping from his apartment to escape a fire.

The 40-year-old man jumped around six metres from his first-floor balcony and lay unconscious on the pavement as officers appeared to ignore him.

He is now in an intensive care unit in hospital in a critical condition.

The incident happened in Calle Espinosa in the San Anton neighbourhood of Cartagena in southern Spain.

A video shot by a neighbour shows that, for more than two minutes, members of the Local and National Police forces ignore the critically injured man lying on the ground.

However, the Local Po-



FIRE JUMP: The man lies unconscious on the floor after leaping from his blazing flat.

lice of Cartagena say that the video 'is only an extract' of what happened, and that, moments before the officers, immediately after arriving at the scene, had approached the person to check their status, and, once they found that he was unconscious, and did not respond, called the health

teams to act.

The Local Police stress that its officers are trained in first aid and say that 'a person in that state cannot be moved because of the risk of causing more serious injuries.

Therefore, they say that the actions of the officers 'was the correct one.'

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The Supreme Court states Banco Popular (Banco Pastor), SGRCV and BBVA are to return the money paid for off plan properties, for not issuing compulsory individual bank guarantees.

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The Supreme Court has made clear that:

- If other buyers in the same resort received individual bank guarantees, then **all buyers** should have received them. Not having an individual bank guarantee

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would not stop them from claiming the money from the bank.

- If the amount covered by the bank guarantee is lower than the money actually paid to the developer, the bank should pay back **the full paid amount plus interest**.

- If there is not an individual bank guarantee, but there is a general bank guarantee, this should cover **all buyers** as though they were issued an individual bank guarantee.

- There is no need to sue the developer, before suing the bank.

If you bought a property off plan, paid a deposit or even made stage payments, whether you received the compulsory individual bank guarantee or not, you might be interested to learn more about your rights.

This is only general information. It is recommended that all legal matters pertaining to specific cases are referred to a lawyer for advice, guidance and execution.

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by Joe Gerrard

AUTHORITIES in Caravaca de la Cruz are set to spend more than €500,000 on the town's paving and roads.

The spending is part of Murcia's Works and Services plan for 2018 and 2019. It was agreed by the region's finance minister Andres Carillo and Jose Moreno, Caravaca de la Cruz's mayor, following a meeting on Monday.

Almost €488,450 of the money will be sourced from subsidies while the rest is set to come from the town's budget.

Andres Carillo said: "Thanks to these

projects the area will be provided with the necessary urban services. Road safety for pedestrians will also be improved and the quality of life for citizens increased."

The Works and Services Plan 2018/19 is a spending package put together by regional authorities for use by urban areas with less than 50,000 residents. More than €7.8 million has been made available for the plan.

Works to streets and pavements, repairs to and the replacement of street lighting and the improvements of parks are included as part of the plan.

Calling new doctors

THE number of doctors practising in Murcia could fall by around 27 per cent over the next 10 years, according to a report.

The Medical Association of Murcia's Collegiate Report found that around 1,980 of its members were currently between the ages of 55 and 64, meaning they will retire before 2028. There are currently 7,192 members of the organisation.

The news comes as figures show there will be 10,000 fewer doctors in Spain by the end of the next decade.

The number of family and children's doctors is predicted to fall by a greater amount due to more of them being closer to the retirement age.

The rate at which new doctors are being trained and hired will not be enough to meet the shortfall if current trends continue, according to reports.

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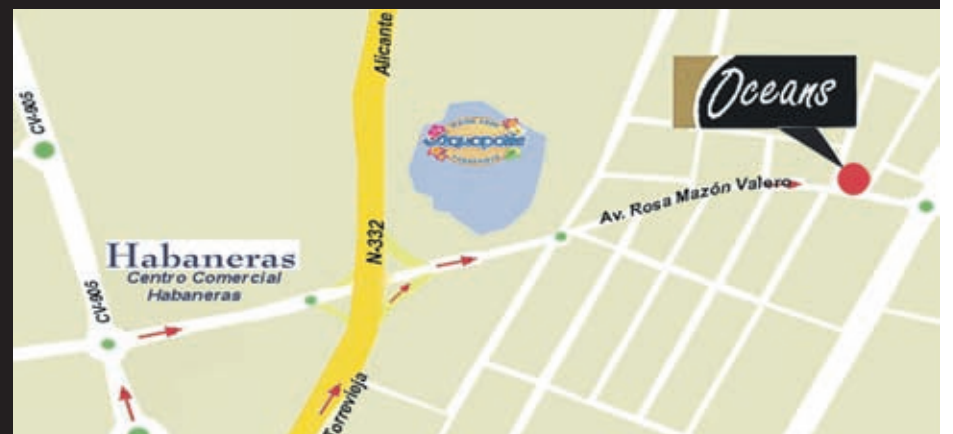
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DEAD: The shark was found in the water of Alicante's Levante de Santa Pola beach.

A Jaws-dropping discovery

A 4-METRE shark has been found dead on the Levante de Santa Pola beach in Alicante.

According to reports the dead animal was first sighted close to the shore of the beach before it became stranded in breakwater.

Local Police then reportedly called in workers from environmental management company Urbaser to help remove the 200 kilo shark a day after the first sighting.

After being moved to the shore, the shark was then helped out of the breakwater and

onto the shore by a boat, before a crane eventually moved it from the beach entirely.

Euro Weekly News spoke to a Marine Biologist who studied at the University of Barcelona who believed the shark was a bluntnose sixgill, also known as a cow shark.

It is now being held at Urbaser's facilities awaiting a decision on whether it will be transferred to the Valencia Authority's Institute of Coastal Ecology.

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Preparing for Brexit.

By Sam Kelly, Managing Partner, Chorus Financial.



Over the last 2 weeks I have had the pleasure of joining Sarah-Jane Morris, the British Consul, at a series of meetings helping to update the British population here in Spain, on Brexit.

Chorus Financial attended in the official capacity as financial advisor to Brexipats In Spain, Spain's biggest organisation lobbying for the post-Brexit rights of British residents in Spain.

Over the 8 meetings, which ranged from Pilar De La Horadada in the South, to Javea in the North, we had a total attendance in excess of 2000 people. After short introductions by Sarah-Jane and Richard Hill of Brexipats In Spain, the meetings moved to an open Q+A.

The 'agreement' on citizen's rights, is in fact 'an accord', and will only become binding as and when all other elements of the negotiation fall into place. Sarah-Jane summarised the accord as follows:

- To fall within the accord, you must be a fully signed up resident of Spain before 'Brexit day' March 29th 2019. Efforts were made by local town officials to encourage people to look into this ASAP. In some areas, where waiting times for an appointment are usually a matter of days, they currently stand at 6+ weeks. As we near the cut-off point, these

waiting times are expected to increase; it is best to book your appointment as early as possible.

- **Pensions uplift** – triple lock is a guarantee to increase the state pension every year by the higher of inflation, average earnings or a minimum of 2.5%. It currently extends to EU residents, and the intention is to maintain this post-Brexit for those of you living in Spain.

- **EHIC** – the European Health Insurance Card is intended for medical treatment only for those travelling within the EU. It should not be used by those intending to stay full-time in Spain, and the Consul warned that there has been an increase in problems for Brits in Spain trying to use the EHIC for long-term medical care. The accord intends for EHIC to remain in place post-Brexit. For British state pensioners, your EHIC should be provided by the UK, for other British, Spanish based residents, your EHIC will be provided by Spain.

- **Healthcare** – the UK currently pays approximately €3000 to Spain for each UK state pensioner who resides

here. This guarantees healthcare for British state pensioners in Spain as long as they are legally registered residents. The intention is to maintain this agreement post Brexit. For Brits working legally in Spain, they will automatically be covered, and early retirees have the option to pay into the Spanish healthcare system after 1 year of residence, at a rate of €60 per month.

There were many other areas covered following dozens of questions over the 8 meetings, but I simply don't have the space to cover them all! The overriding message was if you intend to remain in Spain post-Brexit with as little disruption as possible, then ensure you are on the padron and registered as resident – your local town council will help with this.

Chorus are actively assisting the British community here in Spain to prepare for Brexit with expert financial planning.

Areas to consider include:

- **A full review of your UK private**

and company pensions. With Pension Freedoms coming as a result of EU legislation, now could be the last opportunity to take advantage of pension flexibility with regards private or company pensions. Pension Freedoms has the potential to maximise your retirement funds, plan for tax efficient drawdown in Spain, and leave more to your loved ones when you pass away.

- **Savings and Investment reviews.** Saving and investment plans that are popular in the UK, including ISAs, UK investment bonds etc., can be incredibly inefficient once you become a Spanish resident, potentially resulting in you paying higher than necessary taxes and creating complex accounting requirements. There are simple solutions available to ensure moving to Spain doesn't result in higher taxation on your savings and investments.

- **Inheritance Tax Planning.** Spanish IHT is based on a very different system to the UK, so expert planning should be considered if you wish to reduce the potential inheritance tax your loved ones will need to pay.

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Man held over rape and robbery claims

A 27-YEAR-OLD who allegedly raped a Belgian tourist before others stole her mobile phone and belongings has been arrested in Torrevieja.

The suspect, a man reportedly of Moroccan origin, approached the 32-year-old at around 6am while she was walking her dog.

He began speaking to her in several languages and after the woman told him she did not understand him he

grabbed her arm before then sexually assaulting her.

Other people appeared and stole her phone and several of her belongings while she struggled against the accused, according to the Guardia Civil.

The woman was treated by emergency medical staff before filing a complaint with police. She was able to describe the man who she accused of assaulting her, but was not able to give any in-

formation about those who allegedly stole from her.

Officers carried out a search of the suspect's home and reportedly found a cap the victim had worn when the attack took place, as well as several items of her clothing.

They then arrested the 27-year-old who was sent to court and remanded in custody. The investigation to find the other alleged robbers remains open.

Life-changing funding sought

A NEUROSCIENCE Institute has said they are seeking to raise €492,800 for a new trial on the treatment of Motor Neurone Disease.

The Institute of Neurosciences, based at the Miguel Hernandez University in Elche, are hoping to secure funding for a trial following successful experiments on mice.

Scientists hope to examine if adult stem

cells can stop the deterioration in nerves caused by the disease. The trial would take place over three years at the Virgen de la Arrixaca Hospital in Murcia and the Alicante's General Hospital if funding is granted.

The Institute has said the treatment could be given to the 900 new patients who are diagnosed with the disease in Spain every year.



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PICKED UP: The Georgians were all stopped at the San Javier airport.

Georgians blocked en route to Britain

FOURTEEN Georgians have been arrested at the Murcia-San Javier airport since the beginning of the year on suspicion of carrying false documents.

A Latvian individual has also been arrested for alleged crimes against the rights of foreign citizens and human trafficking.

According to reports, police have been investigating a criminal organisation that is allegedly dedicated to getting

Georgian citizens into the country and moving them through Europe.

The Georgians involved, who usually use the Barajas and El Prat airport to enter Spain, would use authentic documentation initially but then use the country as a 'transit.'

Once in Spain, passengers are reportedly transferred to different points of the country, staying in different places, be-

fore being provided with false documentation by the organisation, such as identity cards and passports from European countries, which would in turn enable them to travel to other European countries freely.

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Situation critical for hospital beds

By Tom Woods

THE Emergency and Critical Areas of the University Hospital of Torrevieja are suffering a chronic shortage of available beds.

The problem meant that recently two patients who had suffered 'a serious heart attack' were left in an emergency room with a catheterisation.

There had been no space in the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) or observation rooms, so the patients were referred to an operating room.

Although the number of beds in the ICU was recently increased - although still not enough to meet demand - the same cannot be said for the number of staff, with a ratio of roughly one



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PANIC ROOMS: The lack of capacity at the hospital is becoming a crisis.

doctor to every 21 patients in extreme situations.

Union representatives of the staff say that the problem is critical and that there needs to be an increase in ICU staff.

Nursing staff in the resuscitation service have seen a considerable in-

crease in their workload by having to care for patients there but also in intensive care.

A union spokesman said that "all this affects the quality and safety of patients in critical care, and they should always be going to the correct rooms."

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Termite terror at the Monserrate Sanctuary

TERMITES are wreaking havoc in the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Monserrate in Orihuela.

The insects of barely one centimetre in length are devouring all the wood in their path.

It is not a new problem as the church has been fighting it for 10 years, but now the insects have reappeared with a vengeance.

Some of the termites have gone into the crypt whose wall borders nearby houses, the residents of which did not give permission a year ago to install an anti-termite barrier.

The chapel of the Sanctuary, which is more than two centuries old and is a site of cultural interest, has been most affected.

However, there has also been damage to the dressing room of the Cristo de la Muerte, where part of a vault and some beams have been devoured.

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WASTE NOT: A variety of professionals shared ideas on sustainable waste.

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Participating at the event was the Vega Baja Sustainable Consortium, led by its president Manuel Pineda, which addressed the issue from both an academic and practical standpoint.

Both residential and industrial waste was evaluated, as well as the role of the city council in the administration.

The event was attended by the Director General of Climate Change, Joan Piquer, who asked officials and politicians 'to put the emphasis on the process, to see what we all can do to reduce the

amount of rubbish that we take to our garbage bins, and recycle as a means to prevent both economic and environmental problems.'

The President of the Consortium, Manuel Pineda, stressed that the fundamental problem of waste management is 'the slowness of administrative and judicial procedures.'

Mr Pineda added that the politicisation of the issue is another of the major problems, 'especially when the elections are approaching and the political parties work with very short term objectives.'

Mr Piquer also announced that he will be attending a citizens' meeting this Saturday with the residents of Dolores, for further discussions on the matter.

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STANDING UP: Violante Tomas is promoting measures to help women.

Fight for womens' rights

THE Murcia provincial authority has allocated more than €4 million in an effort to guarantee equality of opportunity between men and women.

Emphasis will be placed on improving the reconciliation of women's personal and social life with their working conditions.

Minister of Family and Equal Opportunities, Violante Tomas, said:

"We have increased the budget by more than 6 per cent to implement the strategy of a work-life balance."

There will be measures to promote employability and women's entrepreneurship, as well as the financing of projects to help women with vulnerabilities.

The overriding objective is to have women fully incorporated into their professional careers without having to sacrifice their personal lives.

Moreover, there will be a range of events scheduled for International Women's Day on March 8.

Ms Tomas revealed that more

than 20 activities are in the programme in an awareness raising effort aimed at professionals from the business and culture sectors.

"International Women's Day is an opportunity to continue promoting measures to empower women in all environments, both urban and rural, and recognise activists who work tirelessly to reclaim women's rights."

There will be seminars on women's leadership, art exhibitions, photography and music concerts.

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Entering into a web of training

A GROUP of 25 young people in Murcia will have the opportunity to partake in a training course entitled, 'Web development with Java.'

It forms part of Connect Employment's Telefonica Foundation programme in partnership with the Murcia provincial authority.

The programme is aimed at young people aged between 18 and 35 who are keen to be trained in professional digital skills with a view to a career in a related field.

During the training, students will acquire the necessary knowledge and skills that will allow them to develop cross-platform web applications using one of the most in demand software products in the IT sector: Java.

Employment Digital is the training programme's name

and provides an opportunity for companies and organisations to upskill staff in technology and web development.

Councillor for Urban Modernisation, Jose Guillen, commented: "New technologies are changing the world and pose a challenge for today's society, so we young people can be fully prepared for these changes."

Also supporting the initiative was Councillor for Economic Promotion, Jesus Pacheco, who said: "Thanks to this agreement with the Telefonica Foundation we continue to promote youth employment."

"The difference with this project is that not only are they given training, but they are also put in contact with Murcian companies who



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GOING DIGITAL: Young people and businesses alike will benefit from the course.

need these kind of employees."

The training modules include web applications, web integration, design and data management.

On top of that the students will also receive employability tutoring that will see them learn emotional intelligence, teamwork, and interview tips.

The course lasts for five

months and features experts and professionals in the sector who offer their guidance and advice.

Places are limited but those who wish to enter the selection process must be aged between 18 and 35 and looking for employment.

Registration is made via the Telefonica Foundation's website: www.fundaciontelefonica.com/empleabilidad.

LIDL has invested an estimated €4.5

million on the new store located on the Primero de Mayo Avenue in Murcia.

According to reports, the new store, which opened last Thursday and re-

More than a Lidl investment

square metres and has brand new sections in-

places the shop on Calle Molino Nerva, has hired a dozen new employees and will see more products available to customers than the previous store.

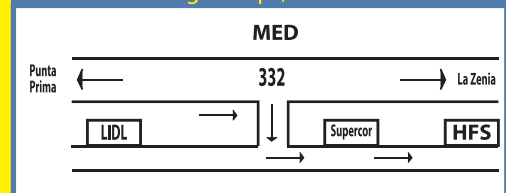
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Whale washes up



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WASHED UP: The body of the sperm whale.

A SPERM WHALE has been found dead on a beach in the Cabo de Palos.

The animal, estimated to measure between seven and eight metres and weigh almost 10 tonnes, was found in an 'advanced state of decomposition' on the shore of Cala del Muerto.

Environmental officers were called to remove the animal from the shore and after it was taken from the water, it was moved to Cala Reona where experts of the Wildlife Recovery Centre have taken samples in order to learn the animal's cause of death.

The mammal was found with what are believed to be shark bites that had fed on the animal's carcass.

Witnesses reportedly told Spanish media that the body had 'a very strong smell', which led experts to the belief that the animal has been dead for a while.

It is not the first incident to have occurred involving washed up whales in the area.

In December, a corpse of a pilot whale, weighing an estimated 2,000 kilos, was also found in front of the Rivemar Dive Centre in Cartagena.

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Company accused of playing mine games

by Tom Woods

REPRESENTATIVES of the Sierra Minera Foundation and resident associations of Alumbres, La Union and Portman have visited the mining site of La Parreta in a show of support for its historic status.

They are demanding that the company that owns it, Emasa, complies with the law and open it to the public.

A spokesman for the Foundation said that there is a "lack of conservation, custody and protection of this cultural heritage area, and a breach of the legal



Photo credit: Agenda menuda

HISTORIC: The La Parreta mining site.

obligation to allow the public to visit."

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It is believed that Emasa has concerns about the safety of any tours, but those who participated in the visit insisted that this was unfounded.

They insist that a tour could be led by professional guides and run along the paths and trails of the hill, negating any danger.

However, it is widely acknowledged that the condition of the mines has declined over the past 10 years, and there has been looting, but that this is Emasa's fault for not providing the appropriate protection.

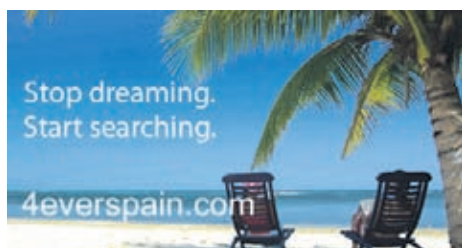
Food for thought

A 61-YEAR-OLD lorry driver has suffered serious burns after an explosion occurred in his vehicle. Emergency services were first called to kilometre 848 of the AP-7 in Mazarron amid claims that an

accident had occurred in the area.

According to reports, the man was preparing food in the cabin of his vehicle while stopped in a service area, when a small gas canister exploded.

The driver suffered multiple injuries in the explosion, including serious burns to his face and hands, and was transferred to the University hospital Virgen de la Arrixaca for treatment.



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THE body of a man who died seven years ago has been found by his brother at an apartment in Spain.

It is believed the man died in 2011 when he was 38 years old.

His neighbours in Valencia and his brother thought he had gone to live in Santander as he had said days before his apparent death.

After several years without hearing

Gruesome find

from him his brother went to the apartment this week accompanied by a locksmith, a friend and a neighbour.

When the locksmith opened the door

the mummified skeleton of the man was found lying on the bed.

National Police officers are investigating and a post-mortem has been per-

formed to try and determine the cause of death.

However, it is believed the man had led a tragic life.

At the age of 20, he lost his father who was hit by a car and his disabled mother died in a residence.

It is reported that he twice went through drug rehabilitation programmes.

Man Utd fans held

A POLICE officer was left injured after alleged public order and assault offences by Manchester United football fans in Spain.

Five arrests were made for causing serious public disturbances, destruction of furniture and assaults on the Local Police after the football game in the city of Sevilla.

The men had stayed on in the city following Manchester United's 0-0 Champions League draw



CREDIT: Twitter/FutbolAIAndalus

FIRE AT NIGHT: Trouble ahead of the Sevilla versus Manchester United clash.

with Sevilla on Wednesday.

It is claimed rocks were thrown at a hotel, a police car windscreen was smashed, motorcycles were pushed over and a biker attacked.

Local Police and National Police officers who tried to calm the scene were allegedly attacked by the five Brits, aged between 27 and 30 years old.

One officer received a hand injury that required medical attention.



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Human traffickers used voodoo tricks

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Twelve people have been arrested and four women have been safeguarded.

It is claimed that the gang 'recruited' their victims in Benin City, Nigeria forcing them to eat a raw chicken heart and drink whisky, taking clippings of their hair and nails and using voodoo threats.

The criminals then used fraudulent documents to traffic the women to Europe, where they were housed in squalid conditions in Italy for several days.

Once they arrived in Spain the women were hidden in their madam's houses and forced to clean and take care



POLICE RAIDS: Joint operation between the UK and Spain.

of the children, whilst the organised crime group made arrangements for the submission of applications for asylum by the victims.

The ring leaders were based in Torrelavega, Spain. It is claimed they controlled the whole network from the city and if the women could not pay their debts their fam-

ily was threatened by phone.

A European Arrest Warrant was issued by Spain and a house search took place in the UK as one of the individuals was living in Manchester. The UK-based culprit was arrested alongside seven in Cantabria, two in Vizcaya and two in Alicante in Spain.

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House fire horror

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The grandmother, who was looking after the rescued two children, aged five and seven, was also rescued from the fire on one floor of the three-storey property.

The 112 Andalucía emergency control centre reported the fire broke out at 5pm last Friday in Albolote (Granada) in Andalucía, southern Spain. Guardia Civil officers



CREDIT: Twitter/E112Andalucia

BABY DIES IN FIRE: Emergency services at the scene.

have opened an investigation and has been offered to the family and psychological support.

Fake taxi driver held

POLICE in the south of Spain have taken a 'taxi' off the road that had no MOT, no licence, no legal meter, a broken seat and a window jammed shut with wood to prevent it from opening.

Suspensions of the Local Police in Sevilla were raised when they spotted the general

state of disrepair of the vehicle as it dropped off two tourists at the train station in the city.

Police officers also found the car was generally dirty and covered in dents.

The vehicle was impounded by the police and the driver denounced.

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NUMBERS TRIPLE: Almost 22,420 people attempted to reach Spain by boat last year.

Migrant numbers triple

Emergency services overwhelmed

THE amount of people who came to Spain by boat as migrants stood at almost 22,420 last year, with nearly 250 people losing their lives at sea.

Migrants arriving in the country by land and sea numbered almost 28,590 in 2017. The amount of people travelling on other routes into Europe fell, according to a human rights group.

The Andalucian Human Rights Association (APDHA) said there were no adequate structures or means to offer people dignified treatment when they arrived.

This was evident in Malaga, Barbate and Motril, some of the main entry points for those arriving by sea, they added.

"The measures of containment agreed with origin countries, repression exercised against migrants and closing Europe's borders have not been capable of stopping the movement of people," the group said.

"The reality is unbearable," they added.

More than 6,000 people have died trying to reach Spain in the last 20 years, according to data from APDHA.

The group said the figure could be higher because for every person that was confirmed dead there were two unaccounted for.

Extreme poverty, armed conflicts and a lack of opportunities for the future meant that for many leaving their countries for Europe was the only alternative, they added.

Morocco was the main country of origin for migrants arriving in Spain. Algeria, Guinea, the Ivory Coast, Gambia and Syria followed but sub-Saharan Africans were the largest single group, APDHA said.

Figures showed there was a fall in the number of women making the journey to Spain but that the number of migrant children arriving had risen by more than 66 per cent.

Wooden craft, jet skis, toy boats and surfboards were among the ways used to make the journey, according to the group.

APDHA said: "Barbed wire, patrol boats, returns, death and suffering cannot continue to be the response of this country to people fleeing war or hunger. History will judge us by the cruelty and inhumanity exercised by our rulers."

Police officer dies

A POLICE officer died after supporters of Athletic Bilbao and Spartak Moscow clashed on the streets of the city in northern Spain.

It is believed the Ertzaina officer suffered a heart attack during the violent scenes in San Mames near the stadium that has left an unknown number of people injured.

The officer was rushed to the Basurto hospital but he could not be resuscitated.

Flares were fired and glasses, bottles, stones and even golf balls were used as weapons turning the area into a battle zone. More than 600 police were on duty after warnings that trouble may erupt with the 2,500 travelling Russian fans.

Five people have been arrested so far - three of them Russians.

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Easter flight fear Ryanair boss warns of strikes

LOW-COST Irish airline Ryanair's CEO Michael O'Leary has warned of potential strikes in Europe during Easter week.

Earlier this month O'Leary warned of possible disruptions as the airline prepares to extend its recent recognition of pilot unions to cabin crew staff but did not specify what markets were likely to be hit.

He said the airline would rather see bookings damaged by the uncertainty around a strike than give in to 'laughable' union demands.

According to respected news agency Reuters he told a press conference in Lisbon, "We had a strike in Germany on December 22... we expect the next one will be in Ireland - or

maybe it will be in Portugal - during Easter week."

However, no flights were cancelled during the four-hour strike in Germany before Christmas which O'Leary referred to.

Irish pilot union FORSA/IALPA has not announced any strike plans, but has said pilots had rejected an offered pay rise from Ryanair.

It added that the airline was refusing the union's demand to be recognised as the exclusive body for collective bargaining.

O'Leary said he was making 'significant progress' in talks with SPAC, the Portuguese pilots union, but management had offered a pay rise directly to Portuguese pilots and that 75 per cent of pilots had accepted the

offer.

A Ryanair spokesperson said, "As we explained in our Q3 results on February 5 last 'as we finalise union discussions along similar lines to that agreed in the UK, we expect some localised disruptions and adverse PR so investors should be prepared for the same'."

The February third-quarter results statement said, "In certain jurisdictions unions representing competitor airlines will wish to test our commitment to our low cost, high pay/high productivity model to disrupt our operations."

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San Animal Santuario hold AGM

SAN ANIMAL SANTUARIO will be holding their Annual General meeting at Hotel Puerto Juan Montiel in Aguilas on Monday March 12 at 7/7.30pm. All are welcome to come and talk about what they have been doing to help the animals and the charity's plans for the coming year.

The charity needs to appoint a new treasurer and a new secretary at the AGM, and encourage anyone interested to contact Mandy or Lorna for information: mandy@sananimal.org or lorna@sananimal.org.

ARPO meeting

THE Association of Retired Police Officers (ARPO) meet on the second Wednesday of the month at Sackos bar, El Limonar, Torrevieja at 10.30am.

They extend a warm welcome to all serving and retired officers, their spouses and partners.

For further information go to their website www.arpo.org.uk or email the secretary on: arpocostablancasouth@gmail.com.

Town hall led Consulate talks reach nearly 2,000 Brits

BRITISH Consul Sarah-Jane Morris visited nine towns in the Alicante Province over the past month to update British nationals on the progress of the citizens' rights part of the Brexit negotiations and to answer questions.

Mrs Morris also reminded British nationals of the benefits of registering as a resident in Spain, both with the National Police ('residencia') and with their local town hall ('padron').

Attendance across the towns was high, the Consul having reached nearly 2,000 people. Representatives of Brexipats in Spain pressure group were also on the panel at the meetings, as were local mayors and councillors. Various topics came up during the question and answer sessions, especially regarding healthcare, pensions and residency rights and obligations.

On residency rights, all speakers were united in encouraging British nationals to check they



BRITISH CONSUL: Sarah-Jane Morris in Rojales.

are properly registered in Spain, and to get registered if they haven't already done so.

Consul Sarah-Jane Morris said, "I would advise anyone who is concerned about Brexit to make sure they always go to the original source for information. Everything that has been dis-

cussed and agreed so far can be found on the gov.uk website - it's easy to check and sign up for email alerts.

"I also picked up that a lot of people are still not clear about their residency status in Spain in terms of renewing their residency and padron. As I said in the meet-

ings, I will follow this up with the relevant local authorities and we will continue to publish up-to-date accurate information on our gov.uk website and Brits in Spain Facebook page."

The number of British people registered on the padron, the local register held by the town halls which is used to allocate funding from central government, has been in decline over the past few years.

Mrs Morris stated that despite the one million homes in Spain owned by British citizens, less than 300,000 are registered on the padron nationally. Town hall representatives welcomed attendees at the meetings to come and check their registration status at their local town hall office.

The Consul finished the meetings by reminding people to check for updates about the Brexit negotiations from the official sources, namely the gov.uk website: www.gov.uk/world/brexit.



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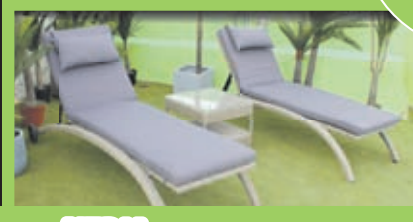
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Local Masons donate to hospital

CALEDONIA Lodge No 68 from Quesada, was pleased to present a patient bed lift to Torrevieja Hospital. It was purchased some time ago for their own use but having only been used once, they decided to donate it to the hospital where far better use could be made of it.

It was always a pleasure for them to be able to assist their local hospital, who are so grateful for any help. It is very important that hospitals and their staff are supported for their great work and dedication.

For information on Freemasonry *prensa@glpvalencia.com*.

Los Montesinos star reunited with agent

IRISH showband star Eddie White, resident of Los Montesinos, Alicante, has been reunited with long lost music agent Paul Charles - after over three decades.

"It was lovely to speak to Paul again after so long. Fantastic," said saxophonist Eddie.

Music promoter, talent agent and novelist Paul Charles has had clients including the Buzzcocks, Tom Waits, Elvis Costello, Ray Davies, Christy Moore and Don McLean on his books.

"Paul Charles was the instigation in getting Van Morrison back on the road," said Eddie, who spoke to Paul for the first time since meeting in their hometown Magherafelt, Northern Ireland over 30 years ago.

The friends got in touch following Showband star saxophonist Eddie having his biography 'Eddie White's Memoirs of the Showband Era' pub-

lished by Los Montesinos author Andrew Atkinson.

"Paul is so busy, but he hopes to visit me in Spain and talk about old times," said Eddie, 70, formerly in showbands including The Breakaways, Hugo Duncan and The Tallmen, and The Plattermen.

Paul, 68, moved from Magherafelt to London in 1967, and became a music correspondent for Belfast based magazine 'City Week,' writing reviews of Irish groups.

Paul, who lives in Camden, said: "I knew Eddie way back in the Magherafelt days in the mid-1960s."

Eddie, also a member of The Mighty Avons, Brendan Quinn and The Breakaways and Eileen King's Country Gifts, said: "Paul used to travel with us in the van from Magherafelt when on the road."

Eddie, who formed his first group The Panthers while at Grammar

School, aged 12, said: "I hadn't spoken to Paul in 30 odd years."

"Last time we spoke was in Magherafelt, while I was walking the greyhounds."

A voice said: 'Is that you Eddie?' And I answered: 'Is that you Paul?'"

Paul Charles and Paul Fenn formed promotion agency Asgard, initially signing Punk band the Buzzcocks: "It was great to get the call from Paul."

"We had a hell of a good chat - thanks to Andrew Atkinson arranging it. We chatted for about half an hour. If he gets a few days off his busy schedule he'll be coming over," said Eddie, who retired to Spain, with his wife Mary.

Eddie White's Memoirs of The Showband Era (£10) available direct from the author. For further details email: *lancashiremedia@gmail.com*.

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Happy animals at Finca San Miguel de Salinas

THE volunteers of Finca San Miguel de Salinas recently had to say goodbye to Bruno, the Rotweiler at the Finca. Bruno had been there since he was a pup, he knew the campo very well, and had walks on his own for about 20 minutes, sometimes he forgot the time if he was chasing a rabbit or cat.

He was always happy to go for a walk, loved all the female volunteers and they loved him.

The sad news came at the end of December when the vet diagnosed him with arthritis. Heike offered him a foster home, Bruno paid a last visit to the finca to say goodbye, before he passed away.

They said they will never forget him, he will always be in their hearts.

On every last Saturday of the month, the volunteers organise an open day at the Finca. There will be food, drinks, home-made cake, music and a raffle.

They are always looking for volunteers, cake makers and raffle prizes. If you would like to help the animals, please let them know.

For more information you can become a member of the Facebook group: *fincasanmigueldesalinas*, call: 616 792 355 or email: *nicosolm@hotmail.com*.

The animals and volunteers look forward to seeing you!



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Velvetones help out!

THIS ladies chorus were delighted to present a cheque for €600 to ALPE school for adults and children with special needs.

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were proud to contribute to this special charity. If you are looking for a hobby and to meet new people, the VELVETONES practise at El Paraiso, Torrevieja each Thursday from 5.15pm to 7.45pm. Visit Facebook (Velvetones Harmony Chorus) or check out www.velvetonesharmonytorrevieja.com. Or call Mary-Anne on 966 714 973.

It's good to give

IT'S that time of the year when the arrow on the temperature gauge rises on the thermometer. Spring is in the air and thoughts often turn to having a good clear out in readiness for the yearly spring clean.

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All money raised from their shops goes to maintaining the myriad of services Age Concern provides helping and supporting the over 50's in the area of which you may, in the future, need to use.

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SWEDEN



On the hunt

HUNTERS in Sweden have officially been given permission to reduce the country's lynx population during a licensed hunt from March 1 to April 15 to protect the local reindeer.



HUNTED: Sweden's lynx population.

Starry fries

SWEDEN has just been granted its first ever Michelin three-star restaurant, after the honour was awarded to Stockholm's Frantzén during a gala in Copenhagen and the country now has 26 restaurants in the Michelin Guide.

Leaders meet

SWEDISH Prime Minister Stefan Löfven will meet Donald Trump in the

White House on March 6 to discuss how the two countries can work together on defence, external relations and security.

Foreign meddling

SWEDEN'S intelligence service

has warned that 'foreign powers' might attempt to interfere with their upcoming general election in an attempt to weaken the democratic system, as has reportedly happened in countries such as the USA.

GERMANY



Pay bumped

WORKERS for the world's largest car-maker Volkswagen in Germany announced they had secured a 4.3 per cent pay bump, as well as tripled contributions to their company pension fund.

Russian email story alleging cooperation between Russian trolls and the Social Democrat party's youth leader after a satire magazine revealed it duped the paper with false information.

Fake news

BILD, Germany's biggest newspaper, came under fire for publishing a fake

Boar bating

GERMANY has issued a decree allowing hunters to shoot wild boar to stop

the animals from passing the African swine fever virus on to farm pigs.

Locked up

A 53-YEAR-OLD German Catholic priest was sentenced to eight and a half years in prison, and years of therapy in a psychiatric institution beforehand, for more than 100 cases of sexual abuse.

FRANCE



Snowed in

A LANDSLIDE trapped 2,000 people in the Monts d'Olmes ski resort in the Pyrenees after it blocked the only access road to the town.

Rough census

AT least 3,000 homeless people are living on the streets of Paris according to data gathered by the city's first ever homeless census, which is believed to be a low estimate.

Tourist hotspot

VISITOR numbers in Paris have hit a record high according to tourism officials, with the city receiving 2.9 million more visitors last year than the year before, an increase of 9.5 per cent.

Bill bother

FRANCE has unveiled a controversial new immigration bill which has been criticised by rights groups for being too soft and branded repressive by NGOs.

BELGIUM



Protect privacy

A BELGIAN court has ordered Facebook to stop illegally collecting their user's data or they will face up to €100 million in fines, and has also been ordered to delete all the data it gathered on Belgian citizens.

Rapid rise

THE Belgian-raised Australian Senator Mathias Cormann, who spoke little English before he first visited the country, became Australia's acting prime minister for a few days while Malcolm Turnbull visited the US.

Gun scare

POLICE in Brussels locked down part of a suburb amid reports that someone had been murdered and there was a gunman still at large.

Car crazy

A NEW study revealed Brussels residents walk less than their European peers and only 6 per cent of their journeys are made on foot or by bicycle.

NETHERLANDS



Medal winners

THE Netherlands' women's speed skating team succeeded in taking home the silver at the South Korea Winter Olympics while the men's team took home the bronze.

Green gain

MOST of the large-scale solar power farms in the Netherlands are reportedly being built by non-Dutch companies because the substantial subsidies available for the projects attract foreign developers.

Narco state

DUTCH police have warned the Netherlands is on its way to becoming a narco-state, saying organised gangs have free rein and many victims do not report incidents.

Baby break

NEW dads in the Netherlands will get five days paid leave - up from two days - during the first four weeks of the baby's arrival from next year.

NORWAY



Safety first

THE Norwegian Public Roads Administration has allegedly ordered 800 reflective vests to give to rental car companies in order to protect tourists that stop to take photographs while driving.

Curler cheated

NORWEGIAN curler Magnus Nedregotten called on Winter Olympics organisers to find out if they could expedite the investigation into the Russian athlete, who beat him to bronze, that failed a drugs test so he could claim the medal.

New tip-off

POLICE in Hordaland County have announced they plan to reopen an investigation into the disappearance of 32-year-old Trine Frantzen who vanished in 2004 after receiving a new lead.

Off the hook

A MAN accused by police of being behind an arson attack against an asylum centre and sentenced to seven years in prison has been acquitted after his brother confessed his guilt.

DENMARK



Top nosh

TWO new restaurants in Denmark were handed their first Michelin stars: MeMu in Vejle and Jordnær in Gentofte meaning the country now has 30 stars awarded across 26 restaurants.

Call for action

DANISH Prime Minister Lars Lokke Rasmussen pleaded with Donald Trump on Twitter to "respond to the request of your youngsters who demand gun control" in the United States, following the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School shooting.

New worlds

A DANISH PhD student from the Technical University of Denmark has reportedly discovered 95 new exoplanets - planets that orbit around other stars - with the help of the Kepler telescope.

Axe attacker

POLICE arrested a 29-year-old man at a strip club who was suspected of attacking a couple with an axe in Birkerød and then robbing a bank two days later.



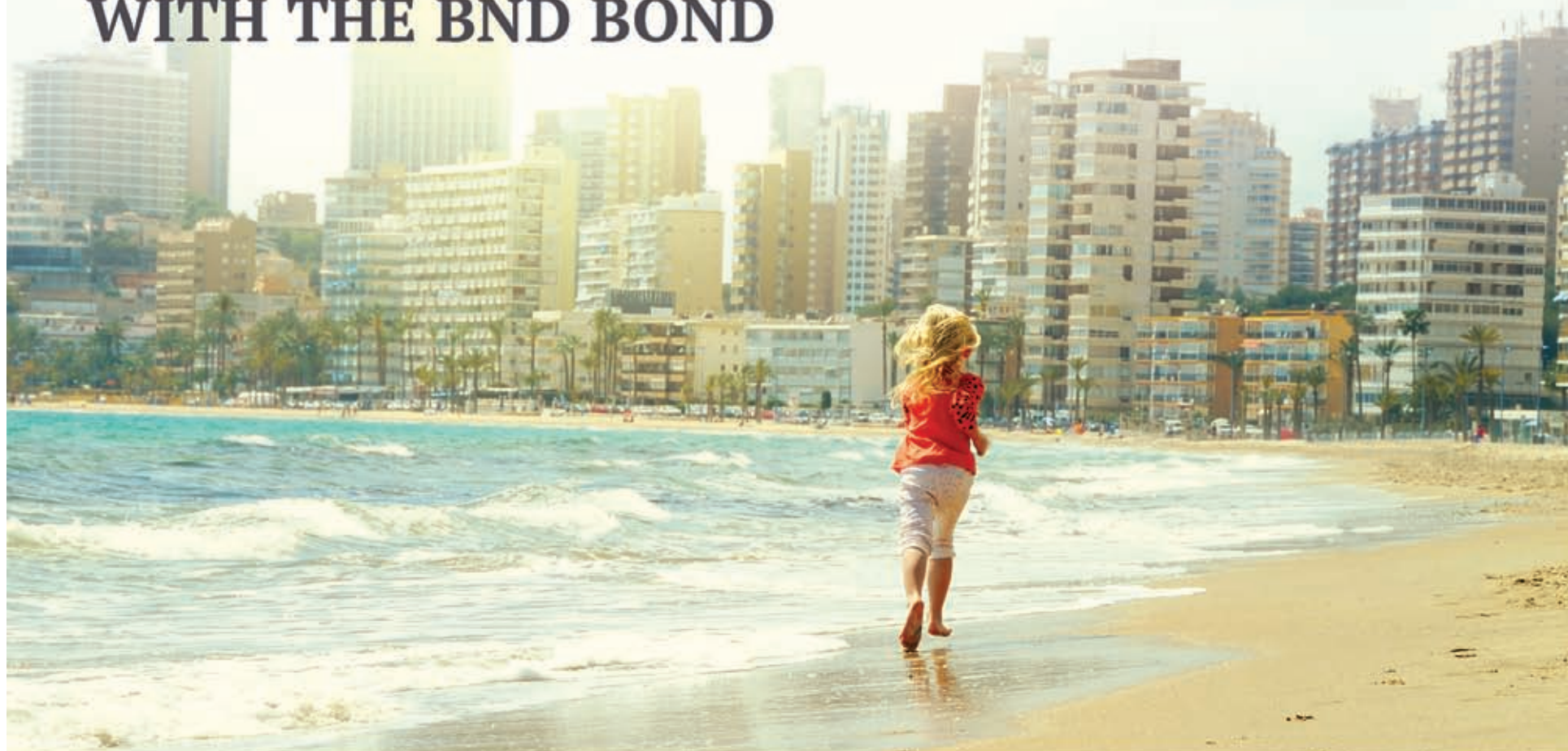
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Opposition leader faces jail

CHARGED: Alexei Navalny was arrested in February following a protest rally.



■ PRESIDENTIAL contender Alexei Navalny has been charged with breaking public embassy laws and could go to prison for a month if found guilty. Navalny has called on his supporters to boycott the upcoming election, which President Vladimir Putin is expected to win, and instead monitor polling stations.

countries in the table. The news comes as the country saw a series of anti-corruption rallies and fraud cases that implicated senior government officials last year.

Nemstov plaque

■ OFFICIALS in Moscow have approved plans to install a memorial to Boris Nemstov, an opposition politician killed outside the Kremlin three years ago. Nemstov was a critic of President Vladimir Putin and was shot while crossing a bridge in the city in February 2015.

Syria Ceasefire

■ RUSSIA'S Foreign Minister has said the country is prepared to study UN proposals for an end to fighting in Syria. Sergey Lavrov added the government in Moscow would consider ceasefire plans if the Islamic State and Jabhat al-Nusra groups are excluded from it. He said Russia was concerned about its diplomatic and trade offices coming under fire in Damascus.

Duma gets holiday

■ DEPUTIES in the Russian legislature have been sent back to their constituencies for three weeks to work with voters ahead of the country's presidential election this month. The break for Duma members has been called to stop them diverting attention away from the presidential campaign, according to sources quoted in the Russian media.

Corruption ranking

■ RUSSIA has come in 135th place in Transparency International's World Corruption Index, putting it among the bottom 50

Dawn has broken

■ FRANZ JOSEF LAND'S polar night is over after the sun rose over the Arctic archipelago for the first time since October last year. The territory, which is around 1,100 kilometres from the North Pole, is in darkness for around four months during the winter and temperatures can reach minus 30 degrees Celsius.



SUNRISE: Russia's northernmost Arctic territory got its first glimpse of sunlight in four months.

Cheap flight island boom

IRISH budget airline Ryanair has announced a €162 million investment in Palma de Mallorca Airport.

The splurge will see the no frills carrier base two additional aircraft at its Balearic Islands hub during the peak holiday season, bringing its fleet to 10.

It will also launch six new routes to France, Germany and Luxembourg including Berlin Tegel, Düsseldorf, Luxembourg, Nuremberg, Strasbourg and Stuttgart. The move will see Ryanair fly a total of 53 routes from Mallorca this summer.

TV rights in streamland

By Matt Ford

SPANISH production firm Mediapro is set to auction off TV rights to European football in Spain.

The move comes after Mediapro last year teamed up with Qatar-based beIN Sports to win rights to the next three seasons of the UEFA Champions and Europa Leagues, narrowly beating rival Telefonica.

And the broadcaster is now looking to make a profit on its investment.

"We'll ask for offers to be sent to us at the beginning of March," said Mediapro President Jaume Roures. "Then at

the start of April, we'll see where the genuine interest is."

Digital giants Netflix and Amazon could enter the bidding, although there exist doubts over whether they have the technical capacity to stream live matches to millions of viewers.

The rights to the Spanish La Liga for 2019-2022 are also set to be sold over the next few months, and La Liga president Javier Tebas has admitted he is aiming to rake in €1.3 billion per year, a 30 per cent increase on the cur-

rent deal.

But industry experts say he is being optimistic after Sky recently paid just over €4 billion for the 2019-2022 English Premier League rights, 16 per cent less than the previous agreement.

A report from Credit Suisse said: "Mediapro seems to be trying to generate interest in the football rights from new over-the-top (OTT) players, but the lack of OTT interest in the recent UK Premier League... suggests global OTT players such as Amazon are less likely to bid for Spanish domestic football."

Bottom line cranked up

SPAIN'S Banco Sabadell has revealed plans to increase profits by almost 80 per cent over the next three years.

The country's fifth-biggest lender said it is aiming for a cost-to-income ratio of 47 per cent by 2020, down from over 50 per cent last year.

Sabadell bought British bank TSB from Lloyds in 2015 and will this year stop paying its former owner to operate its legacy banking platform after it launched its own version at the end of 2017.

Quote of the Week

"We are analysing a deduction in income tax that recognises the inherent costs of disability for taxpayers of a very advanced age." Spain's Finance Minister Cristobal Montoro after being quizzed on the recent countryside protests over pensions.



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BREXIT BARGAIN: Gibraltar Airport and (inset) Alfonso Dastis with the UK's Secretary of State for Exiting the EU David Davies.

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Fuel's gold for Spanish firm

MADRID-BASED energy behemoth Repsol has confirmed the €3.81 billion sale of its 20 per cent stake in Spanish utility Gas Natural to Rioja Bidco Shareholdings - a company controlled by international private equity firm CVC Capital Partners.

Top partners

SPAIN has reinforced its position as Morocco's top trading partner for the sixth consecutive year as turnover between the countries reached a staggering €57.8 billion in 2017, according to the European Commission's statistics branch Eurostat.

Juicy profits

FRENCH telecommunications giant Orange has revealed that Spain was its fastest growing market in 2017, with the company's 20 million Spanish customers generating €1.58 billion in pre-tax profit for a 17 per cent year-on-year rise.

Spain demands rock share deal

SPAIN has demanded joint control of Gibraltar Airport in the wake of Brexit.

Foreign Minister Alfonso Dastis spelled out the plans in an interview likely to infuriate the British and Gibraltarian governments.

Speaking to *The Financial Times*, the official said Spain is seeking a bilateral deal which will include the two countries "managing the airport together" while co-operating more closely on tax

fraud and tobacco smuggling.

He also admitted the Spanish government's ultimate aim is to obtain sovereignty over the rock.

"Sovereignty is something we aspire to, that we are not renouncing, but in these negotiations it is not the issue," he said, before claiming the government's main focus is on easing transport between Gibraltar and Spain, with ideas including a common border control and pre-registering frequent visitors.

€2.5 billion investor lift

SPANISH state-owned lender Bankia plans to fork out €2.5 billion of excess capital to shareholders between 2018 and 2020.

The firm's new strategic plan comes in the wake of its €22.4 billion bailout in 2012.

And it is now aiming for a €1.3 billion profit in 2020 as it moves away from mortgage lending towards consumer loans, proper-

ty development and corporate activities after the European Union eased several restrictions.

Meanwhile, British insurance firm Aviva has confirmed it is to offload its Spanish life insurance and pensions assets Cajamurcia Vida and Caja Granada Vida to Bankia for €202 million, retaining only a handful of small stakes.

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COMPANY	PRICE(P)	CHANGE(P)	% CHG.	NET VOL
Anglo American	1,818.50	30.10	1.68	25,235.32
Associated British Foods	2,682.50	37.50	1.42	21,034.78
Admiral Group	1,927.75	4.75	0.25	5,448.46
Ashtead Group	2,063.00	10.00	0.49	10,317.22
Antofagasta	909.00	9.20	1.02	8,892.43
Aviva	500.05	-0.75	-0.15	20,169.85
AstraZeneca	4,808.00	56.00	1.18	60,780.67
BAE Systems	568.00	3.00	0.53	19,163.64
Barclays	210.38	0.58	0.28	34,485.87
British American Tobacco	4,447.00	-13.00	-0.29	102,066.94
Barratt Developments	553.60	4.20	0.76	5,745.15
Berkeley Group Holdings	3,848.50	-2.50	-0.06	5,252.35
British Land Co	652.80	2.40	0.37	6,284.17
BHP Billiton	1,533.20	17.20	1.13	31,554.35
Bunzl	2,016.50	5.50	0.27	6,701.87
BP	479.90	3.80	0.80	94,095.71
Burberry Group	1,544.25	3.75	0.24	6,547.43
BT Group	243.05	-1.00	-0.41	23,068.42
Coca-Cola HBC	2,463.50	4.50	0.18	9,091.44
Carnival	4,802.00	5.00	0.10	10,249.45
Centrica	144.43	0.28	0.19	7,348.34
Compass Group	1,535.25	8.75	0.57	24,591.17
Croda International	4,591.50	53.50	1.18	5,942.90
CRH	2,465.50	-0.50	-0.02	20,897.41
DCC	6,730.00	-30.00	-0.44	5,949.70
Diageo	2,486.75	9.25	0.37	61,600.64
Direct Line Insurance Group	389.45	1.25	0.32	5,361.13
Evraz	435.80	3.60	0.83	6,123.46
Experian	1,566.25	3.25	0.21	14,482.18
easyJet	1,645.00	13.50	0.83	6,736.65
Ferguson	5,229.00	7.00	0.13	13,121.76
Fresnillo	1,326.25	15.25	1.16	9,815.42
G4S	262.55	1.65	0.63	4,077.59
GKN	428.30	1.80	0.42	7,253.46
Glencore	401.35	5.10	1.29	58,355.29
GlaxoSmithKline	1,297.40	1.40	0.11	65,676.25
Hargreaves Lansdown	1,720.00	2.50	0.15	8,139.31
Halma	1,217.50	10.50	0.87	4,646.81
Hammerson	477.00	0.80	0.17	3,714.60
HSBC Holdings	720.40	-3.00	-0.41	149,428.94
International Conslidtd Airs Gp	594.10	6.90	1.18	12,693.68
InterContinental Hotels Group	4,632.50	3.50	0.08	8,902.94
3i Group	930.90	-6.10	-0.65	9,049.79
Imperial Brands	2,623.50	9.00	0.34	25,426.63
Informa	691.20	2.80	0.41	5,693.88
Intertek Group	4,940.00	8.00	0.16	8,088.89
ITV	171.88	1.33	0.78	6,933.77
Just Eat	873.20	3.40	0.39	5,975.51
Johnson Matthey	3,185.00	25.00	0.79	6,212.42
Kingfisher	358.40	5.40	1.53	7,791.70

COMPANY	PRICE(P)	CHANGE(P)	% CHG.	NET VOL
Land Securities Group	948.90	1.80	0.19	6,918.54
Legal & General Group	260.30	1.00	0.39	15,528.03
Lloyds Banking Group ORD	68.77	0.12	0.17	50,247.35
London Stock Exchange Grp	4,085.50	29.50	0.73	14,108.72
Micro Focus International	2,063.00	32.00	1.58	9,003.18
Mediclinic International	604.10	-4.30	-0.71	4,460.33
Marks & Spencer Group	300.10	0.70	0.23	4,851.49
Mondi	1,884.75	7.25	0.39	9,354.19
Morrison (Wm) Supermarkets	224.35	0.35	0.16	5,227.55
National Grid	763.10	5.10	0.67	25,184.42
NMC Health	3,484.00	-14.00	-0.40	7,070.56
Next	4,925.50	-3.50	-0.07	7,149.56
Old Mutual Group	254.90	0.80	0.31	12,464.97
Paddy Power Betfair	8,460.00	25.00	0.30	7,190.49
Prudential	1,831.00	-1.50	-0.08	47,941.62
Persimmon	2,481.00	9.00	0.36	7,673.01
Pearson	710.60	10.60	1.51	5,484.69
Reckitt Benckiser Group	6,018.00	98.00	1.66	41,306.45
Royal Bank of Scotland Group	270.90	2.50	0.93	33,193.27
Royal Dutch Shell	2,264.25	5.75	0.25	103,803.33
Royal Dutch Shell	2,293.00	8.00	0.35	85,528.19
RELX	1,517.00	-1.00	-0.07	16,133.58
Rio Tinto	4,020.75	19.25	0.48	54,056.41
Rolls-Royce Group	838.50	1.70	0.20	15,612.10
Randgold Resources	6,112.00	98.00	1.63	5,808.29
RSA Insurance Group	640.00	0.20	0.03	6,270.14
Rentokil Initial	293.75	0.15	0.05	5,427.48
Sainsbury (J)	256.95	1.45	0.57	5,591.80
Schroders	3,426.50	-0.50	-0.01	7,865.58
Sage Group (The)	705.00	7.00	1.00	7,648.75
Segro	589.60	2.20	0.37	5,843.05
Shire	3,002.00	-22.00	-0.73	27,228.40
Smurfit Kappa Group	2,505.00	9.00	0.36	6,196.20
Sky	1,104.75	0.25	0.02	18,909.19
Standard Life Aberdeen	372.75	-3.35	-0.89	11,350.24
Smith (DS)	482.40	2.50	0.52	5,281.87
Smiths Group	1,593.75	5.75	0.36	6,341.88
Scottish Mortgage Invstmnt Trst	468.40	4.20	0.90	6,569.51
Smith & Nephew	1,268.50	3.50	0.28	11,129.52
SSE	1,242.75	-8.75	-0.70	12,371.76
Standard Chartered	830.00	0.40	0.05	27,409.45
St James's Place	1,135.00	12.50	1.11	6,044.74
Severn Trent	1,765.75	-0.25	-0.01	4,050.85
Tesco	205.35	-0.05	-0.02	16,981.40
TUI AG	1,545.50	-0.50	-0.03	9,274.84
Taylor Wimpey	190.50	0.10	0.05	6,268.91
Unilever	3,818.00	57.50	1.53	45,951.07
United Utilities Group	685.70	-1.10	-0.16	4,515.47
Vodafone Group	204.90	1.05	0.52	53,989.62
WPP Group	1,366.50	11.00	0.81	17,518.72
Whitbread	3,927.50	28.50	0.73	7,217.92

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3M	237,020	+0,43%	1,020	140.221,49
AMERICAN EXPRESS	98,8000	+1,49%	1,4500	84.518,09
APPLE	175,500	+1,74%	3,000	887.850,79
BOEING CO	356,660	+0,21%	0,740	209.120,03
CATERPILLAR	162,410	+2,23%	3,550	96.345,34
CHEVRON	112,59	+2,46%	2,70	213.166,74
CISCO SYSTEMS	44,000	+2,47%	1,060	216.011,56
COCA-COLA	44,04	+1,19%	0,52	187.171,12
DOWDUPONT	73,26	+1,85%	1,33	169.816,32
EXXON MOBIL	77,53	+2,20%	1,67	327.589,92
GENERAL ELECTRIC	14,4900	-0,89%	-0,1300	125.831,95
GOLDMAN SACHS	266,77	+2,04%	5,34	100.373,31
HOME DEPOT	188,3500	+1,55%	2,8800	218.730,99
IBM	155,52	+1,53%	2,34	143.368,05
INTEL CORP	47,7300	+4,21%	1,9300	222.487,20
J.P.MORGAN CHASE	117,3100	+2,03%	2,3300	399.166,65
JOHNSON & JOHNSON	132,0200	+1,62%	2,1100	352.175,91
MC DONALD'S CORP	163,0600	+1,49%	2,4000	129.781,81
MERCK AND CO. NEW	54,87	+0,55%	0,30	149.606,46
MICROSOFT	94,060	+2,54%	2,330	721.391,31
NIKE	68,16	+1,53%	1,03	88.164,64
PFIZER	36,2600	+1,45%	0,5200	215.121,93
PROCTER AND GAMBLE	81,050	+0,26%	0,210	203.848,36
TRAVELERS CIES	139,74	+1,53%	2,10	37.687,77
UNITED TECHNOLOGIE	133,15	-0,32%	-0,43	105.698,70
UNITEDHEALTH GROUP	230,16	+1,35%	3,07	221.614,16
VERIZON COMMS	48,29	+0,88%	0,42	196.384,28
VISA	122,93	+2,12%	2,55	220.406,91
WAL-MART STORES	92,8900	+0,13%	0,1200	274.790,50
WALT DISNEY CO	107,2500	+1,91%	2,0100	160.735,39

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PRICE MOVEMENT

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Vicor Corporation	\$ 25.80	7 ▲ 37.23%
Financial Engines, Inc.	\$ 38.30	8.35 ▲ 27.88%
The Trade Desk, Inc.	\$ 59.94	11.54 ▲ 23.84%
Universal Electronics Inc.	\$ 54.25	10.40 ▲ 23.72%
Emmis Communications Corporation	\$ 3.90	0.5835 ▲ 17.59%
Blue Buffalo Pet Products, Inc.	\$ 40	5.88 ▲ 17.23%
Momo Inc.	\$ 35.75	5.22 ▲ 17.10%
Mammoth Energy Services, Inc.	\$ 24.40	3.25 ▲ 15.37%
KemPharm, Inc.	\$ 6	0.738 ▲ 14.03%
Frontier Communications Corporation	\$ 9.10	1.04 ▲ 12.90%
BJ's Restaurants, Inc.	\$ 43.65	4.95 ▲ 12.79%
Most Declined		
Universal Display Corporation	\$ 130.40	24.50 ▼ 15.82%
Credit Suisse AG	\$ 7.36	1.26 ▼ 14.62%
LifePoint Health, Inc.	\$ 42.75	6.95 ▼ 13.98%
Digitrad Corporation	\$ 2.05	0.30 ▼ 12.77%
Acacia Communications, Inc.	\$ 37.05	4.79 ▼ 11.45%
James River Group Holdings, Ltd.	\$ 34.45	4.09 ▼ 10.61%
Anika Therapeutics Inc.	\$ 51.69	6.02 ▼ 10.43%
MDC Partners Inc.	\$ 8.75	0.95 ▼ 9.79%
Credit Suisse AG	\$ 17.08	1.45 ▼ 7.83%
Tandem Diabetes Care, Inc.	\$ 2.86	0.24 ▼ 7.74%
ChemoCentryx, Inc.	\$ 9.56	0.71 ▼ 6.91%



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Outlook: Brexit, Italian election in focus

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EUR/GBP: Holding firm at £0.88

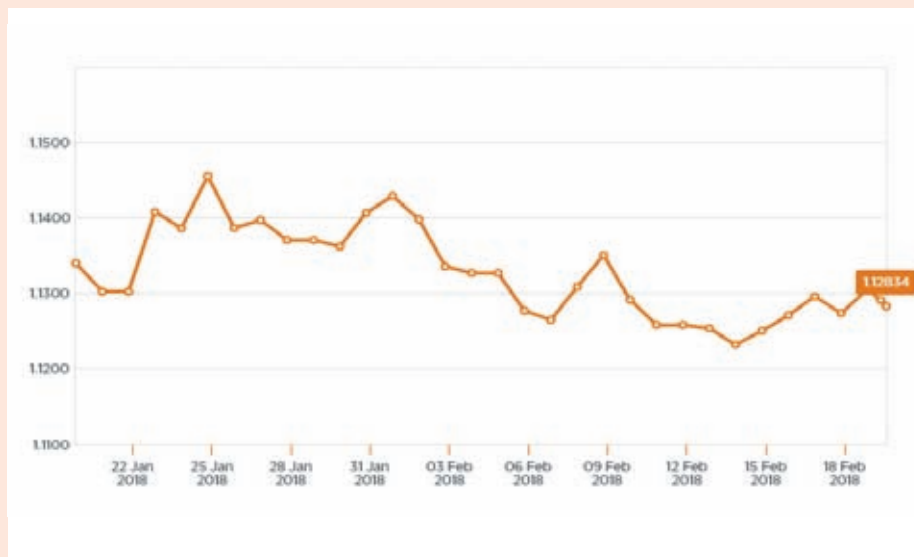
EUR/USD: Up from \$1.22 to \$1.24

Speculation that the European Central Bank (ECB) will remain dovish on the subject of monetary policy for the foreseeable future has countered the impact of a run of positive Euro-zone data over the last few weeks.

That being said, the euro is still standing firm against rivals like the pound and US dollar.

Italy will be taking to the polls in March and most experts expect the election to result in a coalition government, with Silvio Berlusconi's conservative alliance projected to take the biggest share of votes.

The impact this would have on the euro largely depends on which parties Berlusconi allies himself with. If Berlusconi opts for Matteo Salvini, the euro would be pressured lower thanks to his opposition to the single currency



THE POUND: Has steadily strengthened in the hope that the UK will secure a soft Brexit.

and preference for returning to the lira.

Pound

GBP/EUR: Down from €1.14 to €1.12

GBP/USD: Up from \$1.38 to \$1.40

After getting off to a fairly positive start to the year, the pound failed to sustain its initial momentum and has reversed gains against a number of the majors. Demand for the pound eased

on concerns that government fissures will have a negative impact on Brexit negotiations.

Investors were also concerned as EU Brexit negotiator Michel Barnier intimated that the UK achieving a transitional deal after Brexit should not be taken for granted.

Brexit worries prevented the pound from deriving much benefit from the Bank of England

(BoE) indicating that rates could rise sooner than currently forecast at its first policy gathering of 2018.

Any Brexit related news is liable to be the driving force behind pound exchange rate movement over the next few weeks. UK data will also be of interest, as any reports which reduce the chances of the BoE increasing interest rates in 2018 will put the pound under pressure.

US Dollar

USD/GBP: Down from £0.72 to £0.71

USD/EUR: Down from €0.81 to €0.80

The Federal Reserve increased interest rates in December 2017, but the move had been so long expected that it failed to boost the US dollar. In fact, USD exchange rates actually softened as the Fed implied that interest rates would only be raised a further three times in 2018 rather than the four times hoped for.

The US dollar remained on soft form for much of January, although the currency has since recovered from its worst levels against the pound.

The Fed is forecast to increase borrowing costs at its March gathering, and if it indicates that a further three adjustments could be made over the rest of the year we could see the US dollar jump.

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AI DOMINATES MOBILE WORLD CONGRESS

MORE than 2,000 companies and 100,000 people have flocked to Barcelona for the annual Mobile World Congress.

The wireless industry's biggest trade show also offers ideal networking opportunities for executives, bankers and analysts to get together.

Major trends at this year's show include cybersecurity, ultrafast fifth generation mobile networks and blockchain technology.

But the stars of the show are the latest smartphones, artificial intelligence (AI) devices and autonomous drones.

Highlights so far have included the launch of Samsung's Galaxy S9 handset, featuring an improved camera and augmented reality functions designed to challenge Apple's iPhone X.

The South Korean giant also showcased an updated version of its digital assistant Bixby, demonstrating how it can live translate a piece of text.

Chinese tech firm Huawei unveiled its first 5G-capable chip, enabling its devices to access faster internet speeds, before using the AI of its flagship Mate 10 Pro phone to drive a Porsche sports car round an obstacle course.

The company is now comfortably the world's third biggest smartphone maker behind Samsung and Apple after bagging a 10.4 per cent market share in 2017.

Spanish company Telefonica - one of Europe's top three telecommunications firms - revealed its plans to move some focus from fibre, mobile and television to value-added services, big data and cognitive intelligence as it presented its AI-powered digital assistant Aura.

Set to be launched in Spain, the UK (where it will be called O2 Ask), Germany, Argentina, Chile and Brazil over the weekend, Aura is the result of a collaboration with Facebook, Google and Microsoft.

And it will shortly become one of the first digital assistants to be inte-



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ROBO-PHONES:
An attendee snaps a selfie and (inset) Telefonica's Jose Maria Alvarez-Pallete introduces Aura.

grated with Google Assistant, benefiting around 120 million customers who use Android devices, and Cortana, Microsoft's digital assistant used by more than 600 million worldwide.

Telefonica chairman-CEO Jose Maria Alvarez-Pallete also revealed in a keynote speech some of Europe's biggest telecommunications players, including Telefonica, Deutsche Telekom, KPN and Orange, are working to develop a 'global data portability ecosystem' allowing customers to take usage data with them when they travel.

Elsewhere Nokia - whose phones are now licensed by Finnish company HMD Global - announced a revamped 4G version of the classic 8110 'banana phone,' while Sony unveiled its new Xperia XZ2.

The five-day event ends today (Thursday).

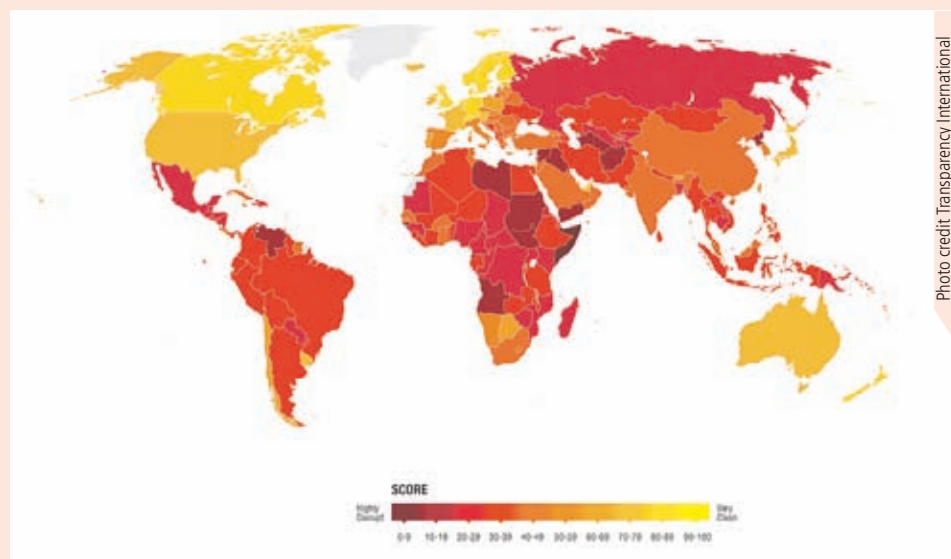
Outrage over sexist PR firm

SPANISH PR agency Impulsa Comunicacion has lost two major clients over a sexism row.

Coca Cola and glass repair company Carglass have dropped the Barcelona-based firm after a woman was turned down for an account executive position because 'the successful candidate will work with Carglass and Coca Cola... they need a man who can handle the pace of working with big companies.'

Rejected applicant Carla Focada tweeted an image of the email, captioning the image: 'It is incredible that companies that practice gender-based discrimination in the workplace still exist.'

And after the post went viral - prompting public slap downs from both named brands - the Impulsa website was mysteriously shut down.



ALARMING: More than two thirds of countries scored less than 50, meaning they have a 'high corruption burden' according to the report.

Corruption in Spain exposed

SPAIN has risen in a global corruption ranking.

It comes as Germany-based non-governmental organisation Transparency International released its 25th annual Corruption Perceptions Index, which lists 180 countries according to how they are perceived by the public sector.

Each is given a score of zero to 100, with 100 being the least corrupt. Spain scored 57 - one point less than in 2016 - to finish joint 42nd in the table alongside Cyprus, Dominica and the Czech Republic.

The least corrupt countries were

New Zealand and Denmark, which scored 89 and 88, respectively, with the UK finishing joint fifth with 82, the same score as Canada, Luxembourg, Netherlands and Germany.

Somalia, with a score of nine, South Sudan (12) and Syria (14) were the three most corrupt countries, with two thirds of nations scoring less than 50.

The 2017 index is based on 13 surveys covering factors including the enforcement of anti-corruption law, access to information, political conflicts of interest and expert assessments.



Uranium mine scheme sparks pollution panic

A SPANISH plan to open a uranium mine near the Portuguese border has sparked outrage.

"Portugal will do everything it can to obtain the relevant information and, from there, ensure safety and zero impact on our side," said Joao Matos Fernandes, Portugal's environment minister.

Speaking to an environmental parliamentary commission, the official was quizzed how the government would ensure that pollution from the mine would be confined to Spain.

He replied that "we have performed all due diligence alongside Spain," but added that organisation of the scheme "has created a problem" after his requests for updates were ignored or answered "inadequately." And he has now demanded a meeting "because due protocol has not been fulfilled

satisfactorily by our counterpart."

Spain carried out an environmental impact analysis on the prospective site at Retornillo, around 40 kilometres from the border in rural Salamanca, Castilla y Leon, in 2013.

Since then the mine has been discussed repeatedly in diplomatic channels, with Spain adamant that the project has not yet been given the green light. But announcements posted on the website of Australia-based mining firm Berkeley Energia suggest that construction is due to begin later this year, leaving environmental campaigners and other critics furious.

The project is reportedly being financed by the sovereign wealth fund of the Sultanate of Oman, which has contributed more than €105 million.

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Honestly, give her a break!

LEAPY LEE SAYS IT

OTHERS THINK IT



JUST when you think you've heard it all, up pops another 'gem.'

This week's mind numbing whinge was a real humdinger. Pop singer Jesy Nelson was accused of 'cultural appropriation.'

My God. What had she done? Nicked a Massai make-up box? Pilfered a Pyramid? Wrong, it was much worse than that! Apparently, objections had been raised because the Little Mix member had - wait for it - chosen Dreadlocks for her new hairstyle!

Yep, for just a millisecond the world suddenly stopped spinning. You really couldn't make it up.

Unfortunately, although intelligent, clear-thinking human beings consider accusations of this calibre utterly laughable, many don't. In fact, through social media, this young lady was subsequently the recipient of a whole deluge of racial hatred and threats.

If ever there was a glaring example



JESY NELSON: New hairstyle causes backlash.

of reversed racism, this was most definitely it. Normally, one never gets to see the petty-minded pillocks who come up with these diatribes of non-

sense, but I actually switched to Sky News during the week and lo and behold one of them was sitting there.

"Ah," she spouted piously. "You

have to understand that dreadlocks are an important part of our African heritage. For a westerner to imitate our culture is extremely insulting to many of 'our people' and should not be allowed to happen!"

Er... What? Hold on a minute. If there's one problem that is often the bane of people of African descent it's their hair. The girls in particular, spend fortunes on wigs or having it straightened. Many have it dyed blonde. I don't hear any white Europeans screaming racism or 'cultural appropriation.' The whole sorry diatribe is ridiculous.

Beau Brummel invented the suit and tie. In that case just about the whole of the planet is 'offending' the British culture. It's all nonsense of course. Merely more stirring by the trouble-making minorities who infiltrate our societies like plagues of vindictive virus. If I had my way people like this would be arrested for stirring up racial hatred.

The thing that always baffles me is that if these people hate western society and culture so much, why on earth do they live in it? Can you imagine

living in an environment you despise and where you are utterly miserable? No wonder they never stop moaning and whinging.

Anyway, I have good news for them. According to the revered Oscar Wilde, far from being an insult, imitation is the sincerest form of flattery. S'there.

Delighted to see the teacher who was accused of 'misgendering' a female pupil by referring to her as a girl, is suing the school on the grounds of discrimination and constructive dismissal.

The teacher, who is also a pastor, stated that the school had systematically and maliciously breached his human rights. Chances of winning? Don't hold yer breath.

Many Happy returns this week to my old mate Jess Conrad. Look out for him in his new ITV series starting any day now. Hang in there JC, not many of us left!

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Charities on life support... but charity begins at home!

THERE appears no let-up in allegations of misconduct by charity aid workers. UN believes more than 600 women and children suffered sexual abuse and exploitation by its peacekeepers. Oxfam workers in Haiti reportedly paid teenage prostitutes with rice, aid staff swapped wheat for sex in Africa, while those in charge knew what was going on 10 years ago.

Many charities do fantastic work, but disillusionment takes its toll. Very high executive pay, immoral behaviour, rather self-righteous finger wagging, chugging and other aggressive marketing ploys will inevitably bring lasting changes. Oxfam's far from an isolated case. The whole charity section needs root and branch reform.

Infuriated supporters of Oxfam are already withdrawing their contributions. But is this

missing the point? Abuse is rampant in all sectors, and all organisations (political parties, churches, schools, colleges, businesses) are inclined to nip in the bud reports of abuse in order to protect their reputations.

This encourages further abuse because perpetrators don't fear repercussions and victims doubt they'll be believed. What's needed is an independent body to scrutinise all claims of abuse, safeguards and sanctions across the whole of society.

So, let's support charities we trust - like Cudeca here on the Costa del Sol - and reduce the UK foreign aid budget so that it's in line with other countries.

The Department for International Development (DfID) now has a statutory requirement to spend 0.7 per cent of



IN THE DOGHOUSE: Oxfam workers reportedly paid prostitutes with rice in Haiti.

Britain's gross national income on development aid annually. In 2016 this came to £13.3 billion! The appalling Oxfam

scandal simply demonstrates how impossible it is for staff at DfID to manage this huge amount of taxpayers' money

and ensure it's properly spent.

British taxpayers are still sending financial aid to India, now one of the world's fastest

growing economies. They're still sending money to Nigeria, the world's sixth-largest oil producer, while we have such scandalous problems in need of funding at home...

Finally, many thanks to all of you who have purchased my crime thrillers (all profits to Costa del Sol Cudeca cancer charity) following my piece here two weeks ago. And keep those donations going to Cudeca!

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The lost mojo

Cassandra Nash*A weekly look*

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

ACCORDING to the majority of pollsters, the PSOE socialists are currently in third place with Ciudadanos out in front and the PP limping behind.

The PSOE regained Pedro Sanchez as its leader and lost its mojo with only 39 per cent of its voters believing that the party has a clear project for the future. Forty-eight per cent believe that Ciudadanos and Albert Rivera have a more defined plan.

True to his usual form, Sanchez believes the best way to counteract the drift away from the PSOE is by entrenching himself still further as secretary general and giving more control to the party membership when selecting provincial, regional and national candidates.

Thanks to the aptly-named militants, Pedro Sanchez heads the PSOE instead of Eduardo Madina (2014) or Susana Diaz (2017). And it is thanks to those same militants - all 187,360 of them - that the PSOE and Pedro Sanchez have yet to do well in an election.

Who me?

ANNA GABRIEL, formerly represented CUP in the pre-Article 155 Catalan parliament.

She is now in Switzerland, where she scarpered before facing the Supreme Court on rebellion charges. With her hair loose and the aggressive fringe grown out, she looked astoundingly demure and maintained that she was more use at large than behind bars. Well they all say that don't they, Carles Puigdemont?

The right person

FOR anyone around at the time, February is inseparable from the attempted military coup of 1981.

Thirty-seven years later, less is made of the lethal threat to the still immature democracy at a time when a socialist politician saw nothing incongruous in declaring, "The Spanish will be democrats por cojones."

That he could say this not long after Franco's death was thanks to the young man that the old dictator appointed as his successor, Juan Carlos I who abdicated in 2014 in favour of his son Felipe VI.

He wisely exited at a time when his son-in-law was accused of fraud and no-one had yet

**PEDRO
SANCHEZ:**
Yet to do
well in an
election.



Special treatment

ALVARO PEREZ, nicknamed El Bigotes (Whiskers) and Gurtel's man in Valencia, recently declared before a parliamentary committee investigating the Partido Popular's alleged illegal funding.

For the uninitiated, Gurtel was a corrupt setup of 37 companies which via cash, kickbacks and munificent presents, snaffled government contracts and possibly swelled PP party funds.

El Bigotes singled out Ignacio Lopez del Hierro, husband of Defence Minister Dolores de Cospedal, and Angel Piñero Lopez, a close friend of Spain's president, Mariano Rajoy.

"They dished out the lolly according to the Barcenas papers," he maintained. "But not a word in the media."

"Call them," he suggested to the committee. "I don't know if they get special treatment, or what."

Perish the thought that Dolores' hubby and Mariano's chum should get special treatment. As if.

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Time to take bold action

Welcome to your March 2018 Forecast. Every month I write about how the Astrology, Numerology, and Tarot for the month ahead affect you. Below is your forecast for March 2018.

Sally Trotman

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Sally Trotman is a qualified Counsellor who works with Astrology, Numerology and the Tarot. Each month she will deliver the forecast as an intuitive tool to aid increased self awareness.

Astrology: trust your vibes

SUN in Pisces: The watery influence of this sign throughout most of March helps you to develop your intuition.

What feels right to you in each moment? Consider your deepest yearnings, listen to your inner voice and notice any repeated messages in your dreams. On March 22, around the time of the spring equinox, the sun moves into Aries. This is a time of renewed energy, so make the most of this fiery energy to take bold action when you are inspired.

Get in tune with the moon: This month the moon is full twice - on March 2 and on March 31. The first full moon is ruled by the earthy sign of Virgo, encouraging you to make practical plans and get organised.

The second full moon in balanced Libra brings the focus to your relationships. Changing your perspective can help you to move beyond challenges, so perhaps consider the viewpoints of others to create more harmony. Also put in boundaries where necessary. Honour your feelings in all your relationships, balancing giving with receiving where you can.

Numerology: go with the flow

Number 3: This number reminds you that in each moment you are co-creating with the universe. Find balance between action and rest this month to help you make the most of the opportunities ahead. Remember you are a human being so relax into the flow of life and trust that you are being guided in the best direction for you.

The Empress : nurture yourself

The Empress is represented in the tarot deck as a bountiful woman surrounded by nature. With her foot on



ARIES: A time of renewed energy.

the new moon and a flower in her hand, she is able to balance the spiritual, emotional, mental and physical aspects of herself. The archetypal mother, she instinctively knows how to nurture herself and others.

Consider how you can look after yourself better this month, and then extend this care to those around you.

Repeat this affirmation through the month to help you: I am open to receiving abundance through all channels of the universe.

Your 2018 forecast

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9:30pm	The Cruise: Voyage to Alaska	8:30pm	You've Been Framed!	6:25pm	Rising Damp	7:10pm	Storage Wars Texas					6:30pm	Football Countdowns
10:00pm	Serial Killer with Piers Morgan	9:00pm	Two and a Half Men	6:55pm	Heartbeat	7:40pm	Storage Wars					7:00pm	The Best La Liga Goals 2016/17
11:00pm	ITV News at Ten and Weather	9:30pm	Two and a Half Men	8:00pm	Murder, She Wrote	8:05pm	Pawn Stars					8:00pm	EFL Matters
11:30pm	ITV News London	10:00pm	Survival of the Fittest	9:00pm	Agatha Christie's Marple	8:30pm	Pawn Stars					8:30pm	EFL Greatest Games
11:45pm	100 Years Younger in 21 Days	11:00pm	Celebrability	11:00pm	Unforgotten	9:00pm	River Monsters					8:45pm	La Liga Greatest Games
12:45am	Lethal Weapon	11:50pm	Family Guy	12:00am	Unforgotten	10:00pm	The Outlaw Josey Wales					8:55pm	Football
1:30am	Jackpot247	12:20am	Family Guy	1:05am	DCI Banks	11:05pm	FYI Daily					11:00pm	La Liga Icons
4:00am	Pets	12:45am	American Dad!	2:05am	DCI Banks	11:10pm	The Outlaw Josey Wales					11:15pm	The Debate - Live
4:25am	ITV Nightscreen			3:00am	ITV3 Nightscreen	12:50am	The Keeper					12:15am	La Liga Show
				3:30am	Teleshopping	1:55am	FYI Daily					12:45am	EFL Matters
						2:00am	The Keeper						
						2:45am	Fifth Gear						
						3:45am	ITV4 Nightscreen						
						4:00am	Teleshopping						
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Advertising Feature

Rock Against Cancer with Expo Torrevieja

WHAT do a flower shop, estate agent, awning manufacturer, internet service, interior design, a local pub and a Scandinavian connection all have in common?

The answer is Rock Against Cancer, an annual music event, founded by Neil Watt, owner of Monroe's Rock Pub, to raise much-needed funding for local cancer charities.

We've all been touched by cancer in one way or another. Be it loved ones, family or friends, cancer can strike anyone at any time and Neil decided that the time was right to work side-by-side with the AECC, Spain's Cancer Charity, who are dedicated to the early discovery of cancer, which if discovered early enough, can often be stopped.

To raise much-needed funds, on Saturday June 16, Monroe's Rock Pub is organising a special Rock Against Cancer Concert in Torrevieja's Eras de la Sal.

This special day will feature Spanish and International rock groups, who are supporting the event and everyone is invited to join in the fun, and raise



International Auditorium Torrevieja (interior and exterior) and removal of Monroe's signs by Markisemann team with Neil Watt.

much-needed funds for the AECC. Already confirmed for the event are: Sensa Yuma, Kloted, Ricky Diamond and Osezno.

The event is also a celebration of the 29 years that Monroe's Rock Pub has been providing great music and events and to let visitors know that they have closed the doors at their original location and are now located on Calle Apollo, Torrevieja.

Last week, a crew from local

awning company MarkiseMannen helped remove the signs from the front of the building, which can now be found in their new location in Calle Apollo, where you can support the cause by purchasing t-shirts and regalia.

One of the initiatives introduced by Kjetil Hamre and Keith Nicol, the organisers of Expo Torrevieja, is the printing and sale of Rock Against Cancer t-shirts, and other music

themed items for fundraising.

Kjetil has long been a driving force behind the event and former filmmaker Keith worked with the Cancer Research Campaign in Northern Ireland for many years as their publicity officer. They are delighted to announce that many local businesses have joined the fundraising efforts, with five businesses paying for the purchase and printing of Rock Against Cancer t-shirts, which are available in

Monroe's, at their place of business plus Expo Torrevieja, over the weekend of March 10 and 11.

The sponsors of the t-shirts all have a Scandinavian connection: The Flower Shop (www.theflowershop.es), awning manufacturer Markisemann (www.Markisemann.es), Internet services and IPTV provider Scan Sat (www.scansat-network.net), Interior styling and furnishings from Danish Design (www.danishdesign.es) and local estate agent Syden Hus (www.sydenhus.no).

But more sponsors to make the June 16 concert a success are most welcome. Keith is also seeking old vinyl records, 33 and 45 RPM, not to play, but to make unique gifts from.

Please support Rock Against Cancer at Expo Torrevieja, taking place in the foyer of Torrevieja's International Auditorium, beside Hospital QuironSalud on Saturday March 10 and Sunday March 11, 10am until 3pm each day.

Admission and parking is free and everyone is welcome. More info at www.expotorrevieja.com or email: Keith@ExpoTorrevieja.com.

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7:00am	Breakfast	7:00am	Caught Red Handed	8:30pm	Top of the Pops	9:00am	Everybody Loves Raymond	9:05am	Floogals	10:30am	Melissa and Joey	8:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
10:15am	Murder, Mystery and My Family	7:30am	Get Away for Winter	9:00pm	John Denver: Country Boy	9:30am	Frasier	9:20am	Digby Dragon	11:00am	How I Met Your Mother	9:00am	Cricket
11:00am	Homes Under the Hammer	8:15am	Wanted Down Under Revisited	10:00pm	Tones, Drones and Arpeggios: The Magic of Minimalism	10:00am	Frasier	9:35am	Rusty Rivets	11:30am	How I Met Your Mother		<i>Day one of the first Test as South Africa host Australia in Durban</i>
12:00pm	Wanted Down Under Revisited	9:00am	Back in Time for Tea	11:00pm	Synth Britannia	10:35am	Frasier	9:55am	Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom	12:00pm	Brooklyn Nine-Nine	4:30pm	Football Centre
12:45pm	Caught Red Handed	10:00am	Athletics	12:30am	Synth Britannia at the BBC	11:05am	Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA	10:05am	Mofy	12:30pm	Brooklyn Nine-Nine	5:00pm	Football Centre
1:15pm	Bargain Hunt	2:45pm	Plan it, Build it	1:30am	Top of the Pops	12:00pm	Undercover Boss USA	10:15am	The Wright Stuff	1:00pm	The Goldbergs	6:00pm	Sky Sports News at 5
2:00pm	BBC News at One	3:15pm	Yes Chef		<i>Mike Read and Steve Wright present the pop chart programme, first broadcast on 23 May 1985</i>	1:00pm	Channel 4 News	12:15pm	Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!	1:30pm	The Goldbergs	7:00pm	Sky Sports News at 6
2:30pm	BBC London News	4:00pm	A Place to Call Home	2:00am	Lionel Richie: Dancing on the Ceiling	1:05pm	Come Dine with Me	1:10pm	5 News Lunchtime	2:00pm	The Big Bang Theory	8:00pm	Football
2:45pm	Doctors	4:50pm	More Creatures Great and Small	3:00am	John Denver: Country Boy	2:05pm	Posh Pawnbrokers	1:15pm	GP's: Behind Closed Doors	2:30pm	The Big Bang Theory		<i>Middlesbrough meet Leeds United at the Riverside Stadium in the Sky Bet Championship.</i>
3:15pm	Shakespeare and Hathaway	5:20pm	Greece with Simon Reeve	4:00am	Tones, Drones and Arpeggios: The Magic of Minimalism	3:10pm	Countdown	2:15pm	Home and Away	3:00pm	Melissa and Joey	11:15pm	The Debate - Live
4:00pm	Escape to the Country	6:20pm	Great British Railway Journeys	5:00am	This is BBC Four	4:00pm	A Place in the Sun	2:45pm	Neighbours	3:30pm	Melissa and Joey	12:15am	My Icon 2017
4:45pm	Get Away for Winter	6:50pm	Athletics		<i>BBC Four is the BBC channel for people who want more.</i>	5:00pm	A New Life in the Sun	3:15pm	NCIS	4:00pm	Baby Daddy	12:30am	Born to be Wilder
5:30pm	Antiques Road Trip	11:00pm	QI					6:00pm	5 News at 5	4:30pm	Baby Daddy		<i>Follow the remarkable journey of American heavyweight Deontay Wilder.</i>
6:15pm	Pointless	11:30pm	Newsnight					6:30pm	Neighbours	5:00pm	Brooklyn Nine-Nine	1:00am	Sky Sports News
7:00pm	BBC News at Six	12:05am	The Assassination of Gianni Versace - American Crime Story					7:00pm	Home and Away	5:30pm	Brooklyn Nine-Nine	2:00am	Cricket
7:30pm	BBC London News							7:30pm	5 News Tonight	6:00pm	The Goldbergs		
8:00pm	The One Show							8:00pm	Inside Kensington Palace	6:30pm	The Goldbergs		
8:30pm	MasterChef							9:00pm	The Yorkshire Steam Railway: All Aboard	7:00pm	The Big Bang Theory		
9:00pm	EastEnders							10:00pm	Cruising with Jane McDonald	7:30pm	The Big Bang Theory		
9:30pm	Room 101							11:00pm	Will and Grace	8:00pm	Hollyoaks		
10:00pm	Requiem							11:30pm	Jo Brand: Secrets of Her Success	8:30pm	Coach Trip		
11:00pm	BBC News at Ten							12:30am	Jo Brand's Cats and Kittens	9:00am	Baby Daddy		
11:25pm	BBC London News									9:30am	Baby Daddy		
11:35pm	The Young Offenders									10:00am	Melissa and Joey		
12:05am	Blades of Glory									10:30am	Melissa and Joey		
										11:00am	How I Met Your Mother		
										11:30am	How I Met Your Mother		

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7:00am	Good Morning Britain	9:20am	Emmerdale	7:00am	Classic Coronation Street	8:05am	Pawn Stars	11:10am	Top Ten Show, the 2018	7:30am	Monster Family: Special	10:00am	Football
9:30am	Lorraine	9:55am	You've Been Framed!	7:25am	Classic Coronation Street	8:35am	Ironside	11:30am	Transformers		<i>Sky Movies takes a special look at the animated Disney adventure featuring the voices of Dwayne Johnson and Jemaine Clement.</i>	12:05pm	La Liga Greatest Games
10:25am	The Jeremy Kyle Show	10:25am	The Ellen DeGeneres Show	7:55am	Heartbeat	9:40am	Quincy, M.E. <i>Another case for the chief coroner of LA County.</i>	2:00pm	Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen			12:15pm	La Liga Icons
11:30am	This Morning	11:15am	Who's Doing the Dishes?	8:55am	The Royal	10:40am	Minder	4:40pm	Air Force One			1:30pm	EFL Matters
1:30pm	Loose Women	12:10pm	Dress to Impress	10:00am	Judge Judy	11:50am	The Sweeney	7:00pm	Behind Enemy Lines			2:00pm	La Liga Icons
2:30pm	ITV Lunchtime News	1:15pm	Emmerdale	10:25am	Judge Judy	1:00pm	Darts: UK Open Live	9:00pm	Transformers			2:15pm	La Liga Icons
2:55pm	ITV News London	1:50pm	Emmerdale	10:55am	Judge Judy		<i>Peter Wright is the defending champion as the UK Open gets under way in Minehead</i>	11:30pm	Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen			2:30pm	La Liga Icons: Zidane
3:00pm	James Martin's American Adventure	2:15pm	You've Been Framed!	11:20am	Love Your Garden	6:00pm	The Avengers					2:45pm	La Liga Icons
4:00pm	Tenable	2:45pm	The Ellen DeGeneres Show	12:25pm	Love Your Garden	7:00pm	Storage Wars Texas					3:00pm	La Liga Show
5:00pm	Tipping Point	3:35pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show	1:30pm	The Royal	7:30pm	Storage Wars					3:30pm	EFL Matters
6:00pm	The Chase	4:40pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show	2:35pm	Heartbeat	8:00pm	Darts: UK Open Live					4:00pm	Football's Greatest Teams
7:00pm	ITV News London	5:50pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show	3:40pm	Coronation Street	12:00am	A Dangerous Man					4:30pm	Football's Greatest Teams
7:30pm	ITV Evening News	6:50pm	Take Me Out	4:15pm	Coronation Street	1:05am	FYI Daily					5:00pm	Scottish Cup
8:00pm	Emmerdale	8:00pm	You've Been Framed!	4:45pm	On the Buses		<i>Latest news from the world of entertainment.</i>					5:15pm	Greatest Games
8:30pm	Coronation Street	9:00pm	Two and a Half Men	5:20pm	On the Buses	1:10am	A Dangerous Man					5:30pm	Greatest Games
9:00pm	Love Your Garden	9:30pm	Two and a Half Men	5:50pm	You're Only Young	1:55am	The Avengers					5:45pm	Greatest Games
9:30pm	Coronation Street	10:00pm	Survival of the Fittest: The Final			2:55am	Minder					6:00pm	La Liga Preview
10:00pm	Lethal Weapon	11:30pm	Celebrity Juice			3:50am	ITV4 Nightscreen					7:00pm	Football's Greatest Teams
11:00pm	ITV News at Ten and Weather	12:20am	Family Guy			4:00am	Teleshopping					7:30pm	EFL Matters
11:30pm	ITV News London	12:45am	Family Guy			5:00am	Teleshopping					8:00pm	Football
11:45pm	Piers Morgan's Life Stories											11:15pm	The Debate - Live
12:45am	Take Me Out											12:15am	La Liga Icons
1:35am	Jackpot247											12:30am	La Liga Icons
4:00am	Alphabetical												

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BBC one

7:00am	Breakfast
11:00am	Saturday Kitchen Live
12:30pm	Classic Mary Berry
1:00pm	Football Focus
2:00pm	BBC News
2:10pm	Weather
2:15pm	Triathlon World Series
3:45pm	Cycling: World Track Championships
5:30pm	Final Score
6:10pm	A Question of Sport
6:40pm	Celebrity Mastermind
7:10pm	BBC News
7:20pm	Regional News
7:23pm	Weather
7:25pm	Pointless
8:15pm	All Together Now
	The Final.
9:20pm	Casualty
10:10pm	Troy: Fall of a City
11:10pm	BBC News
11:25pm	Weather
11:30pm	Match of the Day
12:55am	My Brother the Devil
2:40am	Weather for the Week Ahead
2:45am	BBC News

BBC TWO

7:10am	Nature's Weirdest Events
7:25am	Naomi's Nightmares of Nature
7:55am	The Pets Factor
8:15am	Dengineers
8:45am	Absolute Genius: Monster Builds
9:15am	Beyond Bionic
9:45am	Robot Wars
10:45am	Athletics
2:30pm	Escape to the Continent
3:30pm	Me and My Dog
4:30pm	Amazing Hotels: Life Beyond the Lobby
5:30pm	Hugh's Wild West
6:30pm	Athletics
	<i>Gabby Logan introduces live coverage of the World Championships at Birmingham Arena.</i>
10:30pm	A Little Chaos
12:20am	The Help
	<i>Drama based on Kathryn Stockett's best-selling novel</i>
2:40am	Civilisations
3:40am	This is BBC Two

BBC FOUR

5:00am	This is BBC Four
8:00pm	The Dark: Nature's Nighttime World
9:00pm	Masters of the Pacific Coast: The Tribes of the American Northwest
10:00pm	Modus
10:45pm	Modus
11:30pm	Promises and Lies: The Story of UB40
12:30am	Top of the Pops <i>Mike Read and Steve Wright present the pop chart programme, first broadcast on 23 May 1985.</i>
1:05am	Top of the Pops
1:40am	The Shires: New Country
2:40am	Masters of the Pacific Coast: The Tribes of the American Northwest
3:40am	Promises and Lies: The Story of UB40

CHANNEL 4

7:20am	3rd Rock from the Sun
7:45am	3rd Rock from the Sun
8:10am	King of Queens
8:35am	King of Queens
9:00am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:30am	Everybody Loves Raymond
10:00am	Frasier
10:30am	Frasier
11:00am	Frasier
11:30am	The Big Bang Theory
12:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
12:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
1:00pm	The Simpsons
1:30pm	The Simpsons
2:00pm	The Simpsons
2:30pm	Come Dine with Me
3:30pm	Coast v Country
4:35pm	A Place in the Sun
5:35pm	The Secret Life of the Zoo
6:35pm	The Supernet
7:30pm	Channel 4 News
8:00pm	Penelope Keith's Coastal Villages
9:00pm	Britain at Low Tide
10:00pm	10 Cloverfield Lane
12:00am	Predator

CHANNEL 5

7:00am	Milkshake!
11:10am	Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles
11:40am	Make You Laugh Out Loud
12:10pm	Police Interceptors
1:10pm	Police Interceptors
2:10pm	Police Interceptors
3:10pm	Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
4:10pm	Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
5:05pm	Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
6:00pm	Rich House, Poor House
7:00pm	The Secret Life of Kittens
8:00pm	Cruising with Jane McDonald
9:00pm	The Queen Mary: Cruising with the Royals
9:55pm	5 News
10:00pm	Football on 5
11:00pm	The Championship. Live Championship Boxing
12:30am	Football on 5
1:00am	Goal Rush. Super Casino

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7:00am	The Goldbergs
7:30am	The Goldbergs
7:55am	The Goldbergs
8:25am	The Goldbergs
8:55am	The Goldbergs
9:30am	Don't Tell the Bride Ireland
10:30am	Alvin and the Chipmunks
12:20pm	Stuart Little
2:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
2:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
3:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
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4:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
4:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
5:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
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6:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
6:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
7:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
7:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
8:00pm	Men in Black 3
10:00pm	Identity Thief
12:15am	Gogglebox
1:20am	Celebs Go Dating
2:30am	Celebs Go Dating
3:35am	Celebs Go Dating
4:25am	Timeless
5:10am	Don't Tell the Bride Ireland

sky sports main event

7:00am	Cricket
10:00am	Cricket
12:30pm	Football
1:30pm	Football
	<i>Burnley meet Everton at Turf Moor in the Premier League.</i>
4:15pm	Rugby Union
	<i>Scarlets take on Leinster at Parc y Scarlets in the Guinness Pro14</i>
6:15pm	Football
	<i>Wolverhampton Wanderers take on Reading at Molineux in the Sky Bet Championship</i>
8:30pm	Boxing
	<i>Kell Brook takes on Sergey Rabchenko at the FlyDSA Arena in a super-welterweight bout</i>
12:30am	Born to be Wilder
	<i>Follow the remarkable journey of American heavyweight Deontay Wilder.</i>

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7:00am	CITV
10:25am	ITV News
10:30am	Saturday Morning with James Martin
12:25pm	Dancing on Ice
2:25pm	ITV News and Weather
2:30pm	ITV Racing: Live from Doncaster
5:00pm	Tipping Point
6:00pm	The Chase
7:00pm	ITV News and Weather
7:20pm	Local News and Weather
7:30pm	You've Been Framed!
8:00pm	Ant and Dec's Saturday Night Takeaway
9:30pm	The Voice UK
10:50pm	Piers Morgan's Life Stories
11:45pm	ITV News and Weather
12:05am	The Fast and the Furious
2:05am	Jackpot247
4:00am	Babushka
4:50am	ITV Nightscreen

itv2

7:10am	Emmerdale
9:40am	Omnibus
9:40am	Coronation Street
12:35pm	Omnibus
12:35pm	Ant and Dec's Saturday Night Takeaway
2:15pm	Looney Tunes: Back in Action
3:25pm	FYI Daily
3:30pm	Looney Tunes: Back in Action
4:00pm	Nanny McPhee and the Big Bang
5:05pm	FYI Daily
5:10pm	Nanny McPhee and the Big Bang
6:15pm	Hotel Transylvania
7:15pm	FYI Daily
7:20pm	Hotel Transylvania
8:00pm	Uncle Buck
9:05pm	FYI Daily
9:10pm	Uncle Buck
10:00pm	White House Down
11:00pm	FYI Daily
11:05pm	White House Down
12:35am	Family Guy
1:05am	Family Guy
1:35am	American Dad!
2:00am	American Dad!

itv3

5:35am	George and Mildred
6:05am	Judge Judy
6:25am	Judge Judy
6:50am	ITV3 Nightscreen
7:00am	Murder, She Wrote
7:50am	Murder, She Wrote
8:50am	Murder, She Wrote
	<i>While Jessica is out of town, her nephew Grady and his pregnant wife Donna house sit</i>
9:55am	A Touch of Frost
12:05pm	A Touch of Frost
2:20pm	Agatha Christie's Marple
4:25pm	Columbo
	<i>Classic murder mystery</i>
6:00pm	Midsomer Murders
8:00pm	Midsomer Murders
10:00pm	Midsomer Murders
12:00am	Lewis
2:00am	The Good Karma Hospital
2:55am	ITV3 Nightscreen
3:30am	Teleshopping
	<i>Shopping from home.</i>

itv4

5:00am	Teleshopping
7:00am	The Protectors
7:25am	The Avengers
8:30am	The Avengers
9:30am	World Superbike
10:30am	ITV Racing: The Opening Show
11:35am	Storage Wars Texas
12:00pm	Storage Wars Texas
12:30pm	Storage Wars Texas
1:00pm	Storage Wars
1:30pm	Darts: UK Open Live
6:00pm	Football's Greatest
6:05pm	Pawn Stars
6:30pm	Pawn Stars
7:00pm	Pawn Stars
7:30pm	Pawn Stars
8:00pm	Darts: UK Open Live
12:05am	Reservoir Dogs
1:05am	FYI Daily
1:10am	Reservoir Dogs
	<i>A group of perfect strangers have been assembled to pull off the perfect heist.</i>
2:10am	Minder
3:10am	Tommy Cooper
3:40am	ITV4 Nightscreen
4:00am	Teleshopping

sky CINEMA ACTION & ADVENTURE

7:00am	Hanna
9:00am	Underworld: Blood Wars
10:45am	Top Ten Show, the 2018
11:00am	Rogue One: A Star Wars Story
1:30pm	Ghostbusters
3:30pm	Hanna
5:30pm	Rogue One: A Star Wars Story
8:00pm	Ghostbusters

sky CINEMA COMEDY

8:15am	Turner and Hooch
10:00am	Groundhog Day
11:45am	That Thing You Do!
1:40pm	Mike and Dave Need Wedding Dates
3:25pm	Get Him to the Greek
5:20pm	Brewster's Millions
7:05pm	That Thing You Do!
9:00pm	Mike and Dave Need Wedding Dates
10:45pm	Get Him to the Greek
12:45am	Trading Places

sky CINEMA PREMIERE

6:00am	Black Panther: Special
6:30am	Monster Family: Special
7:00am	Top Ten Show, the 2018
7:15am	Monster Family
9:00am	Birth of the Dragon
10:40am	Monster Family
12:30pm	Baby Driver
2:40pm	The Mummy
	<i>After he inadvertently awakens an ancient Egyptian sorceress, renegade US soldier Nick Morton must race to save the world from her army of the undead.</i>
4:40pm	Hard Target
6:40pm	Monster Family: Special
7:10pm	Monster Family
9:00pm	Baby Driver
11:00pm	The Mummy
12:55am	The Unseen
2:45am	Hard Target
4:30am	Christine

sky sports football

7:00am	Football
10:15am	EFL Greatest Games
10:30am	La Liga Icons: Zidane
10:45am	La Liga Icons
11:00am	Soccer A.M.
12:30pm	Scottish Cup
	<i>Greatest Games</i>
12:45pm	Scottish Cup
	<i>Greatest Games</i>
1:00pm	Football
3:30pm	Gillette Soccer Saturday
4:15pm	Gillette Soccer Saturday
6:15pm	Football
8:40pm	Football
10:45pm	EFL Goals: Championship
	<i>Ronaldo</i>
11:15pm	20 Years of El Clasico
11:45pm	EFL Goals: Championship
	<i>La Liga Highlights: Real Madrid</i>
1:15am	MLS Greatest Games
1:30am	Football
3:40am	La Liga Icons

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'Sorry Jane, you should be in the life boat'



TV COUCH CRITIC

WE have to remember that although it's been cooler in Spain recently, the UK is shivering, so I thought I would ask a couple of friends visiting from Milton Keynes (recent visit to escape the cold) what they had been watching as the temperature plummeted.

Now, Graham and Robert are no nonsense TV people. They know what they like and they stick with what they know. So why, please why, did they recommend I catch up with *Cruising With Jane McDonald*, final episode Friday April 2, Channel 5?

I like Jane McDonald, I like rivers and water, I like travelling and don't even mind ships where very small cabins with even smaller balconies are now called Staterooms, but I did not enjoy Jane's trip along the Mekong in Vietnam.

Everyone, but everyone on the ship not only knows Jane, but seems to be a signed up fan club member. It put me in mind of eating foods which lower cholesterol. We all know we should like them, there is no reason to dislike them, but as soon as the cam-



TOTAL LET-DOWN: Cruising With Jane McDonald.

eras are turned off, we are back to cheese and crackers to finish a meal.

Jane is travelling the Mississippi in the final show. Two predictions, firstly she is going to walk around in a shawl which could pass at any decent Sunday market on the Costas as a tablecloth and second, she is going to close the show belting out something by Elvis. I won't know if I'm right about Elvis or the tablecloth because I can't watch Jane be educated about the biggest maximum security prison in the US or sugar plantations. I don't much like Elvis songs either.

RIP: Emma Chambers.

Gogglebox, Channel 4, Fridays was back last week. This is cheese and crackers TV and I love it.

Leon isn't gracing the *Gogglebox* screens this time around, but I just know he's sitting somewhere in a massive armchair saying just what he thinks about TV and telling June, in his own unique way, just how much he still loves her. Thank you Mr Bernicoff.

In separate news, one half of the Brighton hairdressing duo has announced he is leaving the show to chase a TV career. Oh dear, this won't end well. Chris Butland-Steed (the one with the better beard)

hasn't thought this one through.

Paul O'Grady already has any shows Chris might think he could be part of in the bag. Good luck though Chris.

This week I also wanted to say 'thank you' to Emma Chambers, who sadly passed away aged just 53. Emma was and always will be Alice Tinker, the Verger to the Vicar of Dibley. Try not to smile when you remember that wedding dress.

I don't know how much of the BBC's Winter Olympics coverage you have caught, but I have been blown away by most of the action in the freezing South Korean temperatures. The competitors equally match their Summer Games counterparts and if the reaction to Spain's first medal at the Winter Games in 26 years is anything to go by, the Winter Olympiad will continue to go from strength to strength.

Looking ahead, fellow Geordies Ant and Dec continue their *Saturday Night Takeaway* with the 100th offering this Saturday. The seemingly joined at the hip Alfie Boe and Michael Ball are the stars of the end of the show, and Scarlett Moffatt shows that she is more than *Gogglebox* with a surprise for a family who don't know what's coming - do we believe that?

Happy viewing.

Critique: Adam Whalley-Lewis, Casares, Costa del Sol



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BBC one

7:00am	Breakfast
8:35am	Match of the Day
10:00am	The Andrew Marr Show
11:00am	The Big Questions
12:00pm	Sunday Politics
1:15pm	Murder, Mystery and My Family
2:00pm	BBC News
2:10pm	Weather for the Week Ahead
2:15pm	MasterChef
3:15pm	MasterChef
4:15pm	MasterChef
4:45pm	Money for Nothing
5:15pm	Songs of Praise
5:50pm	Madagascar: Escape 2 Africa
7:05pm	BBC News
7:20pm	Regional News
7:25pm	Weather
7:30pm	Countryfile
8:30pm	Hold the Sunset
9:00pm	Call the Midwife
10:00pm	Strike - Career of Evil
11:00pm	BBC News
11:20pm	Regional News
11:25pm	Weather
11:30pm	Match of the Day 2
12:30am	Reign of Fire

BBC TWO

7:50am	A-Z of TV Gardening
8:15am	The Instant Gardener
9:00am	Gardeners' World
9:30am	Countryfile
10:30am	Saturday Kitchen
	Best Bites
12:00pm	Spring Kitchen with Tom Kerridge
12:45pm	Lorraine Pascale: How to be a Better Cook
1:15pm	MOTD2 Extra
2:00pm	Cycling: World Track Championships
3:45pm	Athletics
7:00pm	Back in Time for Tea
8:00pm	World's Most Extraordinary Homes
9:00pm	Top Gear
10:00pm	Life and Death Row
11:20pm	The Mash Report
11:50pm	Top Gear Extra Gear
12:15am	Cleverman
1:10am	Question Time
2:10am	Holby City
3:10am	This is BBC Two
	Highlights of programmes on BBC Two.

BBC FOUR

8:00pm	Only Connect
	Victoria Coren Mitchell hosts the series where knowledge will only take you so far.
8:30pm	University Challenge
	Cult student quiz show.
9:00pm	Killer Whales
10:00pm	Time Shift
11:00pm	From Ice to Fire: The Incredible Science of Temperature
12:00am	Conversations
	Sean Curran talks to former senior Liberal Democrat Baroness Shirley Williams about her life.
1:00am	Killer Whales
2:00am	The Mountain that had to be Painted
3:00am	Art of France
4:00am	From Ice to Fire: The Incredible Science of Temperature
	Three-part series in which Helen Czerski explores the science of temperature.

CHANNEL 4

7:20am	King of Queens
7:45am	King of Queens
8:10am	Everybody Loves Raymond
8:35am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:00am	Frasier
9:30am	Frasier
10:00am	Frasier
10:30am	Sunday Brunch
1:30pm	Jamie and Jimmy's Friday Night Feast
2:30pm	The Simpsons
2:55pm	The Simpsons
3:25pm	The Simpsons
3:55pm	Percy Jackson: Sea of Monsters
5:55pm	Night at the Museum: Secret of the Tomb
7:40pm	Channel 4 News
8:00pm	Posh Pawn
9:00pm	Churchill's Secret Affair
10:00pm	Homeland
11:05pm	8 Out of 10 Cats
	Does Countdown
12:05am	Lee Mack
1:05am	The Haunting
3:00am	KOTV Boxing Weekly

CHANNEL 5

5:45am	House Doctor
6:10am	Nick's Quest
6:35am	Wildlife SOS
7:00am	Milkshake!
10:30am	Football on 5
11:20am	Football on 5
11:50am	FIA Formula E: Highlights
12:50pm	Police Interceptors
1:50pm	Wyatt Earp
5:20pm	The Dirty Dozen
8:10pm	Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
9:00pm	Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
9:55pm	5 News
10:00pm	When Award Shows Go Horribly Wrong
12:50am	Jo Brand: Secrets of Her Success
1:50am	Cruising with Jane McDonald
2:05am	Super Casino
	Live interactive gaming featuring roulette and autowheel.
4:10am	Cowboy Builders
5:00am	My Mum's Hotter Than Me!
5:45am	House Doctor

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7:00am	Hollyoaks Omnibus
9:25am	Coach Trip Final
	Week: Road to Tenerife
9:55am	Coach Trip Final
	Week: Road to Tenerife
10:30am	Coach Trip Final
	Week: Road to Tenerife
11:00am	Coach Trip Final
	Week: Road to Tenerife
11:30am	Coach Trip Finale: Road to Tenerife
12:05pm	Stuart Little 2
1:35pm	Rude(ish) Tube Shorts
2:00pm	The Goldbergs
2:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
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6:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
6:30pm	Young Sheldon
7:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
7:30pm	Captain America: The First Avenger

sky sports main event

3:00am	Boxing
6:30am	AJ: The Knockouts
7:00am	Sky Sports News
8:00am	Total Goals
9:00am	Cricket
12:30pm	Boxing
1:30pm	Live Nissan Super Sunday
	Brighton and Hove Albion take on Arsenal at the Amex Stadium in the Premier League.
4:30pm	Live Nissan Super Sunday
8:00pm	Live World Golf Championship
	Day four of the WGC-Mexico Championship from Club de Golf Chapultepec in Mexico City.
1:00am	Football
1:30am	La Liga Icons
1:45am	Football
3:55am	MLS Greatest Games
4:00am	Sky Sports News
5:00am	Sky Sports News

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7:00am	CITV
10:25am	ITV News
10:30am	Love Your Garden
11:00am	Peston on Sunday
12:00pm	The Voice UK
1:20pm	ITV News and Weather
1:30pm	Ant and Dec's Saturday Night Takeaway
3:00pm	What Would Your Kid Do?
4:00pm	Britain's Brightest Family
4:30pm	Tipping Point
5:30pm	ITV News and Weather
5:45pm	Local News and Weather
6:00pm	The Chase
7:00pm	Dancing on Ice
9:00pm	Endeavour
11:00pm	ITV News and Weather
11:15pm	Peston on Sunday
12:15am	The Martin Lewis Money Show
12:40am	100 Year Old Driving School
1:05am	Marcella

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7:00am	Totally Bonkers
	Guinness World Records
7:10am	Totally Bonkers
	Guinness World Records
7:35am	You've Been Framed!
8:00am	Emmerdale
10:45am	Coronation Street
	Omnibus
1:40pm	Mr. Bean
2:05pm	Mr. Bean
2:40pm	The Voice UK
4:05pm	The Flintstones
5:05pm	FYI Daily
5:10pm	The Flintstones
5:50pm	Legally Blonde
6:55pm	FYI Daily
7:00pm	Legally Blonde
7:45pm	Jack the Giant Killer
8:50pm	FYI Daily
8:55pm	Jack the Giant Killer
10:00pm	Ibiza Weekender
11:00pm	Family Guy
11:30pm	Family Guy
11:55pm	Family Guy
12:25am	American Dad!
12:55am	American Dad!

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11:00am	Columbo
12:35pm	A Touch of Frost
2:50pm	Agatha Christie's Marple
5:00pm	Lewis
7:00pm	The Durrells
8:00pm	The Durrells
9:00pm	Paul O'grady: For the Love of Dogs
9:30pm	Paul O'grady: For the Love of Dogs
10:00pm	Tonight at the London Palladium
11:00pm	Chocolat
1:25am	Life of Crime
2:25am	Blue Murder
3:40am	George and Mildred
4:05am	Rising Damp
	Pilot episode of the sitcom which first introduced the lascivious landlord Rigsby.
4:30am	Rising Damp
4:55am	Road to Avonlea
5:45am	Road to Avonlea
	Drama series about a girl sent to live with her eccentric family.

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4:00am	Teleshopping
7:00am	Football's Greatest
7:15am	The Sweeney
8:15am	The Sweeney
9:15am	Minder
10:20am	Minder
11:25am	Storage Wars
11:55am	Storage Wars
12:20pm	Storage Wars
12:45pm	Storage Wars
1:15pm	Storage Wars
1:45pm	Darts: UK Open Live
6:00pm	Football's Greatest
6:05pm	Pawn Stars
6:30pm	Pawn Stars
7:00pm	Pawn Stars
7:25pm	Pawn Stars
8:00pm	Darts: UK Open Live
12:00am	The Keeper
1:05am	FYI Daily
	The latest news from the world of entertainment.
1:10am	The Keeper
1:55am	River Monsters
3:00am	Tommy Cooper
3:30am	ITV4 Nightscreen
	Text-based information service.
4:00am	Teleshopping

sky CINEMA ACTION & ADVENTURE

7:00am	DC Superhero Girls: Super Hero High
8:05am	Charlie's Angels
10:00am	Charlie's Angels: Full Throttle
12:00pm	DC Superhero Girls: Super Hero High
1:00pm	Logan
3:30pm	Aeon Flux
5:15pm	Top Ten Show, the 2018
5:35pm	Charlie's Angels

sky CINEMA COMEDY

7:40am	Police Academy 7: Mission to Moscow
9:10am	The Waterboy
10:45am	Airplane!
12:20pm	Airplane II: The Sequel
1:50pm	30 Minutes or Less
3:25pm	The Boss
5:10pm	Election
7:00pm	City Slickers
9:00pm	30 Minutes or Less
10:30pm	The Boss
12:15am	High Anxiety

sky CINEMA PREMIERE

4:30am	Christine
6:30am	Black Panther: Special
7:00am	The Mummy
9:00am	Monster Family
10:50am	Norman
12:50pm	Baby Driver
2:50pm	Birth of the Dragon
	A young Bruce Lee looks to make a name for himself in 1960s San Francisco, soon challenging Shaolin master Wong Jack Man to an epic showdown.
4:40pm	Monster Family: Special
5:10pm	Monster Family
7:00pm	The Mummy
9:00pm	Baby Driver
11:00pm	Norman
1:05am	Larry Gaye: Renegade Male
2:50am	Flight Attendant
4:40am	Hard Target
	The Unseen

sky sports football

9:00am	La Liga Highlights: Real Madrid
9:15am	La Liga Icons
9:30am	EFL Goals: Championship
10:00am	EFL Goals: League One and League Two
10:30am	Sunday Supplement
12:00pm	EFL Goals: Championship
12:30pm	Football
3:00pm	La Liga Highlights: Real Madrid
3:15pm	La Liga Icons
3:30pm	The Best La Liga Goals 2016/17
4:30pm	Football
	Countdowns
5:00pm	Football
7:30pm	Scottish Cup
	Greatest Games
8:00pm	Ronaldo
8:30pm	La Liga Greatest Games
8:40pm	Football
10:45pm	La Liga Highlights: Barcelona
11:00pm	La Liga Icons
11:15pm	Football

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BBC one

7:00am	Breakfast
10:15am	Murder, Mystery and My Family
11:00am	Homes Under the Hammer
12:00pm	Wanted Down Under Revisited
12:45pm	Caught Red Handed
1:15pm	Bargain Hunt
2:00pm	BBC News
2:30pm	Regional News
2:45pm	Doctors
3:15pm	Shakespeare and Hathaway
4:00pm	Escape to the Country
4:45pm	Coast and Country Auctions
5:30pm	Antiques Road Trip
6:15pm	Pointless
7:00pm	BBC News
7:30pm	Regional News
8:00pm	The One Show
8:30pm	Inside Out
9:00pm	EastEnders
9:30pm	Classic Mary Berry
10:00pm	MasterChef
11:00pm	BBC News
11:30pm	Regional News
11:40pm	Weather
11:45pm	Imagine...

BBC TWO

7:00am	Caught Red Handed
7:30am	Get Away for Winter
8:15am	Wanted Down Under Revisited
9:00am	Hugh's Wild West
10:00am	Victoria Derbyshire
12:00pm	BBC Newsroom Live
12:30pm	The Week in Parliament
1:00pm	The Daily Politics
2:00pm	Perfection
2:45pm	Plan it, Build it
3:15pm	Yes Chef
4:00pm	A Place to Call Home
4:50pm	Pilgrimage with Simon Reeve
5:50pm	More Creatures Great and Small
6:20pm	Flog It!
7:00pm	Eggheads
7:30pm	Great British Railway Journeys
8:00pm	Top Gear
9:00pm	Only Connect
9:30pm	University Challenge
10:00pm	Collateral
11:00pm	Two Doors Down
11:25pm	Big Field
11:30pm	Newsnight
12:10am	Weather

BBC FOUR

8:00pm	Beyond 100 Days
8:30pm	Sea City
	<i>Three-part documentary series going behind the scenes at the Port of Southampton.</i>
9:00pm	India: Nature's Wonderland
	<i>Travel programme revealing the wonder of India's natural world.</i>
10:00pm	The Art of Japanese Life
11:00pm	Mary Beard's Ultimate Rome: Empire Without Limit
12:00am	Mothers, Murderers and Mistresses: Empresses of Ancient Rome
1:00am	A Brief History of Graffiti
2:00am	Top of the Pops
2:30am	Top of the Pops
3:00am	India: Nature's Wonderland
4:00am	The Art of Japanese Life

CHANNEL 4

9:00am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:30am	Frasier
10:00am	Frasier
10:35am	Frasier
11:05am	Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA
12:00pm	Undercover Boss USA
1:00pm	Channel 4 News
1:05pm	Come Dine with Me
2:05pm	Posh Pawnbrokers
3:10pm	Countdown
4:00pm	A Place in the Sun
5:00pm	A New Life in the Sun
6:00pm	Four in a Bed
6:30pm	Extreme Cake Makers
7:00pm	The Simpsons
7:30pm	Hollyoaks
8:00pm	Channel 4 News
9:00pm	Dispatches
9:30pm	Food Unwrapped
10:00pm	24 Hours in Police Custody
11:00pm	Electric Dreams
12:05am	Married at First Sight
1:10am	The £1 Houses: Britain's Cheapest Street

CHANNEL 5

7:00am	Milkshake!
10:15am	The Wright Stuff
12:15pm	Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
1:10pm	5 News
1:15pm	GPs: Behind Closed Doors
2:10pm	Access
2:15pm	Home and Away
2:45pm	Neighbours
3:20pm	NCIS
4:15pm	Forbidden Secrets
6:00pm	5 News
6:30pm	Neighbours
7:00pm	Home and Away
7:30pm	5 News
8:00pm	Aviva Premiership Rugby Highlights
9:00pm	Extreme Winter Road Rescue
10:00pm	The Flying Scotsman
11:00pm	The X Files
12:00am	The X Files
12:55am	Traffic Cops
1:55am	Britain's Greatest Bridges
2:10am	Super Casino
4:10am	Cowboy Builders
5:00am	Witches: A Century of Murder
5:45am	House Doctor

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9:00am	Baby Daddy
9:30am	Baby Daddy
10:00am	Melissa and Joey
10:30am	Melissa and Joey
11:00am	How I Met Your Mother
11:30am	How I Met Your Mother
12:00pm	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
12:30pm	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
1:00pm	The Goldbergs
1:30pm	The Goldbergs
2:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
2:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
3:00pm	Melissa and Joey
3:30pm	Melissa and Joey
4:00pm	Baby Daddy
4:30pm	Baby Daddy
5:00pm	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
5:30pm	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
6:00pm	The Goldbergs
6:30pm	The Goldbergs
7:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
7:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
8:00pm	Hollyoaks
8:30pm	My Hotter Half
9:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
9:30pm	Young Sheldon
10:00pm	Salt
12:00am	The Big Bang Theory
12:30am	The Big Bang Theory

sky sports main event

6:00am	Sky Sports News
7:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans Bitesize
7:30am	Good Morning Sports Fans Bitesize
8:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
9:00am	Cricket
4:30pm	Sky Sports News
5:00pm	Sky Sports News
6:00pm	Sky Sports News at 5
7:00pm	Sky Sports News at 6
8:00pm	Football
12:00am	Sky Sports News
1:00am	Sky Sports News
2:00am	Live WWE Late Night Raw
5:15am	WWE From the Vault
5:30am	WWE From the Vault
	<i>Rey Mysterio and Alex Riley take on The Miz and Jack Swagger in June 2011.</i>
5:45am	WWE From the Vault

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9:30am	Lorraine
10:25am	The Jeremy Kyle Show
11:30am	This Morning
1:30pm	Loose Women
2:30pm	ITV Lunchtime News
3:00pm	James Martin's American Adventure
4:00pm	Tenable
5:00pm	Tipping Point
6:00pm	The Chase
7:00pm	Local News and Weather
7:30pm	ITV Evening News
8:00pm	Emmerdale
8:30pm	Coronation Street
9:00pm	The Kyle Files
9:30pm	Coronation Street
10:00pm	Marcella
11:00pm	ITV News at Ten and Weather
11:50pm	Serial Killer with Piers Morgan
12:50am	Detectives: Inside the Major Crimes Team
1:40am	The Kyle Files
2:05am	Jackpot247
4:00am	The Jeremy Kyle Show
4:55am	ITV Nightscreen

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8:55am	Emmerdale
9:20am	Coronation Street
9:50am	Coronation Street
10:25am	The Ellen DeGeneres Show
11:15am	Who's Doing the Dishes?
12:10pm	Dress to Impress
1:15pm	Emmerdale
1:50pm	Coronation Street
2:15pm	Coronation Street
2:45pm	The Ellen DeGeneres Show
3:35pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show
4:45pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show
5:55pm	Judge Rinder
7:00pm	Take Me Out
8:30pm	You've Been Framed!
9:00pm	Two and a Half Men
9:30pm	Two and a Half Men
10:00pm	Family Guy
10:30pm	American Dad!
11:00pm	Action Team
11:35pm	Action Team
12:05am	Family Guy
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1:05am	American Dad!

itv3

7:00am	Classic Coronation Street
7:25am	Classic Coronation Street
7:50am	Heartbeat
8:55am	The Royal
9:55am	Judge Judy
10:25am	Judge Judy
10:50am	Judge Judy
11:20am	Inspector Morse
1:35pm	The Royal
2:40pm	Heartbeat
3:40pm	Classic Coronation Street
4:15pm	Classic Coronation Street
4:50pm	On the Buses
5:25pm	On the Buses
5:55pm	You're Only Young
6:25pm	Rising Damp
7:00pm	Heartbeat
8:00pm	Murder, She Wrote
9:00pm	Lewis
11:00pm	DCI Banks
12:00am	DCI Banks
1:05am	Scott and Bailey
2:05am	Scott and Bailey
2:55am	ITV3 Nightscreen
3:30am	Teleshopping

itv4

9:40am	Quincy, M.E.
10:40am	Minder
11:50am	The Sweeney
	<i>Action-packed police drama.</i>
12:55pm	The Avengers
2:00pm	Ironsides
3:05pm	Quincy, M.E.
4:10pm	Minder
5:15pm	The Sweeney
6:25pm	The Avengers
7:30pm	Storage Wars
8:00pm	Pawn Stars
	<i>Chumlee shares his top tips for running a pawn business with eager security guard Antwan.</i>
8:30pm	Pawn Stars
8:55pm	River Monsters
10:00pm	River Monsters
11:00pm	Rush Hour
12:00am	FYI Daily
12:05am	Rush Hour
1:05am	Nacho Libre
2:05am	FYI Daily
2:10am	Nacho Libre
2:55am	Fifth Gear
3:55am	ITV4 Nightscreen
4:00am	Teleshopping

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11:25am	Domino
1:45pm	Miss Congeniality
3:50pm	Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous
6:00pm	Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines
8:00pm	Miss Congeniality
10:00pm	Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous
12:10am	Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines

sky CINEMA COMEDY

11:55am	All About Steve
1:40pm	Absolutely Fabulous: The Movie
3:20pm	You Don't Mess with the Zohan
5:20pm	50 First Dates
7:05pm	O Brother, Where Art Thou?
9:00pm	Absolutely Fabulous: The Movie
10:40pm	You Don't Mess with the Zohan
12:40am	Ali G Indahouse
2:15am	Brüno

sky CINEMA PREMIERE

9:05am	Monster Family: Special
9:35am	Monster Family
11:25am	The Levelling
1:05pm	Baby Driver
	<i>Super-stylish crime caper about a music-loving getaway driver coerced into one last heist</i>
3:05pm	Norman
5:10pm	Monster Family
7:00pm	The Mummy
	<i>After he inadvertently awakens an ancient Egyptian sorceress, renegade US soldier Nick Morton must race to save the world from her army of the undead.</i>
9:00pm	Baby Driver
11:00pm	The Levelling
12:30am	The Mummy
2:30am	The Unseen
4:20am	Christine

sky sports football

10:00am	La Liga Highlights: Real Madrid
10:15am	La Liga Highlights: Barcelona
10:30am	La Liga Greatest Games
10:45am	La Liga Greatest Games
11:00am	Football
5:15pm	La Liga Greatest Games
6:00pm	La Liga Highlights: Real Madrid
6:15pm	La Liga Highlights: Barcelona
6:30pm	Football Countdowns
7:00pm	Football Years
7:30pm	La Liga Highlights: Real Madrid
7:45pm	La Liga Highlights: Barcelona
8:00pm	Soccer A.M.
8:30pm	La Liga Icons
8:45pm	La Liga Greatest Games
8:55pm	Football
11:00pm	MLS Round Up Show
11:30pm	Football's Greatest
12:00am	Soccer A.M. - The Best Bits
12:30am	La Liga Icons

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LEGALLY SPEAKING

School bus checks complete

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.

OFFICERS from the Guardia Civil traffic department have been carrying out extra checks and surveillance on school buses.

During the five-day campaign, inspections on both the vehicles and the drivers were conducted.

These included checks of the authorisation and documents that these vehicles must have to perform in service, verifying that the technical conditions and safety elements of the vehicle satisfy the minimum standards required by the regulations.

Safety is the highest priority for this type of transport and the annual incident figures do reflect school transport as being amongst the safest ways for children to travel to school.

According to Gregorio Serrano, the director of the DGT, "the safe mobility of minors is one of the priorities of the DGT."

"Every day there are thousands of students who use the school bus to go to school and return home, so we have to keep checking that these trips are made safely."

He added: "With this type of campaign, we remind parents of the right to demand from schools or parent associations that school buses meet all the regulatory requirements to carry out this type of transport."

Inappropriate speed and distractions are the main causes of incidents in which this type of vehicle is involved, so speed controls will be carried out, as well as other factors such as not using a mobile phone or other devices whilst driving. Alcohol and other drug controls will also be increased.

Statistically, 90 per cent of incidents in-



SCHOOL BUSES: Must meet regulations.

volving school transport take place at the time of getting in or out of the vehicle.

In many cases these are caused by the child being distracted, or the fact that the school bus driver or the parents are not paying full attention.

To avoid this type of incident, it is recommended that parents respect bus stops, allow enough time for taking and collecting children, and do not wait on the opposite side of the road.

Due to the importance of seat belts in saving lives in the event of an incident, special attention will be paid to the use of these in school buses that have them installed. Although all new buses that enter service must be fitted with seat belts, older vehicles are still allowed to continue without seat belts until time allows for their replacement. Currently, only around 60 per cent of the school bus fleet have seat belts installed.

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

Can owner change the use?

Q. I live on a large and long-established urbanisation. In the centre of the urbanisation for more than 30 years stood the only bar, which has been closed for the past 18 months.

Now the property has been changed to a church. I would like to know if the

urbanisation management committee is obligated to notify members of the change of use, and whether the change of use must be formally approved by the town hall.

B B (Costa Blanca)

A. The owner of the property must apply to the town hall for permission to change its use. When the town hall grants this permission, it notifies the Community of Property Owners. The owner has the right to

David Searl
You and the Law in Spain

change the use of his property to any activity which is permitted in that area, and which

does not constitute a bothersome activity. There is no requirement for the community administration to notify the members, but they can vote at the AGM to appeal against the town hall's authorisation of the change of use.

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

Another terrible killing

Mike Senker

In my opinion

Views of a Grumpy Old Man



LET'S start with good news. Last week I had a run in with Ryanair live chat. Basically they were not interested in my problem. Anyway the next day I found an email address and within two hours they had replied and refunded my money. So well done Ryanair for that - all you have to do now is teach your live chat people to act the same way.

There has been yet another terrible killing spree in an American school. Seventeen people were mowed down by a lunatic with an AR-15. Trump's answer to this? Make buying these killing machines harder than getting a drink if you are 18? Consider banning them completely?

No, his answer is to arm teachers. The man is a complete raving lunatic and so is anyone who thinks that is a good idea. They are teachers! The clue to what their duties are when they turn up for work is in the name - they TEACH! There was an armed guard at the school in Florida. He did not do anything for whatever reason. Why not arm all the kids over 18? It's all just nonsense and all Trump does, by fumbling through meetings, is show himself up as a bumbling fool who has zero empathy for these poor kids and fami-

lies involved. He talks about the FBI doing nothing and says if they spent less time investigating him they might have stopped the shooter.

All the NRA disciples are spewing out their BS and every time I see them on TV their argument is being destroyed, not by politicians, but by the kids that are being involved in these massacres.

That's the major difference with this terrible incident from the others. This time the young people involved are speaking out. I've seen them on TV and they are calm, eloquent and sincere.

They have no commercial interest - they are just talking from the heart and using their brains. They will not be deterred and it's disgusting to see and hear how some NRA nuts and politicians that are on their payroll are trying to discredit these youngsters.

These are the voters of the future. They can make change happen and, in my opinion, they will do it. Major companies in the USA are at last realising that offering their members NRA discounts is not in their best interests any more and they are stopping them. The NRA answer is to tell their members to boycott these companies.

It has been proven time and time again that countries with strict gun controls have less people killed with guns than countries that don't. I wonder why?

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BBC one

7:00am	Breakfast
10:15am	Murder, Mystery and My Family
11:00am	Homes Under the Hammer
12:00pm	Wanted Down Under Revisited
12:45pm	Caught Red Handed
1:15pm	Bargain Hunt
2:00pm	BBC News
2:30pm	Regional News
2:45pm	Doctors
3:15pm	Shakespeare and Hathaway
4:00pm	Escape to the Country
4:45pm	Coast and Country Auctions
5:30pm	Antiques Road Trip
6:15pm	Pointless
7:00pm	BBC News
7:30pm	Regional News
8:00pm	The One Show
8:30pm	EastEnders
9:00pm	Holby City
10:00pm	Shetland
11:00pm	BBC News
11:30pm	Regional News
11:40pm	Weather
11:45pm	This Country
12:15am	The Gap Year
	Paedophile
1:15am	Weather for the Week Ahead

BBC TWO

8:15am	Wanted Down Under Revisited
9:00am	Celebrity Antiques Road Trip
10:00am	Victoria Derbyshire
12:00pm	BBC Newsroom Live
1:00pm	The Daily Politics
2:00pm	The Super League Show
2:45pm	Plan it, Build it
3:15pm	Yes Chef
4:00pm	A Place to Call Home
4:50pm	Pilgrimage with Simon Reeve
5:50pm	More Creatures Great and Small
6:20pm	Flog It!
7:00pm	Eggheads
7:30pm	Great British Railway Journeys
8:00pm	Saving Lives at Sea
9:00pm	Back in Time for Tea
10:00pm	Amazing Hotels: Life Beyond the Lobby
11:00pm	Mum
11:25pm	The Archaeologists
11:30pm	Newsnight
12:10am	Weather
12:15am	World's Most Extraordinary Homes
1:15am	The Inside Story

BBC FOUR

8:00pm	Beyond 100 Days
8:30pm	Sea City
9:00pm	Immortal Egypt with Joann Fletcher <i>Professor Joann Fletcher explains how ancient Egypt's extraordinary story fits together.</i>
10:00pm	David Starkey's Magna Carta
11:00pm	Byzantium: A Tale of Three Cities
12:00am	Dreaming the Impossible: Unbuilt Britain
1:00am	Two Types: The Faces of Britain
2:00am	Top of the Pops
2:30am	Top of the Pops <i>Simon Bates presents the weekly pop chart show, first broadcast on 6th May 1982.</i>
3:00am	Fabric of Britain <i>Paul Martin presents the surprisingly compelling story of wallpaper</i>
4:00am	Becoming a Lied Singer

CHANNEL 4

8:10am	3rd Rock from the Sun
8:35am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:00am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:30am	Frasier
10:00am	Frasier
10:30am	Frasier
11:00am	Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA
12:00pm	Undercover Boss USA
1:00pm	Channel 4 News
1:05pm	Come Dine with Me
2:05pm	Posh Pawnbrokers
3:10pm	Countdown
4:00pm	A Place in the Sun
5:00pm	A New Life in the Sun
6:00pm	Four in a Bed
6:30pm	Extreme Cake Makers
7:00pm	The Simpsons
7:30pm	Hollyoaks
8:00pm	Channel 4 News
9:00pm	The Great Celebrity Bake Off for Stand Up to Cancer
10:15pm	Seven Year Switch
12:25am	Before We Die
1:35am	Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA
2:25am	It's a Weird World

CHANNEL 5

7:00am	Milkshake!
10:15am	The Wright Stuff
12:15pm	Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
1:05pm	Access
1:10pm	5 News
1:15pm	GPS: Behind Closed Doors
2:15pm	Home and Away
2:45pm	Neighbours
3:15pm	NCIS
4:15pm	Bond of Silence
6:00pm	5 News
6:30pm	Neighbours
7:00pm	Home and Away
7:30pm	5 News
8:00pm	Loch Lomond: A Year in the Wild
9:00pm	Secrets of the National Trust with Alan Tichmarsh
10:00pm	Wild Britain with Ray Mears
11:00pm	Elizabeth
12:05am	The Yorkshire Steam Railway: All Aboard
1:05am	Weather Terror
2:00am	Super Casino
4:10am	Cowboy Builders
5:00am	Witches: A Century of Murder
5:45am	House Doctor

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8:30am	How I Met Your Mother
9:00am	Baby Daddy
9:30am	Baby Daddy
10:00am	Melissa and Joey
10:30am	Melissa and Joey
11:00am	How I Met Your Mother
11:30am	How I Met Your Mother
12:00pm	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
12:30pm	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
1:00pm	The Goldbergs
1:30pm	The Goldbergs
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9:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
10:00pm	Tattoo Fixers
11:00pm	Naked Attraction
12:05am	The Big Bang Theory

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6:00am	Sky Sports News <i>All the news from the Premier League and beyond.</i>
7:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans Bitesize
7:30am	Good Morning Sports Fans Bitesize
8:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
9:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
10:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
11:00am	Premier League Daily
12:00pm	Sky Sports Daily
1:00pm	Sky Sports News <i>All the news from the Premier League and beyond</i>
2:00pm	Sky Sports News
3:00pm	Sky Sports News
4:00pm	Sky Sports News
5:00pm	Sky Sports News
6:00pm	Sky Sports News at 5
7:00pm	Sky Sports News at 6
8:00pm	Info not available
8:30pm	Info not available
10:45pm	Cricket <i>New Zealand and England meet in the fourth ODI at the University Oval in Dunedin.</i>

itv

9:30am	Lorraine <i>Join Lorraine Kelly and her celebrity friends for all the latest showbiz, news, style on ITV.</i>
10:25am	The Jeremy Kyle Show
11:30am	This Morning
1:30pm	Loose Women
2:30pm	ITV Lunchtime News
3:00pm	James Martin's American Adventure
4:00pm	Tenable
5:00pm	Tipping Point
6:00pm	The Chase
7:00pm	Local News and Weather
7:30pm	ITV Evening News
8:00pm	Emmerdale
8:30pm	100 Year Old Driving School
9:00pm	What Would Your Kid Do?
10:00pm	100 Years Younger in 21 Days
11:00pm	ITV News at Ten and Weather
11:45pm	The Cruise: Voyage to Alaska
12:15am	Benidorm
1:10am	Jackpot247
4:00am	Loose Women

itv2

7:45am	Totally Bonkers
8:10am	Dress to Impress
8:55am	Emmerdale
9:20am	Coronation Street
9:50am	Coronation Street
10:25am	The Ellen DeGeneres Show
11:15am	Who's Doing the Dishes?
12:10pm	Dress to Impress
1:15pm	Emmerdale
1:50pm	Coronation Street
2:15pm	Coronation Street
2:45pm	The Ellen DeGeneres Show
3:35pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show
4:45pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show
5:55pm	Judge Rinder
7:00pm	Take Me Out
8:00pm	You've Been Framed!
8:30pm	You've Been Framed!
9:00pm	Two and a Half Men
9:30pm	Two and a Half Men
10:00pm	The Expendables
11:00pm	FYI Daily
11:05pm	The Expendables
12:05am	Family Guy
12:30am	Family Guy
1:00am	American Dad!

itv3

7:00am	Classic Coronation Street <i>Patric accuses Jenny of stalling him and not wanting to get married</i>
7:25am	Classic Coronation Street
7:50am	Heartbeat
8:55am	The Royal
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10:25am	Judge Judy
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5:50pm	You're Only Young Twice
6:25pm	Rising Damp
6:55pm	Heartbeat
8:00pm	Murder, She Wrote
9:00pm	Midsomer Murders
11:00pm	Scott and Bailey
12:00am	Scott and Bailey
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itv4

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12:45pm	The Avengers
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2:50pm	Quincy, M.E.
3:55pm	Minder <i>Arthur Daley, a small-time crook, hires ex-boxer Terry McCann as his 'minder'.</i>
5:00pm	The Sweeney
6:05pm	The Avengers
7:10pm	Storage Wars
7:40pm	Storage Wars
8:05pm	Pawn Stars
8:35pm	Pawn Stars
9:00pm	River Monsters
10:00pm	Britain's Busiest Airport - Heathrow
11:00pm	The Outlaw Josey Wales
12:00am	FYI Daily
12:05am	The Outlaw Josey Wales
1:50am	Minder
2:50am	The Americans
3:50am	ITV4 Nightscreen
4:00am	Teleshopping

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10:30am	Suicide Squad
12:45pm	Ghost in the Shell
2:45pm	Ultraviolet
4:15pm	The Huntsman: Winter's War
6:15pm	Suicide Squad
8:30pm	Ghost in the Shell
10:30pm	Info not available
12:30am	Info not available
2:55am	Ultraviolet
4:30am	DC Superhero Girls: Intergalactic Games

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5:15am	Robin Hood: Men in Tights
7:05am	Top Ten Show, the 2018
7:20am	Kicking Off
8:50am	Coming to America
10:55am	Top Ten Show, the 2018
11:10am	Our Man Flint
1:05pm	Bridesmaids
3:15pm	How to be a Latin Lover
5:15pm	Music and Lyrics
7:05pm	Calendar Girls
9:00pm	Bridesmaids
11:10pm	How to be a Latin Lover

sky CINEMA PREMIERE

7:00am	Monster Family
8:45am	The Levelling
10:15am	Monster Family
12:05pm	Baby Driver
2:00pm	Two Down <i>A web of deceit unfolds and an unlikely alliance is formed when a young woman and a local delivery boy are taken hostage by an injured hitman.</i>
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12:40am	Hard Target
2:35am	Larry Gaye: Renegade Male
4:30am	Flight Attendant
	The Unseen

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12:00pm	One2eleven
12:30pm	SPFL Greatest Games
1:30pm	Soccer A.M. - The Best Bits
2:00pm	MLS Round Up Show
2:30pm	La Liga Icons
3:15pm	SPFL Greatest Games
3:30pm	Soccer A.M. - The Best Bits
4:00pm	Football's Greatest Teams
4:30pm	Football's Greatest Teams
5:00pm	Scottish Cup Greatest Games
5:30pm	La Liga Greatest Games
6:00pm	MLS Round Up Show
6:30pm	Football Countdowns
7:15pm	SPFL Greatest Games
7:30pm	Soccer A.M. - The Best Bits
8:00pm	Revista de la Liga
8:30pm	Eredivisie
9:30pm	La Liga Files
10:15pm	La Liga Files
11:00pm	Revista de la Liga
11:30pm	La Liga World
12:00am	MLS Round Up Show
12:30am	La Liga Icons

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Spare a few Bitcoins mister?

Terence Kennedy has watched the price of Bitcoin, convinced it can't go higher. Every day. For years.

TECH FOR THE TIMID



TAKE pity on poor James Howells from Newport in Wales. His local council still won't let him sift through the landfill site to find the hard-drive he dumped in 2013. It could be worth €66 million.

Or €33 million when you read this. Or nothing.

Cryptocurrencies are on a roller-coaster ride, and a novelty currency which bought part of a pizza a decade ago, could see you sunning in Monte Carlo today with hot and cold running margaritas. Or wiped out, as the 'bubble will burst' doomsayers predict.

James Howells' discarded hard-drive held the so-called 'blockchain' codes for 7,500 bitcoins he bought for just €140 in 2009. His computer was trashed in 2013, its codes forgotten.

He's not alone. An Australian threw away a hard-drive with 1,400 bitcoins on it in 2012. His loss today:

€12 million. And an American techie used 10,000 of the novel new exchange medium in 2010 to buy a pizza. Some pizza: €88 million today.

Holland's fabled tulip mania of the 1630s, where one bulb could be the cost of a house, has nothing on the madness that's happening right now with 1,400 cryptocurrencies out there and rising.

Even the silly ones attract obscene amounts. Dogecoin was dreamed up as a joke by a couple of techno-pranksters in 2013. It has no underpinning assets and no actual value, but investors

sniffing from the same glue-pot and desperate to jump on the bandwagon to buy anything bearing the name 'coin,' have thrown nearly a billion euros at it so far.

Potcoin underpins legal and illegal cannabis purchases, Dentacoin is exactly what its name suggests (for dentists), Kanye West sued Coinye into oblivion, there's Titcoin (no, don't ask), and heaven help us all, Trump

coin will help to build the wall.

Yes I confess, for a split-nanosecond I was also swept along by the hype, the famous 'FOMO' (Fear Of Missing Out) as I wondered whether to invest my vast and ill-gotten gains in Bitcoin.

Two things quickly become apparent.

One: There are more dodgy bitcoin dealers out there than you could shake your savings-book at, and many will also be happy to sell you a bridge.

Two: Do you really want to be known a month, a year or a decade from now, as the loser whose life-savings will barely buy a pizza?

My favourite cryptocurrency of them all? The 'joke' one whose name makes absolutely no bones about what you're getting, yet is still worth double its 2016 cost: Ponzicoin.



BITCOIN:
Chock-full of goodness?

Mine the gap

IF you really want to swing aboard the cryptocurrency train, many think Bitcoin has already left the station.

But there are more than a thousand others being 'mined' which might, just might, become 'the next big thing'.

Ethereum cost €1 in 2015. Today it's worth over €700. Maybe next week, double, or nothing. Or search the web for Ripple, Stellar, IOTA or even the cheapie Litecoin.

To buy coins you need a so-called 'wallet,' usually held by a cryptocurrency exchange like Coinbase, Kraken, Bittrex or Coinmama.

But beware: Japan's Mt Gox exchange famously lost 850,000 coins to hackers in 2014. Two months ago the Coincheck exchange lost a breathtaking €400 million.

Personally I'm sticking with normal gold coins - the ones filled with chocolate.

Nick Horne The Rich Pick

Freelance correspondent, London, England



STATISTICS and their cousin averages are slippery customers.

On average when Bill Gates - of Microsoft fame and leader of the Gates Foundation - enters a restaurant everyone in the room on average is a billionaire. Similarly, on average house prices in London recovered by the fourth quarter of 2017 and prices rose on average by £4,000 (€4,526) between November and December.

On average London houses now cost £227,000 (€256,873) according to the Land Registry. Prices on average appear to be up by 5.2 per cent year on year. Of course statistics and averages can be useful illustrations but they can also hide and disguise some spectacular outliers in the range of prices that houses command. That we all place so much weight on statistics is a good reason to be very cautious of them as well.

Hidden in plain sight is one wealthy man's house. Consider Dr Gert-Rudolf Frick, heir to the Daimler automotive dynasty who placed the Park House Estate on the market in September 2013 for an eye-watering £105 million (€118.8 million).

Park House sits in more than half an acre of private walled gardens in central London. Half an acre of ground close by the museum district in South Kensington to the west of Buckingham

London house price cut of 60%



WHAT'S IT WORTH?: London is pricey, but Park House (inset) is set to sell with a 60 per cent discount on the original asking price, a mere €45.3 million.

Palace and described as 'a country house in the middle of London. From no window can you see a car passing by.'

Boasting six bedrooms, five bathrooms and seven reception rooms it was recorded as the 'finest house to come on to the market in the capital for 25 years.'

But despite adding a five-bedroom house and two one-bedroom flats on the site as part of the package the Park House Estate failed to sell.

Recently reports appeared that a buyer has eventually emerged though it took three and half years to do so and a headline grabbing price cut of slightly more than 60 per cent, too. Which is spectacular, though the selling price of £40 million (€45.3 million) as reported is weighty and considerable in any language. The Park House Estate is without doubt exceptional as is the price sought and realised for it.

A news story headlining a price cut of one individual property or indeed a price rise does not signify a trend nor does it reflect the mood of the market as a whole. It does speak volumes though of the value attached to a given property by a specific willing buyer and seller on any given day. If you really desire that ideal villa you will pay as much as you can sensibly afford for it, but no more than you believe it is worth and less if you can convince the seller.

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Electric cars in Mallorca could cause major problems

IT was announced recently that the Balearic government is to ban new petrol and diesel cars over the next few years.

Once again, this is a prime example of the government's failure to do 'joined up thinking'!

If everyone has to have an electric car, how will current drivers be able to afford one if they are unable to sell their current petrol/diesel vehicle?

How will people be able to afford all the new sets of batteries when they pass their 'drop dead date' a few years later and they are currently made of lithium which is mined, shouldn't this proposal wait until a new form of battery is invented?

Power brown-outs and black-outs occur on the island now so what can be done to improve the supply to cover the huge amount of electricity required to charge all these electric vehicles?

How many electric buses, coaches, vans and heavy goods lorries are on the market as well as agricultural equipment and gener-

Roundabout positions can cause accidents

I HAVE been a Driving Instructor in the UK for 56 years and also employed by the DSA as a Driving Examiner.

I have an HGV Licence which I also use to teach HGV drivers. I have travelled worldwide and driven in all the countries in Europe and the USA and OZ, Canada, New Zealand. Can I point out that the Spanish driving at roundabouts is dangerous and an accident black spot?

In God's name IF you are turning left at a roundabout why not approach in the left lane with a left signal on then change to a right signal and the right lane to exit just after the exit prior to your exit?

I find the Spanish way of always



BENIDORM: Is a fun place to be.

going round the outside (right) lane irrespective of where you intend to go bloody dangerous and the big cause of accidents at roundabouts. There needs to be TV announcements to inform Spanish drivers how to signal lane position and leave roundabouts before more are killed and maimed.

J Barry Clark, DSAADI UK

Editor's note:

Barry thank you for your letter. Recently the authorities and the Guardia Civil have been encouraging drivers to always enter the right hand lane as early as possible and to exit roundabouts from that lane but it obviously is taking time for some Spanish drivers to come to terms with this.

ators?

Motorcyclists have little choice in electric bikes and the price is far higher than petrol powered models.

Even though it is just under eight years away for the diesel ban, and 18 for the petrol vehicles, how long will 'traditionally fuelled' vehicles be allowed to be on the road? Why not move to hydrogen powered vehicles?

Brian Gatcombe, Mallorca

Many thanks

THROUGH your paper could I express my thanks to the Local Police at Calle el Parquet Nijar? On Sunday we visited Nijar.

While in the town I used the ATM at a bank branch when my card was jammed in. Thinking this may be some sort of fraudulent device I went to the Local Police station where an officer went above what I would have expected.

He came back to the ATM with me to check and then we went back to the station where he telephoned the bank to report the problem, then contacted my bank in the UK to help.

Unfortunately I didn't get the officer's name, but if you could pass on my thanks through *Euro Weekly News* I would be very grateful.

Ron English at present on holiday at Vera Playa

Nerja fan

I LOVE Nerja because it is essentially Andalucian. Unfortunately many of our newer developments are faceless, featureless boxes. It was therefore very pleasing to see the new hostel built on Calle Cruz, near the entrance to the underground car park. The developer is clearly proud of traditional Spanish architecture. Can we have more?

Gordon Clark, Nerja

Likes Leapy

WHAT an excellent article, we have sent it to all our friends and family.

We cannot praise you every week for all your many excellent articles, we read them all.

We hope that you can get one or more of the GB papers to publish your excellent articles.

Kind Regards

Andrew and Lucie Murray UK and Pacheco

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English football 'hooligans' arrested

It's not important if they were football supporters or not, take their passports off them.

Helen Massingham

Most Brits don't misbehave, it's the minority morons who cause the trouble. I have been holidaying in Spain since the late 60's and have never caused any nuisance ever.

Sheila Bowman

Arrest them, put them in a Spanish prison, once their sentence is complete, deport them and shred their passports.

Trev Vennard

British government debates expat vote

If you leave the UK why would you still want to vote? OK so people will say pensions, but what is so bad about the UK that people leave but still want to have a vote? I know people move with work so they are not staying out of the UK permanently. I did watch the full debate live this afternoon - an interesting debate.

Libbyj Ogden Rainey Phelp

Because Libbyj many expats still have property, pensions, investments, and if you were in the civil service or army you still pay tax in the UK. Makes sense to be able to have a say in what happens. We also have family we are concerned about who

Comments from EWN online

still live there.

Jenny Dodd

As a Scot living in Spain I do not have the right to vote in Spanish general elections, only local ones. After the Brexit farce I doubt many of us would vote Tory!

Claire Twigg

Priors finally receive payout for demolition

So sorry that money is an insult, but they have to move forward now, this ordeal is shocking. Nasty bullying.

Sandra Russell

About time, hope they have many years to enjoy a good life.

Gill Reynolds

I hope this paves the way for more victims to be compensated

Pps Estepona

Police officer dies after football fans clash

Frankly, the whole of European football fans should boycott the World Cup this year otherwise there will be blood shed!!

Steve Homer

So sorry for this man's family, yes it was a heart attack but it was the violence that caused it. DEP.

Gill Reynolds

Watched the build up preparations... so much was set in place roads / transport, etc even schools in area closed all day. Guess they never expected it to be bad pitchside.

Lydia Taylor

UK benefit cheating great-gran avoids jail

People come to Spain wanting things now which most of us have worked all our lives to achieve. I love it when they say 'I am 40 years old and paid in to the system all my life.' Try paying in for 40/45 years then claim your rewards. If you need to work then be very certain you can make it here without benefits as they don't exist in Spain. Don't expect others to bail you out.

Gill Reynolds

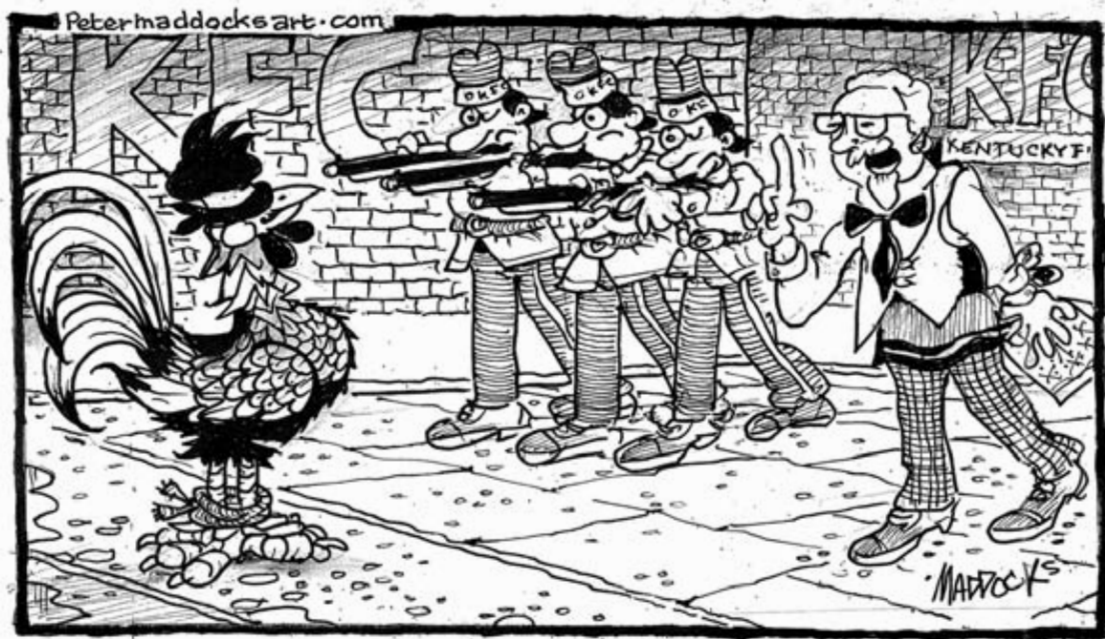
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MADDOCKS' VIEW ON LIFE



'FOR THE LAST TIME - WHERE DID YOU HIDE OUR CHICKENS?'

Trivia from around the world

*** The longest tunnel in the world runs from Switzerland to Italy under the Alps. It is 57km long and took 17 years to build.
*** There are at least 20 different ways to say 'Sorry' in Japanese.

*** The United States pays Cuba \$4,085 in rent for the Guantanamo Bay prison camp, but they refuse to cash the cheques.

*** A crack in the earth appeared in Ethiopia in 2005 and is expanding; leading scientists to claim a new ocean will form over it in around 10 million years.

*** Saudi Arabia imports sand and camels from Australia. The sand in Saudi Arabia is reportedly not fit to build on.

*** There is an ongoing lightning storm at Lake Maracaibo in Venezuela, with storms lasting around 10 hours a night for 140 to 160 nights a year.



SOUNDSCAPE: Researchers found music and moods were closely related.

DID YOU KNOW?

The type of music you listen to can change the way you perceive the world, according to research. A study found people listening to happy music thought they saw happy faces that were not there.

Women's wit

When we speak we are afraid our words will not be heard or welcomed. But when we are silent, we are still afraid. So it is better to speak."

Audre Lorde, writer



Famous quote

If you want a happy ending that depends, of course, on where you stop your story."

Orson Welles, actor

World of English

Cybersquatting - The act of registering well-known names as internet domains in order to sell them on.

YOUR STARS FOR NEXT 7 DAYS



AQUARIUS
(January 21 - February 19)

You are looking to having everything your own way, which may not be entirely out of the question. The only sticking point could be that you are not even willing to be sharp with someone who has been far from straight with you. Be prepared to trip over a loose end later if you do not tie it up now.



LEO
(July 24 - August 23)

What you truly want in life is now becoming clear to you. Not for you the fuzzy ideas of the past. Now, you realise that, if you do not give a strong lead, then others will lead you. To avoid going backwards now you must be determined and clear. Show others that you are firmly taking the lead in your future.



PISCES
(February 20 - March 20)

So far as your work or business life is concerned, those in authority may seek to see things done their way. Where they seem to pay lip service to your needs, that is all it is talk. Be clear that you want action and that you will not give in easily. Humour will not help.



VIRGO
(August 24 - September 23)

With your self-confidence on a high note, you are ready to sing the song of your future. There will be highs and lows but that is what makes life interesting and exciting. Do not now avoid changes for the sake of peace. What is exciting and balanced this week is where your future lies.



ARIES
(March 21 - April 20)

Putting yourself first is necessary at the moment. There is so much happening this week that you may be tempted to run yourself ragged trying to do it all yourself. It is possible to persuade others to give a hand and, although it may seem too much trouble at the time, you will reap the benefits in the longer term.



LIBRA
(September 24 - October 23)

Where you see things failing to go your way, it may seem that others are being unfair. It is unlikely to be that simple. Perhaps, by being too easy-going and friendly, you have given the impression of not being particularly caring. State your case and change the tune.



TAURUS
(April 21 - May 21)

You should bear in mind that you are the best one to decide what you want, when you want it and how you will go about getting it. Others may offer you short cuts, but is that really going to deliver the goods? I think not.



SCORPIO
(October 24 - November 22)

Judgement may be impaired this week and it would be advisable to get second and even third opinions. In much the same way that you sometimes have an instinctive feel for things and situations, you now have this sensation about a certain person. An unbiased and imaginative opinion scatters your stress.



GEMINI
(May 22 - June 21)

You know where you are going and who with, but there is this one unresolved thought in your mind. It is just a thought, isn't it? Or is it more? This is something only you can answer. Be prepared this week to take advice and ask questions.



SAGITTARIUS
(November 23 - December 21)

This week be prepared to be forthright when it comes to a certain difficult situation. This involves someone trying to get you to make a decision you are either not sure of or against. Your good humour is unlikely to deflect them but being openly insistent may.



CANCER
(June 22 - July 23)

You are still looking more to the past than to the future, but now it seems that circumstances are urging you to move ahead at more of a pace. Because the matter becomes urgent, it may seem to you that circumstances are overtaking you. The choice is still yours if you show speed and determination.



CAPRICORN
(December 22 - January 20)

Are you being pushed into a corner? There is no need to respond with aggression, but a smooth and fast move is required to avoid this. They say that forewarned is forearmed. You know more of the circumstances than I do, but there is someone you can call on as an ally, isn't there?

LOTTERY

UK NATIONAL LOTTERY



Saturday February 24

(2) (11)
(35) (40)
(48) (55)

BONUS BALL

(7)

IRISH LOTTO



Saturday February 24

(1) (10)
(30) (31)
(42) (47)

BONUS BALL

(25)

EURO MILLIONS



Tuesday February 20

(6) (14)
(19) (25)
(29)

LUCKY STARS

(5) (11)

EL MILLON: XPN91473

Friday February 23

(10) (17)
(18) (28)
(47)

LUCKY STARS

(3) (7)

LA PRIMITIVA



Thursday February 22

(4) (8)
(11) (23)
(34) (35)

REINTEGRO

(02) (2)

JOKER: 6 822 466

Saturday February 24

(4) (5)
(12) (27)
(43) (45)

REINTEGRO

(40) (7)

JOKER: 3 544 370

EL GORDO DE LA PRIMITIVA



Sunday February 25

(4) (17)
(25) (33)
(40)

REINTEGRO

(5)

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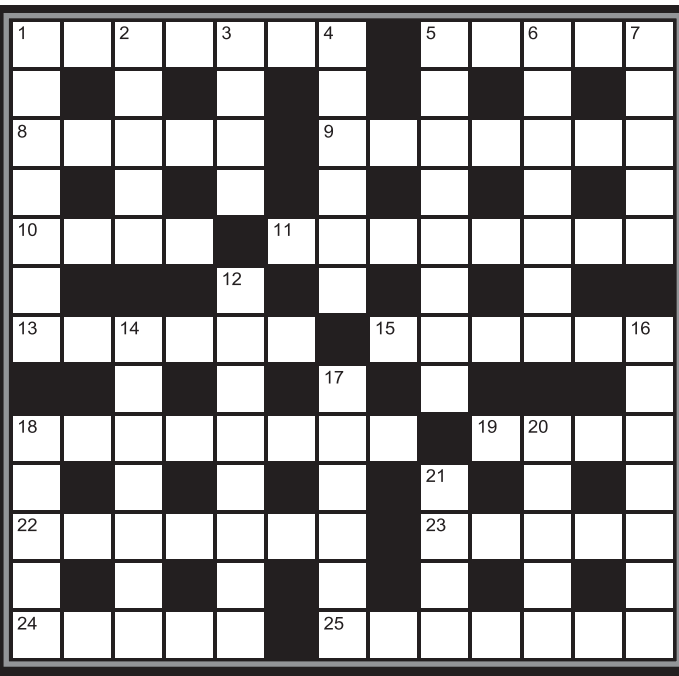
Cryptic

Across

- 1 Socialist leader in fitting decline (7)
5 They secure money for the government, so we hear (5)
8 Former performance is precise (5)
9 Tramp on the dock, it's rougher (7)
10 A small pond, pure and simple (4)
11 Carte blanche for an unpaid employee (8)
13 Chair for a biker (6)
15 Pay back when a Peru company is reformed (6)
18 On the edge? Potentially alarming anyway (8)
19 Spot British group (4)
22 Castle Hotel is demolished for ski lodges (7)
23 Runner has nothing for the party (5)
24 A novice gets a large amount of grant (5)
25 Tureen I transported in train (7)

Down

- 1 Doctor East, half American, is a wishful thinker (7)
2 A way to ventilate a rising flight (5)
3 Consumes ingredients from meat safe (4)
4 Knight's tunic is the result of bad art (6)
5 Meddled with chopped up damp



tree (8)

6 Silver discovered in elegant old US city (7)

7 A little bit of quiet colour (5)

12 Grounds for having a coin sent outside (8)

14 Liar cut-off limit (7)

16 Help too difficult for a nuisance on the road (7)

17 Was confused in her cable (6)

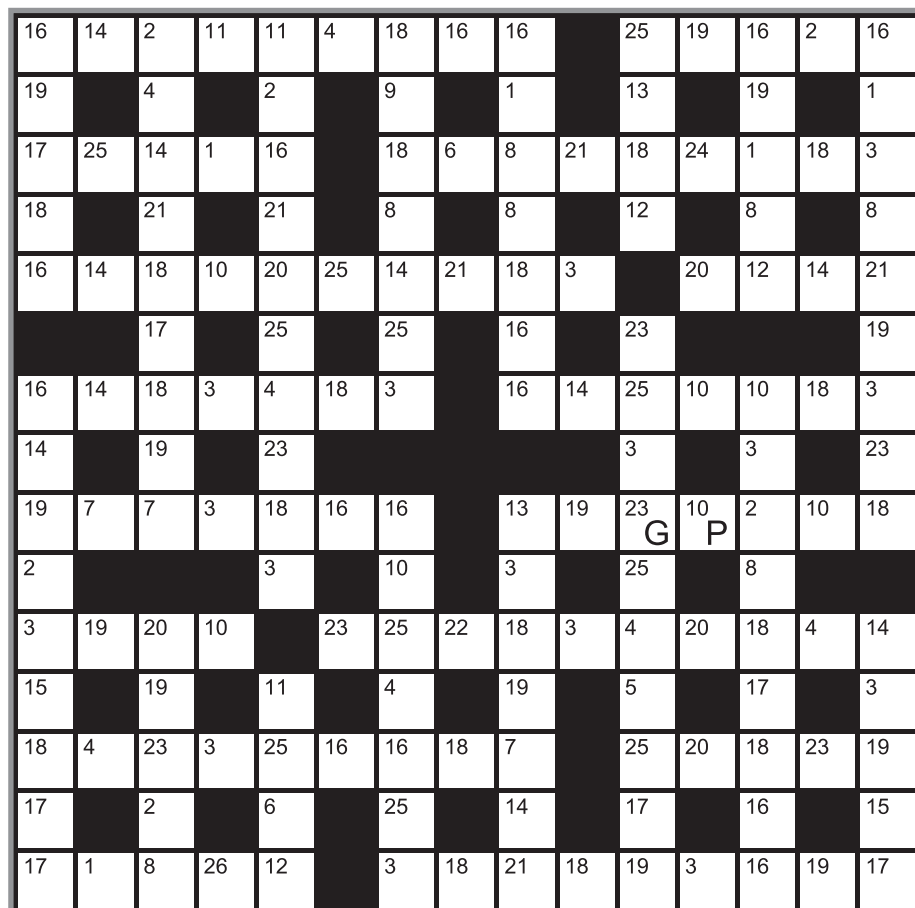
18 Came about a century later to a city in Saudi Arabia (5)

20 Pick up king, then knight (5)

21 Help needed in a punt (4)

Code Breaker

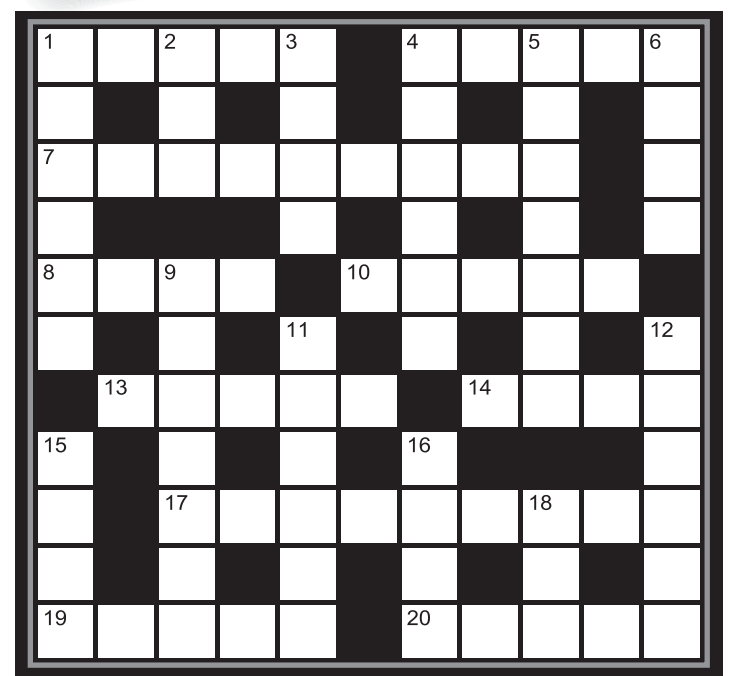
Each number in the Code Breaker grid represents a different letter of the alphabet. In this week's puzzle, 10 represents P and 23 represents G, so fill in P every time the figure 10 appears and G every time the figure 23 appears. Now, using your knowledge of the English language, work out which letters should go in the missing squares. As you discover the letters, fill in other squares with the same number in the main grid and the control grid.



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

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION FACING PAGE

Quick



Across

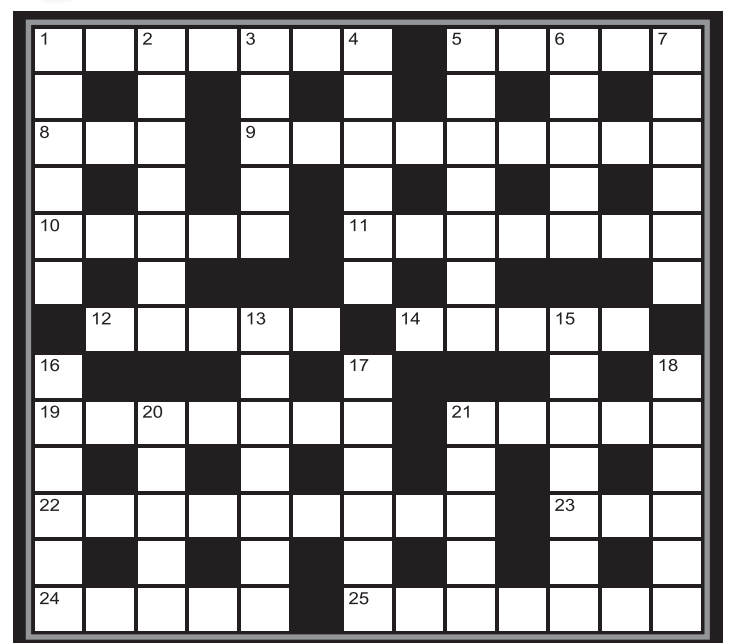
- 1 Card game (5)
4 Bad-tempered (5)
7 Spaceman (9)
8 Ill (4)
10 Commence (5)
13 Old-fashioned (5)
14 Interlocking plastic building blocks (4)
17 Schedule (9)
19 White heron (5)
20 Irreligious individual (5)

Down

- 1 Express approval of (6)
2/18 Knapsack (3,3)
3 Chess piece (4)
4 Place of worship that has its own altar (6)
5 Summary (7)
6 Free from danger (4)
9 Talk idly or rapidly (7)
11 Allow (6)
12 Rule (6)
15 Metal enclosure (4)
16 Come to a halt (4)
18 See 2

English - Spanish

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



Across

- 1 Scorpion (7)
5 Rocas (minerales) (5)
8 Brazo (de persona) (3)
9 To cross (over)
10 Temprano (5)
11 Ostras (7)
12 Fly (insect) (5)
14 To lower (5)
19 Español (7)
21 Signature (5)
22 To pass (overtake) (9)
23 Murciélago (3)
24 Autumn (5)
25 To show (7)

Down

- 1 Abbots (6)
2 Wardrobe (for clothing) (7)
3 Preparado (5)
4 Estrecho (calle, pasillo) (6)
5 Magazine (journal) (7)
6 Swan (5)
7 Estrés (6)
13 Watch out! (7)
15 To approve of (7)
16 Tin (ore) (6)
17 Ritmo (6)
18 Shepherd (6)
20 Fir tree (5)
21 Tenedores (5)

CROSSWORD PAGE

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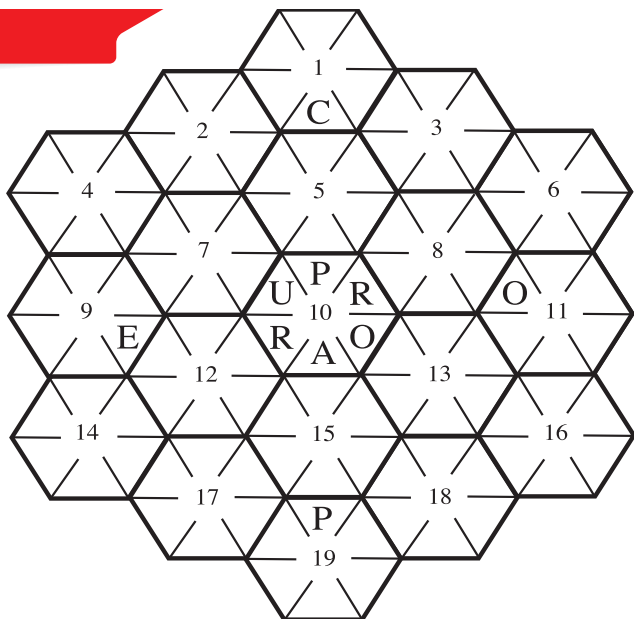
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Hexagram

AMPERE
ASSENT
BICEPS
COERCE
DUGOUT
OBLONG
PETREL
PLEASE
PONCHO
ROSTER
SORREL
SORROW
TANDEM
TEETER
TELLER
TINSEL
UPROAR (10)
WHEEZE
ZOUNDS



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

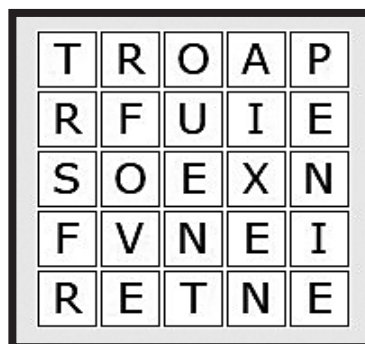
LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

1 Stodgy 2 Sludge 3 Faulty 4 Scenic
5 Golden 6 Opaque 7 Census 8 Duplex
9 Vestal 10 Sextet 11 Closer 12 Utmost
13 Curate 14 Fiasco 15 Meadow
16 Detour 17 Cowboy 18 Droopy
19 Carboy.

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: 22
- Very good: 44
- Good: 30
- Excellent: 57

SCORING:

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

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

dead dean dear dado exam earl
earlier nature damn dart dope dopier
dram drat axed maxed made mart
marl matt mature maturer hard harm
hart harp harrier hope taxed tarp
tarrier trade traded tram true truer
trip tripod tripe triple trier turtle
equip phat pram pique pile pier lire
lieu ripe rile quip quilt quilt quire

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



TARGET:

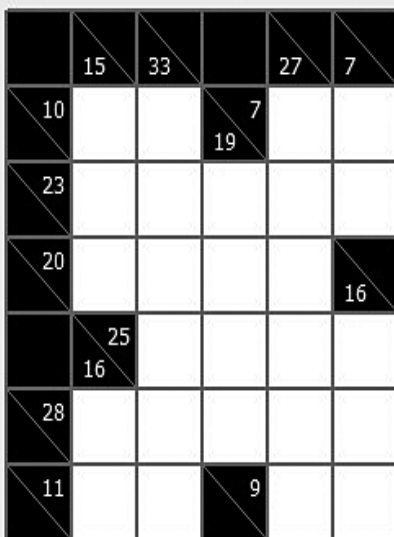
- Average: 11
- Good: 15
- Very good: 22
- Excellent: 28

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

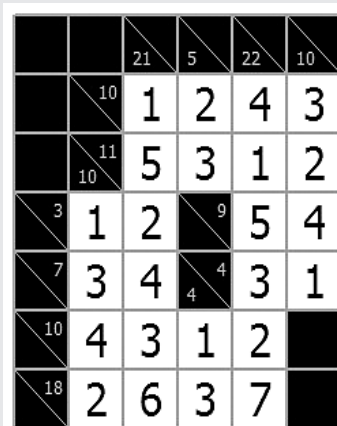
arvo aver ever over pave rave rive rove veep veer vert
veto vote avert evert ovate overt paver pivot prove
reave revet rivet trope vapor viper vireo vitae
voter privet vetoer overate overeat private EVAPORITE
OPERATIVE

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

QUICK

Across:

1 Return, 4 Jail, 8 Nectarine,
9 Opal, 10 Depend, 13 Stalls,
15 Oslo, 18 Lollipops,
19 Wasp, 20 Aspire.

Down:

1 Raucous, 2 Tonga, 3 Rich,
5 Agile, 6/18 Lie low,
7 Camel, 11 Diocese,
12 Plain, 14 Atlas, 16 Sushi,
17 Boss.

CODE BREAKER

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

CRYPTIC

Across:

1 Arrest, 4 Causes, 9 Airdrie, 10 Trade,
11 Turn, 12 Hairline, 14 Haven, 16 Agony,
20 Betrayal, 21 Ha-ha, 24 Drama,
25 Shatter, 26 Sateen, 27 Tennis.

Down:

1 Adapts, 2 Rarer, 3 Spry, 5 Alter ego,
6 Station, 7 Skewer, 8 Debar, 13 Delaware,
15 Attract, 17 Abides, 18 Waist,
19 Madras, 22 Acton, 23 Kale.

ENGLISH-SPANISH

Across:

1 Unlucky, 5 Sapos, 8 Seagull, 9 Loros,
10 Trece, 11 Obtener, 12 Bucket, 14 Gansos,
17 Reinado, 19 Arcos, 22 Enero,
23 Earring, 24 Oveja, 25 Singers.

Down:

1 Upset, 2 Llave, 3 Chupete, 4 Yellow,
5 Split, 6 Parents, 7 Sastres, 12 Barbero,
13 Chinese, 15 Alacrán, 16 Towels,
18 Ahora, 20 Crime, 21 Signs.

App of the week



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QUIZ: MIND THE GAP

All the answers contain the names of London Underground stations

- Because of the colour of the order's habit, what nickname is often given to members of the Roman Catholic order of preaching friars founded by St Dominic?
- Founded in 1787 and based since 1814 at Lord's cricket ground in St John's Wood, which cricket club is generally known as the MCC?
- From which London prison did two Provisional IRA members Pearse McAuley and his cellmate Nesson Quinlivan escape on July 7, 1991?
- Melanie Blatt, Shaznay Lewis and Simone Rainford were the original members of which girl group formed in London in 1993?
- What is the name of the friendly, marmalade loving bear from deepest, darkest Peru

created by Michael Bond?

- What was the title of Gerry Rafferty's first British hit single, which reached number three in the UK charts in 1978?
 - Which famous British vehicle manufacturer has produced models called: Astra, Belmont, Chevette, Vectra and Zafira?
 - Which Grade I listed building is the official residence of the Lord Mayor of London?
 - Which song was the winning entry for Sweden in the 1974 Eurovision Song Contest?
 - Which word can precede: blood, bottle, clearing, piggy, river and sand?
- Not a lot of people know that... there is only one Tube station that does not have any letters of the word 'mackerel' in it: St John's Wood.*

Answers:

- BLACK FRIARS
- MARYLEBONE Cricket Club
- BRYXTON
- ALL SAINTS
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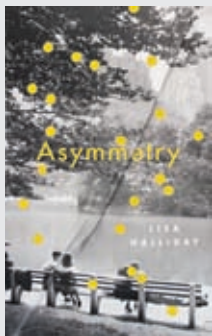
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Out of balance

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Alice's story takes place in the early days of the Iraq war and is a coming of age tale that revolves around an unexpected romance in New York.

Amar tells his account of a weekend spent in an airport holding room in 2008.

These two characters are worlds apart, but both their stories intertwine through deep human drama. Told in three sections: Folly, Madness and Ezra Blazer's Desert Island Discs, Lisa Halliday's *Asymmetry* explores the imbalances of contemporary life.

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Alicante
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Wed - 18 9 - C

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

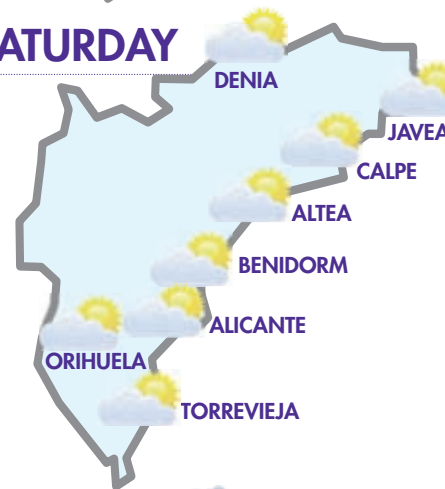
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TOMORROW



SATURDAY



BIRTHDAYS

• **Ron Howard, Director; March 1, 64**
The Oscar-winning filmmaker behind *A Beautiful Mind* and *Apollo 13* was originally known for playing Opie on *The Andy Griffith Show* and *Richie Cunningham* in *Happy Days*.

• **Chris Martin, Singer; March 2, 41**
Coldplay's front man was born in Whitestone, England and played his first gig with *The Rocking Honkies* which are rumoured to have been booed by the crowd. He has since found success with albums *X&Y*, *A Rush of Blood to the Head* and *Viva la Vida* with his current group.



Jessica Biel.

• **Jessica Biel, Actor; March 3, 36**

The star of *The Illusionist* began modelling in adverts from the age of 12. She played Erin in the 2003 film *The Texas Chainsaw Massacre*.

• **Kenny Dalglish, Footballer; March 4, 67**

Dalglish scored 230 goals during his 21-year long career, playing for Celtic FC and Liverpool as well as the Scottish national team. He went on to manage Liverpool and has won two FA cups while at the

team, once as a player and the other as its coach.

• **Moira Kelly, Actor; March 6, 50**

The voice of Nala in Disney's 1994 film *The Lion King* has also played Kate Moseley in *The Cutting Edge* and Karen Roe in *One Tree Hill*.

• **Rachel Weisz, Actor; March 7, 48**

The Westminster-born film star founded the *Talking Tongues* theatre company while a student at Cambridge University before her movie career. She has had roles in *The Mummy*, *The Constant Gardener*, *The Bourne Legacy* and *Constantine*. She was also a model from the age of 14.

509 BC - First triumph

The Roman Republic holds its first triumphal celebration after Publius Valerius Publicola defeats deposed King Lucius Tarquinius Superbus, beginning a tradition that would last throughout the empire's history.

1284 - Wales incorporated

The Principality of Wales is absorbed into the Kingdom of England under the Statute of Rhuddlan.

1519 - Cortez lands

Conquistador Hernan Cortez arrives in modern-day Mexico in search of the wealth of the Aztecs. He would go on to conquer the land for the Spanish crown.

1657 - Edo ablaze

The Great Fire of Meireki starts in Edo (Tokyo). It would go on to last for three days and kill more than 100,000 people.

1869 - Periodic table

Dmitri Mendeleev unveils the world's first periodic table to the Russian chemical society, which would become the standard graphic depiction of the elements.

1876 - Telephone patented

Alexander Graham Bell is granted a patent for the telephone. He had previously raced rival inventor Elisha Grey to be the first to submit proposals for the device.

1970 - Nuclear treaty signed

The Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons comes into force after being ratified by 43 countries. It requires countries never to acquire the weapons and to work towards nuclear disarmament and was extended indefinitely in 1995.

2003 - First ICC session

The International Criminal Court holds its inaugural session in The Hague in Holland with the power to prosecute people for genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity.

This week in history

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.

Word Ladder

HARE

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

FEET

FEET
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Solution

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

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

DVD

A powerful comedy



THE USSR's ruthless ruler Josef Stalin (Adrian Mcloughlin) has just been found dead.

Soviet officials quickly arrive to decide the future of the country and rival factions soon emerge. On one side is secret police head Lavrentiy Beria (Simon Russell Beale) and leading Communist Party figure Georgy Malenkov (Jeffrey Tambor). On the other is Nikita Khrushchev (Steve Buscemi) and labour minister Lazar Kaganovich (Dermot Crowley).

The Death of Stalin takes a humorous look at the ensuing power struggle.

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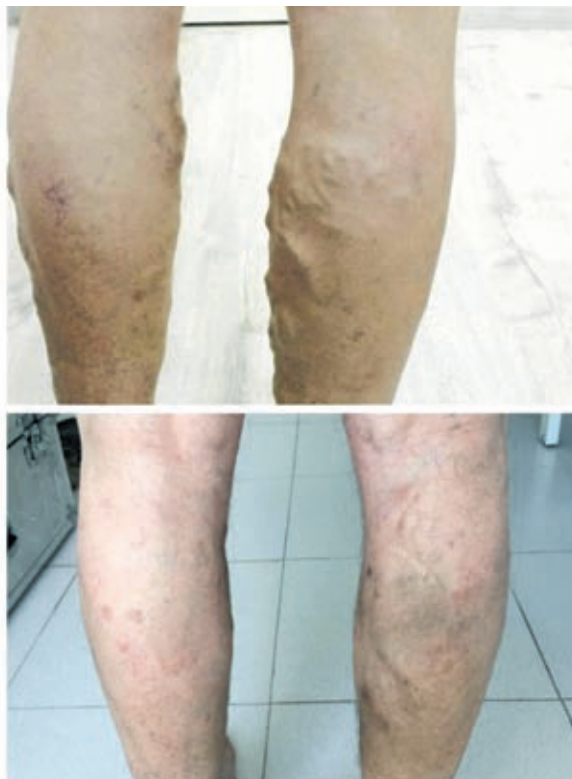
The team at QUPA which is based at Clinica Mejorate clinic in Los Montesinos can now offer a wide range of different health treatments as can be seen on their informative and easy to navigate website www.clinicamejorate.com.

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Normally, varicose veins are found mainly in the legs although they can appear elsewhere as they are actually veins that have become enlarged and twisted and can be caused through genetic inheritance as well as environmental factors.

Although in most cases they are simply a painful irritant, severe long-lasting varicose veins can lead to leg swelling, venous eczema, skin thickening and ulceration.

Whilst life-threatening complications are not common varicose veins may be confused by those who don't understand them properly as deep vein thrombosis, which



SUFFERING?: Remove unsightly varicose veins.

is very dangerous.

Some veins can be controlled by sclerotherapy (which involves the injection of a chemical into the vein to remove it), elasticated stockings, elevating the legs or exercise but traditionally, those who are badly affected have to face having them removed by surgery.

Now, as technology has progressed, so there are alternative techniques which include ultrasound-guided foam sclerotherapy, radiofrequency ablation and endovenous laser treatment, all of which are becoming increasingly more popular and affordable.

As most of the blood in the legs is returned by the deep veins, the superficial veins which tend to be most affected, return only about 10 per cent of the total blood of the legs and can usually be removed or ablated without serious difficulty.

For more information on how to cope with varicose veins and the other procedures offered, call in at the Clinica Mejorate clinic in Los Montesinos, or contact them on 966 721 687.

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You can also get 'no added' or natural nut butters. While a 'no added' butter means it still has added oil,

Go nutty for nut butter

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How to strengthen your i

MAKING sure you eat healthily, exercise regularly, and minimise stress levels - not to mention keeping unhealthy vices such as smoking and alcohol consumption to a minimum - are just a few things you can do to make sure your immune system is in top shape.

Food in particular plays a significant role in having a positive impact on your belly bacteria, which helps to strengthen your immunity.

Harvard University research revealed that the amount of good bacteria in the belly rapidly improved when people are placed on a vegetable-only diet for a few days, so top up on your greens.

Many vegetables also contain natural prebiotics, such as artichokes, asparagus, onions, chicory, leek and garlic.

These prebiotics pass undigested through the stomach and small intestine so as soon as they reach the large intestine; they help to stimulate the probiotic bac-



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The importance of protein

PROTEIN is of great importance in helping the body's recovery process, so eating protein rich food comes in extra handy after a workout.

According to a study published in the Journal of the International Society of Sports Nutrition (JISSN), the body's ability to build muscle mass is raised for 24 to 48 hours following training, so this is the best time to go heavy on the protein.

During this period, which is known as the anabolic phase, the

body is hungrier for nutrients as the muscles absorb copious amounts of glucose and it is easier for the body to process protein.

Protein is also necessary to build and repair muscle tissue, so not eating enough after a workout could hinder your progress, and also leave your muscles feeling sorer for longer.

Good-quality, protein rich food includes eggs, milk, chicken, turkey, tuna and Greek yoghurt.

Keep cool in the cold

SEVERAL Olympic snowboarders recently revealed how they soothe their sore muscles and protect their skin in cold weather.

While you may not be hitting fresh powder every day in sub-zero temperatures, these tips will still come in useful when exercising or during a particularly cold spell this winter.

Chloe Kim, Olympic gold medallist and the only athlete to win three X Games gold medals before the age of 16, swears by an anti-inflammatory, plant-based gel to help soothe sore muscles, which can come in very handy after a particularly intense workout.

Essential oils are also great at stimulating blood flow and relieving any soreness so try adding a few drops of lavender, ylang-ylang or camphor to your bath at night.

The snowboarders also said they always insist on wearing sun cream, which is good advice for anyone wherever you are, as your skin is actually in more danger during winter.

Many people forget sun cream is just as important at this time of year as the sun can still be incredibly strong, even when it's cold or cloudy.

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Quick before this concert sells out

EVERY concert by the Torrevieja Symphony Orchestra this year so far has sold out, so be aware that the next scheduled presentation at the Torrevieja International Auditorium is due on Saturday April 14.

As part of this ongoing programme of classical concerts promoted by the Alicante Provincial Council, this next concert features works by Mozart, Sibelius and Schubert with invited soloists Sonia Cheong and Stefan Kropfitsch.

The programme will consist of Mozart's Sinfonia Concertante for Violin, Cello and Orchestra which was composed in 1779 as he was travelling and performing throughout Europe and was experimenting with this type of composition.

The next piece in the programme will be the Valse triste (Sad Waltz) Opus 44 by Finnish composer Sibelius, who wrote the piece as incidental music for a play written by his brother-in-law in 1903 and which has

become a popular performance piece in its own right.

The third composition is Symphony No 8 by Schubert, known as the Unfinished Symphony as he wrote two movements in 1822 and then seemed to lose interest and by the time that he died six years later, no additional movements had been created.

This should be a very well attended concert which starts at 7pm on April 14 with tickets costing from €7 to €20, so don't leave it too late to book.

CELLIST:
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Fairy tales in English

IF you have some little ones and want them to enjoy fairy tales on stage and in English then the Romea Theatre in Murcia is the place to take them.

Their forthcoming presentations are Puss in Boots on Saturday, Sleeping Beauty on March 10 and Hansel and Gretel on March 17 with a break for Easter.

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Upcoming wine region

PRIORAT as one of the upcoming Spanish wine regions has recorded an extraordinary leap in quality and reputation over the last decade.

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It produces mainly red and powerful wines.

Characterised by a terroir of volcanic origins with black slate and quartz soil known as llicorella with vineyards on terraces at 100m - 700m, the area has low yields due to the rocky soil that does not allow water accumulation.

Wine production in the area dates from the 12th century, when monks from the Monastery of Scala Dei introduced viticulture and the prior ruled as a feudal lord, giving rise to the name Priorat.

At the end of the 19th century, the phylloxera pest devastated the vineyards and replanting was undertaken only in the 1950's. In the 1980's bulk wine production was phased out

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PRIORAT: On the march.

and bottling of quality wine was introduced.

The traditional grape variety in El Priorat is the red Garnacha tinta, which is found in all the older vineyards. Other red varieties are Garnacha Peluda, Cariñena, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Syrah.

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Happy tasting.

Singer Rozalén to perform in Torrevieja

POPULAR singer and activist Rozalén will be appearing at the Auditorium in Torrevieja on March 7 with tickets costing from €15 to €35.

She is currently promoting her third and most recent album *When the River Sounds* - which has already gone gold - as part of a tour of Spain with a new and exciting show.

Having studied music at college, this talented award-winning singer and guitarist has collaborated with a number of popular Spanish artists and is particularly respected for her representation for charities involved in helping the sick or disadvantaged.

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Punjabi Palace restaurants getting ready to celebrate 10th anniversary

THERE are three very popular modern Punjabi Palace restaurants in La Murada, Los Montesinos and La Marquesa (Quesada) and they are getting ready to invite guests to help them celebrate.

It's now 10 years ago that the first of the much-loved restaurants opened and March 15 sees a special offer of dinner for two people costing just €40 per couple at Los Montesinos.

The meal consists of a shared mixed starter, any chicken or lamb curry with pilau or plain rice, a naan or garlic naan, mixed ice cream, a welcome drink and a bottle of wine between two or two large beers or soft drinks.

The following month,



Photo by Kristoff

GOOD TIMES: There is always plenty to enjoy at each of the Punjabi Palace restaurants.

Thursday April 12 sees the Quesada restaurant celebrate its fourth anniversary, so keep

an eye out on the Facebook pages to see what special plans are being hatched and whether



the fabulous Bollywood dancers will make a welcome appearance.

Each restaurant is open sev-

en days a week from noon to midnight (with a break after lunch) and reviews on TripAdvisor indicate how good these three restaurants really are.

There is a very reasonably priced menu of the day which is served between noon and 3pm and generally includes a lamb or chicken dish, rice, poppadum and naan bread plus a dessert or coffee and a complimentary drink.

All of the Punjabi Palace restaurants are family friendly and welcome younger diners who will have the chance to learn about the very special spices and flavours that go into making the various curries on offer.

If the wide menu choice is a little daunting, the friendly,

award-winning front of house staff are always on hand to advise and recommend dishes, prepare dishes to your taste and preference.

If you can't spare the time to sit and eat, there is, of course, also the option of ordering a take away meal and if you spend more than €20 you will be offered a free bottle of wine to complement your delicious and tasty curry selection.

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Three great choices at one great restaurant

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This is a very modern restaurant that has picked up on the now popular trend of mixing international cuisines, so serves a range of Indian and Mexican food as well as Italian to ensure that everybody can find something that they like.

Add to this a choice of grilled meat and fish (including sea bream, sea bass and sole), pizza and pasta and this conveniently situated restaurant offers great service, fine food and prices that will please all pockets.

There is a three-course lunch menu at €9.90 which includes a drink as well as a three-course evening meal starting at just €10.90, but there is also plenty to choose from the a la carte menu.

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every day except Thursday when the restaurant is closed until 6pm, there are a number of special events and recently entertainment was provided by the delightful instrumental duo of Azucena Carrillo playing harp accompanied by Norbert Dari playing electric guitar.

There is always a lot going on at this new restaurant so it is worth following them on their Facebook page *Restaurant*

Sinfonia International.

If you don't have time to spend eating in the restaurant then they offer a takeaway service which includes free delivery in the Quesada area.

Booking isn't always necessary but it is better to be safe than sorry and you can contact the restaurant by calling 865 750 777 or WhatsApp 612 469 886 to make reservations or place a takeaway order.

Whether you like your food spicy or mild, from the Indian sub-continent, Latin America or Europe there is a great choice for everyone and all are welcome to Sinfonia International, Calle Presidente de la Generalitat, Local 9/10, Dona Pepa (near the Hotel la Laguna) 03170 Rojales.

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ANTONIO BANDERAS has travelled around the world for the glitziest Hollywood functions, but these days the Spanish movie star is more likely to be seen cycling through leafy Surrey.

Banderas, 55, recently bought a €2.7 million five-bed-

room home with Dutch-German girlfriend Nicole Kimpel, 36, in Cobham, which he has described as a 'magical' setting. The prefabricated home, by

German building firm Huf Haus, is an eco-friendly contemporary design featuring a stylish blend of wood and glass. The Mask of Zorro actor,

who divorced Melanie Griffith in December 2014, has sold the LA home he shared with her for €12.9 million.

Banderas recently starred in

The 33, a film about the Chilean miners who were trapped underground for 69 days in 2010 with Juliette Binoche.

He is now commuting from his home in Surrey to study at the prestigious Central Saint Martins college in London, and plans to launch his own fashion label.

Surrey has clearly struck a chord with Banderas who said recently: "I am not a party person any more, so I have the space and peace to write and get inside my own head and I am working on several scripts."

"Above all I am surrounded by nature and love watching the deer and foxes that come to my garden."

"All this wood and glass, it is a beautiful concept. I have owned a lot of houses with many types of architecture but I think this is my favourite so far."

The A-list actor was introduced to the home by Nicole's father, who previously owned two Huf Houses and found the

Cobham property for the couple.

There are now about 200 Huf houses in the UK which have distinctive post-and-beam structures, eco-friendly credentials and generous glazing.

Banderas' model has a classic 'butterfly' split-roof, with four large reception rooms and more than an acre of gently sloping gardens.

He so charmed by the house that he plans to build a beachside Huf in Marbella.

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The actress was shooting for the film *Fragile* in the city, and her new boyfriend had travelled to accompany her.

Ford did not like being pursued by cameras every time he left his hotel, so he was provided with a luxury apartment right in the centre of Barcelona.

This then set a trend among celebrities for requesting exclusive yet private accommodation, to avoid the paparazzi.

Moreover, Barcelonian hotel groups are keenly tapping into the market of billionaires who visit the city and are looking to rent high-end properties with all the extras including a butler, personal shopper, tour guide, or a Michelin-starred chef.

The Majestic and Murmuri Hotel Group for example, are happy to cater to these niche needs.

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LIVING in Spain, relaxing, strolling, drinking and eating in natural surroundings is an easy thing to do on as many days as possible, whatever the time of year.

Valentine's Day was a good example even though no Valentina was around.

The morning awoke cold with a four-degree centigrade nip in the air but a bright blue windless day followed and by 1pm it was

pleasantly warm to have a tapas lunch on a south facing terrace.

By 2pm one was tempted to strip off for a two-hour early sun tanning and vitamin D topping up session. Then before things started to chill down it was interesting to observe how quickly the natural world reacted to the warm direct sunshine which took the liquid in a south facing thermometer up to 48 degrees.

For the first time this year the Koi carp were continuously cruising the surface, two plump toads crept out from beneath a large rock and plopped into the pond, a welcome red squirrel ran with amazing balance along the electricity line across the nearby street, for a second time this month a youngish hedgehog came out of hibernation, and naturally common garden birds visited nesting boxes and the thickest shrubs to see if one met their needs. Sadly rarer species disappeared 15 years ago when copses were felled and many new houses built.

On the flower front early spring colour is led by the first yellow crocuses, winter jasmine, acacias, euryops, oxalis, nasturtiums until popped in a salad, and aconitums. The first blues already follow with rosemary, echiums and the first heads



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AWASH WITH LIFE:
A natural garden and (inset) Dick's latest must-read book.

salad leaves and flowers in the starter salad served to guests three evenings ago.

If you have yet to start to eat a few healthy garden flowers and leaves, if not raising vegetables in a raised bed or two, a read through the book *Living well from our garden Mediterranean style* could be an interesting read on a sunny terrace or in front of an evening fire.

It is most easily obtained speedily and inexpensively from Amazon Books.

Naturally it would be possible to organise a talk on the topic for a local social or gardening club, or radio station.

of broccoli for daily eating. Looking through the study window across to the local mountain ridge seems that this afternoon will be as sunny as yesterday, but today I need to give some shrubs and a tunnel path for summer shade along the southern edge of the garden some urgent pruning to achieve some interesting shaping and heavier flowering.

The 20 builder's tubs that comprise today's salad bed are in full production having had no heavy frosts - at least as yet.

There were 21 varieties of

Budget ideas to spruce up

IF your garden is looking a little tired and in need of some sprucing up, now's a great time to put the work

in so its ready come summer for all the outdoor antics you'll no doubt be partaking in, from barbecues to badminton games.

Whatever you get up to, you want your garden to be looking its best but you don't have to spend a lot to make it look good.

Simple lighting designs such as fairy lights or well-placed tea lights can make all the difference to your outdoor space.

When it comes to furniture, keep it simple, sleek

and stylish.

A one-colour scheme can help bring it all together and prevent it feeling cluttered.

Meanwhile some metallic paint is an easy way to refresh any old, iron garden furniture.

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“THERE is no doubt that there is a link between animal abuse and human abuse,” says Dr Rhonda Schulman, a veterinarian at the University of Illinois Veterinary Teaching Hospital.

“The statistics are frightening, but it is important that everyone, including veterinarians, recognise this serious problem because animal abuse in a home is very likely a sign of an even bigger problem within that family.”

It is estimated that nearly 90 per cent of pets living in homes where domestic abuse is taking place are either abused or killed, and nearly 60 per cent of women who seek assistance from shelters to escape abuse have had a pet killed by an abuser.

In an abusive situation the family pet is often used by the abuser as leverage to control the person being abused. Threat of harm to a beloved pet can be a very powerful tool for the abuser. Abuse of the pet is also a way to inflict mental an-



NEGLECTED:
Make sure your animals are well looked after.

guish on the abused. Many women are reluctant to leave the abuser for fear that the pet will be harmed.

Until recently there have been few options for abused women with pets. Now domestic violence shelters have begun to implement ways to protect not only the women and children but their pets as well. “Abuse can also be self-propagating within a family,” says Dr Schulman. “For instance, the mother or father abus-

es the child and then the child abuses the pet. This is sometimes the only way the child can assume any sense of personal power.”

Witnessing the abuse of a family pet can influence children to become abusive later in life, because they have learned the behaviour through observing and identification with the abuser.

Studies have also shown that children who torture animals are at higher risk

than others to grow up to use violence against people. Many adults who have committed serial murders or mass violence tortured animals as children.

“This means that if a child is exhibiting this sort of behaviour, it is extremely important to take it seriously and intervene while there is still a chance to positively influence the child’s development,” says Dr Schulman.

“Veterinarians are starting to take a

more active role in spotting abuse and providing help for people who are in abusive situations; however, many veterinarians still do not ask questions when presented with suspicious circumstances, either they do not wish to be involved or because they don’t know how to help,” says Dr Schulman.

It has been shown that women in abusive situations will seek medical care for themselves and their pets when they feel it is safe to do so. They may not volunteer how the injuries came about, but may give such information if asked. “Sometimes all it takes is asking,” says Dr Schulman. “As a profession, veterinarians need to start getting involved. Simply posting flyers for the local women’s shelter in the veterinary clinic might encourage women to seek help if they need it. “In order to help people at risk, we have to work together, and that includes professionals in all areas of health care, including veterinary medicine,” says Dr Schulman.

Need pet-sitters to keep an eye on your pets at home?

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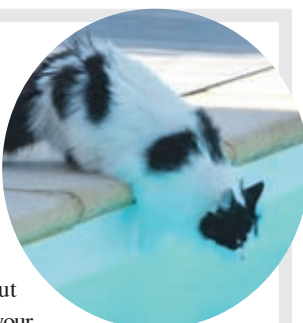
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Most dogs prefer to sleep at the foot or side of your bed, on their favourite cushion or blanket or just their dog bed, so long as it’s in a warm spot that is protected from draughts.

Many also like to nap on your bed throughout the day while you’re out of the house because it smells like you, or in other rooms where people tend to gather.

However, some dogs prefer their own crate, so they can enjoy some privacy away from the hustle and bustle.

No matter where your dog chooses to get in a few winks, it’s probably best not to let your dog sleep in your bed with you, especially if she’s a new introduction to the home.

A dog should never believe she has a right to sleep in your bed, as this will make her think she is the household’s dominant member.

All that training will go right out the window if your dog wins the bed war and starts to assert her authority over you.



CUDDLE UP: It’s normal for your dog to try and get into bed with you.

Marty

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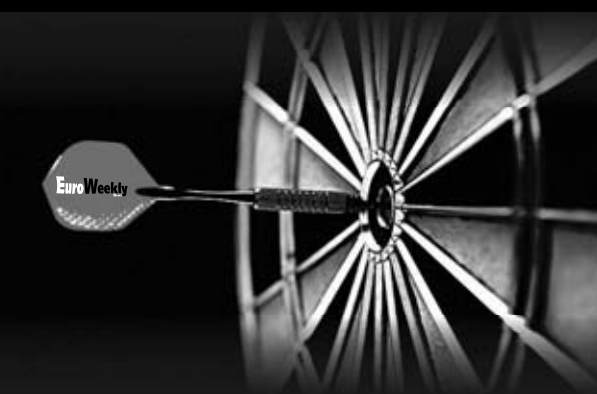
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Guinness World Rec-Ford!

FORD has achieved the Guinness World Record for largest billboard with a new advert in Madrid.

The billboard, which advertises the brand new Ford EcoSport is plastered on the side of the Edificio España

building, the eighth tallest in Spain.

Measuring 5,265 metres, approximately 20 tennis courts, and weighing 2,000 kilos the board eclipses the previous record set in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia in 2014.

Director of Marketing for Ford Spain, Elena Burguete, said: "Our Guinness World Record title for the largest billboard demonstrates the creativity that drives our company."

"Ford's message is 'go further,' and that's what we aim to do with our campaign for the launch of the new EcoSport. It's a great way to deliver the message 'Life is out there, are you?' to as many people as possible, right in the heart of Madrid."

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SEAT launches Cupra as independent brand

SPANISH car giants SEAT have officially launched CUPRA as its own independent brand.

The announcement was made at an exclusive event in Barcelona where the new brand's first model was also revealed, the CUPRA Ateca.

CUPRA, which has always been SEAT's ultimate expression of sportiness, is born to captivate car enthusiasts around the world.

CUPRA becomes its own entity, created to develop models in conjunction with SEAT and with the firm commitment to grow independently.

SEAT President Luca de Meo said: "CUPRA is a big opportu-

nity for SEAT, for our customers and for the business.

"The whole project has surfaced as the dream of a group of people who were looking for a way to conquer a new group of car lovers."

As part of its new identity, CUPRA will also encompass the entire motorsport and racing division, an area that until now was the responsibility of SEAT Sport and which will be directly integrated into the new brand.

The CUPRA logo, which was revealed a few weeks ago, is inspired by the attitude of tribal civilisations and reflects the values that the new brand is keen to transmit - passion, precision, de-

termination and courage.

As part of the announcement, the brand's first model, the CUPRA Ateca was also revealed.

"CUPRA Ateca offers versatility like no other brand. It's about a unique model in its segment, with 300 PS, 4Drive and a new seven-speed DSG gearbox.

It is the best example of balance between sportsmanship, fun at the wheel and ease of use in everyday life," said SEAT Executive Vice-President for Research and Development, Dr Matthias Rabe.



Photo by SEAT

SEAT: The CUPRA Ateca will be the brand's first model.



Jay Kay's funky Mini sells for almost €26,000

A MINI Countryman that was owned and restored by pop icon Jay Kay has been sold for €25,600.

The Jamiroquai singer of-flooded his pristine Mini estate at an auction last Saturday despite recently giving it a full makeover.

He fitted it out in homage to the much sportier Mini Cooper S, with a full body restoration that transformed the motor from a bare shell into a gleaming red classic.

Work commissioned by Jay Kay has included a new sportier



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AUTOMATON: The classic car features a variety of Jay Kay's flourishes.

gearbox, a specialist handling kit and brand new state of the art

disc brakes, along with a full body respray in tartan red paint.

A new, much more powerful four-cylinder 1.3 litre engine

was also installed, giving the Mini much more bark than before. Inside is a red leather interior with a period cigarette lighter, and a hint of the modern with a hidden Bluetooth audio system. After spending several thousand pounds on the makeover, the musician has used the car sparingly as a runaround at one of his holiday homes.

The characterful Mini Countryman went under the hammer with Silverstone Auctions, at their Stoneleigh Park sale in Coventry. Auctioneers anticipated offers of between €17,000 and €21,000, and were delighted with the final price. Originally introduced in 1961, the Countryman is one of the many classics in the Mini range, designed as an estate car which can even be used as a small van.

This particular 1964 model owned by Jay Kay has been dubbed a 'Q' car, meaning that it is a high performance vehicle despite an unassuming exterior.

ROAD TEST by Nick Fletcher

Subaru BRZ SE Lux

SPORTS coupes with stand-out styling and great driving dynamics that are also at the affordable end of the market are hard to find - but the Subaru BRZ ticks all the boxes.

The latest revised version of the BRZ is priced from €30,032 (£26,495) but looks as if it might cost twice that. With a long bonnet, short tail and low-slung stance, the BRZ is a classic rear wheel drive sports coupe delivering a brilliant driving sensation and a lot of fun.

Powered by a 2.0 litre 197 hp petrol engine, the BRZ has a 0-100 kph time of 7.6 seconds in manual form, and a top speed of 225 kph (140 mph). Fuel economy is 12.8 kpl (36.2 mpg) and emissions are 180 g/km.

With a revamped front end with wider bumper and LED headlights - plus an upgraded interior - the BRZ has a potent image, and on the road proves to be responsive and engaging, with an eager engine which likes to be worked hard.

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La Liga Preview

Barca seek to extend record unbeaten run

by Ben Park

BARCELONA will look to extend their record unbeaten run as they travel to struggling Las Palmas later tonight (Thursday).

The league leaders thrashed neighbours Girona 6-1 on Saturday as a Luis Suarez hat-trick, Messi's brace and a stunning strike from Philippe Coutinho saw the Catalan giants set a new club record of 32 games unbeaten.

Following tonight's fixture, they host Atletico Madrid at the Camp Nou just four days later in a top of the table clash.

Atletico, who currently sit in second, will be without highly rated duo Yannick Carrasco and Nico Gaitan after announcing that they had left for Chinese side Dalian Yifang earlier in the week.

Elsewhere, Real Betis continue their push for a Europa League place as they host Real Sociedad later this

evening (Thursday).

Betis are hot on the tails of Sevilla in sixth having won four of their last six league games and will be looking for a win against bottom of the table Sociedad, before fact Valencia on Saturday.

At the other end of the table, Alaves will hope to pull further away from the relegation places as they face struggling Levante.

The Babazorros El Glorioso have hit a rich vein of form in recent weeks, winning three of their last four, and victory over tonight's relegation rivals may all but secure their safety before heading to Real Sociedad on Sunday.

Last season's champions Real Madrid will look to continue their recent good form as they welcome Getafe to the Bernabeu on Sunday.

Madrid have refound their scoring boots in the past few games, much thanks to the return to goalscoring form of Cris-

tiano Ronaldo, and will look to continue to boost their confidence ahead of their Champions League second-leg with Paris Saint German on Tuesday.

Full fixture list

Today (Thursday)

Real Betis vs Real Sociedad

Las Palmas vs Barcelona

Alaves vs Levante

Saturday

Villarreal vs Girona

Sevilla vs Athletic Bilbao

Deportivo La Coruña vs Eibar

Leganes vs Malaga

Real Madrid vs Getafe

Sunday

Levante vs Espanyol

Barcelona vs Atletico Madrid

Real Sociedad vs Alaves

Valencia vs Real Betis

Monday, March 5

Celta Vigo vs Las Palmas

Premier League preview

Manchester City face tough double-header

MANCHESTER CITY play Arsenal for the second time in four days later tonight (Thursday) hoping to extend their lead at the top of the Premier League.

The runaway league leaders were far from their brilliant best against tonight's opponents in the Carabao Cup final on Sunday, but still coasted to a 3-0 victory over the North London side.

Goals from Sergio Aguero, Vincent Kompany and David Silva were enough to brush aside a very poor Arsenal at Wembley to secure the Citizens' first trophy of the season.

They sit 13 points clear at the top of the table and face an Arsenal side who currently find themselves 10 points adrift of the Champions League places.

Anything but a victory for the Gunners will all but ensure that they will not qualify for next season's Champions League competition, who later face Brighton on Sunday.

Following their match against Arsenal, City are back in action

no less than three days later as they welcome Chelsea to the Etihad.

Chelsea will be looking to bounce back from their loss at the hands of Manchester United on Sunday and get back into the Champions League places.

In order to do that they will need Tottenham to lose, who continue their own quest for a top for spot as they host Huddersfield at Wembley on Saturday.

Spurs opened up a two-point gap between them and fifth placed Chelsea following their late win against Crystal Palace last weekend and also sit just two points behind third placed Liverpool.

Liverpool themselves will go back up to second in the table if they beat Newcastle on Saturday at Anfield.

The Reds ran riot against West Ham last weekend as goals from Emre Can, Mohamed

Salah, Roberto Firmino and Sadio Mane ensured that their unbeaten record at Anfield in the Premier League remained intact.

At the other end of the table, two huge games in the battle against relegation as Southampton host stoke while Swansea face West Ham.

Just six points separate Swansea in 18th and Watford in 10th, meaning

up to 11 teams are facing the real threat of relegation with just 10 games left to play of the season.

On Monday, Manchester United will look to consolidate their Champions League position as they travel to relegation threatened Crystal Palace.

The Red Devils held on to a memorable 2-1 victory over Chelsea on Sunday as goals from Romelu Lukaku and Jesse Lingard were enough to see off last season's champions, while Palace could find themselves back in the Premier League bottom three before they kick-off should results not go their way.

Full fixture list

Today (Thursday)

Arsenal vs Manchester City

Saturday

Burnley vs Everton

Leicester City vs Bournemouth

Southampton vs Stoke City

Swansea City vs West Ham Utd

Tottenham vs Huddersfield Town

Watford vs West Bromwich A

Liverpool vs Newcastle United

Sunday

Brighton and H A vs Arsenal

Manchester City vs Chelsea

Monday, March 5

Crystal Palace vs Manchester Utd

SPANISH LA LIGA 2017/18 TABLE

TEAM	PI	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 • Barcelona	25	20	5	0	68	12	65
2 • Atlético	25	17	7	1	41	11	58
3 • Real Madrid	25	15	6	4	62	27	51
4 • Valencia	25	15	4	6	49	29	49
5 • Villarreal	25	12	5	8	36	29	41
6 • Sevilla	25	12	3	10	33	40	39
7 • Betis	25	11	3	11	43	50	36
8 • Celta	25	10	5	10	43	37	35
9 • Eibar	25	10	5	10	32	38	35
10 • Girona	25	9	7	9	35	36	34
11 • Getafe	25	8	9	8	29	22	33
12 • Athletic	25	7	10	8	26	28	31
13 • Leganés	25	8	6	11	21	28	30
14 • R. Sociedad	25	8	5	12	47	47	29
15 • Espanyol	25	6	10	9	22	32	28
16 • Alavés	25	9	1	15	22	37	28
17 • Levante	25	3	11	11	21	40	20
18 • Las Palmas	25	5	4	16	18	52	19
19 • Deportivo	25	4	6	15	24	53	18
20 • Málaga	25	3	4	18	16	40	1

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PREMIER LEAGUE 2017/18 TABLE

TEAM	PI	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 • M. City	27	23	3	1	79	20	72
2 • M. United	28	18	5	5	53	20	59
3 • Liverpool	28	16	9	3	65	32	57
4 • Tottenham H.	28	16	7	5	53	24	55
5 • Chelsea	28	16	5	7	50	25	53
6 • Arsenal	27	13	6	8	51	36	45
7 • Burnley	28	9	10	9	22	25	37
8 • Leicester City	28	9	9	10	40	41	36
9 • Everton	28	9	7	12	32	47	34
10 • Watford	28	9	6	13	38	47	33
11 • Bournemouth	28	8	8	12	33	43	32
12 • Brighton	28	7	10	11	26	37	31
13 • West Ham Utd.	28	7	9	12	35	50	30
14 • Huddersfield Town	28	8	6	14	25	48	30
15 • Newcastle United	28	7	8	13	27	38	29
16 • Southampton	28	5	12	11	29	41	27
17 • Crystal Palace	28	6	9	13	25	43	27
18 • Swansea City	28	7	6	15	21	41	27
19 • Stoke City	28	6	8	14	28	54	26
20 • West Bromwich	28	3	11	14	22	42	20

Full speed ahead!

FORMULA ONE teams have begun their 2018 pre-season testing in Barcelona.

The first test of the week-long pre-season testing officially got underway on Monday; with drama unfolding from the get go.

McLaren got off to the worst possible start as Fernando Alonso lost a wheel after six laps on the first day.

The two-time champion lost control at the final corner of Spain's Circuit de Catalunya and his right wheel came loose of the car.

At the time, McLaren Executive Director, Zak Brown said: "There is no drama. It is quite an easy fix.

"It is what testing is for. All the teams will have a variety of issues. We will lose very little time. No

big deal at all."

Alonso had been on course to set the fastest time of the day so far when he crashed out and was back out before the end of the day, setting the fifth fastest time; before they lapped quicker than they managed in the whole of testing last year on day two.

Red Bull's Daniel Ricciardo set the pace on day one and was the only driver to complete 100 laps, finishing ahead of Valtteri Bottas' Mercedes and Kimi Raikkonen for Ferrari.

Testing continues for the rest of the week and after this week's session, another test will take place in Barcelona between March 6 and 9, before the season officially gets underway in Australia on March 25.

CUP WINNERS:
City comfortably beat Arsenal 3-0 in the Carabao Cup final on Sunday.





Costa Blanca South

LA LIGA President Javier Tebas has announced the date for this season's second El Clásico. The much-anticipated clash between Barcelona and Real Madrid will officially take place on Sunday, May 6 at 8:45pm to reportedly appeal to the American market.

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SUPERJAVI: The bronze medallist wowed with his performance.

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SuperJavi steals the show

SPANISH figure skater Javier Fernandez stole the show at the exhibition gala at the end of the Winter Olympics with a super performance.

The exhibition gala sees figure skaters from around the world come together to perform routines that are not judged and enjoyed by large crowds.

Fresh from taking his first

Olympic bronze medal in Pyeongchang, the 26-year-old performed his 'SuperJavi' routine, which he first debuted in 2013, with a standout moment when the Spaniard was covered in a bucket of water by an accomplice while lying on the ice.

During his performance, 'SuperJavi' also showed off by doing press ups and paraded around the rink in his Spanish inspired superman costume for his 1980's inspired routine.

Other highlights from the exhibition gala saw the Olympic Athlete from Russia Alina Zagitova dressed in a skin-tight tiger suit and Uzbekistani skater Misha Ge combine dance moves with boxing.

"It's not about politicians, it's about democracy" Pep vows to carry on wearing ribbon

MANCHESTER CITY boss Pep Guardiola has said he will continue wearing a yellow ribbon in support of imprisoned Catalan politicians despite an FA charge.

The Catalan says he will continue to do so because "before a manager, I am a human being."

Former Barcelona and Bayern Munich manager Guardiola was charged by English football's governing body last week for breaching 'FA kit and advertising regulations' by 'wearing a political message, specifically a yellow ribbon.'

He first began wearing the

ribbon after two key members of the Catalan separatists movement were held without bail after the Catalan independence vote in October, which the government deemed illegal.

According to reports, the ban came after the FA had spoken to Guardiola about the issue in mid-December and gave the Spaniard two formal warnings.

And in spite of the charges against him, the 47-year-old continued to sport the ribbon at Wembley as his side brushed Arsenal aside in the Carabao Cup final on Sunday.

In an interview after the 3-0 final win, the Spaniard spoke at



Credit: Twitter

HUMAN: Pep has said he will 'always' wear the ribbon.

length on the matter.

He told English media: "If I broke the rules, I accept the fine. I am a human being."

"There are four guys in prison. There are other guys, who are outside of Cataluña; when they come back, they are going to be jailed, imprisoned for rebellion and sedition."

"It's not about politicians, it's about democracy; it's about helping the people who didn't do absolutely anything."

"You did Brexit. You allowed Scotland to have a referendum about if (they) want to stay (in the United Kingdom) or not."

"And, after, the people vote. That is what they ask and they are in jail right now."

The Manchester City boss faces a potential fine and could even be given a touch-line ban for breaching FA rules, but remains adamant that he will continue to wear the ribbon no matter what the consequence.


"I will accept if the FA decide about my behaviour. It's just to be part of something for humanity. That's why I appreciate from Manchester City fans the support."

Guardiola has until Monday, March 5 to formally respond to the charge.

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