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EXCLUSIVE

By Matt Ford

A COSTA DEL SOL expatriate has spoken of her heartbreak after squatters moved into her home while she and her husband were on holiday.

Ex-teacher Anita Pillay, 69, and husband Tony - who have lived in Torremolinos for almost 15 years - jetted to London for a three week Easter break to visit her elderly mother.

But when they arrived home, they found the front door of their flat on Avenida de los Manantiales badly damaged, and someone had changed the locks.

Speaking exclusively to the *Euro Weekly News*, South Africa-born Anita said: "We heard voices inside so we banged on the door and eventually a woman opened it a little but kept the chain on.

"We saw at least five people inside... they were so threatening and aggressive, it was just unbelievable.

"We told her that we own and have the title deeds for the flat, but she told us it was hers and that she lives there before slamming the door shut."

And when Anita's neighbours called the police, they refused to evict the occupiers, who they said were from Romania.

"Eventually they took the woman and my husband to the station to make a statement after she claimed her family rented

'Just devastated'

Squatters refuse to leave expat's home



HOMEOWNER NIGHTMARE: Anita and Tony's Torremolinos block of flats and (inset) their damaged front door with new lock.

the flat from someone on the street, but she couldn't produce any documents.

"Once the door was open we

could see that our 32-inch TV that my son bought us for Christmas was gone."

A court hearing was hastily arranged after Anita showed officers a copy of the deeds, but the judge deferred the case for a week, leaving the couple stranded.

"According to the administrators of the building they have the right to free legal representation, but what rights do homeowners have?

"We are paying to stay in a hostel and have a standing order for power and water bills so we're forking out for them to stay in our home and we're not allowed to cut it under Spanish law.

"We have very little money and can't afford a lawyer.

"We are just devastated and have shed loads of tears."

The court in Torremolinos has not yet responded to a comment request.

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Shaken up

STARTLED residents contacted local media after an earthquake measuring 4.4 on the Richter scale shook the village of Almogia - 40 minutes inland from Malaga - according to the National Geographic Institute.

Dog cruelty

A 54-YEAR-OLD man has been held on suspicion of animal abuse after witnesses reported him for kicking and dragging an ill German Shepherd that was unable to walk and which later died.

Drugs probe hell

Brit bus driver was set up, family claim

By Matt Ford

THE family of a British bus driver 'trapped' in a Spanish prison in connection with a €4.6 million drugs swoop claim that he was set up.

Dad-of-seven Michael Penney was driving a luxury double-decker coach used to transport touring rock bands when police pulled the British-plated vehicle over on the AP-7 toll road in Valencia.

The 40-year-old from Margate, Kent, and his British co-driver, 59, were held and remanded in custody after more than 15 kilos of cocaine and 750 kilos of hashish were found stashed in hidden compartments under beds and behind cabinets.

They were later denied bail by a Spanish judge, but 10 weeks after his arrest Michael's wife Melissa, 34, insists that he is innocent and says she has been told that a

police probe could go on for two years.

Melissa - who has set up a fundraising campaign to help her husband pay for a lawyer - told local UK media: "He would never get involved in drugs. He hates anything to do with that kind of thing and he has no convictions at all.

"We are going out of our mind with worry. He's keep-

ing his head down and getting on with it as best as he can, but he's calling me in tears.

"His children miss him and I miss him.

"He has been set up. He would never get involved in anything like this.

"There are two innocent men stuck in Spain and nobody will listen to us."

It comes as a European Arrest Warrant has reportedly been issued for the owner of the coach firm.

Michael, a professional bus driver, was hired by a British company to fly to Spain and drive the vehicle back to the UK, his wife said.

It had been used by golfers taking part in a competition, and the owner allegedly travelled with the two men before flying back to Britain.

But as the men made their way up the Spanish coast they were stopped by



€4.6 MILLION STING: The Spanish government's Valencia delegate, Juan Carlos Moragues, and regional Guardia Civil commander Amador Escalada congratulate officers on the haul in January and (inset) Melissa and Michael Penney.

Guardia Civil traffic police at a toll near Sagunto, half an hour north of Valencia, at 2.30am on the morning of January 23.

Investigators said at the time that they believed the coach was being used in an international plot to smuggle drugs from Spain to the UK.

Melissa claims she did not hear from Michael until six days after he was arrested.

"The kids are really upset," she added.

"They are putting on a brave face and saying 'we'll go to school and work hard for dad' but it's just terrible.

"We've been told it could take two years to fight the case."

A Foreign Office spokeswoman said: "We are providing assistance to two British men arrested in Valencia in January."

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Salsa sex attack

A 42-YEAR-OLD Cuban expatriate has been remanded in custody for allegedly raping a young French holidaymaker after the pair met through an online dating app. Police said the victim reported the incident after she woke up in the man's flat with memory loss and 'discomfort in intimate areas' following a night dancing salsa together.

Jailhouse rocked

GUARDS at Alhaurin de la Torre prison have been hailed after foiling an escape attempt by two 'North African' inmates. Suspicions were raised when they spotted that one window bar had been broken, with sheets tied to a second which was already loose. Both budding fugitives have been transferred to solitary confinement, an official confirmed.

House about that

THE cost of luxury homes in Marbella has doubled since 2011, according to new data from the glam city's oldest estate agent Panorama. It comes after the sale of properties costing more than €4 million increased by almost 100 per cent in 2017, with prices increasing most sharply on the infamous Golden Mile.

Don't look down

SUMMER tickets for the Caminito del Rey, dubbed 'the most dangerous walkway in the world,' are now on sale. Thrill-seekers with a head for heights can book their walk on the wild side - taking in the pathway attached to the walls of the El Chorro gorge near Ardales - for €10 via the website <http://www.caminitodelrey.info>.

Weed all about it

TWO Spaniards and a Danish man have been held after police seized more than 2,500 cannabis plants and 771 ecstasy pills from two homes in Mijas. The swoop comes in the wake of a probe during which investigators set up a covert surveillance operation to observe the suspected drug dealers' activity.

A grand design!

THE BIG PICTURE Nº 10



ALL THE MOOR REASON TO VISIT: The Alhambra is among Spain's most popular tourist attractions.

IT has inspired travellers for centuries.

And Granada's jaw-dropping Alhambra palace has been chosen for a new guide to the world's 120 greatest man-made buildings.

The Moorish architectural wonder is included in travel guide publisher Lonely Planet's Amazing Architecture: A Spotter's Guide, a grand tour of the planet's most awe-inspiring constructions.

Perched atop the red hill of Sabika with the Sierra Nevada mountains as

a backdrop, the world heritage site attracts up to 6,000 tourists per day.

It houses some of the most important Islamic architecture in Europe, with the Generalife gardens and 14th-century Palacios Nazaries the must-see showpieces.

The fortified complex was first built as a walled citadel in AD 889.

It was later rebuilt as the palatial seat of the city's Nasrid emirs, the last Arab Muslim dynasty in Iberia, and the name derives from the Arabic al-qala'a al-hamra, meaning 'the

Red Castle.'

The Alhambra was later claimed by the Christians during the 1492 'reconquista,' when the mosque was replaced by a church, before Holy Roman Emperor Charles V demolished a wing of palaces and replaced them with a giant Renaissance building.

In the early 19th century French Napoleonic troops tried to blow the building up, partly destroying it, and restoration work has continued for almost 200 years.

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By George!



SAINTLY STUFF: Revellers build castells - human towers - in Barcelona on Saint George's Day.

HE'S the patron Saint of England, and is most famous for slaying a dragon.

But as the Great British nation gears up for Saint George's Day, parts of Spain are preparing their own celebrations.

The feast of Saint George takes place each year on April 23, the accepted date of his death in AD 303.

It is marked by many Christian churches plus towns, cities, regions and countries of which he is patron, which in Spain include the northern communities of Aragon and Cataluña.

Legend has it that a vision of Saint George appeared above the crown of Aragon in the Battle of Alcoraz, which in 1096 saw King Peter I defeat the forces of Al-Mustain II to reclaim the city of Huesca and the region from its Arabic conquerors.

As a result, St George's Day (Dia de San Jorge) is a major holiday throughout the former Crown of Aragon region as well as the modern-day Aragon Community.

On April 23, the area celebrates 'Aragon

Day,' when the regional government hands out its annual awards and parties take place in most towns and villages, including the provincial capitals Zaragoza, Huesca and Teruel.

In Cataluña, George is known as Sant Jordi, and the day is a normal working day, with festivities more romantic in nature.

Hundreds of stalls spring up in the streets of Barcelona and elsewhere, with girls traditionally presenting boys with a book, receiving a flower - typically a red rose - in exchange.

The custom of flower-giving dates back to the 15th century, when women attending a mass, in the Sant Jordi chapel at the Palace of the regional government, were handed a rose.

The red colour is said to symbolise passion, and the blooms are often accompanied by an ear of wheat representing fertility.

It is also popular for crowds to fill streets and squares to watch brave souls building human towers dubbed castells.

In 1930, Catalan book day was moved from October 7 to April 23, and the current practice was born.

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Gere to marry pretty woman

SILVER FOX Richard Gere is reportedly set to marry his Spanish girlfriend.

The *Officer and a Gentleman* star, 68, and 35-year-old publicist Alejandra Silva have been an item since 2015.

And according to Spanish media rumours, the couple will tie the knot in Washington DC on May 5.

Alejandra is the daughter of a former Real Madrid vice-president and met the Hollywood heartthrob through their mutual interest in human rights.

The Galician was embroiled in a divorce from American businessman Govind Friedland when she met the icon, who was himself previously married to supermodel Cindy Crawford and actress Carey Lowell.

But the wedding has yet to be confirmed, and Alejandra last year said during a red carpet interview: "I am recently divorced. As far as a legal wedding, no, but maybe we'll have a celebration."

AGE-DEFYING: Elizabeth Hurley in Ibiza.

Gee Liz!

SHE recently raised eyebrows after revealing that her teenage son snaps her sizzling bikini shots.

But British actress Elizabeth Hurley, 52, showed she is unmoved by the critics after flaunting her enviable curves in a series of skimpy swimsuits while soaking up the sun on the private island of Tagomago, Ibiza.

The sexy designs are part of her own Elizabeth Hurley Beachwear collection.



LOVED UP: Richard and Alejandra.

Floyd star rages against the machine



DARK SIDE OF THE FACTS: Roger Waters.

FORMER Pink Floyd frontman has told concert-goers that the White Helmets is a 'fake' organisation encouraging the bombing of Syria.

The *Another Brick In The Wall* (Part 2) hitmaker, 74, made the claim during a gig in Barcelona.

His comments came as the United States, France and the UK launched controversial airstrikes in response to alleged

chemical weapons attacks on the city of Douma by Syrian President Bashar al-Assad's regime. And the strikes were based on video footage shot by the White Helmets, a volunteer rescue organisation operating in rebel-controlled parts of Syria and Turkey. "The White Helmets is a fake organisation that exists only to create propaganda for jihadists and terrorists. That's my belief," Waters told the crowd.



Monk-ey business

SHE'S the glam pop star who is about to host the first season of *Love Island* Australia.

And after jetting back to Oz from Mallorca as filming ended, Sophie Monk, 38, posted a hilarious video on social media.

The footage shows the singer recording an introduction line for the show, as she tries to speak in a raunchy voice before fumbling her lines and blurting out "oh, sh*t."



X factor

AMERICAN actress Olivia Munn and Spanish hunk Alex Gonzalez been spotted driving around Los Angeles together.

The pair, both 37, have starred in *X-Men* movies, and they were snapped after parking outside a shopping centre in the home of Hollywood, parking rumours of a budding romance.



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Boozy Brits to be slapped with fines

BRITISH stag and hen parties are to be fined up to €750 for roaming the streets of Marbella drunk, semi-naked or wielding inflatable sex toys.

The council last year vowed to launch a crackdown on raucous behaviour amid fears that the upmarket city's image was being ruined.

And new laws banning disorderly behaviour, nudity and semi-nudity, and swimwear on the holiday hotspot's streets are set to be in place before the summer season.

According to official documents seen by the *Euro Weekly News*, it will be illegal to be seen in public 'naked, semi-naked, with a naked torso, in underwear, with clothes or accessories that represent the genitals or other intimate body parts, or with dolls, devices, symbols or elements of a sexual nature.'

Bikinis and other swimwear will also be outlawed 'except in swimming pools and on the beach.'

The ban will also include glitzy Puerto Banus after a string of videos showing tourists, including many Britons, staggering through the port last year appeared on social media.

Police will reportedly issue an initial warning to offenders, with those who argue or ignore them slapped with fines.

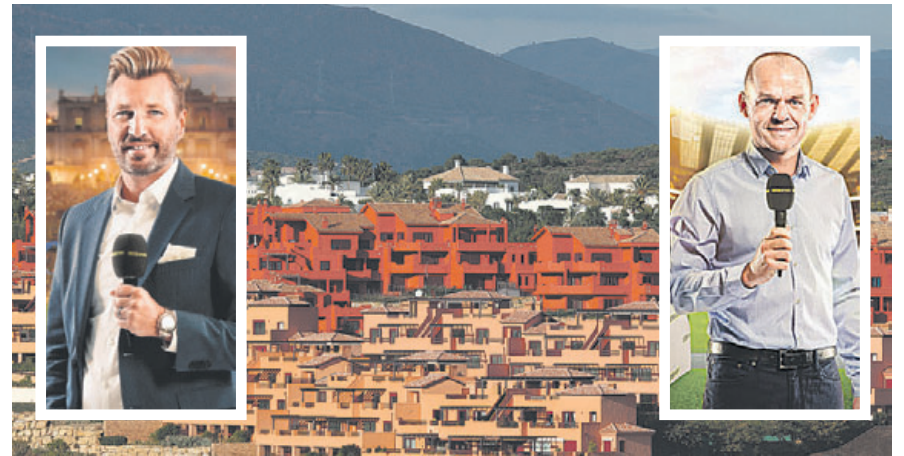
The decree will also see anyone harassing children, the elderly or disabled face penalties of up

to €3,000, while individuals charged with 'discriminatory behaviour, including racist, sexist or homophobic insults, will be forced to pay up to €1,500.

Public thoroughfare councillor Jose Eduardo Diaz said he hopes the new regulations will be approved by the end of June.



PARTY'S OVER: Bikinis and other swimwear will only be allowed at swimming pools and on the beach.



PROPERTY FAIL: Robbie Savage (left) and Danny Murphy claim they were given bad advice.

Footie stars to sue after 'losing millions'

Home defeat

FOOTBALL pundits Robbie Savage and Danny Murphy are suing Coutts - the Queen's bank - after reportedly losing a fortune in a Costa del Sol property deal.

The former Premier League stars, plus ex-Leeds striker Brian Deane and one-time Blackburn Rovers winger Jason Wilcox are understood to have invested almost €7 million into an alleged tax avoidance deal based around an apartment complex.

Savage works on Radio Five Live while Murphy appears on the BBC's Match of the Day, and the pair have launched a lawsuit against Coutts and its parent the Royal Bank of Scotland after claiming they were poorly advised over the scheme.

They both bought a flat in the development after securing loans from Coutts and

RBS Gibraltar, after directors of financial adviser Kingsbridge Asset Management convinced them to invest.

HM Revenue and Customs have already probed a number of claims brought against the firm in relation to the property scandal in addition to shady film investment schemes.

The commentators are said to be seeking damages, legal costs and interest.

They are being represented by law firm Peters & Peters, while Coutts has denied wrongdoing.

A court statement by the bank said: "Coutts acted as a reasonable and prudent bank in considering whether to lend to the claimants based on their circumstances and ability to repay the loans."

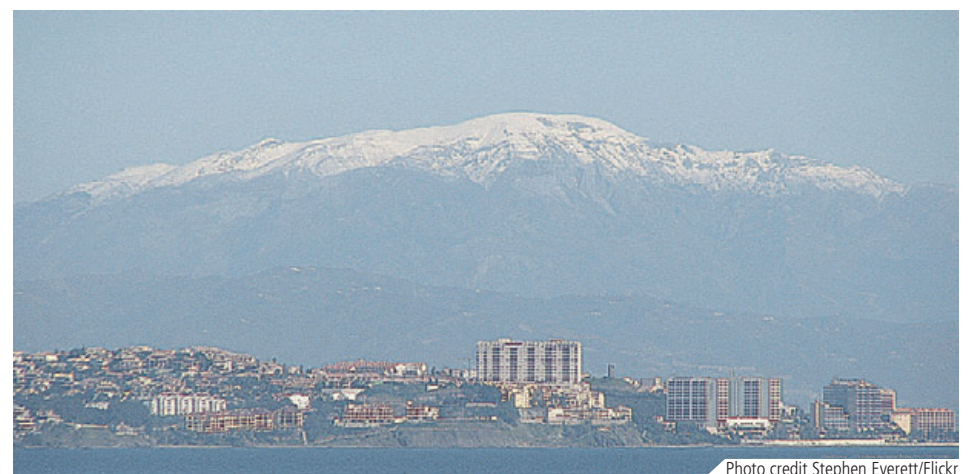


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FROSTA DEL SOL: Benalmadena with the snow-capped Sierras de Tejeda, Almijara y Almará as a backdrop.

Say it isn't snow

HOLIDAYMAKERS flying to the Costa del Sol were left puzzled after an unseasonal April snowstorm struck nearby mountain tops.

High peaks in the Sierra de las Nieves and Sierras de Tejeda, Almijara y Almará were

blanketed in white as beachgoers topped up their tans in the wake of the blizzard.

The icy phenomenon reportedly happens around once a decade, and occasionally extends into May.

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by Matt Ford

THE figurehead of a sophisticated crime outfit who went on the run to the Costa Blanca has been jailed for 10 and a half years.

Convicted killer Richard 'Ricky' Smith, 37, and his crew - dubbed the 'wham ram gang' - committed seven 'terrifying' armed raids on private security vans in the Manchester area over seven months.

They used 'innovative' methods to make off with £275,000 (€318,000), prosecutors told Manchester Crown Court.

Gang members Patrick McDonagh, 37, John Groom, 35, and David Dargan, 32, have also been convicted for the heists.

The quartet used a 'wham ram' - a specially-designed battering tool - to break through the internal doors of G4S security vans in the first five raids.

And the tactic was so unique it forced G4S chiefs to increase the strength of the doors, the court heard.

They were snared in the wake of a probe after McDonagh was caught on a security camera with his balaclava up.

After an unsuccessful hold-up at a post office, police swooped on them at a pub car park near

junction 4 of the M61.

McDonagh was arrested while Smith, Groom, and Dargan fled towards the motorway slip road where they tried to car jack an elderly couple, punching the 64-year-old driver in the face before being cuffed.

The court also heard how they took 'meticulous' steps to avoid being caught, including the use of multiple getaway cars, some of which were burned out after the robberies, while bleach was used to wipe away forensic evidence.

Salford-born Smith was in 2010 held by Spanish police on suspicion of attempted robbery in Alicante.

He was at the time wanted under a European Arrest Warrant after he was sprung from a prison van. The vehicle was attacked by men wielding crowbars as it drove him to Salford Magistrate's Court to be quizzed in connection with the torching of a vehicle

Ram-raid rap

Fugitive who fled to Spain caged



yard used by police, in what investigators said was a bid to destroy criminal evidence.

In 2001 Smith was caged for five and a half years for the manslaughter of ex-paratrooper Ben Kamanalagi, who was beaten to death outside a Manchester nightclub where he was working as a bouncer.

WHAM RAM THANK YOU MAM: A CCTV image from the post office raid (top) that led to the arrest (bottom) of Richard Smith (inset) and his gang.

Come on sunshine

THE Costa del Sol is set for a changeable weekend with the possibility of more rainfall, according to national weather office AEMET. It comes as a mass of cold air remains in the atmosphere, leading to unpredictable conditions, with the mercury forecast to bounce between 16 and 23°C over the next few days.

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Holiday horror

A BRITISH holidaymaker has been hospitalised after plunging off a seafront cliff while snapping a selfie in Mallorca.

The unnamed man, who is reportedly 38 years old, plummeted more than three-metres near the Puig de Ros housing estate in Llucmajor, after a rock which he was standing on gave way.

He had been staying at a nearby hotel with friends and was rescued by fire-fighters after a witness raised the alarm.

Although conscious, he told onlookers he thought he had broken both arms and a leg.

Medics said he may have suffered spinal injuries and was in "a serious condition" after an ambulance took him to hospital in the island's capital Palma, where he was expected to undergo surgery.

OUR VIEW

Thanks for your help but...

AS Britain emerged from the Second World War it encouraged men and women from its Caribbean Colonies to travel to the UK to take up vital jobs.

The streets of London and other parts of the country were not paved with gold and as newly arriving West Indians were confronted with owners of bed and breakfast accommodation who were less than welcoming, they still performed a vital service at a time when it was needed.

A large proportion of those known as 'the Windrush Generation' - after the MV Windrush which brought the first immigrants to the UK in 1948 - settled in Britain, paid their taxes and had children who became British citizens.

Now that Britain is heading towards Brexit it appears that enthusiastic civil servants in the Home Office decided that a number of those who came to Britain before 1973 were actually illegal immigrants.

Due to this decision, it is suggested that a significant number of these people have lost their jobs due to the need for employers to be satisfied with their immigration status and others have had to engage lawyers to fight extradition orders.

With Commonwealth leaders in the UK at the moment the matter has been raised with the government and after first denying that there was a problem both Home Secretary Amber Rudd and Prime Minister Theresa May have had to apologise for the treatment that these people have received.

The British government is currently unable to confirm whether anyone has been improperly extradited and will now be

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NEWS EXTRA**Loo-nicipal planning**

THE mayors of Coin, Pizarra and Alora joined forces to demand that the provincial council should manage a water treatment plant planned to serve the three towns, which continue to pump raw sewage into the Guadalhorce river.

Italian job

THREE Italian expatriates accused of pawning fake gold jewellery under false identities in Malaga, Sevilla, Ciudad Real and Castellon have been held in Alhaurin de la Torre after a Marbella broker lodged a complaint with police.

Leave it out

A 'BENT' Guardia Civil reserve officer from Malaga who was being probed by drugs police has been held in Salamanca, Castilla y Leon.

Field of screams

Ultras film organised dust-up

A VIDEO showing ultras from Malaga and Real Madrid meeting for an organised 'Russian-style' scrap in the mountains has gone viral on social media.

The violent brawl between the Costa del Sol's La Cosa Nostra hooligans and their Ultras Sur rivals from the Spanish capital took place ahead of last weekend's La Liga match.

In the footage, two groups of around 10 men, with their faces pixilated, are seen fighting in a secluded field well away from Malaga's La Rosaleda stadium.

One group is wearing blue t-shirts emblazoned with the words 'fight, bleed, win,'



Photo credit GruppaOf/Instagram

EARLY KICK OFF: The footage was posted to social media.

while the other is dressed in black, with a man clad in white apparently refereeing the battle.

Twitter reports suggest that the punch-up was held in the style of the arranged 'drakas' notorious in Russia, which a politician on Vladimir Putin's government last year suggested should be made into a spectator sport.

Under the strict rules weapons were therefore not allowed, but punches and kicks were legal.

The organised mass scuffle was apparently won by the visitors from Madrid, with their team also victorious on the pitch after former Malaga star Isco netted twice in a 2-1 away win.

Animal killer case goes on

A JUDGE probing the case of a jailed Costa del Sol animal shelter boss has confirmed that she has found evidence of fraud and money laundering.

Funds paid to the association, which continues to be registered as a non-profit organisation, were used to pay personal expenses of Carmen Marin and her family, according to a court statement.

It comes after Marin - who for years ran the municipal cat and dog sanctuary in Torremolinos - was last year found guilty of slaughtering thousands of animals from 2008-2010 despite preaching a zero sacrifice policy.

She was recently jailed for three years and nine months in a landmark animal cruelty ruling.

And the new evidence has revealed that her daughter was handed more than €104,000 from the shelter to redecorate a beauty clinic she runs in the nearby Los Alamos neighbourhood.

Marin also allegedly used council money to pay for driving lessons, gym fees, a private security system and stays at luxury hotels in Marbella, Nerja, Jerez de la Frontera, Salamanca, Lisbon, Salamanca, Bilbao, Marrakech, Boston and St Petersburg while racking up €11,000 in restaurant bills.



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NEWS EXTRA**'Drugs club'
taken down**

NATIONAL POLICE have raided a venue in Fuengirola which they alleged was being used as a private members club to smoke marijuana, with around 432 grams of the drug and 345 grams of hashish seized.

Road crashes

THREE traffic accidents were recorded by emergency services in Malaga in the space of one hour, including a crash in which an 18-year-old motorcyclist died in the Pedregalejo area of the city.

Boat rescue

COASTGUARDS picked up 54 migrants from a boat around 45 nautical miles off the Costa del Sol coast, with the passengers arriving at Malaga's port reportedly in good health at around midnight last night (Wednesday).

Phone scam

A 21-YEAR-OLD girl who allegedly used false advertisements to steal money that people sent her to buy mobile phones online in five cases has been arrested in Marbella by the National Police.

Tunnel crash

A 65-YEAR-OLD woman was taken to Carlos Haya Hospital after a crash in the Cerrado de Calderon tunnel on the A-7 involving a fruit truck and three cars on Tuesday, according to Traffic Management centre sources.

Drunk driver

A 65-YEAR-OLD man accused of trying to pay off police officers with €20 after being caught driving three times over the alcohol limit could get three and a half years in prison if found guilty.

POLICE officers staking out a Costa del Sol home saved a woman from being strangled after she refused to have sex with a drug trafficking suspect.

The dramatic rescue came as the Guardia Civil drugs squad were carrying out covert surveillance on two semi-detached houses in Mijas where they believed several members of a Polish mob were holed up.

But they were forced to raid one of the

properties after hearing a woman scream for help.

And as they stormed inside they found the victim being strangled with steel wire by a member of the alleged gang.

She was covered in bruises and was hospitalised after suffering a deep neck wound in the brutal attack.

Saved from death

In a statement to detectives she said that she had occasional sex with her aggressor and that he had started to beat her when she tried to end the relationship.

Her aggressor was cuffed and has been charged with attempted murder, while two others fled before being held

by a second undercover unit outside.

The men were using the garage of one of the homes as a base where they stashed drugs under false floors installed in vehicles which were later driven to different European countries.

More than 300 kilos of hashish, €12,500 in cash and two cars were seized during the swoop, and all three suspects have been remanded in custody, a Guardia Civil official confirmed.

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NEWS EXTRA

Brought to book

A COSTA DEL SOL waiter faces five and a half years in prison after being charged with stealing diner's bank card details and using them to splurge almost €500 playing online poker, according to a court statement.

Black out

HEAVY rainfall and strong winds left the villages of Juzcar, Cartajima, Parauta, Alpandeire and Farajan - without electricity for almost 24 hours after storms battered the Serrania de Ronda mountains.

Hit and run

POLICE are probing the robbery of a bar in Cartaojal, Antequera, after three men tied a window to the back of a 4x4, ripping it out and sparking a chase in which they rammed a police car.

Cold call conmen

€2.5m boiler room fraudsters held

by Matt Ford

NATIONAL POLICE investigators have held 79 people in connection with a boiler room style-plot that saw victims defrauded of €2.5 million.

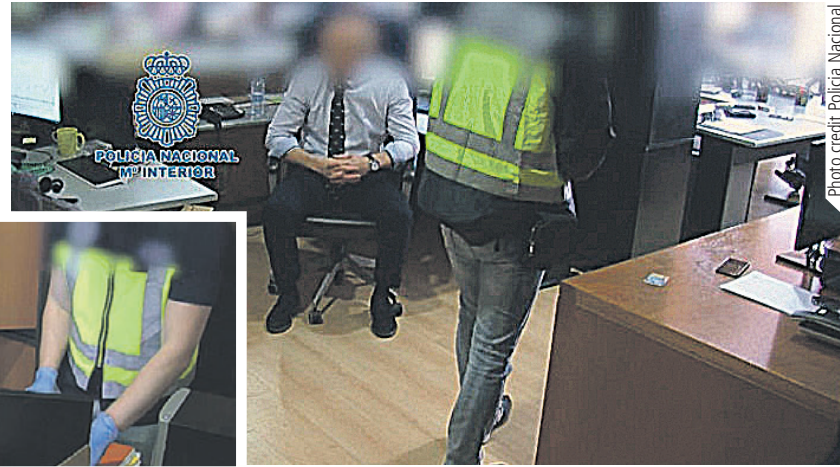
It comes after raids on eight offices in Malaga and Spanish capital Madrid, with the three kingpins of the scam among those arrested.

Officers swooped in the wake of a two-year probe, an official statement confirmed.

The racket saw low-level gang members place 'aggressive' phone calls to small businesses and private individuals with savings, offering bogus high-profit and low risk investment opportunities.

Those placing the calls were given scripted replies to typical questions, giving them the best chance of conning their targets.

They also designed professional-looking websites where 'customers' were able to open accounts and operate in an online mar-



SCAMBUSTERS: Investigators swooped on eight offices in Malaga and Madrid.

ketplace with fake contacts in the UK and Bulgaria, plus offshore tax havens including the Marshall Islands and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.

The online portals were on several occasions shut down by the Spanish National Securities Market Commission, with the gang bosses setting up new sites to replace them.

Once clients were signed up, they would be hammered with phone calls from the

fraudsters, who persuaded them to sink cash into worthless financial products or non-existent raw materials including gold, corn and oil.

They even met face-to-face with cautious investors, telling them that they themselves had made thousands of Euros from the same deals.

Two of the ringleaders had previous convictions, one for fraud, while the third was a lawyer who gave legal advice to the pair.

Extradition for fugitive

A FUGITIVE Irish murder suspect held on the Costa del Sol faces trial after being handed over to Irish authorities.

Dean Evans, 27, was remanded in custody at Alhaurin de la Torre prison under a European Arrest Warrant issued by Dublin's Special Criminal Court in the wake of his arrest.

And he has now been flown to Ireland under escort after being turned over to Gardai officers at Malaga airport.

Evans had been on the run for 15 months before being held by police in Fuengirola last week.

He is one of three men charged with the brutal murder of dissident republican Peter Butterly, 35, who was shot dead in the car park of the Huntsman Inn, Gormanston, Co Meath, on March 6, 2013.

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NEWS EXTRA

Phone cash
scam arrest

A 21-YEAR-OLD woman who allegedly used an advertisement to steal money from people who paid her to buy phones online five times, has been arrested by the National Police in Marbella.

Filled up

THE 61.9 billion litre capacity La Concepcion reservoir has shed water equivalent to more than the amount consumed in Malaga Province in two months after taking on more than 200 billion litres since February.

Ransacked

STAFF at Malaga's regional hospital arrived at work to find their belongings from lockers strewn across their changing room floor on Monday morning due to what appeared to be a robbery the night before.

The World in Malaga

Planet's largest yacht docks in port

THE largest residential yacht, currently at sea, stopped in Malaga last weekend as part of an Atlantic and Mediterranean voyage.

The World, which has around 142 families from 19 countries on board, stayed in the city's port for three days before continuing on to Cartagena in Murcia.

The more than 196-metre long vessel weighs in excess of 43,520 tons. It has a crew of around 280 from 42 countries and is capable of speeds of up to 18.5 knots (34.3 kilometres per hour).

The yacht has several restaurants onboard including an ocean view venue serving Mediterranean food and an American-style steakhouse.

Passengers pay anywhere between €1 million and €6 million for a place on board



LARGEST YACHT: The World docked in Malaga for three days last weekend.

in one of the boat's 165 residencies.

Several bars are also on board including an English-themed smoking and cognac bar and a Champagne nightclub known as the Quantum Bar.

An art gallery, pool and

THE WORLD: The 196-metre yacht is the largest residential yacht at sea.

snooker room, florist, gourmet deli, library, medical centre, chapel and sports centre offering real and vir-

tual golf are also built into the ship.

The boat has sailed around the world every two to three

years since it was launched in 2002. It will travel to Barcelona after Cartagena before heading for France.

Toddler death meeting



CREDIT: Ayuntamiento de Pizarra/Vivar-Hidalgo family

TRAGEDY: Lucia Vivar's body was found more than four kilometres from where she reportedly went missing.

by Joe Gerrard

ALMUDENA HIDALGO, the mother of a small child whose body was found by a railway line, has said she was upset by the suggestion the case may be filed.

Hidalgo's comments follow a meeting between herself, the girl's father and investigators overseeing the probe into the death of Lucia Vivar.

The meeting follows a ruling from the judge overseeing the inquiry into the death of the three-year-old near Pizarra, which denied tests requested by the family. The judge is due to make a decision on the case in the coming days.

Public prosecutors have written to the Superior Court of Jus-

tice of Andalusia judge calling on the investigation to be temporarily dismissed, according to reports. The letter stated there was not enough evidence to treat the death as a murder.

Lucia's body was discovered more than four kilometres away from Pizarra train station by the railway the morning after she was reported missing last July.

Police maintain the three-year-old walked the 4.2 kilometres before an oncoming train hit her. Her parents have questioned the theory.

They also asked police to investigate a bottle of chloroform reportedly found about 700 metres away from where she disappeared. Police said they found no connection between that and her death.

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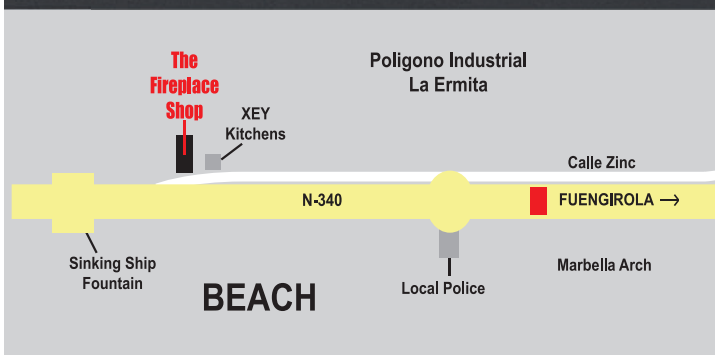
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Fashion show lunch in SeaGrill with designer Virginia Macari

THE spring is in full bloom and Puente Romano's Sea Grill is set to celebrate it with a fashion lunch series.

On Wednesday April 25 an Irish/Italian designer Virginia Macari will launch her fifth couture swimwear collection, 'The Amore Collection'.

Distinguished guests at the sizzling launch will include model and entrepreneur Millie Mackintosh who has established herself as a

leading fashion, beauty and fitness icon in the UK, Guess model Mina Milutinovic, Spanish celebrity model/DJ Cristina Tosio and the who's who of Spain's most elite models, fashion influencers amongst others.

The event will commence with a morning photo-call featuring Millie Mackintosh, Mina Milutinovic and Spanish supermodel, Cristina Tosio who will be providing the soundtrack for the most stylish fashion show of the year, followed by an

unforgettable party for the 250+ guests.

Ready to introduce the world to her fifth and boldest collection to date, 'The Amore Collection' displays an elegance, femininity and sophistication as seen in her earlier collection with a modern and daring twist representing the woman of 2018. Virginia Macari comments: "I am in love with every piece. I want women of all shapes and sizes to feel comfortable, elegant and sexy



on the beach and I know this collection is exactly that, as a mother myself, I take great pride in creating garments which make you feel your best self at any age and stage in our lives as women."

The event will begin at 1pm with a welcome cocktail by Grey Goose, followed by buffet lunch. Fashion show is set to start at 2.30pm.

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Booze binge scam

Brit stag party held on forged cash rap



GOODBYE KITTY: The counterfeit and legal money seized from the Brits' holiday flats in Mallorca.

By Matt Ford

FOUR British revellers on a stag-do in Mallorca have been held on suspicion of using counterfeit money to party for free.

The unnamed quartet, aged between 30 and 50, had been staying in Magaluf, where they were allegedly spending the false €20 and €50 bank notes on booze-ups in bars and nightclubs before accepting change in legal tender.

They were sporting specially designed t-shirts emblazoned with 'Marty, the game is over my friend,' featuring a black silhouette of a man on all fours wearing a dog collar held by a woman.

Local Police launched a probe after business owners on the riotous Punta Ballena strip reported that the bogus cash was appearing in their tills.

The investigation led to the arrest of one

of the suspects, who was carrying five forged €20 notes plus small amounts of cocaine and cannabis as he drank in a bar.

But when they took him to his holiday flat in the Torrenova neighbourhood to check his passport, officers found more counterfeit money in the property's safe, leading to three others being held after Guardia Civil investigators were called in.

Investigators requested a search warrant for the apartments, seizing €800 worth of forged cash, plus €3,000 and around €1,000 in legal notes.

All four men had been on the island 'for a short time,' police said in a statement.

The arrests came after three people were charged with smuggling false bank notes from Italy into mainland Spain.

Two of the suspects were held in Alicante and the third in Barcelona, with one surprised as he left a post office clutching a package containing €4,600 in counterfeit cash.

The notes were reportedly brought from Naples to Spain by an Italian citizen, or mailed by his son.

A fourth individual who is serving time in a Tarragona prison has appeared in court for allegedly heading the plot from his cell, detectives confirmed.

A total of €5,050 of fake bank notes and €4,535 in legal tender were seized during the sting.

No sex on the beach

By Greg Kirby

LOVE ISLAND, Britain's sauciest television sensation, will be back to Mallorca and Britain's television screens this summer, but with some changes.

The programme was a hit success last summer, capturing the nation's eyes with its steamy sex scenes on the Spanish island of Mallorca.

But new restrictions to this year's Love Island may put off those coming back for a second helping of naughtiness.

Reportedly, there will be full nudity ban, forcing participants to leave at least something to viewers' imaginations this year.

Another Love Island no-no this year is sex with drunken co-stars.

This may cause frustration among contestants, although another ban - this time on masturbation - rules out that option as an alternative.

native.

But a new addition to this year's show - giving contestants access to counsellors following sexual intercourse - should rid fears that this season will be a dry version of last year's.

In preparation for a raunchy return to the island, the sun-loving love-seekers will receive a sexual handbook with advice on sexual consent and protection.

Thirty-eight-year-old holiday host Caroline Flack is not surprised by viewers' eagerness to travel to Love Island.

"I mean, why would you not apply?," she said.

ISLAND LOVERS:
Love Island's 2017 winners, Kem Cetinay and Amber Davies.



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No more claims



FAKE ILLNESS: The government is set to act.

By Karl Smallman

MINISTERS in the UK have announced a crackdown on bogus holiday sickness claims which could come into effect within weeks.

They plan to introduce a cap on the legal costs tour operators have to pay out after the number of gastric illness claims has soared by 500 per cent in five years, hitting travel operators with massive bills.

Speaking last year Justice minister Dominic Raab said: "Bogus claims against tour operators risk driving up the price of summer holidays abroad for hard-working families who have earned a break. We're taking action to deter these claims, and protect holiday-makers from being ripped off."

The clampdown comes after it emerged that British

tourists are being barred by some hotels after a surge in bogus sickness claims.

Most cases target all-inclusive resorts, with claimants saying they only ate at their hotel in a bid to identify it as the cause of their supposed food poisoning.

Tui, which owns all-inclusive specialist, First Choice, recorded a 1,400 per cent rise in claims in the last two years.

The company's UK managing director, Nick Longman, said: "There's a distinct risk that if this carries on as it is unabated, the hoteliers will say to us either 'we don't want to work with the British market at all' or 'we're not going to offer you all-inclusive'."

In October of last year Spanish police said that they had identified 800 British tourists accused of

sickness scams.

Officers claimed the holidaymakers acted through more than 70 UK-based law firms.

Allegedly, 'lawyers' would pick up clients in the hotels by telling them they could claim the cost of their holiday back by filing a food poisoning complaint. The tourist would then contact the law firm once they returned to the UK, with some complaints not appearing until three years after the trip was made.

In November 2017, holiday firm Thomas Cook partially blamed fake holiday sickness claims for a 40 per cent fall in UK profits.

Recent research discovered that one in five Britons (19 per cent), or around 9.5 million people, has been approached about making a compensation claim for holiday sickness.

'Olive ebola' sparks scare

ANDALUCIA'S olives could be under threat from a deadly disease.

It comes as the Junta de Andalucía regional government's Ministry of Agriculture, Food and the Environment confirmed that the bacterium *Xylella fastidiosa* - dubbed 'olive ebola' - has been found on a nursery in Almería.

The incurable infection is native to the Americas and the first European cases were spotted in Puglia, Italy, in 2013.

But authorities failed to track its spread

and it ravaged more than a million trees before spreading to Corsica, mainland France, and the Balearic Islands.

It last year appeared in the Valencia region but this is the first appearance of the killer bug in Andalucía.

An official said that there is no immediate concern as the bacterium was found only in three ornamental plants in a greenhouse and is "an isolated case, not an outbreak."

It was not detected in more than 400 surrounding trees, according to reports.

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Drunk and disorderly

‘Disruptive’ Brit passenger fined after flight u-turn

By Karl Smallman

A RYANAIR passenger whose ‘drunken antics’ forced a flight from Manchester to divert back to the UK, and delayed the journey for all the other passengers for a day, has been fined £2,500 (€2,892) in court.

When the flight carrying father-of-five, Karl Wend, 45, arrived back in the UK he was arrested and his fellow passengers were forced to wait until the following morning for another flight.

Wend, from Runcorn in Cheshire, was heading to Tenerife on a stag do with friends when he was aggressive towards another passenger accusing a young woman of stealing his phone and travel documents.

The flight had taken off two-hours late during which time Wend and his pals drank at the bar.

Shortly after takeoff Wend became abusive and Manchester Magistrates’ Court heard that the Ryanair pilot decided to abandon the flight to the Canary Islands and return to Manchester Airport.

Prosecutor Tess Kenyon said, “There was a two-hour delay to the flight and Mr Wend was with a group who were out for a stag do on that flight.

“A supervisor of the cabin was working on that flight when he was approached by a passenger who



HOLIDAY HELL: The mid-air drama has seen Karl Wend (inset) fined.

stated that a man was being hostile and becoming aggressive towards a young woman and accusing her of taking his phone.

“The supervisor noticed this man was drunk, he smelt of alcohol, stumbled around and he believed he was on a different planet.

“The defendant then became aggressive with the supervisor and began shouting, so he called over other members of the cabin crew.

“This man then became threatening and abusive and the woman involved explained to the staff that she was intimidated and scared.

“The crew attempted to separate the defendant from the young woman but he tried to push past to talk to the woman who he believed took his phone. He then began making accusations that she had stolen his travel documents.

“Mr Wend continued to try and make his way towards this young woman and the supervisor ended up placing himself in between them. She was visibly upset. The supervisor came to the conclusion that it wasn’t safe to continue with the flight due to the behaviour of the defendant and told him this and asked a member of the crew to instruct the captain.”

Since the incident Wend has issued an apology.

“I just got carried away. I never normally drink, but that day I drank a lot.

“People know me as ‘Karl the Smiler’ but I haven’t smiled since then. I understand how angry the passengers must have been, I know I ruined their flight and their holiday, I accept they would have had to rearrange the flights and I am truly sorry for that.

A Ryanair spokesman said, “This flight from Manchester to Tenerife (March 8) returned to Manchester after a passenger became disruptive in-flight. The aircraft landed normally and the passenger was met by police upon arrival.

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TURKISH AIRLINES has announced an increase in the number of weekly flights between Malaga and Istanbul from seven to 14 between June and October, with Spanish holidaymakers reportedly set to flock to the country this summer.

Blade runner

A **VIOLENT** Costa del Sol robbery sparked a man-hunt after a man working at a foreign exchange office in the Torreblanca area of Fuengirola was stabbed in the hands by a thief.

Up in smoke

GUARDIA CIVIL investigators have arrested 21 members of a tobacco-smuggling gang and seized €470,000-worth of counterfeit cigarettes in La Linea de la Concepcion, near Gibraltar.



'DESPERATE CROSSINGS': The number of migrants arriving in Spain is on the rise according to the UN.

Migrant deaths 'doubled'

ONE in every 27 migrants who attempted to cross the Mediterranean to Spain this year died during the journey, according to estimates from a United Nations (UN) report.

The Desperate Crossings report, from the UN's High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), stated that one in every 52 migrants trying to reach Spain died between January and March last year.

The report added the number of those arriving in Spain doubled in 2017 to 28,000. The figure for the year before was 14,000.

The growth trend appears to have continued into this year with arrival numbers rising by an estimated 13 per cent, accord-

ing to data.

Moroccans and Algerians were the two largest groups of those arriving last year. The rate of sub-Saharan Africans arriving in Spain rose in 2017 and Syrians made up the majority of those arriving by land, coming mainly via Melilla in Africa.

The figures for Spain come as statistics showed the number of those arriving in Europe as a whole declined over the past year. The rate of decline began from 2015 onwards after the European Union (EU) signed an agreement with Turkey which attempted to stem the flow of new arrivals.

Arrival numbers throughout Europe fell

from 1,000,000 in 2015 to 364,000 in 2016 and to 171,000 in 2017, according to data.

Death rates have increased across Europe despite the decline in arrival numbers. Around 3,140 people died crossing the Mediterranean in 2017 as have 501 since the beginning of this year.

The report found the Italian migration route was the most dangerous of those taken. One in every 14 people crossing to the country died, with the arrival rate dropping by 74 per cent.

The amount of migrants resettled in the European Union increased by 54 per cent last year, according to the report.

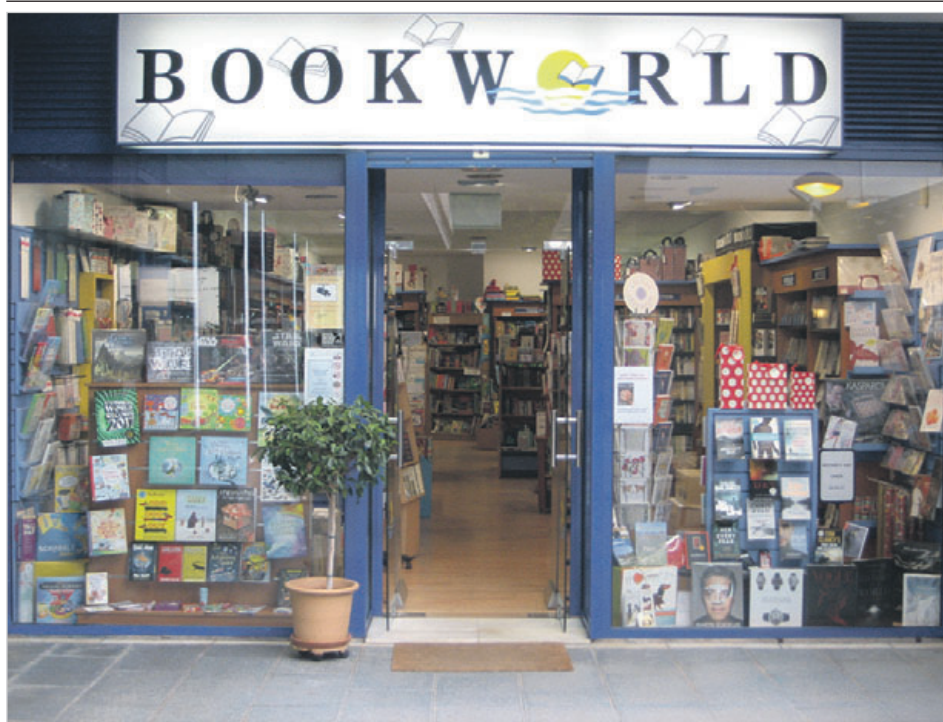
What a shower

THE rain in Spain has fallen almost continuously for a month across much of the country and a couple of thieves have tried to cash in on the downpours.

But their plans were thwarted as the pair were caught stealing 30,000 umbrellas from a warehouse in Sevilla.

They were loading the imported brollies from China into a large lorry when they were surprised by the warehouse owner.

The two fled and abandoned the vehicle but the police discovered the lorry had been rented and traced the thieves through the hire company.



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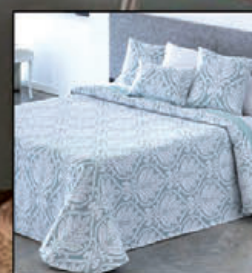
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Drink drive outrage

Tourist blamed for Brit death avoids jail

AN over the drink-drive limit, American tourist, who ploughed into and killed a British cyclist on the Spanish holiday island of Menorca has avoided jail.

Father-of-three Phillip Rasmussen, 47, was struck from behind while cycling on holiday on the road from Sant Lluís to Alcaufar at kilometre 8 on April 1.

Two ambulances were sent to the scene but paramedics could do nothing to save him.

The Brit, from Cardigan in Wales, was the chief financial officer at technology company IQE that makes components for Apple's iPhones.

American tourist Bryan Leeds, aged 25, was arrested after failing a roadside alcohol test and testing positive for drugs.

But he was able to show he had a medical receipt for amphetamine tablets found on him as part of treatment



Credit: 061 Balearics

CYCLIST KILLED: Paramedics were unable to save the life of Phillip Rasmussen (inset).

for an unidentified health condition.

He was released on bail of €10,000 the day after his arrest but was banned from leaving Menorca until his court appearance last week.

After the hearing in Mahon he has been allowed to leave the island with a one-

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Brawling 'lapdancers' separated on Spanish flight

by Matt Ford

CABIN crew were forced to step in after three women believed to be erotic dancers downed spirits before sparking a punch-up on an easyJet flight to Tenerife.

One of the friends, who were travelling together, was left with a bloodied face after the scrap during which they 'tore each other's hair out.'

Horried passengers later revealed that the trio were sharing a bottle of expensive vodka before the brawl.

The booze was confiscated by attendants after holiday-makers complained about the women's drunken swearing on the flight from Gatwick.

Angie Dilloway, 50, was on the jet with daughter Bella, 10, who can be heard screaming in the footage.

She told UK media: "No one expected it to happen. They were friends and cuddling one minute and then getting louder and drinking Grey Goose vodka the next.

"They started arguing and they were swearing using the 'f' word and the 'c' word. Other passengers started to complain and the stewardess



POLE POSITION: The women were pulled apart by cabin crew after downing vodka.

took the bottle of vodka away from them.

"Then a brunette lunged at a blonde, screaming. She was ripping her hair out. We feared someone would get badly hurt."

The airline said in a statement: 'easyJet can confirm that flight EZY8709 from London Gatwick to Tenerife South on April 13 was met by police on arrival in Tenerife South due to passengers on board behaving in a disruptive manner. The passengers were escorted away by police.'

It comes a week after the

UK government announced it is considering a crackdown on inflight boozing, with tougher sanctions for drunk passengers and selling duty-free alcohol in sealed bags among the proposals.

Bodies 'found in boot'

POLICE have found the dead bodies of two men in the back of a parked car in a garage in Cordoba.

Sources said that the bodies showed signs of violence - believed to be stab wounds - when they were found on the back seat of a car in a community garage in Priego de Cordoba.

Initially, it was reported they were found in the boot.

The victims are believed to be men of 43 and 24 years old who were reported missing several days ago.

It is understood that the car and parking space were owned by the 43-year-old man who lived in Priego de Cordoba. The younger man was from Lucena.

The Guardia Civil found the victims on Sunday afternoon and the bodies were removed to Cordoba for autopsies to determine the causes of death.

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BLOOM WITH A VIEW: The Estepona orchidarium.



ALL SMILES: The Costa Press Club check out Estepona.

Pressing the right button

By Costa Press Club

THE April meeting of the Costa Press Club took the form of a guided tour of Estepona led by the town's head of Tourism Strategy, Aleksandra Broch, followed by drinks and tapas at the Casa del Rey restaurant.

Members travelled from

Malaga in the east to Los Barrios in the west to see for themselves the transformation brought about in the historic centre of Estepona by a beautification project which has involved adorning dull walls with murals, planting as many as a million flowers, the sponsoring of trees planted by local

children, dozens of streets provided with colourful hanging flowerpots, and considerable pedestrianisation. The tour started at the Orchidarium and ended at the restaurant where members were addressed by the mayor, José María García Urbano, before enjoying a selection of original pinchos.

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Terror trek

A 52-YEAR-OLD man was seriously hurt after plummeting from a high footpath while hiking near the Guadalmina dam in Benahavis, with witnesses confirming that he fell around six metres when he leaned on a railing.

Not lovin' it

RESIDENTS and business owners in Plaza Theresa Zabell, Fuengirola are up in arms over the state of a building previously rented by fast food chain McDonald's, describing it as a 'public toilet' and demanding its restoration.

Home hell

A 29-YEAR-OLD man from Malaga City has been held on suspicion of beating his partner while she held their baby son, after two knives and two baseball bats, one inscribed with the words 'wife dominator' were found in their home.

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THE prestigious Aloha Golf Club will host the 16th annual 'Butterfly Children' Golf and Gala event on June 2 and 3.

As every year, DEBRA - the Butterfly Children Charity - celebrates the start of the summer with an event that offers the opportunity for their social and health care team to continue growing and improving the lives of people who suffer with the very rare Butterfly Skin condition.

On June 3, the 'Butterfly Children' Gala will begin at 8pm on the Aloha Golf Club terrace where guests will enjoy a sumptuous meal accompanied by live music from Mr Maph and Simone Lisa, accompanied by their band.

Throughout the night there will be plenty of opportunities to win incredible prizes donated by many of the prestigious companies that line the Costa del Sol.

Those who wish to attend the dinner can do so at a special price of €60 for bookings made on www.butterflychildrenball.org before May 19, after which the price increases to €65.

Passionate golf players also have the opportunity to play a part in this wonderful event, playing the Stableford modality at the unique Aloha golf course, on June 2. It is guaranteed to be exciting given that there will be prizes to be won at every hole.

Those who want to take part in this friendly competition can do so by reserving their place at a special price of €80 before May 19 on www.butterflychildrengolf.org after which the price increases to €85.

Over the last 16 years, the community in Marbella has demonstrated a deep commitment to many different causes, but most specifically

Flying on wings



LIFE SAVERS: Firefighters from Marbella with Dunia, a butterfly girl at last year's event.

to people with Butterfly Skin.

Since the event was first inaugurated in 2003, it has raised almost €650,000. None of this would have been possible without the commitment of people such as Don Fisher, soul of the event who considers that 'children with Butterfly Skin are the bravest he has ever met,' the Aloha Golf Club itself and all the sponsors, both corporate and individual, that year upon year chose to continue to contribute to a better world.

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Fayre, fashion and fond farewell

THE La Cala de Mijas Lions Club are holding their annual Spring Fayre and Fashion show on May 14 at the Hotel Tamisa Golf. The event will start at 11.30am and finish at 5pm and is not to be missed.

Last week a valuable member of the La Cala de Mijas Lions Club, Joy Wilbur, sadly passed away at 82 years of age. She will be sorely missed as she was a lovely lady who was appreciated by everyone for her kindness and wonderful nature. During her period as social secretary she established the Spring Fayre and Fashion Show, which is a jewel in the crown of their events, and the Christmas Fayre in December.

Both of these continue to be major annual events which are always eagerly awaited by stallholders and the public alike.

She worked tirelessly serving the community for many years and her talents and ideas were always appreciated. Even following her stroke she attended the Club's meetings regularly.

She joined the Lions in 2003 and never sought



CREDIT: La Cala de Mijas Lions Club

SHINING BRIGHT: Joy Wilbur will be sadly missed

praise for all her exceptional work. She quietly got on with what was needed to be done with enthusiasm and energy. She was also a fabulous painter and gave many paintings to the Lions

raffles which raised so much for the local community. The La Cala de Mijas Lions Club will miss her presence and ask that you go along to their fayre to keep her memory going.

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The evening will begin at 7.45pm with welcome drinks, with food being served at 8.15pm. The meal will be a delicious two-course meal with vegetarian options available. Following this, A Touch of Class will provide entertainment for the evening from 9pm onwards. There will also be a raffle with quality prizes during the night. Tickets are €25 per person and must be purchased in advance.

Age Concern are also looking for more volunteers. If you have a few hours to spare once a week to help in their

shop in Los Boliches or visit an Age Concern family they would love to welcome you to join their fabulous friendly team to support them in their work, and make some new friends at the same time.

They also need some drivers (expenses paid) to help them to take clients to hospital or doctor appointments.

For more information about this or to reserve tickets for the evening meal, please contact Steve Marshall on 686 289 904 or call into their charity shop from 10.30am to 2pm on any weekday. They are located in Calle Francisco Cano 56 in Los Boliches (next to Spainsburys). Tickets can also be bought from the reception desk at the Hotel Tamisa Golf.



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THE European Union 2018 General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) approved in May 2016, comes into effect this year on May 25. While many companies still remain unprepared, there will be no great changes for most communities and administrators. However those responsible should still inform themselves of their obligations and the

2018 Data Protection Laws

penalties for transgressions.

The new GDPR, (Spanish RGPD) was designed to harmonise the data privacy laws across the entire EU. The EU considers data protection as a

fundamental right of all EU citizens, simply put, personal data is any information that relates to an identified or identifiable living individual, for example: name, surname, home address, e-mail address, location data, etc.

The GDPR basically stipulates, personal data should only be made available to others on a legitimate need-to-know basis and should not be made available, intentionally or accidentally, to people or entities who have no legitimate need of that data. By their nature communities and their administrators need to hold a considerable amount of personal data about the owners, suppliers and workers etc, they are involved with.

From May 25 the existing obligation to register files and records with the Data Protection Agency will be removed. However if requested communities must still make their records available to the Spanish DPA - Agencia Española de

Community Law Corner

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Protección de Datos.

Communities are obliged to ensure that there are no data 'leaks' by taking appropriate security measures and practices to store an individual's personal data safely. Failure to comply with the GDPR's obligation, albeit probably after a warning, could attract quite serious fines. In some larger more commercial transgressions, in excess of €20 million.

A community should have a written contract with the administrator or the person responsible for keeping the files and records safe. If they are caught misusing personal information for any other purpose than that which it was

originally intended then they can be fined.

Data protection regulations also apply when communities install surveillance cameras or when information, say a copy of the community minutes, is requested by courts, police, town halls or banks.

Confusion over the application of the regulations may surface should an owner's personal data be mentioned, in the agenda or minutes of a general meeting or be posted on a community notice board. Usually this concerns an owner's debts to the community.

When owners have debts that the community wants to chase up in court, the Law of Horizontal Property (LHP) requires the prior inclusion of the owner's personal data (naming the owners) in the agenda that is sent to all the owners with the notification to hold a community general meeting.

LHP 9.h also says if an owner or some owners cannot be

notified of a general meeting to their usual address through normal means, then for legal reasons, notification to hold a general meeting and the agenda - including the personal data - should be displayed on the community notice board.

Similarly with the minutes of a meeting, if after the meeting the minutes cannot be sent to any owners at their usual address, then the minutes - containing the personal data of the debtors - should be displayed on the community notice board. The community notice board cannot be used as a tool to name and shame debtors.

Failure to comply with the very specific conditions above could result in the community being fined by the Agencia Española de Protección de Datos for breach of the EU General Data Protection Regulations.

As usual, Intercala Administration advise the readers of our monthly articles to seek competent advice in all matters concerning the law.

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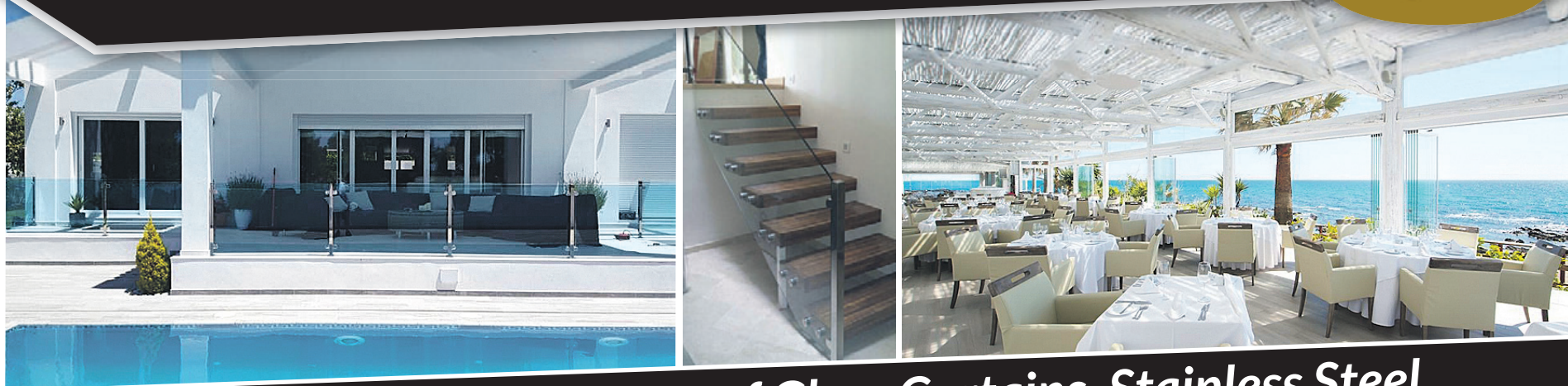
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THE next lecture of the Arts Society Benahavis will take place on Tuesday at 6.30pm in Benahavis Town Hall.

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charlatan or a brilliant military commander and sincere advocate of the Arab national cause.

Doors open at 5.30pm and there will be a café/bar available. For further information please visit their website www.theartsocietybenahavis.com.

The Society would also like to announce that they have now officially changed their name from BDFAS to 'The Arts Society Benahavis' and that their website, Facebook page and e-mail addresses have all been changed accordingly.

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Live entertainment will be provided on the day by Costa Soul Singers

and paella will be available, as well as drinks from the bar. If you would like to host a stall at the fair please contact 658 351 642.

There is a €20 charge for each stall. For more information about

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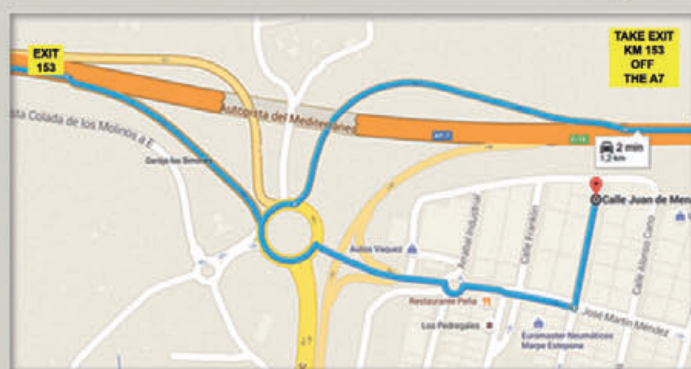
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A youthful event

MORE than 200 students celebrated the European Youth Information Day this week in Marbella's Conference Centre. The event aimed to highlight the importance of access to information for young people and was inaugurated by the mayor of Marbella, Ángeles Muñoz.

The mayor pointed out that Marbella has two offices in the municipality which specifically engage with young people.

He highlighted that Marbella was a model for its youth policies.

The proof of which, he said, could be seen in the fact that Marbella was designated as the National Youth Information Capital for 2018.

The day was a huge success and included an interactive workshop called 'Fake News Versus Good News' with journalists Daniel Marin and Alejandro Sandino.

Advertising Feature

Tenants and occupants could face jail for theft and damage

A RECENT writ of accusation by a Murcia-based prosecutor is a stark reminder that certain illegal practices by toxic tenants, and other occupants of real estate, will not enjoy impunity.

The writ refers to a non-paying tenant who - in the middle of an eviction process - chose to retaliate against the landlord by stealing, among other items, two fans, a mattress, a washing machine, a dishwasher, hobs, curtains, a coffee machine, a microwave oven, a table and four chairs.

The State Prosecutor is asking that the tenant serves a minimum of two years in

prison as the value of items stolen exceeds €400.

In a similar case, Criminal Court 15 in Valencia has imposed a 14-month prison sentence to a tenant for misappropriating furniture items and a

€3,000 fine for causing damage to various others, consequence of 'a deep resentment and a direct intention of causing financial and emotional harm to the owner,' according to the sentencing Judge.

In Barcelona, the Appeal Court (Section 10) passed a prison term to a tenant that, with the intention of causing the maximum possible damage, knocked walls, pulled pipes and cables, broke shutters and tore curtains and generally, left the property in a lamentable state of despair.

It's worth noting that in all the rulings, the actions caused by the tenant exteriorise a deliberate and intentional desire to cause monetary loss to the owner.

If the above scenarios want to be avoided by both tenants and owners, it is highly recommendable that parties carefully examine the property to be rented and draw up an inventory (photographic or video if possible) before granting possession.

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SWEDEN

Swedes snubbed

FACEBOOK will not join Google and Twitter at a Swedish government meeting stating that the Swedes had already attended a similar meeting on the removal of illegal content at Facebook's Dublin headquarters.

China spies

SWEDISH prosecutors have charged a 49-year-old man for spying on exiled Tibetans 'of importance to the Chinese regime.'

Drugs rap

A MAN has been charged in Sweden after Gothenburg police caught him with 78 kilos of amphetamine in his car. The 40-year-old driver said he was forced to carry the drugs which are estimated to be worth just under €2 million.

Nobel King

THE King of Sweden is considering using a royal decree to support members who wish to leave the Nobel Literature Prize awarding committee. Without royal support the members are expected to serve on the committee for life.

NOBEL KING: The King of Sweden considers using royal powers to over-rule the Nobel Literature Prize awards committee.

GERMANY

Skier vanishes

ONE of Germany's richest men disappeared while skiing solo in the Swiss Alps. A 'full-speed search' is underway for billionaire supermarket magnet Karl-Erivan Haub who was skiing off-piste to prepare for an endurance race. Haub's brother said he was 'prepared' for bad news.

Hamburg stabbings

A MAN is suspected of killing his ex-

wife and child in a knife attack at a busy Hamburg train station. The child died at the scene and the woman later succumbed to her injuries in hospital.

Headscarf wobble

TEACHERS and equality campaigners are set to stall a law that would ban German girls under 14 from wearing headscarves. Green Party spokeswoman, Berivan Aymaz, demands that

Merkel's government 'should first deliver facts' amid doubts of how many girls actually wear headscarves.

Chem conscience

KREMPEL GROUP, a German company, whose parts were found in Iranian-produced rockets used to gas innocent Syrians, has ignored a US government warning about conducting business with Iran.

FRANCE

Paris sues Airbnb

PARIS authorities tighten their grip over home-sharing giant Airbnb. The prosecution follows the firm's failure to remove undeclared lodgings from their site. Smaller site Wimdu is also being sued for the same reason.

Brexit blues

BRITISH expats interrogated the country's ambassador Edward Llewellyn over their post-Brexit rights in France. What was supposed to be a routine update turned into a two-hour roasting of the diplomat from the anxious Brits.

Dinosaur deal

TWO trendy dinosaur skeletons marketed as hip design items sold for €1.4 million at a Paris auction house. The price paid for the 150-year-old Jurassic monuments was 'exceptional,' said Drouot auction house.

Netflix kicks Cannes

NETFLIX has refused to attend Cannes Film Festival off the back of a change in law that prevents it from winning the main prizes. The streaming firm's content chief said that the festival had treated Netflix 'disrespectfully.'

BELGIUM

Child porn prosecution

LARS DE R, a 2009 finalist of Holland's Got Talent is being prosecuted in Belgium for making and distributing child pornography. The guitarist, aged 26, is also accused in the Netherlands of sexually abusing 13 underage boys.

Diamond Downturn

THE volume of Belgium's polished-diamond exports has fallen by 13 per cent from last year. The drop was down to a fall in sales to the United Arab Emirates and Switzerland.

Kinky Pursuit

WEPION in Belgium played host to a sex toy treasure hunt which aimed to promote 'pleasure equality between men and women but it also caused controversy with Catholics.'

Slow living

SO-CALLED 'slow cabins' are popping up across Belgium offering guests a chance to try to live off-grid amongst nature. The eco-pads are the brainchild of entrepreneur Xavier Leclair.

NETHERLANDS

Mosque row

A FAR-RIGHT group has protested outside mosques in Houten and Enschede provinces in the Netherlands. The group, called Rechts in Verzet (Rights in resistance), planted banners reading, 'we don't want a mosque,' and 'Islam is terror,' at the mosques' entrances.

Sour song

A SINGING road which plays the Friesland regional anthem if drivers stick to the 40 km/h speed limit has angered locals. Residents from Jelsum and Leeuwarden are complaining that the tune, which sounds across the village, is keeping them awake at night. The local council has reportedly agreed to remove the sound strips.

Drugs up

THE ex-treasurer of a local arm of the Christian Democrats party will spend a year in jail for keeping Netherlands' biggest ever drugs lab in a shed on his farm. The prosecutor said that the 'industrial scale lab produced ecstasy and amphetamines valued at around €10 million per day.'

Saharan skies

A LARGE cloud of Saharan sand blew across Europe delighting the Dutch with intense sunsets and sunrises. But the bright red sandy skies left their trace, leaving locals to wipe a thin layer of sand off their vehicles and garden furniture.

NORWAY

Europe's first

NORWAY is set to open Europe's first underwater restaurant. The restaurant, named 'Under,' boasts a 10-metre wide panoramic window, which will allow people to enjoy the mainly fish menu while being connected to nature, said Rune Grasdal, the project's architect.

Doomed DNA

THE Norwegian government is pushing for changes to a law that would allow authorities to test immigrants' DNA. The tests would reveal incomers' relations to Norwegian citizens in an attempt to block the estimated 40 per cent who currently cheat the system.

Rainforest rescue

NORWAY'S government has donated over €200 million to protect Colombian rainforests. Colombian President Juan Manuel Santos praised Norway's donation which aims to help reduce deforestation to zero in the next 12 years.

Brexit bros?

NORWAY has hinted that it will fulfil Britain's hopes to keep its trade agreements with non-EU countries. Brexit would otherwise break the UK's tariff-free trade with Norway and many other non-EU-countries in March 2019.

DENMARK

Amazon arrives

AN Amazon subsidiary is set to open an office in Copenhagen and will provide on-demand cloud computing to individuals, companies and governments. Foreign Minister Anders Samuelson is 'pleased' to welcome Amazon Web Services whose customers already include Spotify, Netflix and the CIA.

Dane aid

DENMARK holds onto its position in a select group of OECD countries who meet the UN's international aid goal. The 0.7 per cent of national income target is also met by Norway, Sweden, Luxembourg and the UK.

Cyclist shooter

A DANISH man has been charged with attempting to kill two cyclists by shooting at them. The 27-year-old gunman belongs to the loyal to Familia gang that plagued Copenhagen with conflict-related shootings for much of last year.

Tower fail

AN investigation is underway to uncover why a silo tower demolition went wrong and landed on a cultural centre in the town of Vordingborg. The 170ft tower reportedly 'switched sides' as it crashed.



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Bill fears spark ministry alarm

THE Spanish Finance Ministry has written to 13 local councils warning that they will be fined if they continue to avoid paying their bills.

Jaen, Jerez, Granada, Huelva, Puerto de Santa Maria, Chiclana de la Frontera, Algeciras, and Velez-Málaga in Andalucía, Alcorcón, Leganes and Parla in Madrid, and Gandia and Telde in Las Palmas, Gran Canaria, are the offenders.

All are accused of failing to pay suppliers within 60 days after racking up combined debts totalling more than €3 billion.

EC chief backs Brexit veto

EUROPEAN Commission President Jean-Claude Juncker has said that the UK must 'fully respect' Spain's Gibraltar veto during Brexit negotiations.

His comments came after Tory MEP leader Ashley Fox and Labour counterpart Clare Moody asked the European Commission (EC): "Does the Commission agree that the enthusiastic Europeans who live in Gibraltar, who voted 96 per cent to remain in the European Union, are also entitled to an orderly and smooth departure, as are the 13,000 EU nationals from all parts of

the Union who live in Spain and work in Gibraltar?"

Mr Juncker replied: "In line with these directives, the territorial scope of the withdrawal agreement, including as regards the transition period, should fully respect paragraph four and 24 of the European Council guidelines of April 29, 2017, notably as regards Gibraltar."

The controversial clause 24 states that any transitional agreement or future trade deal only applies to Gibraltar if Spain agrees.

Britain and the overseas territory have

argued that transitional negotiations form part of the withdrawal agreement and should therefore apply to the Rock.

Spanish foreign minister Alfonso Dastis appears to have softened his stance on the issue, after he last week pledged not to hold the UK's Brexit talks 'hostage' by using them to reclaim Gibraltar.

But the EC's chief Brexit negotiator Michel Barnier recently told Spanish media that clause 24 is a 'lever of solidarity' for Spain, adding that he hopes 'there will be an agreement' between the two countries.

€775m rail gig for Real gaffer

THE company chaired by Real Madrid president Florentino Perez is set to agree a €775 million mega deal to build a Canadian rail link.

Construction of a new light railway in Toronto City is to begin after the summer, and Madrid-based construction firm ACS has been designated a preferred bidder, an official revealed.

Working alongside two local enterprises, the company will reportedly land a 33 per cent slice of the infrastructure and half of the maintenance contract.

Quote of the Week

"The tax agency is not the inquisition, the problem in this country is that the rich complain too much!" Spain's Treasury Minister Cristóbal Montoro defends his crackdown on tax fraud.



Sales Swede and sour after spend



WHY-KEA? An IKEA online shopping point in La Marina shopping centre, Finestrat, Alicante.

SWEDISH flat pack furniture specialist IKEA is feeling the pinch.

The chain has revealed that operating profits in Spain fell by €20 million to €130 million in 2017, while net profit plunged to €98 million, a 19 per cent drop.

And bosses are blaming the firm's own online shop and new specialised emporiums for the nosedive, since sales rose by 5.8 per cent to €1.46 billion.

An IKEA official said that the giant retailer pumped money into the

launch of its internet offering plus 'new commercial formats,' including city centre shops.

According to official data, more than 40.6 million people walked through the doors of its 16 Spanish stores last year, a year-on-year increase of 200,000, while its website attracted 108.7 million visits for a 13.9 per cent climb.

Cataluña and Madrid saw flat-pack fans fork out the most cash, raking in €356 and €342.6 million, respectively.

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Chopper shoppers

THE United States has approved the sale of 17 Boeing CH-47F Chinook heavy-lift helicopters to Spain at a cost of around €1.05 billion including defensive aids and technical support, according to the US Defense Security Cooperation Agency.

€3bn jackpot

SPANISH public electricity firm Iberdrola expects to rake in close to €3 billion net profit in 2018, a 7 per cent year-on-year increase, the company's president Ignacio Sanchez Galan told shareholders at a general meeting in Basque capital Bilbao.

Cutting costs

GERMAN cash and carry chain Makro has announced the €90 million sale of three of its stores in the Madrid area, as it tries to attract a third-party buyer from which it then intends to lease the premises.

Compo scheme sells sole

SPANISH department store group El Cort Ingles has launched the world's first life insurance policy that pays customers compensation to walk.

Bonuses will vary depending on the amount of steps taken per day, and only non-smokers, or those who have not smoked for at least two years are able to sign up to the scheme,

dubbed VidoMovida.

It is otherwise available for anyone aged 18 to 65, with those walking 10,000 steps per day receiving gift vouchers to spend in the firm's stores.

The product is reportedly based on the idea that those who maintain healthy lifestyles are less likely to submit claims.

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CLOSING PRICES APRIL 16				
COMPANY	PRICE(P)	CHANGE(P)	% CHG.	NET VOL
Anglo American	1,700.00	12.00	0.71	23,400.61
Associated British Foods	2,592.50	-27.50	-1.05	20,413.32
Admiral Group	1,847.50	-67.00	-3.50	5,475.14
Ashtead Group	2,035.50	-24.50	-1.19	9,989.89
Antofagasta	922.00	-20.00	-2.12	9,345.92
Aviva	511.00	2.80	0.55	20,487.57
AstraZeneca	4,937.50	-72.50	-1.45	63,880.45
BAE Systems	574.50	-19.50	-3.28	18,866.65
Barclays	211.00	-2.35	-1.10	36,884.57
British American Tobacco	4,140.00	21.00	0.51	95,892.97
Barratt Developments	552.50	-3.50	-0.63	5,576.08
Berkeley Group Holdings	3,900.00	-6.00	-0.15	5,211.99
British Land Co	648.00	-5.80	-0.89	6,415.34
BHP Billiton	1,405.00	-52.80	-3.62	30,521.55
Bunzl	2,090.50	-10.50	-0.50	7,044.59
BP	502.50	-1.80	-0.36	100,528.46
Burberry Group	1,620.50	-112.00	-6.46	7,196.42
BT Group	241.00	-0.50	-0.21	23,847.29
Coca-Cola HBC	2,546.00	53.00	2.13	9,204.15
Carnival	4,525.00	55.00	1.23	9,290.28
Centrica	139.65	-1.05	-0.75	7,823.68
Compass Group	1,422.50	-37.50	-2.57	23,157.20
Croda International	4,638.50	-16.50	-0.35	6,101.00
CRH	2,371.00	4.50	0.19	20,012.86
DCC	3,360.50	-3,294.50	-49.50	5,864.11
Diageo	2,509.00	17.00	0.68	61,273.58
Direct Line Insurance Group	358.00	-2.10	-0.58	4,904.63
Evraz	412.05	19.45	4.95	5,669.50
Experian	1,569.00	19.50	1.26	14,178.18
easyJet	1,625.00	14.00	0.87	6,600.81
Ferguson	5,290.00	-14.00	-0.26	13,140.66
Fresnillo	1,275.00	-9.00	-0.70	9,343.81
G4S	242.25	-8.25	-3.29	3,925.53
GKN	440.50	-11.20	-2.48	7,568.92
Glencore	342.50	-3.30	-0.95	49,272.03
GlaxoSmithKline	1,413.00	-7.00	-0.49	70,937.96
Hargreaves Lansdown	1,711.00	0.00	0.00	8,063.42
Halma	1,208.00	0.00	0.00	4,523.43
HSBC Holdings	679.90	-5.30	-0.77	136,749.26
International Consoltd Airs	620.00	11.00	1.81	12,458.39
InterContinental Hotels Grp	4,280.00	48.00	1.13	8,108.24
3i Group	870.80	-25.80	-2.88	8,701.59
Imperial Brands	2,492.50	29.50	1.20	23,533.46
Informa	719.80	0.00	0.00	5,960.85
Intertek Group	4,815.00	0.00	0.00	7,756.55
ITV	144.00	-0.20	-0.14	5,757.54
Just Eat	743.80	8.20	1.11	4,956.96
Johnson Matthey	3,275.00	-28.00	-0.85	6,301.45
Kingfisher	301.50	1.20	0.40	6,508.93
Land Securities Group	950.00	-5.00	-0.52	6,980.47

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COMPANY	PRICE(P)	CHANGE(P)	% CHG.	NET VOL
Legal & General Group	269.00	-2.10	-0.77	16,073.69
Lloyds Banking Group ORD	68.65	0.47	0.69	49,108.23
London Stock Exchange Grp	4,200.00	-70.00	-1.64	14,722.44
Micro Focus International	1,364.50	65.50	5.04	5,489.44
Mediclinic International	695.80	104.20	17.61	4,283.39
Marks & Spencer Group	268.50	-3.30	-1.21	4,403.91
Mondi	1,885.50	-77.50	-3.95	6,987.86
Morrison (Wm) Supermarkets	231.00	0.00	0.00	5,431.41
National Grid	829.50	3.20	0.39	27,656.87
NMC Health	3,282.00	-128.00	-3.75	7,004.02
Next	5,015.00	1.00	0.02	7,160.94
Old Mutual Group	245.00	10.00	4.26	11,720.28
Paddy Power Betfair	7,120.00	0.00	0.00	6,037.62
Prudential	1,857.50	11.00	0.60	47,091.91
Persimmon	2,813.00	137.00	5.12	8,283.59
Pearson	757.50	-5.90	-0.77	6,006.35
Reckitt Benckiser Group	6,045.00	30.00	0.50	42,463.56
Royal Bank of Scotland Group	259.00	-5.80	-2.19	31,715.37
Royal Dutch Shell	2,370.00	-8.50	-0.36	108,814.21
Royal Dutch Shell	2,420.00	-2.00	-0.08	90,314.92
RELX	1,520.00	6.50	0.43	15,867.46
Rio Tinto	3,755.00	-30.00	-0.79	50,055.19
Royal Mail	563.00	2.20	0.39	5,702.00
Rolls-Royce Group	865.00	-1.80	-0.21	16,374.10
Randgold Resources	5,729.00	-55.00	-0.95	5,367.02
RSA Insurance Group	647.00	-6.80	-1.04	6,687.97
Rentokil Initial	249.50	-30.00	-10.73	5,042.44
Sainsbury (J)	253.55	-2.35	-0.92	5,551.10
Schroders	3,220.00	-45.00	-1.38	7,288.09
Sage Group (The)	577.50	-39.50	-6.40	7,271.08
Segro	612.20	0.00	0.00	6,078.74
Shire	3,667.50	61.00	1.69	33,544.62
Smurfit Kappa Group	3,146.00	164.00	5.50	6,994.37
Sky	1,349.00	44.50	3.41	22,441.77
Standard Life Aberdeen	374.85	-1.15	-0.31	11,193.01
Smith (DS)	485.90	-15.90	-3.17	5,269.14
Smiths Group	1,552.25	37.25	2.46	5,940.24
Scottish Mortgage Invstmnt Trt	480.00	32.40	7.24	6,288.90
Smith & Nephew	1,350.00	28.00	2.12	11,600.38
SSE	1,292.50	-18.50	-1.41	13,166.50
Standard Chartered	720.00	-13.50	-1.84	24,215.41
St James's Place	1,066.25	-16.25	-1.50	5,737.03
Severn Trent	1,883.00	19.50	1.05	4,355.71
Tesco	221.45	-12.15	-5.20	22,814.09
TUI AG	1,650.50	78.00	4.96	9,297.16
Taylor Wimpey	196.00	5.35	2.81	6,221.25
Unilever	3,935.00	5.50	0.14	48,389.97
United Utilities Group	713.50	1.10	0.15	4,799.13
Vodafone Group	202.76	-4.09	-1.98	55,258.85
WPP Group	1,152.50	-35.50	-2.99	15,041.40
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3M	215,520	-0.42%	-0,900	128.159,56
AMERICAN EXPRESS	93,0300	-0.34%	-0,3200	80.036,46
APPLE	174,730	+0.34%	0,590	886.582,29
BOEING CO	329,280	-2.43%	-8,200	193.402,36
CATERPILLAR	150,230	+0.06%	0,090	89.799,25
CHEVRON	119,92	+0.58%	0,69	229.257,87
CISCO SYSTEMS	43,000	-0.78%	-0,340	207.153,23
COCA-COLA	44,51	+1.09%	0,48	189.813,30
DOWDUPONT	66,17	-0.45%	-0,30	153.954,31
EXXON MOBIL	77,84	+0.80%	0,62	329.886,43
GENERAL ELECTRIC	13,4900	+2.35%	0,3100	117.227,42
GOLDMAN SACHS	255,92	-1.41%	-3,67	96.993,73
HOME DEPOT	172,8000	-0.32%	-0,5600	199.097,27
IBM	156,71	-0.86%	-1,36	144.319,37
INTEL CORP	51,8600	-1.63%	-0,8600	242.035,80
J.P.MORGAN CHASE	110,3000	-2.71%	-3,0700	375.930,63
JOHNSON & JOHNSON	130,6200	+0.15%	0,1900	350.567,35
MC DONALD'S CORP	161,7300	+0.07%	0,1100	128.438,53
MERCK AND CO. NEW	57,17	+0.76%	0,43	153.969,43
MICROSOFT	93,080	-0.53%	-0,500	716.696,73
NIKE	67,25	-0.77%	-0,52	86.286,80
PFIZER	36,3200	+0.00%	0,0000	216.171,61
PROCTER AND GAMBLE	78,370	+0.75%	0,580	197.621,48
TRAVELERS CIES	136,29	-0.73%	-1,00	36.827,50
UNITED TECHNOLOGIE	122,71	-0.44%	-0,54	98.202,58
UNITEDHEALTH GROUP	224,28	+0.02%	0,04	217.124,21
VERIZON COMMS	47,66	-0.17%	-0,08	196.877,10
VISA	120,75	-0.26%	-0,32	218.117,57
WAL-MART STORES	86,0200	+0.69%	0,5900	253.833,69
WALT DISNEY CO	100,3500	-0.04%	-0,0400	150.908,87

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Future FinTech Group Inc.	\$ 2.50	0.53 ▲ 26.90%
Turtle Beach Corporation	\$ 3.91	0.82 ▲ 26.54%
Energy XXI Gulf Coast, Inc.	\$ 5.54	0.74 ▲ 15.42%
Dogness (International) Corporation	\$ 4.213	0.4331 ▲ 11.46%
Applied Genetic Technologies Corporation	\$ 5.05	0.45 ▲ 9.78%
JAKKS Pacific, Inc.	\$ 2.40	0.20 ▲ 9.09%
Northern Technologies International Corporation	\$ 27	2.25 ▲ 9.09%
Invuity, Inc.	\$ 3.925	0.325 ▲ 9.03%
Bellicum Pharmaceuticals, Inc.	\$ 8.98	0.74 ▲ 8.98%
Pixelworks, Inc.	\$ 4.39	0.35 ▲ 8.66%
Calyxt, Inc.	\$ 15.45	1.23 ▲ 8.65%
Most Declined		
Zions Bancorporation	\$ 18.24	3.14 ▼ 14.69%
Spero Therapeutics, Inc.	\$ 15.49	2.36 ▼ 13.22%
Essendant Inc.	\$ 8.60	1.23 ▼ 12.51%
Dropbox, Inc.	\$ 30	3.27 ▼ 9.83%
QuinStreet, Inc.	\$ 10.78	1.06 ▼ 8.95%
Allegiant Travel Company	\$ 151.05	14.20 ▼ 8.59%
Innoviva, Inc.	\$ 16.14	1.45 ▼ 8.24%
Aptevo Therapeutics Inc.	\$ 3.78	0.32 ▼ 7.80%
China Internet Nationwide Financial Services Inc.	\$ 17.33	1.45 ▼ 7.72%
PetMed Express, Inc.	\$ 38.22	3.14 ▼ 7.59%
Cellular Biomedicine Group, Inc.	\$ 20.65	1.65 ▼ 7.40%

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SAUDI PRINCE'S €1.8BN DEFENCE SPLURGE

Spain signs warship deal

SPAIN has signed a €1.8 billion deal to supply warships to Saudi Arabia.

The agreement with the Gulf State was reached as crown prince Mohammed bin Salman paid an official visit to Madrid.

It came after the 32-year-old heir to the throne attended a banquet lunch with Spanish royals, King Felipe VI and Queen Letizia plus senior Spanish officials and businessmen.

He later met with Prime Minister Mariano Rajoy and Defence Minister Maria Dolores de Cospedal to discuss a range of bilateral deals between the countries in his dual role as defence minister and chief of energy and economic policy.

The talks saw the co-signing of an 'executive summary to facilitate the necessary procedures' for a contract between the Saudi Defence Ministry and Spain's national shipbuilder Navantia to be drawn up.

The Saudi government said in a statement that a second agreement between Navantia and Saudi Arabian Military Industries - a state-owned defence company launched last year - had also been sealed, although it failed to provide specific details.

A Spanish Ministry of Defence source told media that the warship deal will see five small ships sold to Saudi Arabia, with negotiations ongoing since 2015.



Photo credit: Mariano Rajoy Rajoy/Twitter

BILATERAL BONANZA: The Saudi and Spanish delegations talk business.

Spain's army will also train Saudi soldiers and other personnel, and construction firms will build new infrastructure for the state's navy.

A number of campaign groups, including Amnesty International, Greenpeace and Oxfam have urged Spain to renege on the deal because the ships could be used in Saudi Arabia's Yemen offensive against Iran-backed Houthi rebels, which has seen thousands of civilians killed.

The prince arrived in Spain after a three-day visit to France as he wound up a tour which has also tak-

en in the UK, United States and Egypt.

The moderniser has signed a number of multi-million Euro deals over the course of the trip, as he continues to implement his 'Vision 2030,' which comprises a series of economic and social policies designed to reduce the kingdom's dependence on oil exports.

Spanish companies have already won contracts to build a high-speed desert railway linking the cities of Mecca and Medina, plus a rapid transit system in Saudi's capital Riyadh.

AIRLINE CONFIRMS STAKE IN BUDGET CARRIER

BA eyes up Norwegian bid

BRITISH AIRWAYS owner International Airlines Group (IAG) has revealed that it is exploring a possible takeover bid for budget carrier Norwegian Air Shuttle.

The firm said in a stock market dispatch that it has already acquired a 4.61 per cent stake in the airline, leading to

an initial 40 per cent surge in its shares on the Oslo stock exchange and lifting its estimated value to €800 million.

IAG's statement said that the investment is 'intended to establish a position from which to initiate discussions with Norwegian, including a possible buy-out.'

The announcement added that it views the carrier as 'an attractive

investment,' clarifying that 'IAG confirms that no such discussions have taken place to date, that it has taken no decision to make an offer at this time and that there is no certainty that any such decision will be made.'

'A further announcement will be made if appropriate.'

But a Norwegian Air official said that the company "had no prior knowledge" of the move, adding that it has "not engaged in any discussion or dialogue with IAG about this matter," before admitting that "IAG's interest in the company confirms the sustainability and potential of our business model and our global growth."

The operator later confirmed the sale of the stake.

Norwegian Air is a direct rival of low-cost specialists Vueling - which

offers short-haul flights in Spain and Europe - and new long-haul airline Level, both of which are owned by IAG.

It has grown rapidly over the last year after opening up an array of new routes at knockdown prices, including flights from Edinburgh and Dublin to New York from as little as €115.

Its Spanish base is Barcelona's El Prat hub, from where it operates direct flights to Los Angeles, San Francisco, New York and Miami, and it also plans to introduce a service from Malaga to New York in the near future.

They also fly from Barcelona to San Francisco, as well as Boston, Buenos Aires and Punta Cana in the Dominican Republic.

Norwegian Air transports 30 million passengers a year and recently struck a deal with easyJet allowing its customers to book cheap long-haul flights.

After posting profits of more than €1.1 billion in 2016, last year it was announced a €30.8 million deficit, holding the purchase of 32 new jets and hiring new staff responsible for the loss.



TAKING OFF: British Airways could launch a full takeover bid.

Bank reveals new 'instant' international payments app

SPANISH banking group Santander has launched a new international payments service.

Santander One Pay FX records data digitally using xCurrent, a blockchain-based technology, and allows clients to complete money transfers within 24 hours, often on the same day.

The mobile app is available in Spain, the UK, Brazil and Poland, and will be rolled out elsewhere over the next few months, the firm said in a statement.

It added that customers will be shown the exact amount that will be received in the destination currency before the transfer is complete.

As things stand, users in Spain can transfer funds to the UK and United States, whereas those in the UK can send money to any European country and the US, with more countries to be added in the near future.

Taskforce for international cybersecurity

TELEFONICA has joined an international cyber security crusade.

The Spanish telecommunications giant has joined forces with Emirati-based Etisalat, Singapore's Singtel and Japanese firm Softbank to form a global security alliance.

According to a statement, the union will be 'one of the world's leading cybersecurity providers,' with more than 1.2 billion customers in Europe, the Americas, Asia and the Middle East.

Between them employing more than 6,000 cybersecurity experts, the deal will see the companies share network intelligence on possible threats 'taking advantage of their global reach, combined assets and cybersecurity capabilities to help customers around the world.'

Telefonica's cybersecurity boss Pedro Pablo Perez hailed the move as 'a giant step forward to expand our development as a provider of intelligent security services.'

Businesses' global warning

SPANISH FIRMS URGE CLIMATE CHANGE ACTION

SPANISH companies have moved to combat global warming.

Around 30 multinationals and medium-sized firms this week co-signed a document prepared by the Spanish Green Growth Group (SGGG) urging 'the public authorities' to 'reach an agreement in 2018 to approve climate change laws with an ambitious but stable transition to efficient energy.'

Among the major signatories are publicly listed companies including Abertis, Acciona, Bankia, BBVA, Endesa, Ferrovial, Iberdrola, Mapfre, Red Eléctrica de España, Siemens Gamesa and Telefonica, plus Eulen, OHL, NH Hotels and Ikea.

It comes as Spanish congress continues to argue over how the new standards should be designed and implemented in the wake of Prime Minister Mariano Rajoy signing the international Paris Climate Agreement in 2015.

The national Energy and Environment ministries - which are supposed to be working together on the regulations - are instead at loggerheads, according to reports.

Energy Minister Alvaro Nadal has re-



GOING GREEN: A solar energy plant in Sevilla and (inset) SGGG president Valentin Alfaya.

peatedly dampened hopes over the legislation, arguing that it is in Spain's interest to wait until the European Union deliver their climate change package before unveiling its own measures.

But his environmental counterpart Isabel Garcia Tejerina recently told Spanish

media that a draft of the standards will be ready "soon."

And the lack of urgency has sparked concern within Spain's business sector, leading infrastructure and renewable energy giant Acciona to create the SGGG with support from the Corpo-

rate Leaders Group.

SGGG president Valentin Alfaya, a director at Spanish transport giant Ferrovial, has warned that the country "needs a roadmap for the future urgently."

The document prepared by the group, which has been submitted to the national government in Madrid, says: "Most of our neighbours are already working towards a low carbon economy, which is set to unleash a global revolution that will generate huge opportunities."

"Spain is well-positioned to take advantage, but effective policies are not yet in place."

"We need a stable and credible legal and regulatory framework to lay the foundations on which this 'new' economy will be built."

The signatories also call for a "progressive calendar to abandon support for all types of fossil fuel," and a "tax review so that the 'polluter-pays' principles can be met."

Not all SGGG members signed the demand, with energy firms Enagas and Gas Natural, plus banking groups Santander and La Caixa among those abstaining.

Internet giants league topped by US monster

E-COMMERCE behemoth Amazon is officially the biggest online retailer in Spain.

The American firm last year turned over more than €4.2 billion, leading the Spanish internet sales market ahead of Chinese rival AliExpress and Madrid-based department store group El Corte Ingles, which raked in €1.2 billion and €684 million, respectively.

Amazon also processed more than 53 million orders, laying waste to the competition, with 16.9 orders placed with AliExpress and 13.5 with third-placed eBay.

El Corte Ingles was again the best-placed Spanish firm, trailing in fourth place with 3.7 million orders, with the online top 10 completed by Carrefour, Decathlon, Zalando, Gearbest, Zara and Privalia.

But Spain did top the ranking for highest-priced single sales, as customers of domestic appliance specialist Electrocosto spent an average of €308.



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Many unanswered questions?

LEAPY LEE SAYS IT
OTHERS THINK IT



I FIRST met Cliff Richard in 1958.

At the time I was living in Finsbury Park, in the same digs as Bruce Welch and Hank Marvin, later to form the wonderful Shadows. The boys brought him to the house, introducing him as Harry and adding enthusiastically that, they were 'going the whole way' with their new singer.

Some years later, when I attained pop success of my own, I did on a few occasions find myself in the same hotel as Cliff and a couple of times joined him in the odd game of tennis (which he always won!).

I always found him extremely pleasant and, although there were a number of 'gender suspicions' around, can quite categorically state, I was never aware of any indications that he may have been paedophilic.

Witnessing this whole sorry saga of the accusations against him over the last few years I have experienced varying degrees of disbelief, doubt and often a genuine sympathy.

Seeing Cliff at this latest court hearing, I



CLIFF RICHARD: 'No smoke without fire'?

was pretty shocked at his appearance, and also moved by his admittance, that the accusations and subsequent ransacking of his home, had left him shattered and sullied and indeed fully aware that many people still retain suspicions ala the 'no smoke without fire' syndrome.

He has to my mind quite rightly sued the BBC, who allegedly collaborated with the police in publicly raiding and searching his home and announcing the move to the whole world with no mention or pre-warning to Cliff whatsoever.

Cliff has constantly declared his innocence of the paedophile accusations and obviously wants nothing more than to clear his name.

In my opinion, if he is to achieve this and show himself to be utterly innocent of these accusations, he has to sue the Crown Prosecution Service. Not for the somewhat innocuous and piddling amount he received in 2017 for the police collaboration with the BBC, but millions, for defamation of character, loss of earnings, mental trauma and Lord knows what else.

Only in this way will the real truth come to light and Cliff hope to be exonerated and cleared of suspicion. There are too many

questions still unanswered, and this present case will settle none of them.

For example, why is it that the Elm House paedophile ring investigation, in which he was allegedly involved, appear to have been dropped altogether? Why, when he was initially suspected, did he subsequently run for the hills of Portugal and not stay in Britain, using his privileged position to protest his innocence and demand justice from the platforms of every media outlet available?

Why did he take out full Barbadian citizenship, a country with no extradition agreement with the UK? And why is so much information on the subject blacked out or 'unavailable' on the internet?

'Insufficient evidence to prosecute,' the final decision of the CPS, is not a declaration of innocence. If Cliff's conscience is indeed totally clear, he has, for his own sake, to use every means available to answer all of these troubling questions. It's highly likely that suing the CPS for 'proper money' could bring the whole sorry case fully into the open and settle it once and for all.

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Reviewing two years of Andalucia Holiday Rental Licence Law

BY NICOLA ERLICH

NEXT month, it will be exactly two years since the introduction of the Holiday Rental Licence Law in Andalucia.

Latest figures indicate that a total of 29,520 properties have successfully been granted a holiday rental licence - Licencia de Viviendas con Fines Turisticos (VFT) - in Andalucia with the majority (17,108) situated on the Costa del Sol and Malaga Province.

A holiday rental owner's survey from 2017 reveals the main obstacles homeowners experienced in obtaining their licence. The top three were:-

- missing documentation
- the rural location of the property
- the expense of installing air conditioning

We take a look back at how these obstacles were tackled and the overall impact of the legislation of the industry.

to overcome was having a Licence of First Occupation - Licencia de Primera Ocupacion (LPO).

The Licence of First Occupation was introduced in 1979 therefore properties built before this date do not have this document. It is estimated that up to one in seven (14 per cent) of holiday rental owners are affected by this.

Although there is no 'one size fits all' solution, the majority of Andalucian town halls are committed to issuing the LPO when the homeowner requests it specifically to obtain the holiday rental licence for the property.

In the case of apartments, since one LPO is issued for an entire apartment block, homeowners have been able to keep costs to a minimum by applying jointly with other holiday rental owners in the same block.

a VFT is location. Properties located in a town or municipality with less than 20,000 inhabitants, such as Frigiliana (Malaga) or Tarifa (Cadiz) should have applied for a rural holiday rental licence (VTAR).

Thanks to a change in the law introduced in February, properties located in municipalities with less than 20,000 inhabitants which do not meet

the criteria for the VTAR licence are now able to apply for a VTF licence. It is estimated that one in eight (12 per cent) of homeowners are positively affected by this change in law.

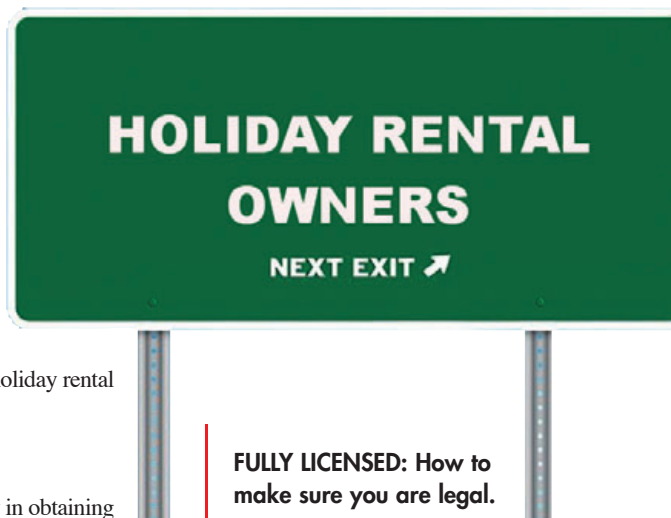
Getting hot and bothered about A/C

One of the biggest expenses in obtaining the VTR licence is the requirement to have individual air conditioning units in each room of the property.

This requirement was relaxed last summer to include portable air conditioning units as long as they were permanently fixed to the wall, which has been widely considered a less expensive working solution.

Overall the legalisation of the industry has been well received in the region with more than 95 per cent of homeowners interviewed welcoming the standardisation of the industry and found the criteria to be reasonable and fair, on the whole.

Spain-Holiday.com offers step-by-step guides on how to obtain a VFT, VTAR and LPO for your holiday rental property as well as other news and advice on their industry blog Rental Buzz.



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How Spain's largest national park is being allowed to dry up

A decade of destruction

With the Doñana national park on the brink of being declared the EU's first 'endangered' national park, David Noon looks back over the past 10 years to examine how Spain's most important wetland started to dry up

AN Iberian lynx hides silently in the long grass as a young red deer sips from the Guadalquivir River.

All the while a Spanish Imperial eagle soars gracefully in the warm breeze overhead, looking down upon the hundreds of migratory bird species united in the trees that line the riverbank.

It is a Utopian image that exists in few places on earth.

However, Spain's paradisiacal snapshot is at risk of being wiped out.

Doñana national park in Andalucía is on the verge of being declared the EU's first 'endangered' national park.

Environmental groups have long been calling on the park's management to sort itself out, while the EU has warned the Spanish government time

**20
species of
freshwater fish
catalogued in
the Park**

and again about the ongoings at the park.

For the best part of a decade UNESCO has stated that it is on the brink of removing Spain's largest national park from its list of World Heritage sites after years of neglect and environmental scandals.

Controversy remains over the Extremadura to Huelva pipeline running through the park, which was installed in 2013.

Constant dredging in the Guadalquivir River to allow ships to pass through has also come under fire.

While unprecedented levels of illegal strawberry farming is literally sucking the life out of the park.

In total there is approximately 1,000 illegal boreholes draining the aquifer of one of Europe's most important wetlands.

The lack of moisture was highlighted last summer in the most dramatic fashion when some 8,400 hectares of land in and around the park was razed to the ground by wildfires.

More alarmingly, some 360 species

of birds, 127 of which breed regularly in the park, are being forced to find new homes as the park runs dry.

Not to mention the endangered population of Iberian lynx, fallow deer, Spanish red deer, wild boars, European badgers and Egyptian mongooses which reside in the park's 50,720 hectares.

Placing Doñana on the list of World Heritage site 'in danger' is a decision made by UNESCO's World Heritage committee.

As Juanjo Carmona at WWF Spain says, nobody 'wants to see this happen'.

"It would be the first EU National Park to be given this listing," Carmona explains to me. "We don't want to see this happen."

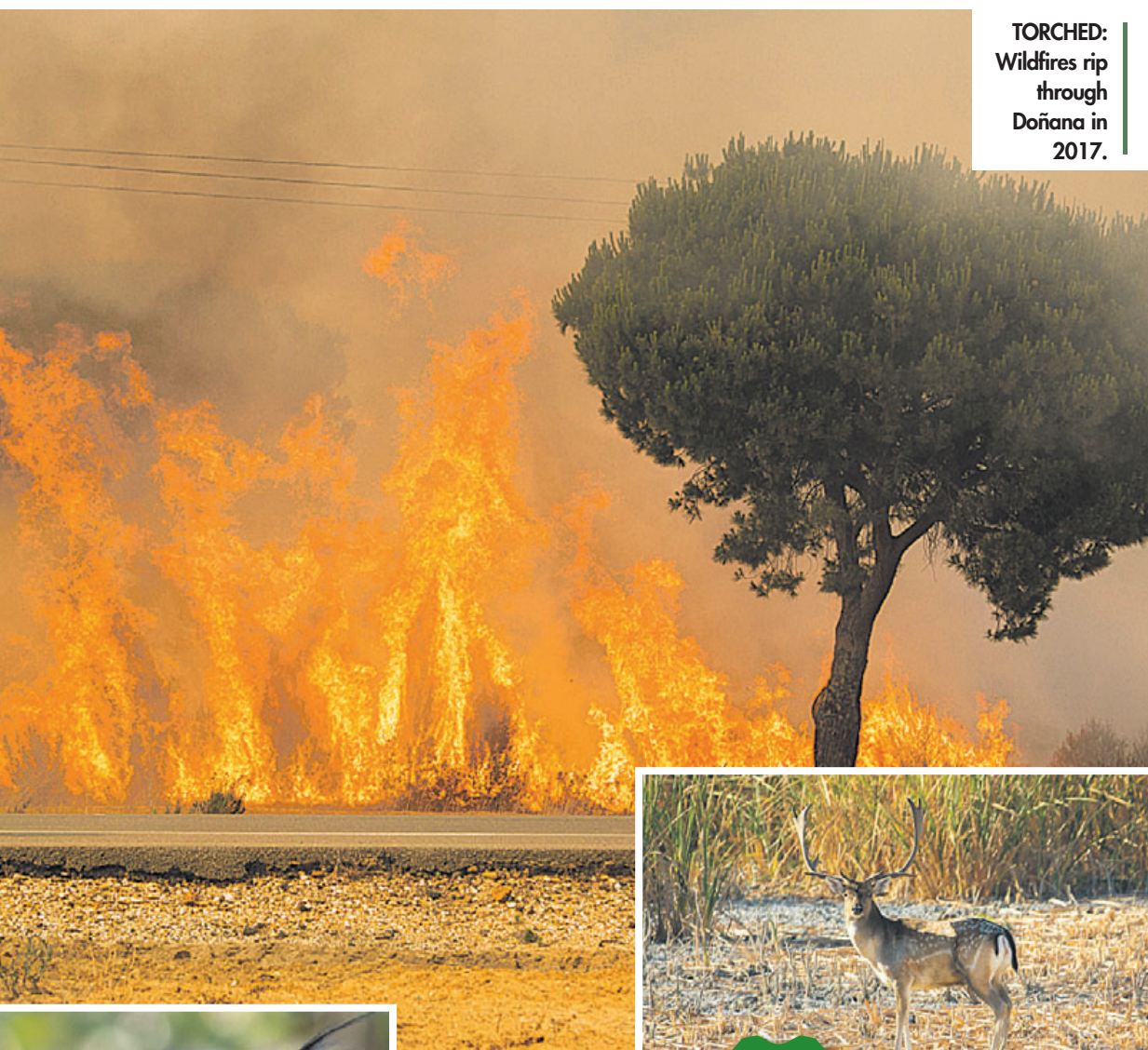
"Instead we want the government to get serious about stopping the activities



Timeline of outrage and inaction

- **1969** - Established as a national park the WWF joined forces with the Spanish government to purchase a section of the Guadalquivir Delta marshes and establish the Doñana national park.
- **1994** - The Doñana national park was officially declared an UNESCO World Heritage site.
- **1998** - The Aznalcollar disaster occurred when a holding dam burst at the Los Frailes mine owned by Boliden-Apirsa, releasing a flood of toxic sludge that entered the river Guadiamar, the main water source for the park.
- **2006** - The responsibilities of maintaining the park were transferred to the government of Andalucía by the Royal Decree.
- **2006** - The park recorded a record 376,287 visitors in the calendar year, following many government-led promotions.
- **2012** - President of Doñana Felipe Gonzalez steps down following an investigation by the National Research Council (CSIC) investigating a Doñana national park scientist for altering - and even inventing - data in his studies.
- **2015** - Junta vowed to protect Doñana from gas extraction while announcing that the Aznalcollar would reopen.
- **February 2016** - Supermarkets unite to stop Spain's strawberry fields sucking Doñana wetland dry by refusing to stock strawberry's from the region.
- **May 2016** - Spain given ultimatum by European Commission to protect Doñana World Heritage site.
- **December 2016** - Environmentalists protest at Doñana national park as water supplies plummet and 'illegal farming' continues.
- **January 2017** - Outrage as gas company awarded millions to operate in Doñana national park. EU considers intervention.
- **February 2017** - Andalucía's ombudsman launches investigation into at risk Doñana national park.
- **April 2017** - Three hundred illegal wells shut down in Doñana in bid to stop landowners draining wetlands.
- **May 2017** - Spain's government forced to deny 'unfairly' slashing funds for Doñana national park.
- **June 2017** - Forest fires raze 8,400 hectares of land in and around the park.

**360
species of
birds live in
the park**



TORCHED:
Wildfires rip
through
Doñana in
2017.



IN DANGER:
Doñana is
home to the
endangered
Iberian Lynx.

that are threatening the future of Europe's most important wetland.

"The government needs to urgently tackle illegal and unsustainable use of water in the park.

He adds: "Combined with climate change this could cause irreversible changes to Doñana's wildlife."

In 2016, tens of thousands of people from around the world joined the #OrigamiMigration for Doñana which WWF organised when there was a pressing threat of an 'in danger' listing.

Since then over 1.5 million people have directly emailed prime ministers and presidents around the world, helping motivate them to reverse multiple, immediate threats to World Heritage sites including Doñana.

And it is not just the WWF clamping down on Doñana.

In 2016, Spain was issued an ultimatum by the European Commission to protect Doñana's World Heritage status or risk funding cuts.

Meanwhile UNESCO has time and again demanded to see improvements.

In 2011, UNESCO first threatened to place Doñana on the 'endangered' list.

Just two years later the threat was again placed at Spain's mat.

And so on and so forth for almost every year for the last decade.

However, thus far, the Spanish government has been able to satisfy UN-



**875
indigenous
species of flora
at the park**

ESCO that it is doing (just about) enough to turn the bleak landscape around.

In its most recent report, UNESCO praised the 'state party's commitment not to authorise the dredging project to deepen the Guadalquivir River' and welcomed 'the decision of the State Party not to authorise the gas and storage projects in Marisma Oriental.'

This is despite, the same report stating that it needed to see more evidence of 'enhancing water resource management' as well as confirmation that a research project for Aznalcóllar mine has been authorised.

A subsequent report must be filed to UNESCO by December 1 this year which will be mulled over by the World Heritage committee.

A spokesperson for UNESCO told *Euroweekly News* that while 'the state of conservation of Doñana national park has been a source of concern of UNESCO's World Heritage committee for several years and at last year's session it recognised several improvements and this reflected them on its

**1,000
illegal boreholes
discovered in
the park for
farming**

Doñana disaster

FOREST fires, illegal farming and controversial pipelines are all current problems facing Doñana.

However, the biggest environmental disasters to face the park took place some 20 years ago.

On April 25, 1998, a holding dam burst at the Los Frailes mine releasing almost 5 million cubic metres of mine tailings into the River Agrio and then its tributary the river Guadimar, travelling about 40 kilometres along these waterways before they could be stopped.

The cleanup operation took three years, at an estimated cost of €240 million.

But the real damage was on the park's wildlife, not the bank balances of those responsible.

After the dam exploded almost 2,000 birds, chicks, eggs, and nests were killed or destroyed and more than 25,000 kilos of dead fish were collected in the aftermath.

As a result of the ecological disaster, nothing survived because of the high acidity of the waste, which contained a mixture of lead, copper, zinc, cadmium and other metals, along with sulphides.

High levels of heavy metals are still embedded in soil and water today.

And yet, despite the tragedy it was announced three years ago that the mine would reopen.

While the current stance is that it will be for 'research purposes', environmentalists are understandably worried about the Spanish government's true intentions for the mine.



TRAGEDY: Dead ram along the side of the River Agrio.

decision.

For now, at least, Spain seems to know how to appease the officials keeping watch on one of the country's most prized possessions.

And yet, every year the problem worsens as Doñana spirals down a dark well towards the abyss.

Groups such as the WWF are among those demanding that more needs to be done.

"Unsustainable water use needs to be stopped, habitats need to be restored and there needs to be long term commitments put in place to protect Doñana," Carmona warns. "In recent decades the World

Heritage site has been used for short term gains.

What we need to see happen is the focus shift to the park's long term prosperity and preserving Doñana for fu-

ture generations.

"The livelihoods and quality of life of the people that live in and around Doñana is dependent on the national park, there's no future for the area if we don't bring Doñana back to life.

Doñana risks losing the exceptional nature and wildlife that led it to being awarded with World Heritage site status.

It may be possible to artificially maintain small populations of iconic animals, such as the Iberian Lynx or the Imperial Eagle, but important ecosystems such as the 'marisma' wetland will disappear and the richness and diversity of Doñana will be destroyed.

The abundance of species that are unique to Doñana, such as dragonflies, or the bird species that depend on the wetland, such as the marbled teal, have already suffered a huge decline.

"People have shown they won't stand for continued loss of precious nature like Doñana."

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7:30pm	Hollyoaks
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9:00pm	Location, Location, Location
10:00pm	999: What's Your Emergency?
11:00pm	True Horror
12:05am	Gogglebox
1:05am	The Real Football Fan Show

CHANNEL 5

8:05am	Shimmer and Shine
8:20am	Shane the Chef
8:30am	Peppa Pig
8:50am	Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom
9:05am	Paw Patrol
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9:35am	Digby Dragon
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7:30pm	5 News Tonight
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12:05am	The Body in the Freezer: Countdown to Murder

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	<i>Day four of the Rolex Monte-Carlo Masters from Roquebrune-Cap-Martin in France.</i>
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	<i>Burnley take on Chelsea at Turf Moor in the Premier League.</i>
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1:30am	Tonight

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	Guinness World Records
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9:20am	Coronation Street
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	<i>Nostalgic police drama series set in a 1960s Yorkshire village.</i>
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3:45pm	Rampage: Special
4:15pm	Jack Reacher
6:30pm	Broken Arrow
8:30pm	Guardians of the Galaxy Vol.2
11:00pm	Jack Reacher
1:15am	Hard Target 2
3:05am	The Trust

sky CINEMA COMEDY

7:35am	Top Ten Show, the 2018
7:55am	Nine to Five
9:50am	Patch Adams
11:50am	The First Wives Club
1:40pm	Ferris Bueller's Day Off
3:35pm	O Brother, Where Art Thou?
5:30pm	Date Night
7:10pm	The Back-Up Plan
9:00pm	Ferris Bueller's Day Off
10:45pm	Table 19
12:20am	Date Night
2:00am	Go
3:50am	Killing Hasselhoff

sky CINEMA PREMIERE

5:05am	Growing Up Smith
7:00am	Just Charlie
8:45am	Wilson
10:25am	Sky
12:15pm	Alien: Covenant
	<i>The crew of a damaged colony ship discover a seemingly hospitable planet and go in for a closer look</i>
2:20pm	The House
	<i>Two straight-laced suburbanites set up an illegal casino when their daughter's scholarship falls through.</i>
3:55pm	Batman: The Killing Joke
5:20pm	Growing Up Smith
7:10pm	Sky
9:00pm	Alien: Covenant
11:10pm	The House
12:45am	Batman: The Killing Joke
2:10am	Spacewalker
4:30am	Just Charlie

sky sports football

10:15am	Scottish Cup
	Greatest Games
10:30am	La Liga Greatest Games
10:45am	La Liga Greatest Games
11:00am	The Best La Liga Goals 2016/17
12:00pm	One2eleven
12:30pm	SPFL Greatest Games
1:00pm	20 Years of El Clasico
1:45pm	La Liga Greatest Games
2:00pm	La Liga Icons
3:00pm	La Liga: The Las Palmas Story
4:15pm	La Liga Icons
4:30pm	Football's Greatest Teams
5:00pm	Scottish Cup
	Greatest Games
5:30pm	La Liga Greatest Games
6:00pm	Football Years
6:30pm	Football Countdowns
7:00pm	Eredivisie
8:00pm	EFL Rivalries
8:30pm	Football
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12:00am	La Liga Show
12:30am	La Liga Icons

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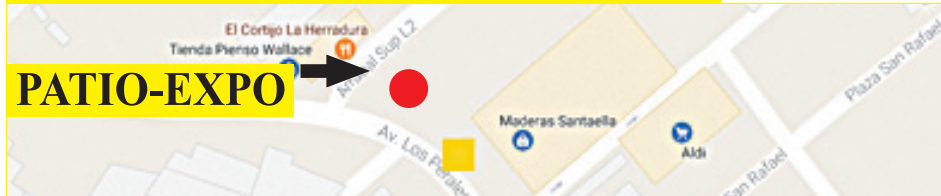
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7:00am	Breakfast	8:15am	Health	4:50am	This is BBC Four	8:10am	3rd Rock from the Sun	9:05am	Paw Patrol	7:00am	Hollyoaks	6:00am	Sky Sports News
10:15am	Health	9:00am	Great Continental Railway Journeys	8:00pm	World News Today	8:35am	Everybody Loves Raymond	9:20am	Floogals	8:00am	Rules of Engagement	7:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans Bitesize
11:00am	Homes Under the Hammer	10:00am	Victoria Derbyshire		<i>The latest national and international news, exploring the day's events from a global perspective.</i>	9:30am	Frasier	9:35am	Digby Dragon	9:00am	How I Met Your Mother	7:30am	Good Morning Sports Fans Bitesize
12:00pm	Heir Hunters	12:00pm	BBC Newsroom Live			10:35am	Frasier	9:55am	Rusty Rivets	9:30am	How I Met Your Mother	8:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
12:45pm	Dom on the Spot	1:00pm	The Daily Politics			11:05am	Ramsay's Hotel Hell	10:05am	Mofy			9:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
1:15pm	Bargain Hunt	2:00pm	Perfection			12:00pm	Undercover Boss USA	10:15am	The Wright Stuff	10:00am	New Girl	9:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
2:00pm	BBC News at One	2:45pm	Home Away From Home	8:30pm	BBC Young Musician 2018			12:15pm	Traffic Cops	10:30am	New Girl	10:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
2:30pm	BBC London News	3:30pm	Going Back Giving Back	10:00pm	Buena Vista Social Club	1:00pm	Channel 4 News	1:10pm	5 News Lunchtime	11:00am	2 Broke Girls	10:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
2:45pm	Doctors					1:05pm	Come Dine with Me	1:15pm	GP's: Behind Closed Doors	11:30am	2 Broke Girls	11:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
3:15pm	800 Words	4:15pm	Trust Me, I'm a Doctor	11:40pm	Latin Music USA	2:05pm	Posh Pawnbrokers	2:15pm	Home and Away	12:00pm	Brooklyn Nine-Nine	11:00am	Live ATP 1000: Monte Carlo
4:00pm	Escape to the Country	5:15pm	Tigers About the House: What Happened Next		<i>Series revealing the musical and social impact of Latin music in the USA</i>	3:10pm	Countdown	2:45pm	Neighbours	1:00pm	The Goldbergs	4:00pm	Live Indian Premier League
4:45pm	Flipping Profit			12:40am	Arena	4:00pm	A Place in the Sun	3:15pm	NCIS	2:00pm	The Big Bang Theory	8:30pm	Football
5:30pm	Flog It!	6:15pm	Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is	1:45am	Queens of Jazz: The Joy and Pain of the Jazz Divas	5:00pm	Escape to the Chateau: DIY	4:15pm	Nightmare Nurse	3:00pm	How I Met Your Mother		<i>Millwall face Fulham at The Den in the Sky Bet Championship</i>
6:15pm	Pointless	7:00pm	Eggheads					6:00pm	5 News at 5	4:00pm	New Girl	11:15pm	The Debate - Live
7:00pm	BBC News at Six	7:30pm	Britain in Bloom	2:45am	Barry Manilow at the BBC	6:00pm	Four in a Bed	6:30pm	Neighbours	5:00pm	Brooklyn Nine-Nine	12:15am	SPFL Matters
7:30pm	BBC London News	8:00pm	Antiques Road Trip	3:45am	Latin Music USA	6:30pm	Buy it Now	7:00pm	Home and Away	6:00pm	The Goldbergs	12:45am	Premier League Greatest Games
8:00pm	The One Show	9:00pm	Gardeners' World		<i>Series revealing the musical and social impact of Latin music in the USA.</i>	7:00pm	The Simpsons	8:00pm	The Gadget Show	7:00pm	The Big Bang Theory		<i>A chance to relive a classic match from the Premier League.</i>
8:30pm	Sounds Like Friday Night	10:00pm	The City and the City			7:30pm	Hollyoaks	9:00pm	Britain's Great Cathedrals, with Tony Robinson	8:00pm	Hollyoaks	1:00am	Sky Sports News
		11:00pm	Episodes			8:00pm	Channel 4 News		Portillo's Hidden History of Britain	8:30pm	Extreme Cake Makers	2:00am	Sky Sports News
9:00pm	EastEnders	11:30pm	Newsnight			8:30pm	Unreported World	10:00pm	Rivers of Blood: 50 Years on			3:00am	Sky Sports News
9:30pm	The Button	12:05am	Front Row Late			9:00pm	I Don't Like Mondays	11:00pm	Paddington Station 24/7	9:00pm	The Big Bang Theory	4:00am	Sky Sports News
10:00pm	Have I Got News for You	12:35am	The Assassination of Gianni Versace - American Crime Story					12:30am		10:00pm	Alien: Resurrection	5:00am	Sky Sports News
10:30pm	Home from Home					10:00pm	Gogglebox			12:10am	The Big Bang Theory		
11:00pm	BBC News at Ten					11:00pm	Lee and Dean			12:35am	The Big Bang Theory		
11:25pm	BBC London News					11:35pm	8 Out of 10 Cats			1:05am	Tattoo Fixers		
11:35pm	The Graham Norton Show					12:25am	Rob Beckett's Playing for Time			2:10am	Gogglebox		
						12:55am	First Dates			3:15am	First Dates		
12:25am	Wannabe					2:00am	127 Hours			4:10am	Rude Tube		

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6:05am	The Jeremy Kyle Show	8:55am	Emmerdale	7:25am	Coronation Street	7:00am	The Chase	2:00pm	Salt	6:30am	Ready Player One: Special	10:30am	La Liga Greatest Games
7:00am	Good Morning Britain	9:20am	Emmerdale	7:55am	Heartbeat	7:45am	Pawn Stars	3:50pm	Jack Reacher: Never Go Back	7:00am	Growing Up Smith	11:00am	La Liga Show
9:30am	Lorraine	9:55am	You've Been Framed! Gold	8:55am	The Royal	8:10am	Pawn Stars	6:00pm	Green Zone	9:00am	Wilson	11:30am	Football Years
10:25am	The Jeremy Kyle Show	10:25am	The Ellen DeGeneres Show	10:00am	Judge Judy	8:30am	Ironsides	8:00pm	300	10:40am	Sky	12:00pm	One2eleven
11:30am	This Morning	11:20am	The Bachelor	10:30am	Judge Judy	9:30am	Quincy, M.E.	10:00pm	Transformers: The Last Knight	12:30pm	Batman: The Killing Joke	12:30pm	SPFL Greatest Games
1:30pm	Loose Women	1:15pm	Emmerdale	11:25am	Hidden Treasure	10:35am	Minder	12:40am	Salt	1:55pm	The Dark Tower	12:45pm	SPFL Greatest Games
2:30pm	ITV Lunchtime News	1:45pm	Emmerdale	1:25pm	The Royal	11:35am	The Saint	2:25am	Jack Reacher: Never Go Back	3:40pm	Alien: Covenant	1:00pm	La Liga Show
2:55pm	ITV News London	2:15pm	You've Been Framed! Gold	2:35pm	Heartbeat	12:40pm	The Avengers			5:50pm	The House	1:30pm	Football's Greatest Teams
3:00pm	Judge Rinder	2:45pm	The Ellen DeGeneres Show	3:40pm	Coronation Street	1:45pm	Ironsides			7:30pm	Batman: The Killing Joke	2:00pm	La Liga Icons
4:00pm	Tenable	3:35pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show	4:15pm	Coronation Street	2:50pm	Quincy, M.E.				<i>The Joker devises a plan to prove that one bad day can make anyone as insane as he is, setting his sights on Commissioner Gordon.</i>	3:00pm	La Liga Show
5:00pm	Tipping Point	4:40pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show	4:45pm	On the Buses	3:50pm	Minder					3:30pm	Football's Greatest Teams
6:00pm	The Chase	5:50pm	Judge Rinder	5:15pm	On the Buses	4:55pm	The Saint					4:30pm	Football's Greatest Teams
7:00pm	ITV News London	6:50pm	Take Me Out	5:50pm	You're Only Young Twice	6:00pm	The Avengers					5:00pm	Scottish Cup Greatest Games
7:30pm	ITV Evening News	8:00pm	You've Been Framed! Gold	6:25pm	George and Mildred	7:05pm	Storage Wars Texas					5:30pm	La Liga Greatest Games
8:00pm	Emmerdale	9:00pm	Two and a Half Men	6:55pm	Heartbeat	7:35pm	Storage Wars Texas					6:00pm	La Liga Preview
8:30pm	Coronation Street	9:30pm	Two and a Half Men	8:00pm	Murder, She Wrote	8:05pm	Pawn Stars					7:00pm	SPFL Matters
9:00pm	Love Your Garden	10:00pm	American Pie: The Wedding	9:00pm	Agatha Christie's Marple	8:30pm	Pawn Stars					7:30pm	EFL Rivalries
9:30pm	Coronation Street	12:00am	Family Guy	11:00pm	The Syndicate	9:00pm	The Motorbike Show					8:00pm	Football
10:00pm	Lethal Weapon	12:30am	Family Guy	12:05am	Killer Women with Piers Morgan	10:00pm	Car Crash Britain Caught on Camera					11:15pm	The Debate - Live
11:00pm	ITV News at Ten and Weather	12:55am	American Dad!	1:05am	Vera	11:00pm	Rambo III					12:15am	SPFL Matters
11:30pm	ITV News London			2:55am	The Ivy	12:00am	FYI Daily					12:45am	EFL Greatest Games
11:45pm	The Keith and Paddy Picture Show			3:45am	Goodnight Mister Tom	12:05am	Rambo III						
12:15am	Shaun of the Dead			5:35am	Rising Damp	1:05am	The Americans						
1:55am	Jackpot247					2:05am	Minder						
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7:00am	Breakfast	7:15am	David Attenbrough's Natural Curiosities	8:00pm	Atlantic: The Wildest Ocean on Earth	7:15am	Mobil 1 the Grid	7:00am	Milkshake!	5:45am	Rules of Engagement	6:00am	Sky Sports News
11:00am	Saturday Kitchen Live	7:40am	Naomi's Nightmares of Nature		Three-part documentary about the Atlantic Ocean.	7:40am	Motorsport	10:50am	Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles	7:00am	Couples Come Dine with Me	7:00am	Rugby League
12:30pm	The Hairy Bikers Asian Adventure	8:10am	The Pets Factor	9:00pm	Wild Tales From the Village	8:05am	King of Queens	11:25am	The Gadget Show	7:55am	Couples Come Dine with Me		Wests Tigers take on Newcastle Knights at ANZ Stadium in the NRL.
1:00pm	Football Focus	8:30am	Dengineers	10:00pm	Salamander: Blood Diamonds	8:30am	King of Queens	12:15pm	Police Interceptors	8:55am	Made in Chelsea	9:25am	Rugby League
2:00pm	BBC News	9:00am	Absolute Genius: Monster Builds			8:55am	Everybody Loves Raymond	1:15pm	Police Interceptors	9:55am	Don't Tell the Bride Ireland	11:15am	My Icon
2:10pm	Weather	9:30am	Beyond Bionic	10:45pm	Salamander: Blood Diamonds	9:20am	Everybody Loves Raymond	2:15pm	Police Interceptors	11:00am	Space Chimps 2: Zartog Strikes Back	11:30am	Soccer Saturday Pre-Match
2:15pm	The London Marathon: My Reason to Run	10:00am	Robot Wars	11:35pm	Room 101	9:55am	Frasier	4:10pm	The Nightmare Neighbour Next Door	12:30pm	The Goldbergs	12:00pm	Soccer Saturday Pre-Match
2:45pm	Snooker	11:00am	Snooker	12:05am	Spike Milligan	10:25am	Frasier	5:05pm	The Nightmare Neighbour Next Door	1:00pm	The Goldbergs	12:30pm	PI Live
5:35pm	BBC News	1:00pm	Wanted Down Under	12:35am	Spike Milligan: Assorted Q	10:55am	Frasier	6:05pm	Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!	1:30pm	The Goldbergs	4:00pm	Rugby Union
5:45pm	Regional News	1:30pm	Trust Me, I'm a Doctor	1:05am	Spike Milligan: Assorted Q	11:30am	The Big Bang Theory	7:00pm	Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!	2:00pm	The Goldbergs		Leinster meet Scarlets in Dublin in the semi-finals of the European Rugby Champions Cup.
5:50pm	Weather	2:30pm	Britain's Biggest War Ship	1:35am	Atlantic: The Wildest Ocean on Earth	12:00pm	The Big Bang Theory	8:00pm	The Yorkshire Vet Casebook	2:30pm	The Goldbergs	7:00pm	Live Indian Premier League
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9:00pm	The Queen's Birthday Party	5:30pm	Final Score			1:55pm	The Simpsons	10:00pm	Football on 5 The Championship.	4:00pm	The Net		Amir Khan and Phil Lo Greco go head-to-head at the Echo Arena in Liverpool
10:40pm	Mrs. Brown's Boys	6:15pm	Money for Nothing	2:00am	Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA	2:25pm	Come Dine with Me	11:00pm	Football on 5 Goal Rush.	6:10pm	Rude(ish) Tube Shorts	12:00am	Sky Sports News
11:10pm	BBC News	7:00pm	Antiques Road Trip			3:30pm	A Place in the Sun	11:30pm	World's Deadliest Weather			1:00am	Sky Sports News
11:25pm	Weather	8:00pm	Snooker			4:30pm	A Place in the Sun					3:00am	Live International Fight Night
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12:00am	Match of the Day: FA Cup Highlights	9:30pm	Dad's Army			6:35pm	The Secret Life of the Zoo						
12:20am	The Button	10:00pm	Imagine...			7:30pm	Channel 4 News						
12:50am	The Recruit	11:00pm	Testament of Youth			8:00pm	The Restoration Man						
2:40am	Weather for the Week Ahead	1:00am	Snooker			9:00pm	Britain's Most Historic Towns						
2:45am	BBC News	1:50am	Snooker			10:00pm	Dirty Grandpa						
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8:35am	Match of the Day					7:40am	King of Queens	6:10am	Divine Designs			6:30am	Great Sporting Moments
9:10am	Match of the Day: FA Cup Highlights	7:35am	Countryfile	8:30pm	University Challenge	8:05am	Everybody Loves Raymond	6:35am	Wildlife SOS	6:05am	Rude(ish) Tube		
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3:00pm	BBC News	9:00am	Saturday Kitchen	10:00pm	Imagine... <i>Habaneros</i>	8:55am	Everybody Loves Raymond	10:55am	Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles	9:20am	Made in Chelsea		
3:10pm	Weather for the Week Ahead	10:00am	Best Bites			9:25am	Eat the Week with Iceland	11:30am	Football on 5	10:20am	Don't Tell the Bride Ireland	7:00am	Sky Sports News
3:15pm	Sunday Politics	11:00am	The Andrew Marr Show	11:30pm	<i>You Say You Want a Revolution? Part Two.</i>	10:30am	Sunday Brunch	12:30pm	The Championship.	11:30am	The Goldbergs	8:00am	Total Goals
4:30pm	Songs of Praise	1:15pm	Snooker			1:30pm	Jamie and Jimmy's Friday Night Feast	1:00pm	Football on 5	12:00pm	The Goldbergs	8:30am	Rugby Archive
5:05pm	B.O.B's Big Break	2:00pm	MOTD2 Extra			2:30pm	The Simpsons	1:30pm	Goal Rush.	12:30pm	The Goldbergs	8:40am	Live Women's 7s: Japan
5:15pm	Madagascar	3:00pm	Gardeners' World	12:30am	<i>A daily magazine programme which looks at the world of arts and entertainment.</i>	3:00pm	The Simpsons	1:15pm	Britain's Greatest Bridges	1:00pm	The Goldbergs	10:30am	Total Goals
6:35pm	BBC News	7:00pm	London Marathon 2018	1:30am	Latin Music USA	3:25pm	The Simpsons	1:15pm	Police Interceptors	1:30pm	The Goldbergs	11:00am	Sports Sunday
6:50pm	Regional News			2:20am	Natural World	3:55pm	Dr. Seuss' the Lorax	2:15pm	Police Interceptors	2:00pm	Brooklyn Nine-Nine	12:00pm	Live Indian Premier League
6:55pm	Weather	8:00pm	London Marathon Highlights			5:35pm	Location, Location, Location	3:15pm	Dances with Wolves	2:30pm	The Big Bang Theory	2:00pm	Live Nissan Super Sunday
7:00pm	The Big Painting Challenge	9:00pm	Britain's Biggest War Ship			6:35pm	Grand Designs	6:45pm	Pearl Harbour	3:00pm	The Big Bang Theory	5:00pm	Live Nissan Super Sunday
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10:00pm	The Woman in White	12:25am	Snooker			10:00pm	Homeland	12:40am	Brides Make You Laugh Out Loud	5:00pm	The Big Bang Theory	2:15am	Premier League Greatest Games
11:00pm	BBC News	1:15am	Snooker			11:15pm	Gogglebox		Fail Army	5:30pm	The Big Bang Theory	2:30am	Football
11:20pm	Regional News	3:15am	Question Time			12:10am	Easy A	1:30am	The Body in the Freezer: Countdown to Murder	6:00pm	The Big Bang Theory	3:00am	Sky Sports News
11:25pm	Weather	4:15am	Holby City			1:50am	Kahaani 2	2:00am	Super Casino	6:30pm	Young Sheldon	4:00am	Sky Sports News
11:30pm	Match of the Day 2	5:15am	This is BBC Two			4:00am	KOTV Boxing Weekly	4:10am	The Body in the Freezer: Countdown to Murder	7:00pm	The Big Bang Theory	5:00am	Sky Sports News
12:30am	Match of the Day: FA Cup Highlights					4:25am	Mobil 1 the Grid			7:30pm	Snow White and the Huntsman		
1:00am	The Women's Football Show							5:00am	Tattoo Disasters	10:00pm	Marvel's Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D.		
1:35am	Weather for the Week Ahead							5:25am	Tattoo Disasters	11:00pm	The Inbetweeners		
								5:45am	House Doctor	11:35pm	The Inbetweeners		
										12:10am	The Big Bang Theory		
										12:40am	The Big Bang Theory		

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9:00am	The Haunted Hathaways	7:00am	The Planet's Funniest Animals	7:00am	On the Buses <i>Sitcom about a bus driver and his conductor pal.</i>	7:00am	Football's Greatest: Bobby Charlton	5:00am	Twister	6:00am	Ready Player One: Special	7:15am	EFL Greatest Games
9:25am	ITV News	7:20am	Emmerdale Omnibus			7:15am	Storage Wars Texas	7:00am	The Mask of Zorro			7:30am	SPFL Greatest Games
9:30am	Zoe Ball on Sunday	9:55am	Coronation Street	7:25am	Murder, She Wrote	7:40am	Storage Wars Texas	9:30am	The Legend of Zorro	6:30am	Moana: Special	7:45am	SPFL Greatest Games
10:25am	Love Your Garden			8:15am	Murder, She Wrote	8:25am	Storage Wars Texas	11:45am	Armageddon	7:00am	Just Charlie	8:00am	EFL Goals: Championship
11:00am	Peston on Sunday	12:50pm	Take Me Out: 10th Anniversary Special	9:15am	Heartbeat	9:15am	Storage Wars Texas	2:30pm	Star Trek Beyond	9:00am	Batman: The Killing Joke	8:30am	EFL Goals: League One and League Two
12:00pm	Britain's Got Talent	1:50pm	You've Been Framed!	9:15am	Heartbeat	9:40am	Pawn Stars	4:45pm	Rampage: Special	10:25am	The Dark Tower	9:00am	Football's Greatest
1:20pm	Britain's Got More Talent	2:50pm	The Mummy Returns	10:15am	Heartbeat	10:05am	Pawn Stars	5:15pm	The Mask of Zorro	12:05pm	Gifted	9:30am	EFL Goals: Championship
2:20pm	ITV Lunchtime News	3:50pm	FYI Daily	11:15am	Columbo	10:35am	Pawn Stars	7:45pm	The Legend of Zorro	1:50pm	Rough Night	10:00am	EFL Goals: League One and League Two
2:25pm	Britain's Brightest Family	3:55pm	The Mummy Returns	12:50pm	A Touch of Frost	11:30am	Pawn Stars	10:00pm	Star Trek Beyond	3:35pm	Alien: Covenant	10:30am	Sunday Supplement
2:55pm	Nanny McPhee	5:15pm	Britain's Got Talent	2:50pm	Agatha Christie's Marple	12:00pm	Pawn Stars	12:15am	Rambo	5:40pm	The House	12:00pm	Info not available
5:00pm	Change Your Tune	6:35pm	Britain's Got More Talent	4:55pm	Inspector Morse	12:55pm	Pawn Stars	1:50am	Armageddon	7:15pm	Gifted	2:00pm	Info not available
6:00pm	The Chase: Celebrity Special	7:40pm	The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring	7:00pm	Lewis	1:20pm	Pawn Stars	4:25am	Ultraviolet	9:00pm	The Dark Tower	4:00pm	La Liga Greatest Games
7:00pm	Harry Hill's Alien Fun Capsule			9:00pm	The Cruise	2:20pm	Mr. Bean			10:40pm	Rough Night	4:10pm	Info not available
7:30pm	ITV Evening News	8:55pm	FYI Daily	9:30pm	The Cruise	2:50pm	Mr. Bean	8:35am	Brewster's Millions		<i>Things get badly out of hand when five college friends reunite for a wild bachelorette weekend.</i>	6:15pm	La Liga Greatest Games
7:45pm	Regional News and Weather	9:00pm	The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring	10:00pm	Tommy Cooper Forever	3:25pm	The Big Fish Off	10:25am	Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story	12:25am	Alien: Covenant	6:25pm	Info not available
8:00pm	Info not available	11:00pm	Family Guy	11:00pm	Tommy Cooper: Not Like That, Like This	4:35pm	The Green Berets	2:00pm	Ferris Bueller's Day Off		<i>The crew of a damaged colony ship discover a seemingly hospitable planet and go in for a closer look</i>	8:30pm	La Liga Greatest Games
9:00pm	The Durrells	11:30pm	Family Guy			5:40pm	FYI Daily	3:45pm	Snatched			8:40pm	Info not available
10:00pm	The Good Karma Hospital	12:00am	Family Guy	1:10am	Blue Murder	5:45pm	The Green Berets	5:30pm	Juno			10:45pm	Football
		12:30am	American Dad!	2:10am	Blue Murder	7:25pm	The Spy Who Loved Me	7:10pm	Sausage Party			12:05am	MLS Greatest Games
11:00pm	ITV News	12:55am	American Dad!	3:05am	Tommy Cooper Forever	8:25pm	FYI Daily	9:00pm	Ferris Bueller's Day Off			12:10am	Football
11:20pm	Peston on Sunday	1:25am	What If...	3:55am	Stephen Fry's Key to the City	8:30pm	The Spy Who Loved Me	10:40pm	Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story			2:15am	One2eleven
12:15am	100 Year Old Driving School	2:25am	FYI Daily	4:45am	Road to Avonlea	10:00pm	Assassins	12:20am	Sausage Party	2:30am	The House	2:30am	SPFL Greatest Games
12:45am	This Time Next Year	2:30am	What If...	5:35am	Road to Avonlea	11:05pm	FYI Daily	2:00am	Barbershop: The Next Cut	4:15am	Growing Up Smith	2:45am	SPFL Greatest Games
		3:30am	Teleshopping			11:10pm	Assassins						
						12:40am	Safe House						
						1:40am	FYI Daily						
						1:45am	Safe House						

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BBC one

7:00am	Breakfast
10:15am	Rip Off Britain
11:00am	Homes Under the Hammer
12:00pm	Heir Hunters
12:45pm	The Housing Enforcers
1:15pm	Bargain Hunt
2:00pm	BBC News
2:30pm	Regional News
2:45pm	Doctors
3:15pm	800 Words
4:00pm	Escape to the Country
4:45pm	Flipping Profit
5:30pm	Flog It!
6:15pm	Pointless
7:00pm	BBC News
7:30pm	Regional News
8:00pm	The One Show
8:30pm	Nightmare Pets SOS
9:00pm	EastEnders
9:30pm	Panorama
10:00pm	DIY SOS the Big Build
11:00pm	BBC News
11:30pm	Regional News
11:40pm	Weather
11:45pm	Have I Got a Bit More
	News for You
12:30am	The Graham Norton Show
1:15am	Weather for the Week Ahead

BBC TWO

7:00am	Flog It!
7:30am	Heir Hunters
8:15am	Health
9:00am	Hugh's Wild West
10:00am	Victoria Derbyshire
11:00am	Snooker
1:00pm	The Daily Politics
2:00pm	Snooker
7:00pm	Eggheads
7:30pm	Britain in Bloom
8:00pm	The Secret Helpers
9:00pm	Only Connect
9:30pm	University Challenge
10:00pm	Secret Agent Selection : Ww2
11:00pm	QI
11:30pm	Newsnight
12:10am	Weather
12:15am	Snooker
1:05am	Snooker
3:05am	Countryfile
4:00am	My Dad, the Peace Deal and Me
5:00am	Murder, Mystery and My Family
5:45am	This is BBC Two

BBC FOUR

8:30pm	Nature's Microworlds
	<i>Series in which Steve Backshall looks at some of the world's most iconic ecosystems.</i>
9:00pm	Turkey with Simon Reeve
10:00pm	Baku: An Art Lovers' Guide
11:00pm	The Ottomans: Europe's Muslim Emperors
12:00am	Dan Cruickshank: At Home with the British
1:00am	Turkey with Simon Reeve
2:00am	Top of the Pops <i>Peter Powell, Tommy Vance, Richard Skinner, Gary Davies and Adrian John present the pop chart programme, first broadcast on 29 December 1983.</i>
2:30am	Top of the Pops
3:05am	Baku: An Art Lovers' Guide

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
10:35am	Frasier
11:05am	Ramsay's Hotel Hell
12:00pm	Undercover Boss USA
1:00pm	Channel 4 News
1:05pm	Coast v Country
2:05pm	Posh Pawnbrokers
3:10pm	Countdown
4:00pm	A Place in the Sun
5:00pm	Escape to the Chateau: DIY
6:00pm	Four in a Bed
6:30pm	Buy it Now
7:00pm	The Simpsons
7:30pm	Hollyoaks
8:00pm	Channel 4 News
9:00pm	Holidays Unpacked
9:30pm	Travel Man
10:00pm	The Island with Bear Grylls
11:00pm	Kiss Me First
12:00am	999: What's Your Emergency?

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	The Gadget Show
2:10pm	Access
2:15pm	Home and Away
2:45pm	Neighbours
3:15pm	NCIS
4:15pm	Social Nightmare
6:00pm	5 News
6:30pm	Neighbours
7:00pm	Home and Away
7:30pm	5 News
8:00pm	Moto GP Highlights
9:00pm	Police Interceptors
10:00pm	Paddington Station 24/7
11:00pm	Fergie v Wenger: The Feud
12:00am	Criminals Caught on Camera
1:00am	America's Toughest Prisons
2:00am	Super Casino
4:10am	Portillo's Hidden History of Britain
5:00am	Tattoo Disasters
5:25am	Tattoo Disasters
5:45am	House Doctor

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8:00am	Rules of Engagement
8:30am	Rules of Engagement
9:00am	How I Met Your Mother
9:30am	How I Met Your Mother
10:00am	New Girl
11:00am	2 Broke Girls
12:00pm	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
1:00pm	The Goldbergs
2:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
3:00pm	How I Met Your Mother
3:30pm	How I Met Your Mother
4:00pm	New Girl
5:00pm	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
6:00pm	The Goldbergs
6:30pm	The Goldbergs
7:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
8:00pm	Hollyoaks
8:30pm	Extreme Cake Makers
9:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
9:30pm	Young Sheldon
10:00pm	Made in Chelsea
11:00pm	Don't Tell the Bride Ireland
12:05am	The Big Bang Theory
1:05am	Tattoo Fixers
2:10am	Made in Chelsea

sky sports main event

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	ATP 500: Barcelona
4:00pm	Live Indian Premier League <i>Delhi Daredevils take on Kings XI Punjab at Feroz Shah Kotla in the VIVO IPL.</i>
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
5:45am	WWE From the Vault

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10:25am	The Jeremy Kyle Show
11:30am	This Morning
1:30pm	Loose Women
2:30pm	ITV Lunchtime News
2:55pm	Regional News and Weather
3:00pm	Judge Rinder
4:00pm	Tenable
5:00pm	Tipping Point
6:00pm	The Chase
7:00pm	Regional News and Weather
7:30pm	ITV Evening News
8:00pm	Emmerdale
8:30pm	Coronation Street
9:00pm	Give it a Year
9:30pm	Coronation Street
10:00pm	Info not available
11:00pm	ITV News at Ten and Weather
11:30pm	Regional News and Weather
11:45pm	Info not available
12:45am	The Investigator: A British Crime Story
1:40am	Last Laugh in Vegas
2:30am	Jackpot247
4:00am	The Jeremy Kyle Show

itv2

8:10am	Who's Doing the Dishes?
8:55am	Emmerdale
9:20am	Coronation Street
10:25am	The Ellen DeGeneres Show
11:20am	The Bachelor
1:15pm	Emmerdale
1:45pm	Coronation Street
2:45pm	The Ellen DeGeneres Show
3:35pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show
4:40pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show
6:50pm	Take Me Out
8:00pm	You've Been Framed!
8:30pm	You've Been Framed!
9:00pm	Two and a Half Men
10:00pm	Family Guy
10:30pm	American Dad!
11:00pm	Plebs
11:30pm	Family Guy
12:00am	Family Guy
12:30am	American Dad!

itv3

7:00am	Classic Coronation Street
7:25am	Classic Coronation Street
7:55am	Heartbeat
9:00am	The Royal
10:00am	Judge Judy
10:30am	Judge Judy
10:55am	Judge Judy
11:25am	Sparkling Cyanide
1:30pm	The Royal
2:35pm	Heartbeat
3:40pm	Classic Coronation Street
4:15pm	Classic Coronation Street
4:45pm	On the Buses
5:20pm	On the Buses
5:55pm	You're Only Young Twice
6:20pm	George and Mildred
6:55pm	Heartbeat
8:00pm	Murder, She Wrote
9:00pm	Lewis
11:00pm	DCI Banks
12:00am	DCI Banks
1:05am	Scott and Bailey
2:10am	Scott and Bailey
3:00am	ITV3 Nightscreen
3:30am	Teleshopping

itv4

7:00am	The Chase
7:45am	Pawn Stars
8:10am	Pawn Stars
8:30am	Ironside
9:25am	Quincy, M.E.
10:30am	Minder
11:35am	The Saint
12:40pm	The Avengers
1:45pm	Ironside
2:50pm	Quincy, M.E.
3:50pm	Minder
4:50pm	The Saint
5:55pm	The Avengers
7:00pm	Cash Cowboys
8:00pm	Pawn Stars
8:30pm	Pawn Stars
8:55pm	Merry Christmas Mr Bean
9:30pm	Mr. Bean
10:00pm	Jaws 2
11:00pm	FYI Daily
11:05pm	Jaws 2
12:20am	Maximum Conviction
1:20am	FYI Daily
1:25am	Maximum Conviction
2:25am	Motorsport UK
3:20am	The Protectors
3:50am	ITV4 Nightscreen

sky CINEMA ACTION & ADVENTURE

3:15pm	Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World
5:35pm	Robin Hood
7:35pm	Robin Hood
10:00pm	King Arthur: Legend of the Sword
12:15am	Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World
2:45am	Robin Hood

sky CINEMA COMEDY

8:45am	The Object of My Affection
10:45am	Uncle Buck
12:30pm	Dumb and Dumber
2:25pm	Bad Neighbours 2
4:05pm	The Dictator
5:35pm	Sweet Home Alabama
7:30pm	30 Minutes or Less
9:00pm	Bad Neighbours 2
10:40pm	The Dictator
12:10am	City Slickers
2:10am	Liar Liar
3:45am	The Joshua Tree

sky CINEMA PREMIERE

4:15am	Growing Up Smith
6:15am	Top Ten Show, the 2018
6:30am	The Great Wall: Special
7:00am	Gifted
9:00am	The House
10:45am	Top Ten Show, the 2018
11:00am	The Wizard - An American Wrestler
1:10pm	The Dark Tower
3:00pm	Rough Night
4:55pm	Gifted
6:50pm	The Wizard - An American Wrestler
9:00pm	The Dark Tower
10:40pm	Rough Night <i>Things get badly out of hand when five college friends reunite for a wild bachelorette weekend.</i>
12:25am	The House
2:10am	Just Charlie
4:10am	Growing Up Smith

sky sports football

10:00am	Scottish Cup Greatest Games
10:30am	La Liga Greatest Games
11:00am	Info not available
1:05pm	Info not available
3:10pm	Info not available
5:15pm	La Liga Icons
5:30pm	La Liga Greatest Games
5:45pm	La Liga Greatest Games
6:00pm	Football Years
6:30pm	Football Countdowns
7:00pm	Info not available
7:15pm	Info not available
7:30pm	Football's Greatest
8:00pm	Soccer A.M.
8:30pm	La Liga Greatest Games
8:40pm	La Liga Icons
8:55pm	Info not available
11:00pm	SPFL Round Up 2017/18
11:15pm	SPFL Greatest Games
11:30pm	MLS Round Up Show
12:00am	Soccer A.M. - The Best Bits

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7:00am	Breakfast
10:15am	Rip Off Britain
11:00am	Homes Under the Hammer
12:00pm	Heir Hunters
12:45pm	The Housing Enforcers
1:15pm	Bargain Hunt
2:00pm	BBC News
2:30pm	Regional News
2:45pm	Doctors
3:15pm	800 Words
4:00pm	Escape to the Country
4:45pm	Flipping Profit
5:30pm	Flog It!
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	The Split
11:00pm	BBC News
11:30pm	Regional News
11:40pm	Weather
11:45pm	Rent for Sex: Ellie Undercover
12:15am	The Botox Bust: Ellie Undercover
12:45am	How Police Missed the Grindr Killer
1:30am	Weather for the Week Ahead

BBC TWO

5:45am	This is BBC Two
7:00am	Flog It! <i>Antiques show which helps amateur auctioneers, collectors and bargain-hunters make a saving.</i>
7:30am	Heir Hunters
8:15am	The Super League Show
9:00am	Sea Cities
10:00am	Victoria Derbyshire
11:00am	Snooker
1:00pm	The Daily Politics
2:00pm	Snooker
7:00pm	Eggheads
7:30pm	Britain in Bloom
8:00pm	Antiques Road Trip
9:00pm	Top of the Shop with Tom Kerridge
10:00pm	Hospital
11:00pm	Cunk on Britain
11:30pm	Newsnight
12:10am	Weather
12:15am	Snooker
1:05am	Snooker
3:05am	MasterChef
4:05am	Secret Agent
5:05am	Selection: WW2
	This is BBC Two

BBC FOUR

8:00pm	Beyond 100 Days
8:30pm	Sea City
9:00pm	King Alfred and the Anglo Saxons
10:00pm	The Story of the Jews
11:00pm	Majesty and Mortar: Britain's Great Palaces <i>Series in which Dan Cruickshank tells the story of a thousand years of palace building.</i>
12:00am	Chivalry and Betrayal: The Hundred Years War
1:00am	Francesco's Italy
2:00am	Top of the Pops <i>Peter Powell, Tommy Vance, Richard Skinner, Gary Davies and Adrian John present the pop chart programme, first broadcast on 29 December 1983</i>
2:40am	Top of the Pops
3:15am	The Story of the Jews

CHANNEL 4

7:00am	Countdown
7:45am	3rd Rock from the Sun
8:10am	3rd Rock from the Sun
8:35am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:00am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:30am	Frasier
10:00am	Frasier
10:35am	Frasier
11:05am	Ramsay's Hotel Hell
12:00pm	Undercover Boss USA
1:00pm	Channel 4 News
1:05pm	Coast v Country
2:05pm	Posh Pawnbrokers
3:10pm	Countdown
4:00pm	A Place in the Sun
5:00pm	Escape to the Chateau: DIY
6:00pm	Four in a Bed
6:30pm	Buy it Now
7:00pm	The Simpsons
7:30pm	Hollyoaks
8:00pm	Channel 4 News
9:00pm	Class of Mum and Dad
10:00pm	Fatberg Autopsy
11:00pm	The World's Most Luxurious Airline
12:00am	Flight Hs13: Walter Presents

CHANNEL 5

6:10am	Wildlife SOS
6:35am	House Doctor
7:00am	Milkshake!
10:15am	The Wright Stuff
12:15pm	Can't Pay? We'll Take it Away!
1:10pm	5 News
1:15pm	GP's: Behind Closed Doors
2:10pm	Access
2:15pm	Home and Away
2:45pm	Neighbours
3:15pm	NCIS
4:15pm	Secrets of Eden
6:00pm	5 News
6:30pm	Neighbours
7:00pm	Home and Away
7:30pm	5 News
8:00pm	Autumn in Loch Lomond
9:00pm	The Yorkshire Vet
10:00pm	Ben Nevis: The Venomous Mountain
11:00pm	Disastrous TV: When Television Goes Wrong
2:00am	Super Casino
4:10am	Britain's Great Cathedrals with Tony Robinson
5:00am	Tattoo Disasters
5:25am	Tattoo Disasters
5:45am	House Doctor

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9:30am	How I Met Your Mother
10:00am	New Girl
10:30am	New Girl
11:00am	2 Broke Girls
11:30am	2 Broke Girls
12:00pm	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
12:30pm	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
1:00pm	The Goldbergs
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8:00pm	Hollyoaks
8:30pm	Extreme Cake Makers
9:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
9:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
10:00pm	Gotham
11:00pm	Supernatural
12:00am	The Big Bang Theory
12:30am	The Big Bang Theory

sky sports main event

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	ATP 500: Barcelona
4:00pm	Live Indian Premier League <i>Mumbai Indians take on Sunrisers Hyderabad at Wankhede Stadium in the VIVO IPL.</i>
8:30pm	Gillette Soccer Special
11:00pm	The Debate - Live
12:00am	Sky Sports News
1:00am	Sky Sports News
2:00am	Live WWE Late Night Smackdown
4:00am	Sky Sports News
5:00am	Sky Sports News

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6:05am	The Jeremy Kyle Show
7:00am	Good Morning Britain
9:30am	Lorraine
10:25am	The Jeremy Kyle Show
11:30am	This Morning
1:30pm	Loose Women
2:30pm	ITV Lunchtime News
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5:00pm	Tipping Point
6:00pm	The Chase
7:00pm	Regional News and Weather
7:30pm	ITV Evening News
8:00pm	Emmerdale
8:30pm	Devon and Cornwall Cops
9:00pm	This Time Next Year
10:00pm	Last Laugh in Vegas
11:00pm	ITV News at Ten and Weather
11:30pm	Regional News and Weather
11:45pm	The Cruise: Sailing the Caribbean
12:15am	The Durrells
1:30am	Jackpot247
4:00am	Loose Women

itv2

8:10am	Who's Doing the Dishes?
8:55am	Emmerdale
9:20am	Coronation Street
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9:00pm	Two and a Half Men
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10:00pm	American Pie: The Wedding
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12:00am	Family Guy
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itv3

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8:55am	The Royal
10:00am	Judge Judy
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11:00pm	Last Laugh in Vegas
12:30am	The Street
1:55am	The Street
3:00am	ITV3 Nightscreen
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itv4

4:00am	Teleshopping
7:00am	The Saint
7:50am	Pawn Stars
8:10am	Pawn Stars
8:35am	Ironsides
9:35am	Quincy, M.E.
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6:00pm	The Avengers
7:05pm	Cash Cowboys
8:05pm	Pawn Stars
8:30pm	Pawn Stars
9:00pm	World Superbike Highlights
10:00pm	Lethal Weapon 4
11:15pm	FYI Daily
11:20pm	Lethal Weapon 4
12:30am	American Gangster
1:30am	FYI Daily
1:35am	American Gangster
3:35am	The Protectors
4:00am	Teleshopping

sky CINEMA ACTION & ADVENTURE

8:45am	Once Upon a Time in Mexico
10:45am	Ghost Rider
12:45pm	Star Trek
3:00pm	Rampage: Special
3:30pm	Salt
5:15pm	The Hunter's Prayer
7:00pm	Ghost Rider
9:00pm	Star Trek
11:15pm	Salt
1:00am	Once Upon a Time in Mexico

sky CINEMA COMEDY

7:00am	The Truth About Cats and Dogs
8:45am	Don Verdean
10:30am	Top Ten Show, the 2018
10:45am	Spanglish
1:05pm	Bridget Jones's Baby
3:15pm	Clueless
5:05pm	Popstar: Never Stop Never Stopping
6:40pm	Spanglish
9:00pm	Bridget Jones's Baby
11:10pm	Clueless
1:00am	Superbad
3:00am	Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas
5:00am	Casual Encounters

sky CINEMA PREMIERE

6:10am	Top Ten Show, the 2018
6:30am	Moana: Special
7:00am	Sky
8:50am	Batman: The Killing Joke <i>The Joker devises a plan to prove that one bad day can make anyone as insane as he is, setting his sights on Commissioner Gordon.</i>
10:15am	Rough Night
12:05pm	The Dark Tower
1:45pm	Broken Vows
3:25pm	Gifted
5:10pm	The Wizard - An American Wrestler
7:20pm	The Dark Tower
9:00pm	Rough Night <i>Things get badly out of hand when five college friends reunite for a wild bachelorette weekend</i>
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12:20am	The Wizard - An American Wrestler
2:30am	Gifted
4:30am	Sky

sky sports football

2:15pm	La Liga Icons
2:30pm	La Liga Icons
2:45pm	La Liga Icons
3:00pm	Eredivisie
4:00pm	Football's Greatest Teams
4:30pm	Football's Greatest Teams
5:00pm	Scottish Cup Greatest Games
5:15pm	Scottish Cup Greatest Games
5:30pm	La Liga Greatest Games
5:45pm	La Liga Greatest Games
6:00pm	Revista de la Liga
6:30pm	Football Countdowns
7:00pm	SPFL Round Up 2017/18
7:15pm	SPFL Greatest Games
7:30pm	MLS Round Up Show
8:00pm	Eredivisie
9:00pm	SPFL Round Up 2017/18
9:15pm	SPFL Greatest Games
9:30pm	MLS Round Up Show
10:00pm	Eredivisie
11:00pm	Revista de la Liga
11:30pm	La Liga World
12:00am	La Liga Icons

TECH FOR THE TIMID



I MAY never understand why a hand is feminine in Spanish but a day is masculine, even though they end in 'o' and 'a' respectively.

Nor in any case can most English speakers grasp why a house should be feminine and a pencil, masculine.

That all makes this well-thumbed story particularly intriguing: should our second-favourite techno-toy (after our smartphones) be 'el computador' or 'la computadora,' a language class was asked?

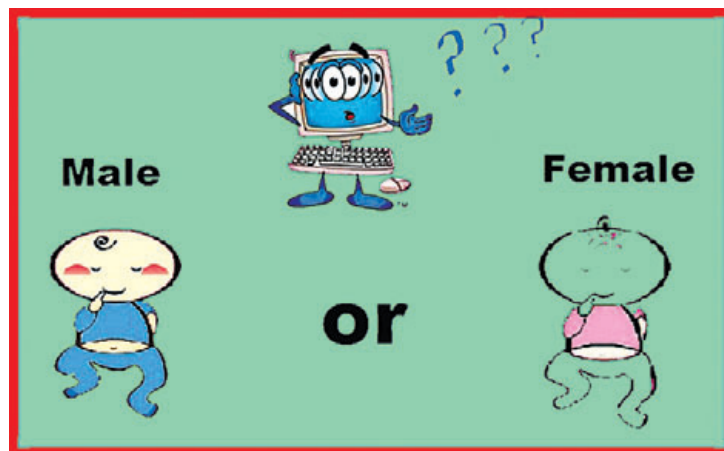
The teacher separated the students into two groups, male and female, asking them to choose.

The males decided computers should be feminine, because:

- No-one but their creator understands their internal logic;
- The native language they use to communicate with other computers is incomprehensible to everyone else;
- Even the smallest mistakes are stored in long-term memory for possible later retrieval; and
- As soon as you make a commitment to one, you find yourself spending half your pay-check on accessories for it.

Mind the gender

Terence Kennedy hopes we can still poke some fun at the gender-polarised computer world



THE X-Y FILES: Gender gap or gulf?

The females voted that computers should be masculine, because:

- To do anything with them, you have to turn them on;
- They have a lot of data but still can't think for themselves;
- They're supposed to help you solve problems, but half the time they are the problem;
- As soon as you commit to one, you realise that if you had waited a little

longer, you could have had a better model.

The women apparently won.

Jokes apart, you're probably aware there are some serious gender issues raging in the tech world right now. Never mind the fact that Ada Lovelace is regarded as the world's first programmer, way back in 1842.

Even as recently as the 1960s, now-Dame Vera Stephanie Shirley had to

adopt the name 'Steve' just to trick corporate backers into seeing her to consider her business venture - which went on to write the programming for Concorde's flight recorder, among the many other achievements of its 300 staff, 297 of them women.

Long before the MeToo hashtag took wing last year, women have struggled in tech against male prejudice, bullying, sexism and underpayment.

Whether it's true or not that women have better analytical abilities than we lesser males, whether we refer to our computers the way we do to our cars (generally 'she'), boats (overwhelmingly 'she') or GPS devices ('She Who Must Be Obeyed' on my own family outings) - there's certainly no excuse for what happened when an entrepreneur recently searched Google for 'an English major who taught herself calculus.'

Google's algorithm rejected the query. It asked: 'Did you mean an English major who taught himself calculus?'

Boys' club

CAN we, should we, still laugh at 'women vs computer' jokes?

What's the difference between a woman and a computer? One is a cold heartless machine and the other is a computing device. You can mute the sound on a computer. The manual isn't complete. Pressing all the buttons halts action. They're both known for bad drivers and crashing. And so on...

Distinctly unamusing is that 90 per cent of women in tech have suffered gender bias, women only run 5 per cent of startups, they only hold 25 per cent of computing jobs, and they earn 29 per cent less than the men.

Perhaps we can at least agree on one of my favourite computing truisms: that computers are the perfect thing for women who don't feel that men provide them with enough frustration. Touché!

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BBCone

7:00am	Breakfast
10:15am	Rip Off Britain
11:00am	Homes Under the Hammer
12:00pm	Heir Hunters
12:45pm	The Housing Enforcers
1:15pm	Bargain Hunt
2:00pm	BBC News
2:30pm	Regional News
2:45pm	Doctors
3:15pm	800 Words
4:00pm	Escape to the Country
4:45pm	Flipping Profit
5:30pm	Flog It!
6:15pm	Pointless
7:00pm	BBC News
7:30pm	Regional News
8:00pm	The One Show
9:00pm	Watchdog Live
10:00pm	Britain's Fat Fight with Hugh Fearnley-Whittingstall
11:00pm	BBC News
11:30pm	Regional News
11:40pm	Weather
11:45pm	A Question of Sport
12:15am	Nightmare Pets SOS
12:45am	Live at the Apollo
1:30am	Weather for the Week Ahead
1:35am	BBC News

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5:05am	This is BBC Two
7:00am	Flog It!
7:30am	Heir Hunters
8:15am	Rip Off Britain
9:00am	Great British Railway Journeys
9:30am	Classic Mary Berry
10:00am	Victoria Derbyshire
11:00am	Snooker
12:30pm	The Daily Politics
2:00pm	Snooker
7:00pm	Eggheads
7:30pm	Britain in Bloom
8:00pm	Antiques Road Trip
9:00pm	Top of the Shop with Tom Kerridge
10:00pm	The Assassination of Gianni Versace - American Crime Story
10:55pm	Live at the Apollo
11:30pm	Newsnight
12:10am	Weather
12:15am	Snooker
1:05am	Snooker
3:05am	MasterChef
4:05am	Pilgrimage: The Road to Santiago
5:05am	This is BBC Two

BBCFOUR

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	The Great Rift: Africa's Wild Heart
10:00pm	Elizabeth I's Secret Agents
11:00pm	The Plantagenets
	<i>Professor Robert Bartlett charts the downfall of the Plantagenet dynasty.</i>
12:00am	Drills, Dentures and Dentistry: An Oral History
1:00am	Stonehenge: A Timewatch Guide
2:00am	Top of the Pops
2:30am	Top of the Pops
3:00am	The Great Rift: Africa's Wild Heart
	<i>Series investigating the geological forces that have shaped East Africa's Great Rift Valley.</i>
4:00am	Elizabeth I's Secret Agents

CHANNEL 4

7:45am	3rd Rock from the Sun
8:10am	3rd Rock from the Sun
8:35am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:00am	Everybody Loves Raymond
9:30am	Frasier
10:00am	Frasier
10:35am	Frasier
11:05am	Ramsay's Hotel Hell
12:00pm	Undercover Boss USA
1:00pm	Channel 4 News
1:05pm	Coast v Country
2:05pm	Posh Pawnbrokers
3:10pm	Countdown
4:00pm	A Place in the Sun
5:00pm	Escape to the Chateau: DIY
6:00pm	Four in a Bed
6:30pm	Buy it Now
7:00pm	The Simpsons
7:30pm	Hollyoaks
8:00pm	Channel 4 News
9:00pm	The Secret Life of the Zoo
10:00pm	One Born Every Minute
11:00pm	First Dates
12:05am	Fatberg Autopsy
1:10am	Live From Abbey Road

CHANNEL 5

6:35am	House Doctor
7:00am	Milkshake!
10:15am	The Wright Stuff
12:15pm	The Yorkshire Vet
	Casebook
1:10pm	5 News
1:15pm	GP's: Behind Closed Doors
2:10pm	Access
2:15pm	Home and Away
2:45pm	Neighbours
3:15pm	NCIS
4:15pm	Profile for Murder
6:00pm	5 News
6:30pm	Neighbours
7:00pm	Home and Away
7:30pm	5 News
8:00pm	Police Interceptors
9:00pm	GP's: Behind Closed Doors
10:00pm	Me and My Addiction
11:30pm	My Extreme Ocd Life
12:35am	Extraordinary People
1:30am	Fail Army
2:00am	Super Casino
4:10am	GP's: Behind Closed Doors
5:00am	Tattoo Disasters
5:25am	Tattoo Disasters
5:45am	House Doctor

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11:30am	2 Broke Girls
12:00pm	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
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1:00pm	The Goldbergs
1:30pm	The Goldbergs
2:00pm	The Big Bang Theory
2:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
3:00pm	How I Met Your Mother
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4:00pm	New Girl
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8:00pm	Hollyoaks
8:30pm	Extreme Cake Makers
9:00pm	The Goldbergs
9:30pm	The Big Bang Theory
10:00pm	Timeless
11:00pm	Naked Attraction
12:05am	The Big Bang Theory
12:35am	The Big Bang Theory
1:05am	First Dates
2:10am	Tattoo Fixers
3:10am	Gogglebox
4:05am	The Goldbergs
4:25am	Timeless

sky sports main event

6:00am	Sky Sports News
7:00am	Total Goals
	<i>Enjoy all the goals from the Premier League and beyond.</i>
8:00am	Total Goals
9:00am	Total Goals
10:00am	Good Morning Sports Fans
11:00am	ATP 500: Barcelona
4:00pm	Live Indian Premier League
	<i>Royal Challengers Bangalore take on the Chennai Super Kings at M</i>
8:30pm	Info not available
11:00pm	The Debate - Live
12:00am	Sky Sports News
	<i>All the news from the Premier League and beyond.</i>
1:00am	Sky Sports News
2:00am	Sky Sports News
3:00am	Sky Sports News
4:00am	Inside the PGA Tour
4:30am	Live European Tour Golf
	<i>The opening day of the Volvo China Open, held in Beijing.</i>

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7:00am	Good Morning Britain
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7:25pm	Party Election Broadcast
7:30pm	ITV Evening News
8:00pm	Emmerdale
8:30pm	Coronation Street
9:00pm	Britain's Brightest Family
9:30pm	Coronation Street
10:00pm	Benidorm
11:00pm	ITV News at Ten and Weather
11:30pm	Regional News and Weather
11:45pm	UEFA Champions League Highlights
12:45am	Play to the Whistle
1:35am	Jackpot247

itv2

8:10am	Who's Doing the Dishes?
8:55am	Emmerdale
9:25am	You've Been Framed!
10:25am	The Ellen DeGeneres Show
11:20am	The Bachelor
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1:45pm	The Cube
2:45pm	The Ellen DeGeneres Show
3:35pm	The Jeremy Kyle Show
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9:00pm	Two and a Half Men
9:30pm	Two and a Half Men
10:00pm	Hell's Kitchen
11:00pm	Hell's Kitchen
11:55pm	Family Guy
12:30am	Family Guy

itv3

3:30am	Teleshopping
7:00am	Classic Coronation Street
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8:00pm	Murder, She Wrote
9:00pm	Endeavour
11:00pm	The Street
12:20am	The Street
1:45am	Joe Maddison's War
3:20am	ITV3 Nightscreen
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itv4

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7:05pm	Cash Cowboys
8:00pm	Pawn Stars
8:30pm	Pawn Stars
9:00pm	River Monsters
10:00pm	The Motorbike Show
11:00pm	The Americans
12:00am	Lethal Weapon
1:00am	The Big Fish Off
2:05am	Minder
3:00am	Bear Grylls: Mission Survive
3:50am	ITV4 Nightscreen
4:00am	Teleshopping

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9:00am	Behind Enemy Lines
11:00am	The Day the Earth Stood Still
1:00pm	John Wick: Chapter Two
3:15pm	The Hurricane Heist
5:15pm	Birth of the Dragon
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9:00pm	John Wick: Chapter Two
11:15pm	The Hurricane Heist
1:05am	Birth of the Dragon

sky CINEMA COMEDY

9:00am	Date and Switch
10:40am	How to be a Latin Lover
12:40pm	The Love Guru
2:15pm	The House
4:00pm	Anchorman: The Legend of Ron Burgundy
5:40pm	The Boss
7:25pm	Table 19
9:00pm	The House
10:40pm	Anchorman: The Legend of Ron Burgundy
12:25am	Talladega Nights: The Ballad of Ricky Bobby

sky CINEMA PREMIERE

4:30am	Sky
6:30am	The Great Wall: Special
7:00am	Growing Up Smith
9:00am	Ready Player One: Special
9:30am	Rough Night
11:30am	Broken Vows
1:15pm	The Dark Tower
3:05pm	The Wizard - An American Wrestler
5:15pm	Gifted
7:10pm	Rough Night
	<i>Things get badly out of hand when five college friends reunite for a wild bachelorette weekend.</i>
9:00pm	The Dark Tower
10:45pm	Sheikh Jackson
12:30am	Broken Vows
2:15am	Sky
4:15am	The Wizard - An American Wrestler
	<i>A teen escapes post-revolution Iran only to meet more hostility in the US, but finds acceptance on his school's struggling wrestling team</i>

sky sports football

12:45pm	SPFL Greatest Games
1:00pm	Eredivisie
2:00pm	La Liga Icons
2:15pm	La Liga Icons
2:30pm	La Liga Icons
2:45pm	La Liga Icons
3:00pm	Revista de la Liga
3:30pm	La Liga World
4:00pm	Football's Greatest Teams
4:30pm	Football's Greatest Teams
5:00pm	Scottish Cup
	<i>Greatest Games</i>
5:15pm	Scottish Cup
	<i>Greatest Games</i>
5:30pm	La Liga Greatest Games
5:45pm	La Liga Greatest Games
6:00pm	Football Years
6:30pm	Football
	<i>Countdowns</i>
7:00pm	Revista de la Liga
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11:00pm	Eredivisie
12:00am	La Liga Icons
12:15am	La Liga Icons



TV COUCH CRITIC

by Adam Whalley-Lewis

THERE is a lot to get through this week, so diving right in, Piers Morgan is back on *Good Morning Britain*, ITV weekday mornings and he didn't waste time laying into the government and the opposition for failing to put up a spokesperson to talk about the UK forces air strikes.

I agree with Piers (please, don't fall into your vino tinto) that surely someone, somewhere, should have been free to talk to *GMB* and provide an update on what was happening, enough said.

Completely changing the subject, *The Big Painting Challenge* is back on BBC1 on Sunday evenings. Reverend Richard Coles (you will know him when you see him) and Mariella Frostrup (you think you know the name, I still have no idea who she is) are back guiding amateur painters through painting challenges each week.

If you remember Hannah Gordon's 'Easy Strokes' you might be disappointed but, if you are a fan of the 80's group The Communards (the Rev was a member) and/or the art of gentle paint-

Painting, springtime and laughing in Las Vegas



80'S REVIVAL: Last Laugh in Las Vegas.

ing, this one is for you.

As if to prove spring has sprung, *Springtime on the Farm* raced across Channel 5 last week serving up masses of celebrity contributions and stuff that happens on a farm. The celebrity contributor list read like something a BAF-TA red carpet would be proud of, but what stood out for me was the resilience of the Nicholson family who have oper-

ated Cannon Hall farm for 60 plus years. I don't think the Nicholsons need celebrity friends to illustrate how brilliant they are.

Anyone in need of a nostalgia boost might want to look out *Last Laugh in Vegas*, ITV Tuesdays. There are eight acts performing including Cannon and Ball and Su Pollard.

The gang travel to Las Vegas to put



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SHOCK DEVELOPMENT: Critic agrees with Piers Morgan.

on one-last-show, directed by Frank Marino. Frank knows his stuff. He is the only person to have two stars on the Las Vegas Boulevard Walk of Fame and has raised millions of dollars for charity. Frank also badly needs a haircut.

The shows lead up to a one off performance, it has to be said in one of sin city's lesser known theatres and whatever Frank's weekly ratings might sug-

gest, I'm sure the final show will be great. The real shock for me though is Bernie Clifton's voice, he is a great singer. Look out for a feature length episode coming to *ITV3* soon.

On Monday night David Attenborough and The Queen got together in *The Queen's Green Planet*, ITV. This regal documentary showcased Her Majesty's plan to create a patchwork of protected forests across all 53 Commonwealth countries.

There was a bit of staged eavesdropping where the pair chatted about health and safety with Her Majesty blaming a noisy helicopter on President Trump. Cameo appearances from William and Kate, predictably planting trees and then not so predictably catching salmon with their bare hands and by Prince Harry rounded off the sort of programme the BBC used to do much better, but which ITV now seem to have the 'By Royal Appointment' accolade.

Happy viewing.

Lies, damned lies, and statistics

Nora Johnson
Breaking Views

Nora is the author of popular psychological suspense and crime thrillers and a freelance journalist. To comment on any of the issues raised in her column, go to www.euroweeklynnews.com/3.0.15/nora-johnson

COUPLE of rants this week. First off, news that nearly two thirds of supposed, unaccompanied child refugees challenged about their real age after coming to Britain were found to be adults.

In the year to June 2017, according to an official report, 65 per cent of asylum seekers assessed claiming to be juveniles had lied about being under 18 - some even in their 20's or 30's with flecks of grey hair!

What on earth is wrong with us? Why do we allow ourselves to be fleeced like this? When they get to the UK, these so-called 'children' are put into care which not only deprives real children of scarce foster home places, but can also mean adult males placed in children's homes amongst vulnerable young people. And the Home Office refuses to use medical checks on the migrants because it's 'unethical'!

All this amid reports that Britain is the only major western economy to meet the United Nations target for overseas aid...



REFUGEES: UK meets UN target, but are we being fleeced?

News too about that other bastion of British life: the BBC. This, we are told, regularly flouts its own salary cap rules to inflate wages for its top earners - including presenters and programme editors.

So, enormous salaries with equally enormous pensions all provided by you, the tax payer! Why? The BBC still operates under the illusion that 'the talent' is unique and irreplaceable, a belief strongly encouraged by the agents of said 'talent.'

Perhaps if the BBC spent more researching what their paying listeners and viewers want to see and hear rather than some of the fluff we're offered, we wouldn't mind these extortionate salaries. As it is, the rubbish on offer far outweighs the excellence.

I can only assume the BBC has a 'Director of Discontent' and that he/she earns more than the Director of Content (who's on £325,000) because it's clearly the bigger, tougher, much more demanding job.

The BBC and the Home Office - two rants for the price of one this week! Next scandal, please!

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

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LEGALLY SPEAKING

Do I pay Spanish income tax?

Q. We have received several queries about Spanish income tax and the time is upon us now.

The most frequent question every year is whether incomes under €22,000 need to be declared. This year many readers are also confused by the new electronic systems available, and the end of the 'borrador' or draft declaration.

A. First, if you are a UK old-age pensioner and your income is less than

David Searl
You and the Law in Spain



€22,000 a year, you are obliged to declare for Spanish income tax. This is because your UK pension has not been subject to Spanish withholding tax during the year. Someone working in Spain has tax deducted from his salary each month, just as in the UK, so he has no extra tax to pay. The pensioner, however, will probably find he has a small amount of Spanish tax to pay, even after his deductions.

Second, the Spanish Tax Agency is now touting its new declaration by telephone system so you can "pay with a click."

You must download their app to your smart phone. Our own suggestion is that you consult a Spanish tax advisor to make sure everything is correct.

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

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Leapy Lee 'How many more lives must be lost?'

I FELT compelled to write to you in reply to the above headline, and cannot agree more with Leapy Lee's assessment.

I was a Police Officer in Tottenham in the early 70's and the frightening statistic then was that 90 per cent of the crime in the area was committed by about 10 per cent of Tottenham's population, in other words the ethnic minority.

This fact, put together by Police Col-lator Reports was never publicised for the very same reason it is not spoken about now - the Politically Correct - and for fear of upsetting anyone! Only those of the Ethnic Minority when arrested, had their own telephone number to call for assistance, because of any alleged racist accusations, and the old adage, quote 'You only stopped/arrested me because I am black.'

John Mather, Costa del Sol

What a waste

I AM prompted to remark that Tor-revieja built a wonderful looking

Sky-high prices to fly

AS a seasoned traveller I am amazed at the frequently high price of flights between Malaga and Madrid.

In the last six months I have used the capital for connecting international flights to the US, Far East, and the Middle East.

With my most recent international ticket provided out of Madrid by a client I found myself responsible for the internal flights, resulting in a price quote of almost €400 return for a Malaga-Madrid return ticket as it was not purchased at part of the original international flight.

With Malaga-London return tickets often available for a quar-



| SHORT HAUL: Travel from Malaga is expensive.

ter of this amount – in part bargain prices because of the stiff competition that exists - how I wish there was more competition between carriers on the Malaga-Madrid routing.

While I prefer to fly for the sake of convenience with the

connections, the near €400 price tag for a Malaga-Madrid return left me with little option for the sake of my pocket to use the AVE high-speed rail service at less than half the price.

Down to earth traveller, Name and address supplied

desalination plant, but after 10 years was still not used due to the fact that no electricity was built in.

Also the discharge water pipes would have to go through the town. (I left Torrevieja two years ago and it was still not functioning or having any new and necessary features provided, so it could be 12 years.)

My father-in-law was a draughtsman to Stevenage new town. I don't remember any such hiccoughs.

Cutting off the water supply for a number of hours, encourages people to fill up baths, and other containers, then throw it away when water is returned to normal pressure is actually using more of a scarce commodity.

Marie Jenkins, Mutxamel

More motor homes

REGARDING the letter from Dave Turre last week.

Motor homes do not contribute to the local economy as for a start they do not pay towards emptying the rubbish bins, we as residents do, they also take water from the taps that are situated in and around our village, who do you think pays for that?

We pay water rates they don't.

Also they take up all the parking spaces on the beach which cars cannot park as they stay there all winter taking up all the space.

They also empty their sewerage waste in and around the parkland as they have been seen and photographed doing this disgusting habit.

At last the Elche Police are now going to fine them for illegally parking. About time - see what they think of that - if they can afford these luxury motor homes why don't they use the campsites, there are plenty of them.

They are just free loaders.

All the residents here are fed up with them.

May, La Marina

HAVE YOUR SAY

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Readers who have missed correspondence can see all letters - which can be edited before publication - posted on: www.euroweeklynnews.com.

'Disruptive' stag do passenger fined

£2,500 fine is not enough - what about the costs of all the passengers onboard? Disrupted flight disrupted lives - who knows what cost to each passenger this caused! Each passenger should be compensated by the defendant - and Ryanair costs. Who covers those? A minimum fine of £20,000 if the flight has to turn around due to disruptive behaviour could go some way to reducing this type of behaviour. Saying that, the question does have to be raised as to how on earth he was allowed on the flight in the first place!

Lorraine Enriquez Murphy

So if he was already drunk, why was he allowed to fly. Staff should take more responsibility but if they have to unload a passenger it costs time and money.

Robert Mitchell

Actually by law cabin crew can actually stop you from boarding if we believe you to be drunk before the flight, the problem is once we are in the air alcohol works differently so its much harder to spot on land, the problem is these people think they will be fine when its not always the case, due to the cabin pressure all alcohol in your system doubles its affect if you could limit alcohol intake both on land and in the sky we would solve the issue to a great extent.

Katy Hunt

Comments from EWN online

Man, 84, sentenced to prison for killing violent burglar in Canary Islands

Most in-humane ruling ever. Putting an 84-year-old man in jail for reacting to violence. I truly hope that judge gets burgled himself one day... see how he feels then.

Lucas Verbist

I thought it was only the UK courts that made ridiculous court judgements like this!

Anne Whitfield

Don't care if the gun was legal or not. What that burglar did was illegal. He and his accomplice should NOT have been terrorising these elderly people in their own home or anywhere else. How would you feel if it had been your parents in this situation?

Barbara Anne Holt

So sad - that Spain is going the same way as the UK, in preferring the 'rights' of criminals over those of the victims.

PM

Spanish woman attacked on London tube train for not speaking English

I think it stinks how these people have been treated. Both my wife and myself travel to Spain twice a year on holiday and we have never been treated this way. What if other people went to many different countries would we have to speak many languages prior to travelling? I just hope these women are caught and put in front of a very good judge who will think very hard on the behaviour.

Simon

Do the millions of British people that holiday in Spain every year speak Spanish, I don't think so. Absolutely disgusting.

Sheena Hutson

Absolutely disgraceful... what the hell is wrong with people... sending her best wishes and hope she soon recovers.

Cherill Munday

QUEEN FOR CUDECA

Support the Cudeca cancer hospice and enjoy an unforgettable concert experience at the same time. This is the invitation being extended to everyone when Europe's best Queen tribute act plays in aid of Cudeca at the Castle in Fuengirola on Saturday, April 21.

Tickets

Standing: 18 euro.
Seated: 25 euro.

Tickets are sold online
www.ticketea.com and at:

Fuengirola: UniOptica
(opposite the Tourist Office)
Café La Vida (the Feria Square)

Arroyo: Funky Frog (Avda. Gamonal)
Mijas: Loft & Roomers (Ctra. de Mijas)
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It all started on a small scale more than ten years ago. Today, the band is in demand all across Northern Europe, and in many parts of the USA as well.

From hobby to the big time

Bjarke Baisner sings, looks, acts and performs just like the legendary Freddie Mercury. And his four band members are equally enthusiastic. That's why the Queen Machine tribute act is the closest you can get to the real deal, and fans flock to their concerts in the thousands. "We are just like Queen in their younger days. When they were in their prime and always able to surprise on stage. This is also just how our audiences expect to see us," explains Peter Jeppesen, guitarist and spokesman for the band. He has been on board ever since things first got going in '07. "Back then it was just for fun, but things suddenly got serious – and in a good way. We went

from playing for small audiences in tiny venues to standing before crowds of 10-20 thousand people at huge festivals. I don't quite get it, but people want to see us. They want to see Queen." And Queen Machine does their utmost to deliver the goods.

All the little details

The popular band takes great pride in developing their act and preparing for their performances, and they focus on all of the little details in order to make their concerts as authentic as possible. "We are always coming up with new shows and we pay attention to all of the subtleties so that we can get as close to the real Queen as we can," explains the Danish guitarist. For this reason, their costumes are tailor-made to look like the original ones worn by Queen, and their light shows and staging are set up just as they were at Queen concerts in the

80s. Attention is paid to every detail, including those which are too small to fully appreciate, such as the guitarist's plectrum, for example.

Brian May and Roger Taylor say okay

It is no ordinary plectrum; it's the old, original sixpence coin that Brian May used at the height of Queen's fame. "A few years ago, we had the pleasure of meeting Queen's original guitarist, Brian May, and the band's drummer Roger Taylor. They know us and our show, so we've got the thumbs up from them," concludes Peter Jeppesen cheerfully. The band has a long summer ahead touring across Europe and the USA, where they had a big breakthrough last year. But before then, Europe's best Queen tribute act will play their first concert ever on Spanish soil. On April 21, they will bring their legendary show to Castillo Sohail in Fuengirola.

About Cudeca

Since the cancer hospice Cudeca was established in 1992 it has cared for more than 14,000 cancer patients on Costa del Sol. Some patients stay in-house at Cudeca's hospice in Benalmádena, while others receive out-house treatment and care in their homes. All cancer patients can ask Cudeca for help regardless of the person's sex, age, religion and nationality. Last year alone Cudeca took care of more than 1,400 patients. And the number is growing every year. Therefore, the cancer hospice is in need of more resources. Just eight percent of Cudeca's budget is covered by public contributions. In other words, 92 percent is generated by private donations, charity shops and numerous charity events.

Beautiful Castillo Sohail

The old medieval castle in Fuengirola is considered one of the most beautiful concert venues in Andalucía. But this hasn't always been the case. Castillo Sohail was extremely damaged by wars in the past and at some point it was almost virtually destroyed. From 1995-97 the townhall restored and partially rebuilt the old castle. Now 15-20 concerts and other cultural



activities are held at Castillo Sohail every year.

Paul Maxwell

The evening will offer lots of entertainment and really good music.

Paul Maxwell – also known as The Piano Man – performs frequently at the most popular venues in Marbella and has performed several times with prominent names like Lionel Richie, Gary Moore, Michael Bolton and Ricky Martin. Paul Maxwell will perform the biggest



hits from Elton John, Louis Armstrong, Tom Jones and Tina Turner as well as his own music.



Cassandra Nash*A weekly look*- and not entirely impartial reaction -
to the Spanish political scene

THE Spanish press was beside itself with vicarious pleasure when Spain's latest queen Letizia, prevented her mother-in-law, queen emerita Sofia, from being photographed with her granddaughters.

A clash between daughter-in-law and mother-in-law? Or commoner and queen? Most women will be familiar with scenes like these and - interestingly - the elder of the two infantas, Leonor, disengaged readily and brusquely from granny.

The Zarzuela Palace damage-limitation merchants immediately swung into action with photos of both queens beaming at each other and doubtless all future domestics will take place in private.

With a career as a news presenter and a previous marriage behind her, Letizia is not universally popular in Spain. Paradoxically, even those with republican leanings believe that a queen should be the result of years of inbreeding with cousins while oozing majesty and protocol.

But the coup de grace for Letizia came from Andrew Morton, royal biographer supreme, in his latest analysis of Prince Harry's future wife Meghan Markle. Far from



Photo credit You Tube

CLASH:
Spanish
queens Sofia
and Letizia.

comparing Markle with Princess Diana, he likened her to Letizia. Both are divorced, ambitious, centred, with a lot of determination and strong opinions, he pronounced. All of which is true, but not what Letizia needs to hear right now.

Degrees of silliness

CRISTINA CIFUENTES, regional president of the Madrid Community, was regarded as a possible contender for Mariano Rajoy's crown when he eventually surrenders it.

So there was more than a touch of schadenfreude in some Partido Popular quarters when Cifuentes found herself in a pickle over a Master's degree in Autonomous Law that might or might not have been deservedly awarded.

She has stuck to her guns and clung to her Master's diploma even though all the

evidence points to academic jiggery-pokery. It is disputable whether possessing said degree would have made her a better politician or regional president, not when she has highly-paid advisers to deal with legal issues, autonomous or not.

Cifuentes would have done better to tell the truth or make a lame excuse. The jaded voting public expect politicians to lie, but are unforgiving when they catch them at it.

Practically inaudible

CARLES PUIGDEMONT is at large in Germany although Spain is still determined to haul him back to face the music, this time for misappropriation of public funds.

Meanwhile, Cataluña's former regional president laps up all the attention and flits from press conference to press conference in Berlin.

At one of these, he insisted that he has always said that independence 'wasn't the only answer' for Cataluña.

He might have muttered this at some point in the past but if he did it must have been in a very low voice that very few managed to hear.

A right royal clash

**ON THE MARCH:** Albert Rivera and Ines Arrimadas.

Twice as good

THE Ciudadanos (Cs) party led by Albert Rivera nationwide and by Ines Arrimadas in Cataluña would win the next general election on its present showing, according to the latest Metroscopia poll.

The Cs would have 28.7 per cent of the vote, compared with the Partido Popular's 20.4 per cent.

The PSOE dropped slightly and surprise! surprise! the Unidos Podemos party led by Pablo Iglesias is catching up with the socialists. Whether purposely or fortuitously, Iglesias has boxed clever by allowing himself to be overshadowed by current events.

And the announcement that his partner Irene Montero is expecting twins won't have done him any harm.

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Stop glorifying murderers

Mike Senker*In my opinion**Views of a Grumpy Old Man*

OCTOBER 5, 1962 was a remarkable day for me. It was the day that The Beatles released *Love Me Do*, their first UK single and I became a fan immediately. I have loved all their music ever since.

I loved everything they stood for - peace, love, and youngsters having fun, a new age revolution, but a good revolution - a new era of happiness.

Now fast forward to February 8, 2018 and I read that the last two Beatles have been captured. Not Paul and Ringo but two terrorists that were given the name of 'The Beatles' back in 2015 when there was four of them. How dare the media glorify these vile humans?

This, of course, got me thinking. Why does the press have to give them these jolly little names? It makes them sound like celebrities. Terrorists and killers often revel in publicity. Why does the public need to know the names of every person that shoots someone or plants a bomb?

Granted, our 'survival of the fittest', animal instinct draws us to violence and conflict. And although this glorifying journalism caters to

that human weakness, why publicise radicalised killers, felons and terrorists? In fact, why print their names or pictures at all? What if the media just used initials?

They should never be named, the most they should get is initials and definitely not start publicising all their family and friends telling us what lovely people they are. Why give them exactly what they want? No pictures, no information, nothing. I know some say by issuing pictures and other publicity the authorities can get more information. Well let them do their job but stop the media glorifying these people.

Then there's the term 'lone wolf' which conjures up another type of character and makes them sound cool and predatory. I'd prefer to read, 'another killer did this or that' instead of lone wolf.

Although the term often refers to an individual acting without help from a group, it is now often used to downplay acts of terrorism committed by white, non-Muslim perpetrators. Anders Breivik, the Norwegian right-wing white supremacist, who killed 77 people in 2011, was always referred to as a 'lone wolf' in the media. Mohamed Lahouaiej-Bouhlel, the Tunisian who killed 86 people when he drove a truck into a crowd in Nice in July 2016 was not.

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MADDOCKS' VIEW ON LIFE



' WE WOULD ALL MISS OUR NEWSPAPERS -
DIGITAL MEDIA HAS ITS LIMITATIONS! '

Trivia from around the world

*** Albania's Sazan Island was once a Cold War military base. There are now plans to turn it into a holiday resort complete with Vegas-style casinos.

*** Singapore, along with Monaco and Vatican City, are the last three 'city states' in the world, self-governing entities made up of one urban area.

*** There are direct descendants of British pirates who arrived in Honduras around 500 years ago living there today.

*** The ox-driven water wheel arrived in Sudan in around the 4th century BC and it is still widely used today.

*** Bunkers built for former Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein featured a swimming pool, a gourmet kitchen and a nursery for his grandchildren.

*** Many women in French Polynesia and the Cook Islands place a tiare flower behind their right ear if single and their left if in a relationship.



TALLEST STATUE: The Spring Temple Buddha in China was completed in September 2008.

DID YOU KNOW?

The three tallest statues in the world are all of Buddhas. The Spring Temple Buddha in Lushan, China is 128 metres tall, the Laykyun Setkyar in Khatakan Taung, Myanmar is 115.8 and the Ushiku Daibutsu in Ushiku, Japan is 110. All were built in the last 25 years.

Women's wit

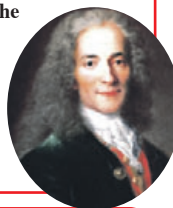
“ If I hold back, I'm no good. I'd rather be good sometimes than hold back all the time.”

Janis Joplin, singer

Famous quote

“ Life is thickly sown with thorns and I know no other remedy than to pass through them quickly. The longer we dwell on misfortune the greater its power to harm us.”

Voltaire, intellectual



World of English

“ Posology - the branch of medicine concerned with the size and frequency of medication and drug doses.”

YOUR STARS

FOR NEXT 7 DAYS



AQUARIUS
(January 21 - February 19)

Such is your popularity this week that you can be assured of success in many things. Remember that first impressions can be the most accurate and don't be tempted to make too many allowances for others.



PISCES
(February 20 - March 20)

For some time you have been trying to settle a certain matter. Although it is in your nature to get things out of the way quickly, this has not been possible. The chance to make progress this week is welcome but be sure that all is not what it seems.



ARIES
(March 21 - April 20)

A friend of long standing comes up with some bright ideas to get you out of a tricky situation. Don't be surprised. You have for a long time now underestimated their worth. Your friend will be surprised when you show your gratitude in an immediate and physical way, but if there is anything better than finding a new friend it is finding an old friend has hidden talents.



TAURUS
(April 21 - May 21)

The urge to get ahead at as fast a pace as possible is apparent this week. Some would say not before time. However, you know the art of choosing the moment and it has not been until now that you have felt the time was right. This is a truly expansive week and one in which your powers of imagination are given full rein. No wonder you are being admired.



GEMINI
(May 22 - June 21)

The company is so interesting that you can hardly tear yourself away and new experiences are arriving every day. You could be forgiven for getting a little over-excited. When travel brings you face to face with a stranger, you find that a bit of information you hear has to be acted upon.



CANCER
(June 22 - July 23)

Someone close gets a real stroke of luck this week and no doubt the benefits will rub off on you. It seems that some fortune will come your way by the end of the month and lead you to see a situation in quite a



LEO
(July 24 - August 23)

Someone you have been holding at arm's length recently is insisting on getting closer. Charm and tact alone may not save the day, but enlisting the help of a friend could. Travel and career are well-aspected and, if you are expecting a financial windfall, you may have a bit longer to wait.



VIRGO
(August 24 - September 23)

The hard work you have been putting in recently has left you tired and, at times, quite tetchy. This week you will start to see the rewards of your efforts which will undoubtedly help you to keep up the momentum. There is a lot of both passion and travel this week, which is set to continue.



LIBRA
(September 24 - October 23)

This is a highly sociable week, and you could meet some new faces that not only attract but inspire you. You are a social butterfly, and this brings out your Libran flutteriness. You will have to draw on all your powers of concentration to keep ahead of practical matters such as paperwork.



SCORPIO
(October 24 - November 22)

You dominate the scene this week and no one is in any doubt about what you are aiming for. If you want to impress someone new to your circle, however, try a bit of cunning as opposed to brow-beating.



SAGITTARIUS
(November 23 - December 21)

Communication and self-expression are what it's all about this week. Although you may feel that indulging yourself is in some ways selfish, you should realise that you are entitled to some fun.



CAPRICORN
(December 22 - January 20)

The call of romance is strong but so is that of your business life. The two will clash to the detriment of each other if you do not plan ahead and pace yourself. Do not be at the beck and call of others when you need all your time and energy for yourself.

LOTTERY

UK NATIONAL LOTTERY



Saturday April 14

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(42) (46)
(47) (48)

BONUS BALL
(38)

IRISH LOTTO



Saturday April 14

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BONUS BALL
(47)

EURO MILLIONS



Tuesday April 10

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Friday April 13

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(50)

LUCKY STARS
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LA PRIMITIVA



Thursday April 12

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Saturday April 14

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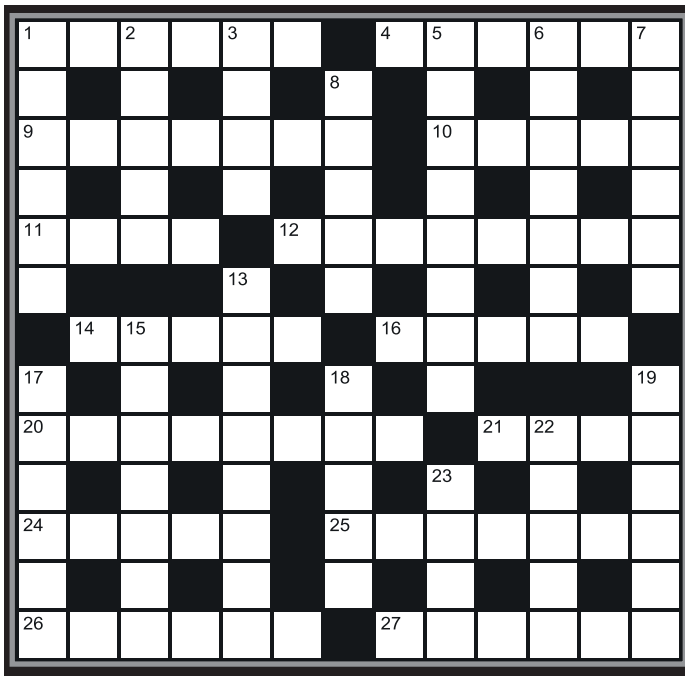
Cryptic

Across

- 1 Bed in the Home Counties for a writer (6)
4 Mutilate a thousand fish (6)
9 Right place, I resolved to find duplicate (7)
10 A very hard stone to find in Wales (5)
11 Whip left in front of tree (4)
12 Rescue gun dog with no tail (8)
14 Fred's wife with the Italian mother (5)
16 Before end of day dining room is cluttered (5)
20 Particular kind of epic sale (8)
21 Cast about for laws (4)
24 Cooking broth is such a pain (5)
25 Possible description of sty could be sty? (7)
26 Easing of pain about change of life (6)
27 Conniving little animal died (6)

Down

- 1 Walk the street holding a register (6)
2 Guys held by Europe security officers (5)
3 Cook first of big onions in liquid (4)
5 Firm fade out supported (8)
6 They fly although they are powerless to do so (7)

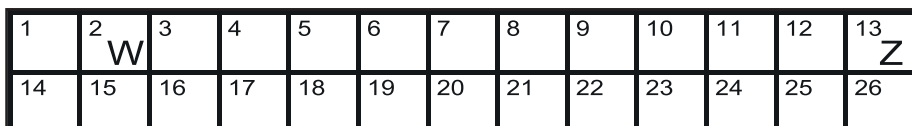
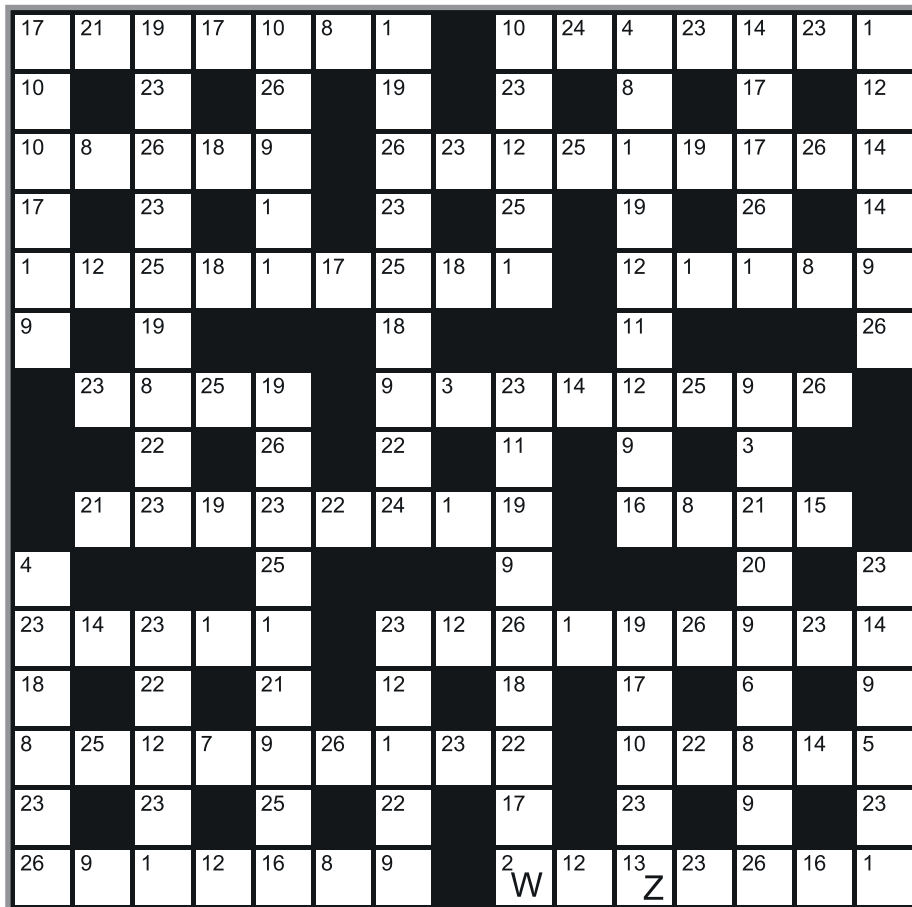


- 7 A choice of one in two, or possibly one in three (6)
8 King or jack? Same difference! (5)
13 Friendly letters in e-mail: A, B, C (8)
15 Rip Email off and put at risk (7)
17 Improved as a gambler (6)

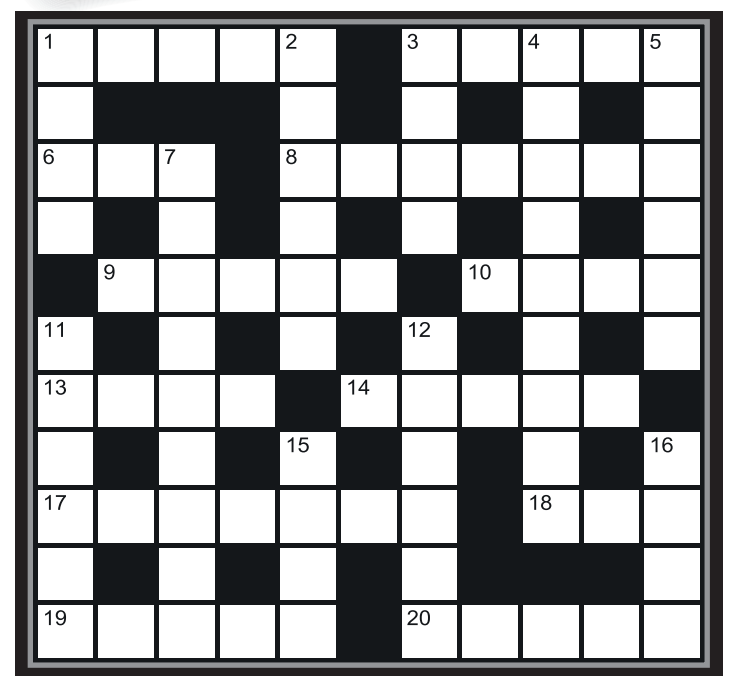
- 18 Spent getting precious stone, then diamonds (5)
19 Doesn't change Belgian port (6)
22 Copy a hundred and fifty one (5)
23 Come together in game show (4)

Code Breaker

Each number in the Code Breaker grid represents a different letter of the alphabet. In this week's puzzle, 2 represents W and 13 represents Z, so fill in W every time the figure 2 appears and Z every time the figure 13 appears. Now, using your knowledge of the English language, work out which letters should go in the missing squares. As you discover the letters, fill in other squares with the same number in the main grid and the control grid.



Quick



Across

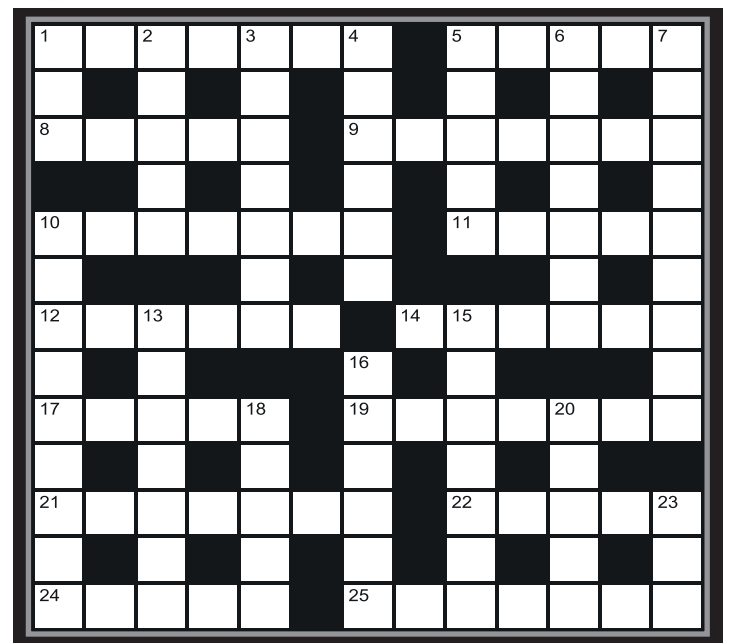
- 1 Motion picture (5)
3 Apartments (5)
6/18 Old or experienced sailor (3,3)
8 Airman (7)
9 Judge's small mallet (5)
10 Sign of something about to happen (4)
13 State of extreme anger (4)
14 Tract of level wasteland (5)
17 Own (7)
18 See 6
19 Escape or avoid by cunning (5)
20 No longer fresh (5)

Down

- 1 Body of matter without definite shape (4)
2 Hard white substance covering the crown of a tooth (6)
3 Just (4)
4 Tried (9)
5 Calm (6)
7 Inability to feel pain (9)
11 Increase threefold (6)
12 Against (6)
15 Relinquish possession or control over (4)
16 Eye greedily (4)

English - Spanish

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



Across

- 1 Chestnut (7)
5 Arches (5)
8 Demostrar (5)
9 To withdraw (7)
10 To buy (7)
11 Claro (ejemplo, prueba, ventaja) (5)
12 To copy (6)
14 Blankets (6)
17 Playing card (5)
19 Alfombras (7)
21 Árbitro (7)
22 Ship (vessel) (5)
24 Salado (5)
25 Mañana (hora del día) (7)

Down

- 1 See 23
2 Tormenta (5)
3 Happiness (cheerfulness) (7)
4 Worker (agriculture, industry) (6)
5 Desván (5)
6 Correcto (7)
7 Sorpresas (9)
10 Cooks (chefs) (9)
13 Doloroso (7)
15 To pass (approve) (7)
16 Gritar (6)
18 Temprano (5)
20 Skiing (5)
23/1 Huevera (3,3)

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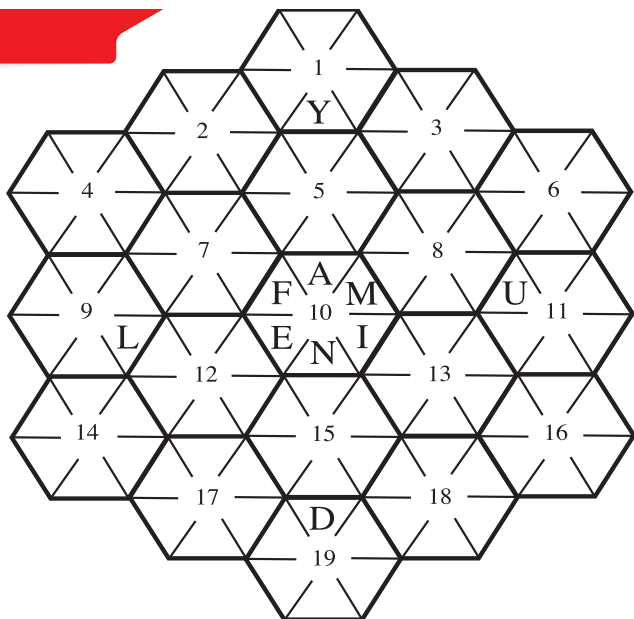
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Hexagram

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GIRDLE
GUNMEN
LOUNGE
METHYL
MINNOW
MODERN
PERSON
PILFER
STUFFY
VOYAGE
WADDLE



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

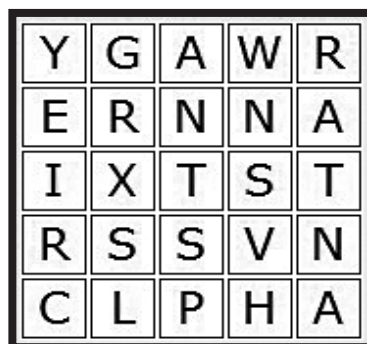
LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

1 Bovine 2 Eyeful 3 Invent 4 Finite
5 Syntax 6 Soften 7 Diesel 8 Scanty
9 Indoor 10 Excuse 11 Faulty
12 Solemn 13 Typhus 14 Bosses
15 Shalom 16 Styled 17 Snoopy
18 Laptop 19 Pollen

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: 24
- Very good: 48
- Good: 33
- Excellent: 62

SCORING:

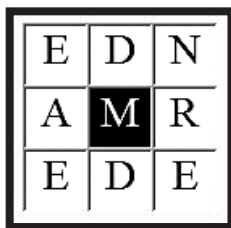
4 letters: 1 point 7 letters: 5 points
5 letters: 2 points 8 or more letters: 11 points
6 letters: 3 points

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

oxen uses peso penuche penuches
sues sees seed sett hues house
houses hoes heed ness nebs nubs
nude nudes beset bees beet shun
sheet shed site sites jess jetties hubs
issue tees teed tissue ties tied cube
cubes cubs cubed chub chubs chess
cheese cheeses cheque chequed
cheques dune dunes dubs duchess
debs desex quiet quit quite

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



TARGET:

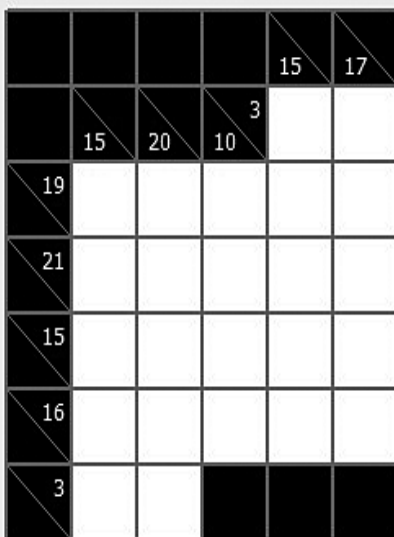
- Average: 10
- Good: 14
- Very good: 20
- Excellent: 25

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

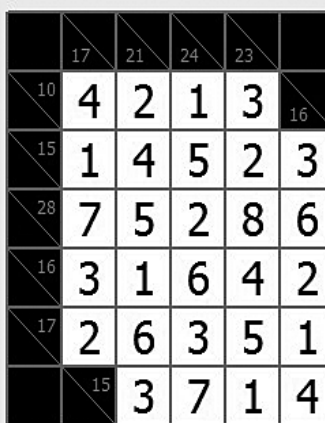
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genera geneva graven greave grieve racing raving regain avenger
carving craving engrave generic reeving veering vinegar GRIEVANCE

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 Feline, 4 Fret, 8 Available, 9 Obey, 10 Rabies, 13 Second, 15 Lair, 18 Originate, 19 Fast, 20 Battle.

Down:

1 Furious, 2 Leave, 3 Near, 5 Rabbi, 6/18 Tee off, 7 Bleak, 11 Syringe, 12 Unfit, 14 Chips, 16 Alert, 17 Data.

CODE BREAKER

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

CRYPTIC

Across:

1 Stands, 4 Moscow, 9 Average, 10 Lyres, 11 Champ, 12 Red tape, 13 Clandestine, 18 Prosper, 20 Lowly, 22 Group, 23 Swindle, 24 Tutors, 25 Unseen.

Down:

1 Starch, 2 Arena, 3 Dead pan, 5 Oiled, 6 Certain, 7 Wasted, 8 George cross, 14 Lookout, 15 Tallinn, 16 Spigot, 17 Wyvern, 19 Piper, 21 Wedge.

ENGLISH-SPANISH

Across:

1 Sash, 3 Culpicio, 9 Iglesia, 10 Crash, 11 Sidra, 12 Guests, 14 Rincón, 16 Sticky, 19 Premio, 21 Reach, 24 Irons, 25 Avispon, 26 As soon as, 27 Jefe.

Down:

1 Scissors, 2 Salad, 4 Orange, 5 Uncle, 6 Plastic, 7 Ocho, 8 Estafío, 13 By chance, 15 Nervous, 17 Tercio, 18 Solapa, 20 Museo, 22 Apple, 23 Cita.

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QUIZ: BIG CATS

- First published in 1950, who was the author of the fantasy novel for children *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*?
- Name any two of the three theme songs to James Bond films sung by Dame Shirley Bassey, who was born in Tiger Bay, Cardiff in January 1937?
- 'The lion goes from strength to strength' is the advertising slogan of which motor manufacturer?
- Tony the Tiger is the advertising cartoon mascot for which breakfast cereal, appearing on its packaging and advertising?
- Welford Road is the home ground of which Premiership rugby union club?
- What is golfer Tiger Woods real first name?

- Which 12th century English king was nicknamed the Lionheart or Coeur de Lion?
- Which alternative rock band released the number one hit single *Three Lions* in 1996 to mark the England football team's participation in that year's European Championships, held in England?
- Which mythical creature had the head and wings of an eagle and the body of a lion, typically depicted with pointed ears and with the eagle's legs taking the place of the forelegs?
- With which sport would you principally associate Dick Tiger (born Richard Ihetu)?

Not a lot of people know that... female lions do the hunting (together in groups) while male lions stay home to protect the pride, however tigers are solitary hunters, and generally search for food alone at night.

Answers:

- C.S. (Clive Staples) LEWIS, 2. GOLDINGER (1964) DIAMONDS ARE FOREVER (1971) and MOONRAKER (1979), 3. PELUGEOT (part of Groupe PSA), 4. KELLOGG'S FROSTED FLAKES (also known as FROSTIES), 5. LEICESTER TIGERS (officially Leicester Football Club), 6. ELDRICK 'Tont Woods', 7. RICHARD I, 8. THE LIGHTNING SEEDS (in collaboration with David Baddiel and Frank Skinner), 9. GRIFFIN (GRIFFON or GRYPHON), 10. BOXING - he was the World Middleweight and World Light Heavyweight Champion

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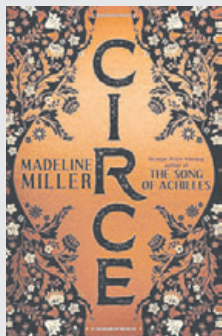
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A goddess in exile

HELIOS, the titan god of the sun, has just welcomed a baby daughter into his home. Far from being wanted, Circe is scorned and rejected by her fellow divine beings for not being godly enough.

She soon turns to mortals for company and discovers forbidden witchcraft. One dark spell later and she is on her way to the island of Aiaia after being banished from the house of the gods by Zeus.

While there she practises the dark arts and soon meets a succession of characters from the craftsman Daedalus to the calculating adventurer Odysseus who passes through on his way home.

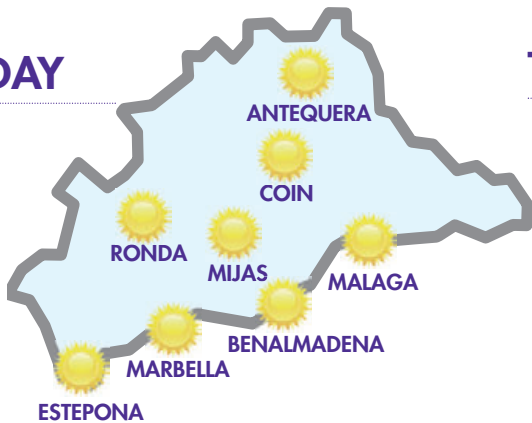
The goddess is forced to choose between the world of gods and that of humans while undergoing deep transformations in Madeline Miller's Circe.

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TODAY



TOMORROW



SATURDAY



Malaga Today: Max 21, Min 12-S Fri - 22 13 - S Sat - 21 13 - C Sun - 22 13 - C Mon - 23 14 - S Tues - 22 13 - Sh Wed - 22 13 - Sh	Almeria Today: Max 23, Min 15-S Fri - 23 15 - S Sat - 22 15 - Cl Sun - 23 15 - C Mon - 24 16 - S Tues - 22 15 - S Wed - 21 15 - S	Bilbao Today: Max 26, Min 13-S Fri - 24 13 - C Sat - 24 14 - S Sun - 24 13 - S Mon - 20 12 - C Tues - 20 12 - C Wed - 20 13 - C	Madrid Today: Max 24, Min 10 - S Fri - 23 9 - C Sat - 22 10 - S Sun - 22 10 - C Mon - 22 11 - C Tues - 23 11 - C Wed - 23 10 - S
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S: Sun ☀ Cl: Clear ☁ C: Cloudy ☁ Sh: Showers ☁ Th: Thunder ⚡ Sn: Snow ❄

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BIRTHDAYS

- **Joe Hart, Footballer; April 19, 31**
Hart attended the Meole Brace School in his native Shrewsbury before going on to make his football debut aged 16. He has since earned the Barclays Golden Glove Award as the keeper with most clean sheets in 2011, 2012 and 2013 for his efforts at Manchester City.
- **Andy Serkis, Actor; April 20, 54**
The Lord of the Rings star is best known for his motion capture animation work which he used to play Gollum in the trilogy as well as King Kong.
- **Iggy Pop, Singer; April 21, 71**
The singer of I Wanna Be Your Dog and The Passenger grew up in a trailer park in Michigan in the US and he



reportedly took his stage name from his first band The Iguanas. He later made his name with The Stooges and went on to have a successful solo career.

- **Amber Heard, Actor; April 22, 32**
Heard has had a successful modelling and acting career that has seen her star alongside former husband Johnny Depp in The Rum Diary. She was involved in drama while at school before dropping out at 17 to pursue her film career.
- **Kal Penn, Actor; April 23, 41**
Penn is well-known as one half of the on screen Harold and Kumar duo. He has also played Dr Lawrence Kutner in House and began appearing in Designated Survivor in

2016. He studied at UCLA and graduated with degrees in film and sociology.

- **Barbra Streisand, Singer; April 24, 76**
Streisand has sold more than 245 million records and has bagged 10 Grammy Awards since she released her debut record The Barbra Streisand Album in 1963. She has also had a successful acting career and took home an Oscar for Best Actress for her role in the 1968 musical Funny Girl.
- **Len Goodman, TV Judge; April 25, 74**
The judge from Strictly Come Dancing was born in Bromley in England and began ballroom dancing aged 19 following a football injury. He went on to run a ballroom dancing school in Kent and has also appeared alongside Mya Harrison as a judge on Dancing with the Stars.

Sudoku

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

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

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

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		8	1				7	4

Word Ladder

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

BACK

WOOD

- JO
- WOOD
- WORD
- WARD
- BARD
- BARK
- BACK
- Solution

DVD

On the prowl



STACY (Adrian Brody), Walker (John Malkovich) and Gage (Rory Culkin) are three career criminals who have wound up trapped in a warehouse with police closing in on them.

They soon discover they are not alone after learning a killer dog is on the loose inside. We learn later the dog suffered abuse at the hands of its trainer Blue (Antonio Banderas) in a bid to make it an unstoppable fighting machine.

The three criminals must find a way out in Unchained.

Fresh faced beauty

SPRING is synonymous with afternoon drinks and increasingly late nights. However, the more we tend to our social calendar, the less often we tend to look after certain aspects of our body.

As you begin to burn the candle at both ends, take on board these tricks to prepare your skin for the parties ahead, without spending a fortune.

Start off your day with a healthy breakfast. Be sure it is balanced, and includes adequate proportions of carbohydrates, proteins, fibres and fats to maintain 100 per cent energy.

To avoid those dreaded puffed eyes, reduce your intake of sodium, caffeine and alcohol during the day, as salt and spirits cause fluid retention. Instead, drink plenty of water to cleanse your system.

Before you begin your real preparations for the night,



GET IT RIGHT: Hairstyle, make-up, dress and then accessorise.

slightly exfoliate your skin and then rub on a hydrating and nourishing face mask.

Making your skin clean and hydrated will create the best foundation for make-up.

It's always best to style your hair before you begin your make-up, to avoid unsightly smudges as you move and twist your hair around.

From this point onwards,

it's simply a matter of applying your make-up and donning your favourite dress. And don't forget the accessories, a bit of bling can bring out the sparkle on your freshly cleansed face.

Finally, the one way to guarantee a young, fresh and natural look, is to simply relax, and enjoy the night ahead.

Ask the Optician - the introduction to eyes and vision

Nerea Galdos, Store Director from Specsavers Opticas Marbella

Today we're helping a patient whose child has some questions about the eyes that they are not sure how to answer. We hope it can help you to understand the eyes better too!

What happens when we see?

Eyes are very complex and sensitive, and work in a similar way to a camera. When we look at an object, light bounces off the object and enters our eyes through the pupil. This light then passes through the lens of the eye, which focuses it to make a clear picture on the retina at the back of the eye.

There are special cells on the retina called rods and cones, which send electrical messages along the optic nerve to the brain. The brain then turns those messages into images allowing us to see the object. Everything we see reaches our retina as an upside-down image. However, the brain is very clever and tells us that we see things the right way up.

How do lenses help us see better?

Lenses are made from transparent materials, such as glass or plastic. Depending on

how we want to bend light, the lenses are made fatter or thinner to make the rays of light meet at one point. This point is called the focus.

We see images clearly at the point of focus. The lenses in our eyes focus images on our retina. By looking through other types of lenses, we can make objects appear larger and nearer, or smaller and further away. This is what happens when we wear glasses, or when we look through a magnifying glass or telescope.

What shape are our eyes?

Some people's eyes are shaped like a football, others are more like a rugby ball. If the eyeball is shaped more like a rugby ball, the rays of light do not focus exactly on the retina, causing long- or short-sightedness and making you need glasses or contact lenses.

If you or your children have questions about the eyes, ask your optician and make sure that you are all having regular eye tests from the age of three years old. Advanced eye tests at Specsavers Opticas are currently free. To find your nearest store visit www.specsavers.es.

Restless Leg Syndrome

Symptoms

An uncomfortable itchy, creepy crawly, pins and needles sensation in the legs (and sometimes other parts of the body), which usually occurs at night or during long periods of inactivity and seems to feel better when you move.

Your legs won't sleep

Restless Leg Syndrome (RLS) obviously, often results in poor sleep which makes you feel worse! And sometimes it is considered a sleep disorder rather than a physical issue.

The icing on the cake is that RLS is often referred to as idiopathic, meaning without cause. So sufferers are often dismissed or given medication which treats the symptoms (sleeplessness) rather than finding the cause.

But why?

Some chronic conditions such as diabetes and Parkin-



By Estelle Mitchell

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son's can often have RLS as a symptom, however what do both of these conditions have in common? They cause neural issues.

As anyone who has read my articles for a while will know - itchy, burning, creepy crawly . . . all these descriptions set off a little alarm that says we need to think about the nerves.

Too tired

There is another factor that can cause RLS - tired muscles.

Ever had a day when you did 10 times as much physical activity as usual? Maybe moving house or walking on

holiday? And at the end of the day you lie in bed, shattered, but aching and muscles twitching trying desperately to relax?

This is what happens with RLS - your leg muscles can be so tired from the general job of trying to get you around when your feet aren't functioning well, literally pulling your feet off the floor, that they twitch and wiggle trying to sleep.

Inflamed, tired muscles also contract, making them 'fatter' inside your legs, removing the space for blood, nerves, lymph and all your body's communication systems.

Feet first

Get the feet to work

Take the pressure off your leg muscles

Check your back and hips for good measure (it's where the nerves go)

Get a good night's sleep.

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Preventing Park

WITH more people living to a ripe old age, the prevalence of diseases such as Parkinson's disease is set to increase.

Events such as the recent World Parkinson's Day offer the chance to get informed about this disease and know what actions can be taken to try and keep it at bay.

Parkinson's disease is a central nervous system disorder which affects the part of the brain that controls movement.

The primary symptoms are body tremors, slow movements, rigid limbs, memory problems, a shuffled walk and speech impairment. Its exact cause is unknown and there is no available cure at present. However, there are some things that you can incorporate into your daily routine to prevent symptoms before they arise. Here are a few simple steps you can begin today.

Try and include lots of fruits, vegetables and other foods high in protein, vitamins, antioxidants and minerals into your diet.

In particular, studies have shown that increased amounts of

**SUMMER STROLLS: Get your daily**

Vitamin B - which is primarily found in vegetables - can significantly reduce the risk of Parkinson's. In addition, try to eat plenty of Omega-3 and CoQ10. Both of these are abundant in wild-caught fish, especially mackerel, salmon and cod.

Now the summer is almost here, enjoy more strolls out in the sun. Not only will this top you up with your necessary intake of vitamin D3, but that stroll can also be part of your exercise routine. Even a simple 40-minute

Advertorial

Train like an animal!

Many people share the same new year resolution: get in shape! And there is always new fitness trends to follow. But usually what keeps people from doing so is the high gym fees and the drive there. But you don't need to worry about this any more!

Monkey, crab, scorpion, etc. - these are all moves inspired by animals which constitute the so-called 'animal flow workout'. If you want to pursue a healthy life, you should maintain a natural diet. But have you ever heard of a natural workout before? According to Mike Fitch, the creator of 'animal flow' this workout can awaken the beast in you, or at least train it. By means of different exercises inspired by animals your body returns to its roots, which means that through fluid movements every muscle is stressed and strengthened, your flexibility is encouraged and your stamina is built up.



The best thing about this workout is that you don't need any equipment or tools, only your body and your body weight will be all you use. This year is all about imitating animal moves: 'animal flow' is the newest trend between fitness freaks and even for real athletes it is a challenge!

All exercises are performed on the floor. Through crawling, sliding, jumping, scruttling and swinging with your own body weight you will work on having a flexible and firm body.

Your flexibility, strength, stamina, coordination and speed will improve with this workout. It also improves the neuromuscular communication, which means that your body will be able to put movements into practice much better due to the faster connection of your brain and musculature. Apart from this the workout also burns a lot of calories. It might look easy at first but it is a real killer!

But 'animal flow' is not only inspired by animals. Breakdance, Capoeira and elements from strength training all have their influence on the 'animal flow' moves. While many workouts neglect the mobilisation of the joints, 'animal flow' focuses on exactly this. To be exact 'animal flow' is a component of a much bigger and superordinate horizon. This horizon, called movement, includes a better understanding of movement itself and extensive movement patterns.

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kinson's



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walk three days per week has been proven to keep in check the factors that contribute to the disease.

Don't just exercise your body. Performing cognitive stimulation, such as crosswords, puzzles, reading or calculations are vital to stimulate your brain and prevent the occurrence of demen-tial syndromes, such as Parkinson's disease. And remember, this advice is not just for those getting on in years.

The earlier you can build these practices into your daily routine, the more chance you have of preventing Parkinson's disease developing.

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€4,100 raised for Malaga children's charity

AFTER their monthly tournament, the members of Sala Group Golf Classic met at the Oak Garden & Grill in Nueva Andalucía to present prizes and a sizeable donation to charity last Saturday.

Chairman of the Sala Group Ian Radford handed over a cheque for €4,100 to Rita Feti representing the Ciudad de los Niños in Malaga City which had been raised by the members of the Golf Society.

The Malaga establishment which is part of a larger organisation also present in Granada, La Linea de la Concepcion and Sevilla was founded in 1950 by los Hermanos Obreros de María, a group of Catholic priests with the aim of assisting underprivileged children.

It is not an orphanage but looks after the well-being of children and teenagers from families who are experiencing difficulties, helping to educate them, to train them for work and to help them obtain jobs once they leave school.

Many of the children who come from immigrant families of all types are able to



IAN RADFORD: Presented a cheque to Rita Feti.

attend thanks to daily buses that are laid on by the centre and although it is run with assistance from the Junta de Andalucía, the Ciudad de los Niños also relies on generous donations such as that given by the Sala Golfers.

Since the Sala Group first opened on

the Costa del Sol in 2008, it has been heavily committed to raising funds for different charities and to date has given almost €150,000 to a wide range of local causes.

For more information about the work of the charity visit www.cnmalaga.com.

Charity golf tournament and dinner

THE annual Concordia charity golf tournament will take place at the Aloha Golf Club Marbella starting at 9.30am on May 12 with an individual Stableford Shotgun Start.

There are a number of categories for men and women as well as prizes for best scratch score, nearest the pin and longest drive with entry for members costing between €30 and €100 plus the magnificent prize of a Mercedes car for a Hole in One.

Following the competition there will be a dinner dance with live music from Mr Maph and prize giving with tickets costing €75.

Closing date for those wishing to register for the golf is tomorrow (Friday) and anyone interested should call 952 907 085 whilst

reservations for the dinner may be made by calling 952 812 390.

Concordia is an HIV/AIDS charity that covers the Costa del Sol. The services it offers are impressive and it has been responsible for the saving of literally thousands of lives since being established by Princess Marie-Louise of Prussia in 1994 when much less was known about the HIV/AIDS virus and when society was far less understanding of the disease.

The bulk of the funds needed to run the Concordia Association come from revenue collected throughout the year from donations, fundraising dinners and sponsorship events and more about the organisation may be found at <http://www.concordiamarbella.com>.

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Major change to Valli Seasons tour

THE four West End stars of the musical Jersey Boys who are touring their Valli Seasons show exclusively within the Costa del Sol have had one of their performances cancelled.

Originally scheduled to appear at the Felipe VI Auditorium, Estepona on Saturday May 5, their promoter Big M received a shock when they were advised that there had been a double booking with the local council and therefore at short notice the performance was cancelled.

There are a number of disappointed theatre goers who had already booked and their ticket money is being refunded, but with so little time to rearrange the date, no new venue could be found for that Saturday.

This sensational production features Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons worldwide hits, including *Beggin'*, *Can't Take My Eyes Off You*, *December 1963 (Oh What a Night)*, *Walk*



Credit: Alicia Orta Fotografia/Big M Promotions

Four red jackets ready for the performance.

like a Man, Bye Bye Baby (Baby Goodbye), Sherry, Big Girls Don't Cry and many more

Anyone who was thinking of

going to Estepona can consider attending one of the four remaining dates:

Wednesday May 2 - La Sala Banus (Dinner/show) book direct with La Sala

Thursday May 3 - Salón del Mar, Torre del Mar

Friday May 4 - Moonlight Bar, Benalmadena

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UK LEGENDS: A sound check at an outdoor concert.

Good times with the Animals

TRAVEL back to the 60's at La Sala Banus when the UK Legends Band perform the Greatest Hits of the Animals next Tuesday.

One of the first bands in the British invasion of the USA, the Animals played a hard form of Rock and Blues with numerous hit singles before singer Eric Burdon found flower power, organist Alan Price found jazz and bassist Chas Chandler found

Jimi Hendrix.

There were a number of revivals of the band and in 1993 original guitarist Hilton Valentine put the band together again, recruiting keyboard player Steve Hutch and then in 1995, they were joined by original drummer John Steel and bass player Martin Bland, touring the world as the Animals and recording new versions of the early hits.

Now Bland and Hutch have teamed up with guitarist Steve Lamb (from Tygers of Pan Tang) and drummer Mickey Davis (from the Alligators) to tour as the UK Legends performing the greatest hits of the Animals.

Tickets for this very special show at La Sala Banus cost €15 and you can expect to hear all of the fantastic numbers that made the Animals famous.

Great entertainment and good food

ALBERTS Bar & Grill in Cabopino, is now open and has some special entertainment booked for the next few weeks.

There is live music every Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday with performances in April as follows;

Tonight (Thursday) - All Pop trio with TR3S, Sunday - Eva Marie singing your favourites, Tuesday - Virginia Alexandre singing more favourites, Thursday 26 - Tabitha singing popular tunes, Sunday 29 - Michael Bublé tribute with Peet Rothwell.

Find out more by visiting the website
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How to plan your meals

**Eat Well
to Live Well**
by Andrew Harding



I THOUGHT I would discuss meal planning and the best way to store, scale and find recipes.

Meal planning for one is easy, I go to a local supermarket (farmer's markets are better and cheaper if you are cooking for four or more), check the meat/fish/vegetarian options, buy what looks the best and select the freshest and best-looking accompaniments.

Going shopping with a pre-conceived idea is not the best way to enjoy the fantastic range of excellent food we have in Spain. Meal planning for more than one is difficult unless a cuisine or theme is chosen, such as Spanish, English, Oriental, Indian, Italian, etc.



SIMPLE BUT TASTY: Aubergines can be cooked in the microwave.

What is the best way to store, scale and find recipes? It has to be by computer! I will state that I receive no money, no publicity, nothing tangible or intangible from the following company.

This is my personal recommendation for the best cookery book you will ever

have! The program is called MasterCook, for the Windows PC or an Android Phone (there isn't a version for the Apple Mac). It is now in its 15th incarnation and is available as a download for \$39.99 (€32.45) from the MasterCook website.

I have been using MasterCook for 20 years. You can search by ingredients, combination of ingredients, recipes for those with food intolerances or allergies.

For Christmas, Easter and dinner parties it is especially good, because you can plan meals and print off shopping lists.

If you have ingredients in your fridge that need eating, use the 'Search' function, it will search 40,000 recipes and list every recipe with the specific ingredients that you have selected in about 20 seconds.

This week's recipe; it doesn't get any easier than this!

- Aubergine with onion, garlic and lemon
- Serves four as an accompaniment
- One large onion, skinned and chopped
- Four garlic cloves, skinned and chopped
- One vegetable stock cube crumbled
- One lemon (finely grate ½ of the lemon and reserve, together with the juice of the whole lemon)

- Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste
 - 25cc of extra virgin olive oil
 - Two medium sized aubergines, tops removed and diced
- Place all the ingredients in a microwaveable covered bowl and microwave on full power (850 Watts) for 12 minutes.
- Stir and serve.
- HINT: Aubergine is diced last of all, within seconds the flesh turns brown on contact with the air, the lemon juice inhibits this process.

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coffee and a live performance from Mr Maph and Simone.

As well as the lunch which starts at 1pm, there will be a raffle for Cancer Children in Israel.

Although the lunch recognises the anniversary of the 1948 declaration, all monies collected for the charity will be used to help children in the country regardless of their religion.

Reservations are absolutely essential as there are only a limited number of spaces available at the Boardwalk, Avenida de la Fontanilla, Paseo Marítimo, Marbella and should be reserved by calling Toni on 640 337 498 or Barbara on 664 469 445.

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Thursday April 19

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■ Language exchange workshop: free, every week from 9.30-11.30am in the Pensioners Centre in Las Lagunas. For more information contact 952 890 010 or send an email to frd@mijas.es.

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■ San Pedro street market: Every week from 9am-2pm, Calle Jorge Guillen.

■ American Club of Estepona (ACE [all nationalities welcome]): Open Mon-Sat, 1-4pm. Calle San Roque 65 (three blocks west of old bus station). For more information contact 952 793 059 (club times) or www.acestepona.org.

■ Walking Football: every week from 10.30am at the Estadio Santa Maria in Elviria. Walking Football is for men and women over 50 to play football without running or tackling and is a great way to meet new friends. Visit www.walkingfootballspain.com for details.

■ 1st Fuengirola scout group meets at St Anthony's College, Fuengirola on Thursday 5pm to 7pm for all young people between six and 18 years. Contact Robert Troost: 610 755 995 or Robert.troost@britishscoutingoverseas.org.uk.

DO NOT MISS....

Feria de Cartama

THE Feria de Cartama will take place this weekend from Friday April 20 to Wednesday April 25.

The event is in honour of the town's patron, Our Lady of Remedies, and will offer a full-packed range of activities in its programme for both children and adults.

The main fair will take place on Calle Juan Carlos I, where different groups and associations will have installed bars and stalls.

Over the days of the fair, there

will be sports tournaments, musical and dance group performances, food and drink tastings, popular games, children's games, contests and many other activities. The fair is famous for its mechanical attractions, known colloquially as 'cacharritos.'

The fair's main event is the procession of the patron saint through the streets of the town to St Peter's Parish. This event takes place on Monday April 23 at 8pm and at-



FLAMING FLAMENCO: Don't miss the fun and frolics in Cartama

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For more information, please visit www.visitcostadelosol.com/whats-on.

Friday April 20

■ Age Concern meet every Friday from 11.30am to 1pm at Bar Conriza in the centre of La Cala de Mijas. They are located behind Supersol and there is plenty of free parking. They offer advice, support, help and friendship, and look forward to seeing you. Lifeline: 652 537 615.

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■ University of the Third Age Costa del Sol: play Mah Jong every week from 10am to 1pm at the PYR Hotel in Fuengirola. For more information contact +34 633 552 238 or visit www.u3afuengirolacostadelosol.com.

Saturday April 21

■ Flamenco show: free every Wednesday and Saturday from 12noon to 1pm in Plaza Virgen de la Peña, Mijas Pueblo.

■ Organic market: Every week from 10am to 1pm at Guadalhorce - Las Chapas.

■ Puerto Banus street market: Every week from 9am to 2pm near the bull ring in Nueva Andalucia.

■ Triple A: Every week volunteer dog walkers required between 10am and 3pm at Calle Carril de la Mina 33 in Marbella. For more information contact 952 771 586.

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Sunday April 22

■ Benahavis second-hand market: Every week from 9am to 2pm, located 1km before the village on the right hand side of the road.

■ University of the Third Age: Every week coffee morning from 11.30am to 1pm at the Primavera Bar,

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■ PAD Animal Shelter Spring Fair at St Anthony's College in Mijas Costa from 11am to 4pm today only. To host a stall, contact 658 351 642.

Monday April 23

■ Age Care Association: Weekly coffee morning from 11am to 12.30pm at La Iglesia Bar in Benalmadena. Drop in for a chat and to share experiences. For more information contact 635 407 255.

■ American Club of Estepona (ACE [all nationalities welcome]): Open Mon-Sat, 1-4pm. Calle San Roque 65 (three blocks west of old bus station). For more information contact 952 793 059 (club times) or www.acestepona.org.

■ Walking Football: every week from 7.30pm at the El Retamar pitch by the Butterfly Park in Benalmadena. Walking Football is for men and women over 50 to play football without running or tackling and is a great way to meet new friends. Visit www.walkingfootballspain.com for details.

■ 'Are you affected by someone's drinking?' Alanon Family Groups hold a meeting at 8.30pm in the Divina Pastora church rooms (Calle Juan Breva 2), Marbella. Confidential

helpline: 602 553 470.

■ Walking in Andalucia: The Field Club meets every Monday at El Hogar de Pensionistas, Fuengirola, between 10.30am and 11.30am to book walks on our Long and Short Walk programmes, social events, holidays and dinner/dances. Visit www.thefieldclub.es or call in and have a chat with them about what they do.

Tuesday April 24

■ Age Concern Estepona and Manilva coffee morning at Ricks Gin and Tonic Bar in Estepona Port. Come along to air your questions and problems over a cup of coffee from 11am to 1pm.

■ Age Care Association: Weekly coffee morning from 11am to 1pm at the International Baptist Church in Calahonda. Drop in for a chat and to share experiences. For more information contact 635 407 255.

■ Arroyo Social and Welfare Club meets every Tuesday at Agata Apartments, Arroyo de la Miel 11.30am for 12 noon start. There is a raffle, quiz, and a game such as Play Your Cards Right, plus extras! For more information call Anthia on 634 157 042.

■ Costa Women Business Group: meets every second Tuesday at 9.30am until 11.30am for business networking in La Cala. For more information contact Ali 677 251 058.

■ Fuengirola Ukulele (known as FUENGULELE) social, jamming and sing-along sessions: meets every Tuesday from 7pm until

9.30pm-ish at the Water's Edge Bar, Fuengirola port - visitors and beginners welcome. For more information contact Ray on 605 791 150.

■ Language exchange workshop: free, every week from 9.30-11.30am in the Pensioners Centre in Mijas village. For more information contact 952 890 010 or frd@mijas.es.

■ The Good Companions Club meets every Tuesday in Manila Bar, Paseo Marítimo, Los Boliches 12- 1.30 pm. For more information contact Tony White on 952 494 730.

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■ The Good Vibrations Singing Sessions runs Tuesday nights at 7.30pm at Huber Plataforma De Arte, Calle San Antonio, Estepona. €100 prepaid concession, €15 casually. Go to 'Find Your Voice Vocal Studio' on Facebook for details.

Wednesday April 25

■ The Royal British Legion: Torremolinos Branch meets every Wednesday in the Vanilla Bar in Plaza la Nogalera, Torremolinos (opp the railway station) from 12.30pm.

■ Age Care Association: Weekly coffee morning from 11am to 12.30pm at the Salon Varietes Theatre in Fuengirola. Drop in for a chat and to share experiences. For more information contact 635 407 255.

■ Flamenco show: free every Wednesday and Saturday from 12noon to 1pm in Plaza Virgen de la Peña, Mijas Pueblo.

Advertising Feature

Neater Heater stops cold winters spoiling your dream

NINE years ago two British expatriates, Richard and Tony, were looking for affordable heating when they stumbled, accidentally, on a brand of Norwegian convector heater that couldn't be bought in Spain.

Not only were these wall-mounted heaters discreet and stylish, but they were also packed with 'Es': efficient; effective; economical.

Recognising a huge gap in the market that these attractive affordable heaters would fill, Richard and Tony established Neater Heater and have been heating the houses and apartments of shivering expats ever since then.

"We all come out to Spain for the good weather and lifestyle," says Tony "yet everyone is caught out by the cold winter nights in their spectacularly non-insulated Spanish homes.

We all come from the UK where we had radiators and fires, and that is what most British expats still want. A decent oil or gas central heating system is going to set you back thousands of euros just to install it, so most people opt for unhealthy gas estufas, or electric heaters.

"The problem with most electric heaters, is that the cheap ones are always expensive to run, and ugly, whereas any decent ones always cost a fortune to install. We can have most homes up and running with affordable, stylish, economic Neater Heaters, for less than €1,000. The cost obviously depends on the size of hose and the size of heaters. Or they can be bought individually according to your requirements."

Starting out in their home region of the Costa Blanca, Richard and Tony

searched for, and found, businesses that were happy to become agents for Neater Heater. "We hope to cater for all types of customers," explains Richard.

"Some people are comfortable with computers, and are quite happy to buy from our online shop, with free delivery. But many want to shop in the traditional way, look at the heaters and talk to someone about their requirements.

"These customers can go to one of our numerous outlets from Moraira, Calpe, all the way down through Benidorm, to several around Torrevieja, Murcia, Antas and now Portugal. If you live in certain parts of the Marina Alta, Torrevieja, or Murcia, we even have agents who can visit your home and offer advice, sales and an installation service.



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tions you may have. They also have an online shop so visit www.neaterheater.es or call 634 312 171 for more details."

Brighten your garden area with sunflowers and gain a delicious and nutritious harvest

GRAEME TYRRELL

FEW flowers stand out like a sunflower. The large brilliantly yellow flower head at the top of a tall stem that faces up towards the sun as the sun travels across the sky is a fascination of the plant world.

It is a great addition to the garden space that you may have to provide interest, colour and size while also being a source of one of the most popular snack foods in Spain.

The flowers are shaped like the sun symbol and its heliotropic ability to align with the sun as it moves from east to west can be used in landscaping to add a special feature. Grouping the plants in a zone that you see regularly during the day is a good way to enjoy them.

The traditional and most popular colour is yellow but there are also shades of brown, red and



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SUNFLOWERS: Red and yellow can grow together.

orange. The sunflower originates from the Americas and were brought to Europe by the Spanish as a decoration and food source from the new world. The Native Americans used it as a staple food in many regions where it grew naturally.

The flower head is actually a group of florets arranged in spi-

als with the Fibonacci golden angle ratio.

The pattern gives rise to the abundance of seeds that form after the flower to produce the sunflower seeds or 'Pipa' in Spanish.

The seeds are very nutritious with an abundance of health benefits, but roasted and spiced they are a delicious snack. You need

patience to crack the shell to extract the seed.

They are easy to grow in the Mediterranean climate but the soil should be well fertilised with compost and manure to ensure that the plants are healthy enough to produce a strong plant to support the flower head and to give the best seeds if you wish to harvest them.

In a windy location the plants will need some staking to ensure they do not fall over. I always grow some in the vegetable garden as the enriched soil suits them perfectly and they look wonderful amongst the less colourful vegetables.

I prefer the dwarf varieties that grow to around a metre as they are easier to manage and you can see the flowers better.

They do need regular watering to do well so if water is an issue it is best to be conservative with the number you grow and apply a good mulch around them to conserve the moisture. They love the sun so make sure they

have at least six hours of strong sunlight. They will not grow well in the shade.

Harvest the seeds after the

seed head has dried out. You can pick out a few seeds from the head to sample when ready and leave a little longer if not.



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Marbella Moments

by Nicole King



OUR many worthy charities need funding 12 months a year. Applying the #BetterTogether rule with a large dose of Costa Women's #MakeItHappen, there is much we can do.

The following are suggestions submitted on post-its by the attendees at our previous United Nationalities of Marbella Summits which I hope you enjoy reading.

* We need to appeal to our happy tourist!

* Establish a central registration point for volunteers willing to help with whatever; showing times and areas available to help.

* Chiringuitos, restaurants and tourist attractions giving €1 donation on every bill, to split between listed local charities.

* Small hotels and car parks and



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Charities need to be fed constantly.

tourist places to have a big visible collection box for 'Charities Marbella'

*Put a small stamp on postcards so tourists pay a few cents towards Marbella charities

*Make a central collection from June to end of August as a first step

*Supermarkets and food donations; care bundles, packages for homeless, include feminine hygiene in donation

*Donate like France leftover food to animal charities or homeless

*Volunteer at local health centres, schools to interact with elderly such as age concern, visiting the elderly, cooking for them, taking them shopping or to doctor's appointments

*Visit and talk to the elderly and vulnerable

*Collaboration between charities and help line to direct people

*Incentives: lot of lazy people that need to do something maybe go to help and get a coupon free coke etc

*Offer our local 'beggars' to pick

up trash, litter picker and exchange for 1€ / per x

*Don't throw away any food, donate to less fortunate, communicate with people to help each other

*Make a list of official charities for a website with relevant links

*Take care of those who are not already covered by a specific charity

*Bracelets with profits distributed equally to all charities

*Give more information to the community to know who needs help and let people know how they can help

*Help soup kitchen, clothes, collaborate by driving people to therapy, dialysis, outpatients

*Corporate Marbella charity

*Sell alternative stamps with a part to charity

*Cans for collecting money and 100 prizes for those who collect the most - to be shared amongst all Marbella charities.

*Schools to organise collections along the beaches, to share out amongst all charities

*Social urban arts project, commission artists to create murals that everyone gets involved with, 3D art

*Use existing money raising like Lions or Rotary to head up the all for one charity collection so it's bona fide

*Short term social jobs, no autonomous contracts, humanitarian purposes

*Volunteering possibilities similar to life coaching empowering those in need to improve their living conditions.

*Need also physiotherapy and psychologists to volunteer their services and other support systems for the less fortunate

*Make extra food for elderly or infirm neighbours regularly and learn to check on your neighbours

We all concluded that we have too many charities that depend on us residents and that we need to establish some community structure to ease the burden. It's up to us!

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Patek Philippe's new manually wound ladies' chronograph

Nick Horne The Rich Pick

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THIS new ladies watch - Ref 7150/250R-001 - is the only chronograph in Patek Philippe's watch collection for members of the fairer sex.

It is worn on a shiny mink grey alligator leather strap secured with a rose-gold prong buckle that sparkles with the fire of 27 diamonds.

In 2009, Patek Philippe introduced a chronograph intended exclusively for feminine wrists. It was the exclusive debut of a classic manufacture-made chronograph movement (column wheel, horizontal clutch, manual winding) that had been developed entirely in house. That was also expressed by the name Ladies First Chronograph Ref 7071, which was manufactured until 2016.

Now, the Genevan watchmaker is enriching its collection of complicated wrist-

watches for ladies and endowing this chronograph - highly coveted by discerning women - with a totally new face.

The cushion shaped case has been replaced with an elegant, round rose-gold case with a diameter of 38mm featuring a bezel set with 72 diamonds. Its timelessly sleek design is emphasised by refined vintage look details such as the fluted and delicately curved strap lugs, the round chronograph pushers with manually guilloché faces, and the gently cambered sapphire crystal 'box' glass.

The silvery opaline dial also combines a contemporary style with classic aesthetics, showcasing sculpted Breguet hour and minute hands in rose gold and a display layout that makes it eminently legible. The pulsometer scale of the new watch pays tribute to the tradition of



classic chronographs that can measure the cadence of an active lifestyle or the slightly increased heart rate of its proud owner.

The compact case accommodates the manually wound calibre CH 29-535 PS movement with an instantaneous 30-minute counter, crowning its classic architecture with six patented innovations. Its subtlety can be admired through the box-type sapphire-crystal case back that is slightly chamfered to echo the profile of the rear bezel.

And the cost? A cool €68,035.

WATCH OUT: The new Patek Philippe timepiece.
HIGH-END QUALITY: The reverse highlights the calibre of construction.
ROCK SOLID: Detail of the strap and buckle that sparkles with 27 diamonds.

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Hungry habits

WITH so many abandoned dogs needing a new home, why not open your heart and your front door to a dog in need.

It is important to remember, however, that your new dog will have established eating habits and altering them too radically can cause him stress, or even illness.

Find out what his diet has been and only change slowly. When feeding him, allow your dog to eat alone and in a quiet place. He may have had to defend his food in the past and your presence could cause him to become aggressive. Do try to avoid offering your dog too

many treats or a 'Sunday lunch'. Offering special extras or meals which are more abundant than usual can alter the dog's diet and digestive system, and cause the dog to become obese.

Remember, if your new dog is trying to grab your attention it's not necessarily a sign that he is hungry. Your dog always appreciates social contact, so caress him, play with him and teach him simple orders to strengthen your relationship. Your dog will naturally crave contact with you and with other dogs. Give him the necessary time to cover his needs and your dog will become your new best friend.



ROLLED OVER: Watch out for symptoms of poisoning in your dog.

Dog poisoning

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ORDINARY household products contain many of the substances that poison animals every year. They include insecticides to kill ants, fleas, termites, wasps, pesticides against rats and mice, herbicides to kill garden weeds, cleaners used in homes, fuel and other petroleum products used in cars, heaters and even lighters.

The combination of being common and dangerous means that pets which share our homes, gardens and cars are particularly vulnerable, depending on the amount of toxic ingredient in the substance.

Feeding dogs raw meat and uncooked bones, raw eggs or chicken, allowing them access to rubbish bins full of rotting garbage or having a bird feeder within snacking range, can result in salmonella poisoning.

Commonly classified as food poisoning, salmonella is a group of about 2,000 related bacterial strains. It causes gastrointestinal infections and can be very dangerous. All livestock carry the bacteria which is transported via the retailer to your home.

Dogs eating bird droppings or birdseed that has been touched by the infected birds are at risk. Animals who are carriers of the bacteria spread it to other animals and humans via their faeces. Although susceptibility depends upon the animal's immune system, the strength of the particular strain and the amount ingested, salmonella in its slightest form is a very painful affliction.

Prevention includes cooking all raw meats and using a cooking thermometer to determine minimal acceptable temperatures to kill the bacteria, therefore meats should reach a temperature of between 820°C and 900°C.

Using pesticides can be dangerous, but there are alternatives. Marigolds will repel many garden pests such as beetles. Daffodil bulbs or garlic plants keep mice and moles at bay. Basil in pots near your outdoor sitting areas will deter flies and mosquitoes. Spearmint acts in the same way for ants. Ladybirds eat aphids and make pesticides unnecessary. If you want a harmless ant repellent, wash kitchen tops, cabinets and floors with equal parts of vinegar and water or pour a line of cream of tartar at the place where ants enter the house. They won't cross the line.

Strip old fruit from trees to stop caterpillars from laying their eggs.

Flea and tick repellent can be made by boiling half a litre of water. When cool, add either a thinly sliced lemon or one of a combination of herbs such as fennel, rue and rosemary. Stand the mixture overnight and spray or sponge onto your dog. This only keeps fleas and ticks off pets. It will not make residents leave.

Put cedar chips around clothes or dried lavender sachets in drawers and closets to repel moths. Place whole bay leaves in several locations around the kitchen to repel roaches.

Signs of poisoning can appear from six to 72 hours after the poisoning and include fever, vomiting, dehydration, constant diarrhoea, weakness, depression and loss of appetite, burns around the mouth, reddening of the skin, staggering, twitching, convulsions, even coma. Get your dog to a vet immediately.

Keep cats safe at home when you're away

SOME cats have a tendency to wander

While many domesticated cats like their routine and regular feeding schedule it can be a worry if the cats are young or come from a rescue home.

It is tempting to think that they will be alright for a few days or a week on their own if you go away. But please think again. The dangers of life on the street are ever-present and your cat may be at risk if there is no one at home to maintain their routine.

We can help you to find checked cat-sitters who will help to maintain your daily feeding and maintenance routine. Better to know your cats are safe at home and being cared for under a watchful eye than let it roam the streets at risk of attack, being run over or herded into a pound. We can help.

How do you benefit as a home and pet owner?

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Why join a network like HouseSitMatch?

HouseSitMatch is a managed online network which we believe makes us more secure. We ID check all members on joining, and police check all sitters. We believe this transparency is safer for everyone.

How you benefit as a home



DANGER: The temptation to stray from home when you're away. and pet owner

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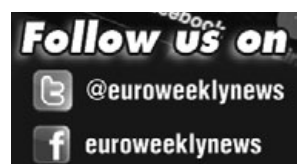
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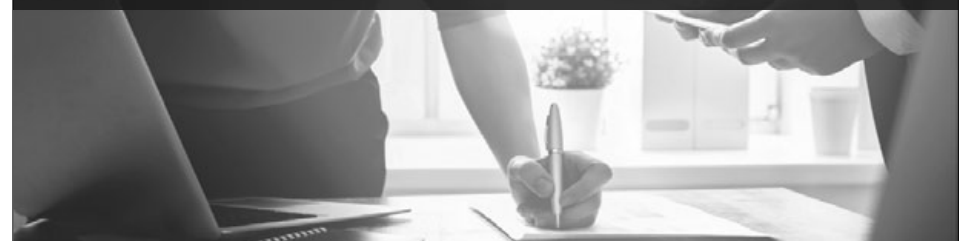
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by Benjamin Park

COSTA DEL SOL-based racing team SPV has begun their quest for the Le Mans Cup with a seventh placed finish at the season opener at Le Castellet.

The Swedish-Spanish racing team brought gamer turned racer Ricardo Sanchez onboard earlier this month for the series and the Mexican impressed on his debut for the team.

The 2014 Nissan PlayStation GT Academy International Winner seemed to be performing well on his Le Mans Cup debut, but a problem with the suspension during the race

meant the Mexican had to settle for seventh.

It leaves the side on six points in the LMP3 category heading into the next race at Monza on May 12.

The race comes just weeks after the side took Le Mans 24 hours winning driver Stanley Dickens on board as their team manager.

The Swede, who won the 1989 Le

Mans 24-hour driving a Sauber C9-Mercedes, will bring valuable expertise to the side as they aim for their first Le Mans Cup.

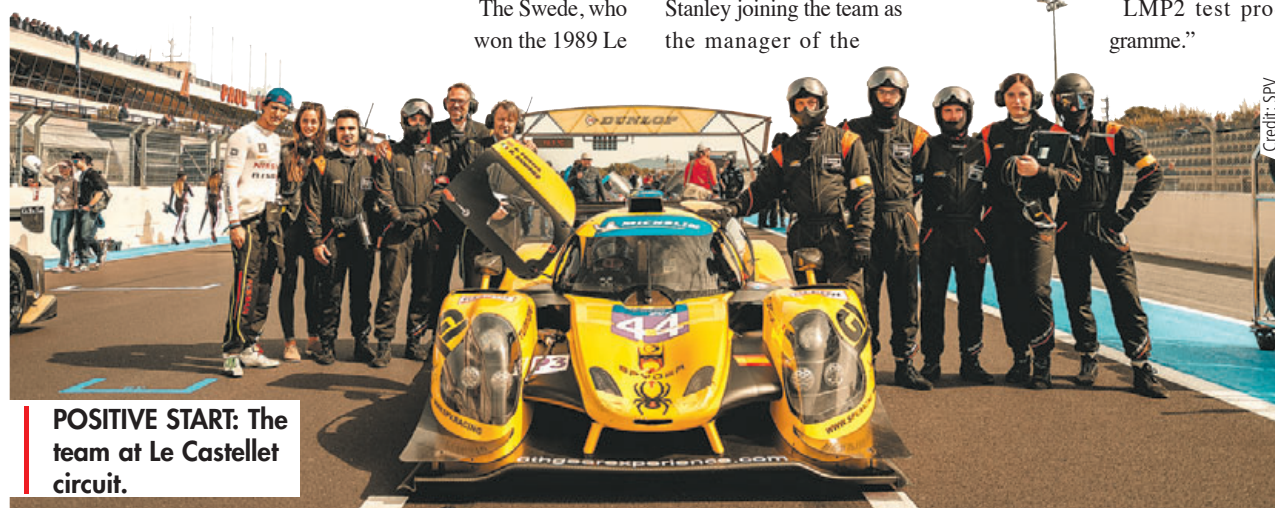
SPV Racing CEO Raul Garcia spoke of his delight on Dickens' appointment, and also told of plans to introduce an LMP later in the season.

Garcia told the media: "We are very glad to have Stanley joining the team as the manager of the

LMP programme. His experience as a driver and team manager will be very valuable as we continue to expand.

"We will be running at least one Ligier LMP3 in the Michelin Le Mans Cup but it is likely that one more Ligier LMP3 will be joining the team shortly.

"After the summer we are targeting to start with an LMP2 test programme."



POSITIVE START: The team at Le Castellet circuit.

Credit: SPV

PRODUCTION of the brand new Tesla Y model could begin as early as next year, according to reports.

News agency Reuters has claimed that Elon Musk is allegedly taking bids from suppliers for contracts which could lead to production starting from November 2019.

Unofficially called the Y, Tesla's newest planned model will

be a crossover based on the €34,000 (£30,000) Tesla model 3, which is currently under construction.

The new 'Y' would complete the billionaire's 'S3XY' product plan; joining the original Model S saloon and the Model X SUV.

Tesla teaser

Musk claimed in February that Tesla would build a million Y's a year, but according to Reuters official stats will be way off that estimate; with annual production claimed to be at 500,000 in the US, held at Tesla's California plant, while some will also take place in China.

Musk's claims came as an ambitious figure considering the Model 3's current production problems.

Tesla has struggled with the Model 3 so far, having planned to make 20,000 of the new car a month by December 2017, but in reality just 2,000 models were produced in the last three months of the year.

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Classic Car Club of Andalucía

Classic Cars and spring in the air

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



Time to buy a classic?

THEY say that spring is in the air and that a young man's fancy turns to... what? That? No, it's more likely that any man's fancy, let alone a young one's, will turn to acquiring a new car at this time. The most desirable things are, of course, sports cars, especially for the younger man, but a nice classic car is in the thoughts and on the wish list of many men of all ages. And this is not a bad time to be looking into doing just that.

The classic car market, with some exceptions, has taken something of a down-turn recently with prices of many of these beauties falling and, in the case of many specialist car auctions, not selling at all. So this is a good time to start splashing the savings on that lovely old Mercedes or Triumph or MG that you've been day-dreaming about for so long!

The index for collector car prices in the August report by Hagarty, which specialises in insuring classic cars, fell 1.0 point to 157.42. The index is now down 8 per cent year-over-year, and down 15 per cent, or 28.4 points, from its all-time high in August 2015 (186). Not such good news for the market place but good if you're looking to buy.

I attended an auction by top classic sales outfit, Silverstone Auctions, in Warwickshire only about a month or so ago and I was shocked at how many nice cars simply didn't sell. Many of those that did were unable to make the high prices realised last year leaving a number of collectors / dealers looking embarrassed with egg on their faces.

This will reflect in the values of classics that are on sale in the press and online at this moment. Whatever the asking price

A good time to buy, an Mk.2 Jaguar.



for these cars, they can be bought for much less in most cases. Unfortunately, not everyone is aware of this at this time so many cars will lie simply unsold until asking prices adjust to the new market expectation.

A prize example of this is the gorgeous Mercedes SL Pagoda, manufactured from the early 60's until 1972. These cars had flown to dizzy heights until last summer when nervous twitches set in and cars stopped selling. The next logical step is that prices fall and indeed that has happened. Rather upsetting for me too as I have a very pretty 280 SL Pagoda but, luckily, I'm not looking to sell it anyway!

The exception to this new rule seems to be the Jaguar E-Type which is still commanding huge prices and doesn't seem to be slowing down. At least, not yet. The big money model is still the early flat-floor 3.8 litre roadster or even the fixed head coupe of the early 60's followed by the later series 1 4.2 litre cars and then the series 1 1/2 cars. The V12 E-Type has long been considered

it's poor cousin but it's actually a much better car than its older family and is still outstanding value even if not quite as pretty. The cars will logically rise in value as earlier cars storm ahead.

It is also common sense that the very best cars will sell first so, if you're thinking of buying a classic, buy the very best that you can afford. It makes such a difference when one comes to sell.

For people considering putting a toe in the classic car world and just wanting to enjoy using them, I wouldn't worry too much. Historically, classic cars have outperformed the financial markets, the wines and arts markets and even gold on many occasions. Even if the market takes a tumble, it tends to recover quickly

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La Liga Preview

Malaga's relegation looms in Levante

MALAGA'S relegation from La Liga could be confirmed later today (Thursday) if they lose to Levante.

Los Boquerones recorded their first win in more than three months against Villarreal earlier this month and despite spirited performances against both Deportivo and Real Madrid in recent weeks it seems to be too little too late.

Having recorded just four wins all season; the side are currently bottom of the league with just 17 points from 32 games and a loss tonight would leave the side 17 points adrift with just five games remaining.

They could be joined by Las Palmas sooner rather than later if results go against the Gran Canarian side, who face a tough double header against Real Betis tonight before hosting Alaves on Sunday.

Las Palmas have lost five of their last six matches and two more losses, coupled with victories for Levante against Malaga and Athletic Bilbao, would see La Union Deportiva relegated.

Deportivo La Coruña will look to continue their resurgent run of

form in their fight against relegation as they head to Leganes tomorrow (Friday).

Clarence See-

dorf oversaw his first win since taking charge against Malaga two weeks ago and his side followed that victory up with an impressive win against Athletic Bilbao last week and a third consecutive win would move them within touching distance of safety.

At the top of the table, Atletico Madrid will look to increase their hold on second place as they travel to Real Sociedad this evening.

Antoine Griezmann scored his 18th goal of the season as Atletico made light work of Levante to keep ahead of rivals Real and will be confident of a victory against Sociedad, who have struggled in recent weeks, before travelling to high flying Real Betis on Sunday.

In the week's other fixtures, Alaves host Girona tonight before Eibar play Getafe and Celta Vigo take on Valencia on Saturday.

Malaga are back in action against Real Sociedad on Sunday alongside Girona who are up against Espanyol.



STRUGGLES: Malaga suffered a 2-1 loss to Real Madrid last time out.

Premier League preview

Champions head for record points

MANCHESTER CITY host Swansea on Sunday in their first game since they were crowned as champions and will now turn their attention to adding yet another record to their extraordinary season.

The Citizens were officially confirmed as Premier League Champions on Sunday after Manchester United suffered a shock defeat 1-0 to bottom side West Brom at Old Trafford.

City had eased past Tottenham 3-1 on Saturday to take themselves to 87 points, 16 points clear of Manchester United and will now target Chelsea's record points total of 95, needing just three wins from their final five games to take the record.

Despite their win against Manchester United at the weekend, West Brom's relegation could be all but sealed if they lose heavily to Liverpool on Saturday.

Liverpool continued their red-hot form with a 3-0 win over Bournemouth on Saturday, with Mo Salah scoring his 30th Premier League goal of the season, and will be desperate to keep up the pace with second placed Manchester United.

West Brom currently find themselves nine points adrift of 17th with a heavily inferior goal difference so a loss to Liverpool would mean they must win their remaining three games, coupled with Swansea losing all of theirs by several goals to have any chance of survival.

Elsewhere, Arsenal will look to bounce back from their defeat to Newcastle as they host West Ham at the Emirates.

Goals from Ayoze Perez and Matt Ritchie were enough to see Newcastle inflict Arsenal's fifth consecutive away defeat and leave them teetering just two-points ahead of seventh placed Burnley with five games remaining.

The Gunners face a West Ham side who are unbeaten in their last three; with their last gasp draw against Stoke on Monday adding to their 1-1 draw at Chelsea and a 3-0 win over Southampton.



CHAMPIONS: City were confirmed as champions after Manchester United's loss.

On Monday, Everton host Newcastle at Goodison Park with both sides looking to leapfrog Leicester into eighth position.

The Magpies will look to continue their rich vein of form after their fourth consecutive victory against Arsenal on Sunday took them past the 40-point safety mark and harbour realistic hopes of a top-10 finish this season.

Everton however have enjoyed a mixed run of form since the end of February; having picked up two wins, two draws and two losses in their last six matches, but are without a win since their 2-0 win over Brighton on March 10.

In the week's other fixtures Burnley host Chelsea and Leicester play Southampton tonight (Thursday), Watford face Crystal Palace on Saturday and Stoke take on Burnley on Sunday.

SPANISH LA LIGA 2017/18 TABLE

TEAM	PI	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 • Barcelona	32	25	7	0	81	17	82
2 • Atlético	32	21	8	3	54	15	71
3 • Real Madrid	32	20	7	5	79	35	67
4 • Valencia	32	20	5	7	60	33	65
5 • Betis	32	16	4	12	53	53	52
6 • Villarreal	32	14	6	12	43	39	48
7 • Sevilla	32	14	5	13	41	52	47
8 • Girona	32	12	8	12	44	49	44
9 • Celta	32	12	7	13	50	44	43
10 • Getafe	32	11	9	12	36	30	42
11 • R. Sociedad	32	11	7	14	57	52	40
12 • Eibar	32	11	7	14	36	46	40
13 • Athletic	32	9	12	11	35	38	39
14 • Leganés	32	11	6	15	27	39	39
15 • Alavés	32	12	2	18	29	45	38
16 • Espanyol	32	8	12	12	26	39	36
17 • Levante	32	6	13	13	28	48	31
18 • Deportivo	32	6	8	18	32	65	26
19 • Las Palmas	32	5	6	21	22	64	21
20 • Málaga	32	4	5	23	20	50	17

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PREMIER LEAGUE 2017/18 TABLE

TEAM	PI	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 • M City	33	28	3	2	93	25	87
2 • M United	33	22	5	6	63	26	71
3 • Liverpool	34	20	10	4	78	35	70
4 • Tottenham H	33	20	7	6	65	30	67
5 • Chelsea	33	18	6	9	57	33	60
6 • Arsenal	33	16	6	11	62	45	54
7 • Burnley	33	14	10	9	33	29	52
8 • Leicester City	33	11	10	12	49	47	43
9 • Everton	34	11	9	14	39	54	42
10 • Newcastle United	33	11	8	14	35	42	41
11 • Bournemouth	34	9	11	14	41	56	38
12 • Watford	34	10	7	17	42	60	37
13 • Brighton	33	8	11	14	31	46	35
14 • West Ham Utd.	33	8	11	14	41	59	35
15 • Huddersfield Town	34	9	8	17	27	54	35
16 • Crystal Palace	34	8	10	16	36	54	34
17 • Swansea City	33	8	9	16	27	46	33
18 • Southampton	33	5	13	15	33	53	28
19 • Stoke City	34	6	10	18	31	64	28
20 • West Bromwich	34	4	12	18	27	52	24

Alonso aiming to find Chinese Champion

FERNANDO ALONSO has announced that his Fernando Alonso Karting school will be expanding into China.

The Fernando Alonso Karting School, which opened its first circuit in July 2015, has primarily operated in Spain to this point but will now expand to China with the aim of finding the first Chinese Formula One Champion.

Despite the introduction of the Chinese Grand Prix in 2004, there has still not been a Chinese Formula One driver in the sport, but that is something that Alonso seems determined to change, with the Spaniard planning



EXPANDING: Alonso plans 40 karting tracks for China.

to build 40 circuits over the next five years.

Ahead of last weekend's Chinese Grand Prix, the two-time Formula One Champion tweeted: 'Big day for the FA Karting School. We will be in China on a long term project to find the Chinese F1 Champion of the future.'

'Over the next five years, 40 race tracks will be built, giving the opportunity to the best talents in the country to follow their dreams.'

MMA star aiming to become the Ultimate Fighter

EXCLUSIVE

By Benjamin Park

A BRITISH MMA fighter based on the Costa del Sol is looking to make his way into the UFC as he takes part in the latest season of the Ultimate Fighter.

Jay Cucciniello, who is based in Fuengirola, currently has an 8-0 undefeated professional record and as a result was asked to compete in American reality TV series The Ultimate Fighter.

The Ultimate Fighter,

which is now in its 27th season, has produced several UFC champions in the past and will see 16 fighters, eight lightweights and eight featherweights, spend six weeks away in a house together in Las Vegas, all competing for the final prize of a UFC contract.

Cucciniello, who is known as the Mellow Fellow, exclusively told the *Euro Weekly News*: "This show is something I've watched for a long time so when the opportunity came up I jumped on it with the support of my family,

friends and the biggest support of all, my girlfriend Taylor."

The season will come to a close on July 6 in Las Vegas, where both the champions from the featherweight and lightweight categories will be crowned.

Featherweight fighter Cucciniello continued: "This series is a special one as its all undefeated fighters, the first ever season done with just undefeated fighters, so I'm truly grateful to be a part of it."

The show premiered on

American sporting network Fox Sports yesterday (Wednesday) but will also be shown on BT Sport later today.

COMPETITION:
Cucciniello is looking to win a UFC contract.



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Rahm wins maiden victory at Open de España

SPANIARD Jon Rahm secured his maiden title as he took a two-shot victory on home soil to win the Open de España.

The 23-year-old hit a five-under 67 in the final round of the Spanish open at Madrid's Centro Nacional de Golf to finish 20 under-par overall and register just his fifth victory as a professional after overtaking overnight leader, Irishman Paul Dunne, and fellow Spaniard Nacho Elvira.

"It's probably the hardest Sunday I've ever had to play because the amount of crowds I was carrying," Rahm told Sky Sports News following his victory.

"I saw the willingness and the feeling that everybody had to want me to win.

They were pushing so hard and I felt that. As a golfer it's hard to deal with the public's emotions, so I tried to isolate myself and that's perhaps why I didn't play my best golf.

In what turned out to be a frantic final round, Rahm came into the final day two strokes off the pace, with Dunne beginning the day with a one-shot lead ahead of Elvira.

But Dunne's playing partner for the day Elvira birdied the first to draw level with the Irishman, while Rahm birdied the first two holes to also take a share of the lead heading into the third.

The lead switched hands multiple times from then on while on the front nine, but Rahm seemed to

move comfortably clear as he rolled a 10-footer at the 13th to move two ahead.

And despite Elvira pulling level by the 15th, the final pair made mistakes heading into the 18th where both were left needing to hole their second shots on the par-five final to force a play-off after Rahm posted a two-putt birdie to set the clubhouse target at 20 under-par.

Dunne, who could only post a birdie on the final hole

to finish with a one-under 71 on the final day ended second ahead of Elvira, who couldn't recover after hitting a double bogey on the penultimate 17th to hand Rahm his maiden victory

Rahm continued: "I've been blessed to be national champion with the Spanish Golf Federation many times, European champion and world champion representing them. To win this as a pro and do this for them and the Spanish people feels great."



Spain face Fed Cup fight

SPAIN'S Fed Cup side will look to avoid dropping to the Europe/Africa Zone Group I for the first time in their history as they host Paraguay this weekend.

Spain continued their miserable form in the Fed Cup as they lost 3-2 against Italy in the first round in February to make it three straight defeats in the Fed Cup.

They must now get past Paraguay at Cartagena's Centro de Tenis La Manga Club in their first tie on home soil since 2016

between Saturday and Sunday in order to return to World Group I

Anabel Medina Garrigues, who captained the side for the first time in the loss to Italy, can count on a full-strength side for the tie; with World Number 3 Garbine Muguruza named in the squad alongside doubles specialist Marla Jose Martinez Sanchez and Lara Arrubarrera and World Number 25 Carla Suarez Navarro.

Americas Zone Group I winners Paraguay

will prove to be tough opposition though as they aim to reach the World Group II stage for the first time, having missed out at the play-off stage in both 1995 and 2015.

STRONG SIDE: World Number 3 Garbine Muguruza is part of the Spanish squad.

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