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## In the dark

LARGE parts of Almuñecar were plunged into darkness after the town experienced its first power outage this summer last Saturday.

The La Herradura area of the town was without electricity for much of the night. Members of the local left-leaning Partido Socialista (PSOE) have since called on local authorities to improve Almuñecar's electricity grid.

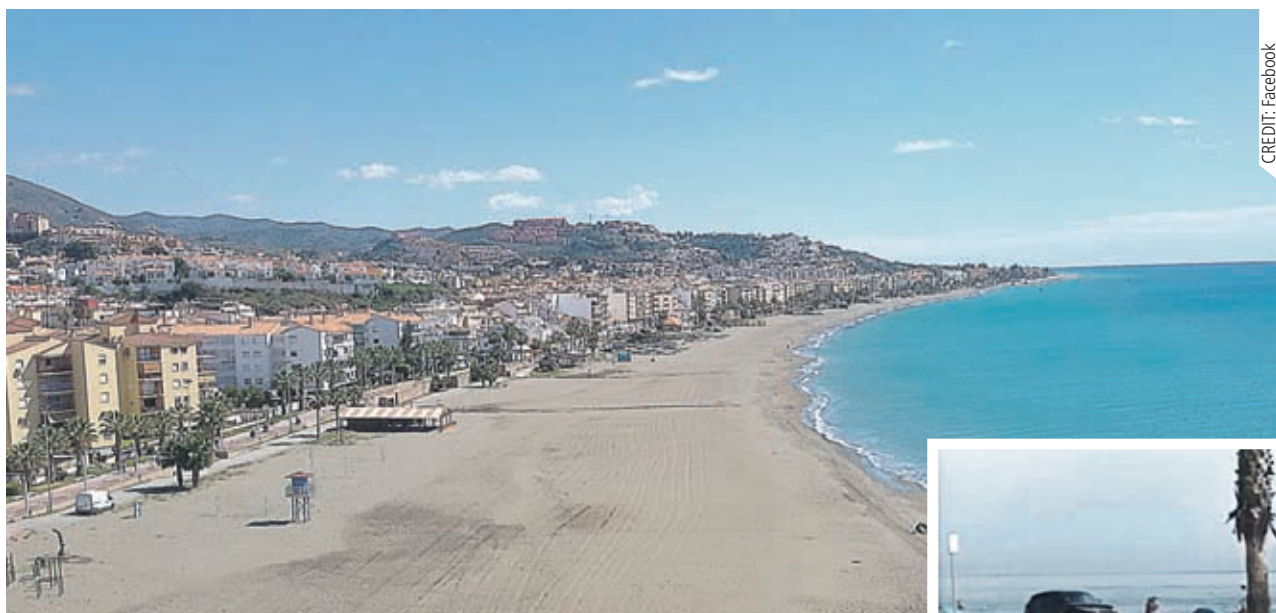
The town's urbanism spokesperson, Jose Manuel Fernandez, said the outage was due to the replacing of a power line running from Calle La Carrera to Calle Guadix.

"We hope that further planned line changes and updates to the power system will bring us a solution to future power outages," he said.

Senior members of the local PSOE said further power cuts would have a 'disastrous' effect on the tourists' image of Almuñecar.

"We cannot allow another summer of blackouts, which is far from what we understand by tourist excellence," the local PSOE's general secretary Rocio Palacios said.

"Neighbours, business-people and hoteliers have suffered again from the consequences of the inefficient electricity network and from lack of a solution from the local authority," he added.



CREDIT: Facebook

**OFF ROAD FURY:** The car careered along the beach for around 250 metres.

# Beach crashers

By Joe Gerrard

LOCAL POLICE officers were called out to a beach in Rincon de la Victoria after three British tourists were spotted driving on the sand.

The two men and one pregnant woman had reportedly come onto the beach, near the Plaza Miguel Cerezo, in their four-by-four from a junction off Calle Limonero last week.

Onlookers filmed the car

as it swerved among bathers and beachgoers. Footage showed it appearing to drive chaotically in one direction before turning towards the sea and coming back the opposite way over a distance of around 250 metres.

Several witnesses called emergency services and Local Police officers were dispatched to stop the Range Rover Evoque.

Some beachgoers said it took them more than 40 min-

utes to arrive, with police sources stating they arrived 11 minutes after receiving their first call.

Officers issued an on-the-spot fine of €500 to the dri-

ver of the vehicle who paid it via bank card at the scene. He claimed they were trying to reach Vueva del Tesoro in the El Cantal area of the town.

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**Quorn supremacy**

MORE than 60 per cent of Spaniards intentionally opt for meat-free days, topping the European ranking ahead of Germany and Poland, according to a new report by global market research provider Mintel.

**Baby boost**

SPAIN'S new socialist government has agreed to offer free fertility treatment for lesbians and single women, restoring a benefit which had been axed by the conservative regime of former Prime Minister Mariano Rajoy.

**Car wars**

MADRID City Council has confirmed that most of the Spanish capital's centre will be off-limits to non-residents' vehicles from November as it ramps up plans to establish a giant 'Residential Priority Zone.'

A SPANISH teenager who went missing last year ago has been rescued from a satanic sect in the Amazon rainforest.

Patricia Aguilar, 19, vanished from her home in Alicante on the Costa Blanca 18 months ago, but she has now been found in central Peru.

Investigators have also held Peruvian Felix Steven Manrique Gomez, 35, a former trainee electrician suspected of heading the Gnosis cult which kept three women as sexual slaves.

According to the victim's relatives, she was lured to the South American country by Gomez through social media.

They say he targets emotionally unstable girls promising to save them from the end of the world, urging them to leave their families as soon as they turned 18.

Referring to himself as 'Prince Gurdjeff,' he reportedly considers himself to be a messenger from God sent to Earth ahead of the planet's imminent destruction, which he announced in a series of online clips posted under false names.

He used a text-reading soft-

# Sex cult raid

## Missing teen found in the Amazon

ware to disguise his voice with a Spanish accent.

The suspect also claims he has been chosen to repopulate the world in the wake of the Apocalypse and needed to build up a harem of women.

In another ploy he offered victims cosmetic treatments, writing: "Attention tablet girls. During this year and the next I will provide natural treatments

according to each case, you can grow breasts and hips up to three sizes. Free, complete discretion, the treatment is largely personal.

"Flat-chested girls from Latin America... Write to me if you are interested."

A source close to the case revealed he 'began screaming to be taken to a hairdresser' when charged with human trafficking at a local police sta-

tion, adding: "He is a special person who takes care of his image, and he knew that this was going to go out in the media, that is why he took an interest in getting a shave and wearing dress clothes. He takes care of that, because he is still luring [women] on social media."

Patricia was found five hours after the arrest at a private property where she was

looking after her one-month-old baby and four other children aged between four and 10, all fathered by Manrique and suffering from malnutrition according to detectives.

She has now been reunited with her family after her father Alberto travelled to Peru.

"It was a psychological kidnapping," he told Spanish media.

Non-profit support group SOS Desaparecidos, which has been supporting the family, revealed in a tweet her parents 'have been knocking on doors on land, sea and air to get Patricia out of the nightmare of human trafficking.'

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**18-MONTH ORDEAL:** Suspect Felix Steven Manrique Gomez (left), and Patricia Aguilar leaves the property where she was being held with her newborn baby.

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## Gender crime probe arrest

OFFICERS in Torre del Mar have arrested a 53-year-old man in connection with allegations of assault on his wife, a 38-year-old woman from Paraguay. Local Police were called to the couple's home on Calle Custodio Puga in the early hours of last Sunday, with the suspect arrested on his arrival there.

## Dog's life

MALAGA City's municipal animal shelter rescued more than 840 animals - almost 600 of them abandoned dogs - between the turn of the year and end of June, with the six-month period described as 'very painful' in a statement.

## Man held

LOCAL POLICE have arrested a 19-year-old man in connection with the theft of a moped in Rincon de la Victoria. The suspect, who is also accused of possessing drugs, was taken to the Local Police station in the town and case proceedings have been sent to the Guardia Civil.

## Suddy hell

AN unnamed man has been sentenced to six years in prison after being caught with more than two kilos of 80.7 per cent pure cocaine worth more than €76,000 hidden in bars of soap at Malaga Airport. The accused had flown to the Costa del Sol from Brazil via Portuguese capital Lisbon.

## Rubbish call

LOCALS in Motril have complained over fears they may be visited by a plague of cockroaches due to rubbish being left next to communal bins. Residents added the smell from refuse was becoming 'unbearable' and that it was attracting rodents and mosquitoes, with Partido Popular councillor Angeles Lopez having put forward clean up measures.

## Police kit

VELEZ-MALAGA'S Council has bought new communications equipment for Local Police and Guardia Civil officers in the town at a cost of €277,330. The five digital radio repeaters, 123 portable devices and 12 stations in vehicles are designed to allow for a rapid response to crime, the local authority said.



THE BIG PICTURE Nº 22

RAINBOW ROAD: A scene from the final parade in central Madrid.

# Bursting with pride

IT is the biggest Pride celebration in Europe.

And the 2018 Madrid Orgullo was particularly special after an estimated two million revellers flocked to the capital to mark the 40th anniversary of the first authorised LGBT demonstration in Spain.

Organised by the Homosexual Liberation Front of

Castilla, it took place when 'homosexual acts' were still criminalised.

The 10-day festivities ended with a spectacular giant parade through the city's streets, while the opening march, this year dubbed 'Conquering equality, TRANSforming society,' was for the first time led by two government ministers.

## Dog beach opens

AUTHORITIES in Torrox have designated a stretch of coastline as open to dogs.

The dog-friendly beach is the seventh in Malaga Province, joining those of San Pedro de Alcántara, Marbella, Mijas-Fuengirola, Rincon de Victoria and Torre del Mar.

Oscar Medina, the mayor of Torrox, said authorities made the 300-metre stretch of coast dog friendly in response to demand.

"For several years we have been carrying out the relevant procedures with other administrations so that a tourist town like Torrox can have a dog beach," he said.

"Its location at the mouth of the Torrox River is unbeatable," he added.

The opening of the beach was attended by more than 200 locals, with authorities handing out 500 disposable bags for them to clean up after their pets.

## Festival closes

TORRE DEL MAR'S Weekend Beach Festival closed last Saturday after around 140,000 people from Spain and elsewhere visited it.

The Festival, the fifth-annual as of this year, opened last Wednesday and lasted four days. It featured 92 acts across several stages.

Organisers have already said they hope to host another edition of the concert series next year, according to Velez-Malaga Council and authorities in Torre del Mar.

Festival-goers arrived at the

venue on the beach near to Calle Fero Nuevo from Wednesday July 4. One of the first events was a welcome party featuring performances from Iseo & The Dodosound with the Mousehunter. Around 26,000 people are estimated to have attended.

American rock band The Offspring headlined on Thursday evening, with French DJ David Guetta doing so on Friday. More than 38,000 daily tickets are estimated to have been sold overall.

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**WATERY GRAVE:** A piece of the wreckage and (inset) a US Air Force photo showing the attack on U-996.

# Nazi sub found

THREE Spanish divers have found the wreckage of a German Second World War U-boat off the coast of northern Spain.

The crew blew the U996 vessel up using timed charges after it was badly damaged by Allied bombers in November 1943.

Eight of the 52 men on board died trying to reach the shore near Estaco de Bares, a peninsula in La Coruña Province, Galicia.

The desperate move came after US Navy and RAF Liberator bombers targeted the submarine for an entire day, with one plane, believed to be an RAF Caralina flying boat, shot down by its anti-aircraft gun.

One RAF Wellington bomber also joined the battle and dropped depth charges before the crew scuttled their ship.

Naval historian Yago Abilleira, who was part of the team which unearthed the wreck after years of searching, said U-966 was abandoned "in desperation, as Allied planes were attacking them on all sides and they

knew time was running out."

Its remains were found scattered over a wide rocky area at a depth of 24-26 metres, and the men are now aiming to find the Allied plane which they think lies close to the submarine.

The precise location will not be revealed since it constitutes a war grave.

Three local fishing boats reportedly saved some of the German crew after they were found clinging to offshore rocks.

The U-boat, nicknamed Gut Holz (Good Wood), was returning from a mission in North America when it came under attack on November 10, 1943 having been launched just 10 months earlier.

Commander Eckehard Wolf flew to Germany a year later under a false name, according to German website *Uboatarchive.de*.

Spain's fascist leader at the time, the dictator Francisco Franco, is also thought to have helped other members of the crew return home.

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# PM Catalan meeting

Sanchez and Torres aim to achieve 'normalcy' at talks

By Joe Gerrard

SPAIN'S Prime Minister has received the President of Cataluña in Madrid for talks which aim to restore normal relations between authorities following the recent push for the region's independence.

Pedro Sanchez and Quim Torra were photographed outside the Prime Minister's official residence of La Moncloa smiling and shaking hands for a photo call last Monday.

Torra said on Twitter ahead of the visit he wanted to explain to the Prime Minister the 'very serious' situation he claimed the Spanish state had created in Cataluña.

His ambition was to try to reach a solution with Sanchez as the region continues to be embroiled in the fallout from last year's independence referendum and declaration.

Sanchez wrote on the social media site in Catalan and Spanish: "A political crisis requires a political solution. This meeting is a constructive starting point for the normalisation of relations."

He added the two leaders had decided to take steps towards returning Cataluña and Spain to 'normalcy' along the lines of cooperation and understanding.

Torra, a member of the pro-independence Junts per Cataluña party, also reportedly wanted to continue advancing the cause of the region's self-determination.

Spanish government officials spent the weekend before the meeting playing down the topic as a subject for discussion in interviews and ruling out a second, legally-sanctioned referendum on self-rule.

Sanchez floated at the meeting lifting the blocking of fi-



CREDIT: Pedro Sanchez, via Twitter

TALKS: Sanchez (right) and Torra (left) swapped books at the meeting.

nancial transfers and investment into the region, according to reports in Spanish media.

The Catalan President took questions from reporters after the meeting.

## OUR VIEW

### PM safe this week?

JUST when it seemed that the British government had reached a modicum of agreement over the Brexit plans, first David Davis and then Boris Johnson decided to resign from the cabinet.

There were rumours that the influential 1922 committee of Conservative backbenchers were considering calling for a vote of no confidence in Prime Minister May but those opposing her did not find 48 MPs prepared to sign such a declaration.

At the end of the day it appears that the Tories are more interested in trying to influence the final Brexit deal from within rather than deciding to tear the minority government apart when there is still so much to do before March 2019.

Two voices which had been strident in calling for Brexit, Liam Fox and Michael Gove have kept relatively low profiles during the last week with Gove actually saying that he is 100 per cent behind Mrs May's Brexit plan (if he was talking about a football manager, you would know that they were about to be sacked).

Tellingly, the four arguably most important positions in government, Prime Minister, Chancellor, Foreign Secretary and Home Secretary are now all held by MPs who voted to Remain so to some extent it would appear that a softer exit is now possible.

Having said that, both Davis and Johnson are now likely to be more voluble about their opposition to the plans and Jacob Rees Mogg has made it clear that not only is he opposed to the plan, but thinks Boris Johnson would make an excellent Prime Minister.

As the saying goes, watch this space!

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# Airport arrest

AN Irishman has been arrested at Malaga Airport after allegedly attempting to take his children to Belfast under duress.

The Guardia Civil said officers detained the suspect before he was able to board a flight to Belfast with the six and nine-year-olds.

He had also reportedly broken a restraining order which stopped him from making contact with his ex-partner after arriving at her workplace in Mijas.

A police spokesperson said the man was



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HELD: The man was arrested at Malaga Airport.

travelling on an Irish passport and that he had dual nationality.

The other travel documents were not issued by British authorities, he added.



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# Aless is more

SHE recently retired from her long role as a Victoria's Secret angel.

But Brazilian model Alessandra Ambrosio showed she retains an envy-inducing figure after slipping into a skimpy fishnet-style bikini on an Ibiza beach.

The 37-year-old bombshell struck a series of poses atop some nearby rocks before frolicking in the waves as she enjoyed her sunshine break.



**BEACH BABE:**  
Alessandra Ambrosio.

Photo credit Twitter

# Amy-zing boat trip

SHE'S the comedy queen who has starred in a series of hit films.

But American stand-up star Amy Schumer showed she knows how to relax in style after being snapped aboard a luxury yacht in Ibiza.

And the 37-year-old was joined aboard by sitcom legend Jerry Seinfeld, 64, plus the pair's partners.



**COMEDY QUEEN:** Amy Schumer.

# Life's a peach!

IT'S the celebrity craze of the summer. And Made In Chelsea star Lucy Watson wasted no time in sharing her peachy posterior with the world after posting a selfie while staying at the five-star Las Dunas Beach Hotel and Spa on the Costa del Sol. The 27-year-old sent temperatures soaring after the racy snap appeared online.

**WISH YOU WERE REAR:** Lucy Watson.



Photo credit Lucy Watson/Instagram

# Kiss it better

THEY'RE famous for their extravagant live shows and outrageous costumes.

And legendary rock band KISS proved their credentials again after taking to the stage at the Rock Fest in Barcelona for their first gig of the year.

Lead singer and bassist Gene



**ROCK LEGENDS:**  
KISS.

Simmons, 68, recently revealed plans for a three-year world tour starting next January that will stop "on all continents."

He added: "Let me put it bluntly: One day we are going to stop and do the last show. I

don't know when that is... I still look stunning in real life!

"The band's in great shape - Tommy [Thayer, guitar] and Eric [Singer, drums] are fantastic. Everybody finally seems happy with their lot in life."

# Ron holiday

IT is rumoured he could play for Juventus next season after the Italian champions submitted a €100 million bid for his services.

But Real Madrid superstar Cristiano Ronaldo's mind appeared elsewhere as he shared a saucy snack with girlfriend Georgina Rodriguez while on holiday in Greece.

The 33-year-old footballer's Portuguese team was knocked out of the World Cup last-16 by Uruguay.

But he appeared carefree after jetting to the Peloponnese peninsu-



**CRIS GOODBYE?**  
Ronaldo could be set to leave Spain.

Photo credit Georgina Rodriguez/Instagram

la before leaping aboard a helicopter and flying to a luxury resort.

And Spanish model Georgina, 22, posted a series of snaps from the trip, with the pair joined by her squeeze's eldest son Cristiano Junior, eight.

She recently gave birth to the striker's youngest child and second daughter Alana Martina, with his other three children, who also include twins Eva Maria and Mateo, believed to have been born via two surrogate mothers.

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## NEWS EXTRA

## Eco scheme announced

MEMBERS of the Environmental Committee of Andalusia's Parliament have unanimously approved a proposal to declare the Velez-Malaga river delta an ecologically-protected space, with the politicians agreeing to take action on 'uncontrolled dumping' and other issues there.

## New lines

TRANSPORT authorities in Rincon de la Victoria have created two new bus routes in the city, with links to the town's shopping area and football and other sports fields, part of the new Rincon bus lines.

## Three held

LOCAL POLICE officers have arrested three suspected in connection with a burglary at a warehouse, with the two aged 17 and one aged 19 taken to Velez Sur health centre for treatment after being detained at around 6.10am last Tuesday.

## Body found

RELATIVES of an elderly man from Torre del Mar reported missing last week have said they have found his body near to his home, with a post mortem due on the 77-year-old's remains to determine the cause of death.

## Repair call

COUNCILLORS with the centrist Ciudadanos party in Motril have called on the town's local authority to undertake renovations to footbridges on the Cable and Poniente beaches after the fittings were damaged in storms earlier this year.

## Smart steps

ROAD authorities in Rincon de la Victoria have drawn up plans to install 'smart' pedestrian crossings on streets in the town, with them set to feature LED lights which switch on when walkers approach to warn drivers.

JUST one in five of the 348 beach bars and restaurants in Malaga are legal.

The shocking figure was this week revealed by Andalusian environment minister Jose Fiscal, although the official added that 80 per cent do have the required opening licence.

But just 76 of the seafront eateries and drinking spots

## Bar-ly believable

have all the required paperwork, with 36 having none whatsoever.

Mr Fiscal explained his department has only been in control of managing the establishments since summer 2014, in the wake of a change to regional coastal

laws.

The move was designed to "streamline the regularisation process," and offer "better security to the owners of the premises," he added, before insisting that there are no administrative issues despite the lack of progress.

## Betting scam

TWO men have been held for making off with €18,000 after cheating at a Malaga casino.

The Italian and Moroccan suspects, aged 40 and 33, are accused of manipulating the ball on a roulette wheel at the city venue and have been charged with fraud. They were caught

when one of the pair triggered an alarm attached to the wheel while the other distracted the croupier, and they were identified via CCTV footage before being arrested.

Both have police records for earlier betting scams, according to a police statement.

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**JUSSI, 43, on holiday from Helsinki, Finland**

"Sometimes yes, sometimes no. You can't blame everyone for the actions of a few people.

"It's not only England either, Russians are just as bad, if not worse. I saw a documentary about English hooligans though! It was a few years ago but they would go around Eu-

## **STREET TALK**

# Are English football fans misbehaving?

**Armed police officers have clashed with celebrating Three Lions supporters in Benidorm, but have holidaying revellers gone overboard during England's World Cup run?**

rope for football matches in the Champions League and stuff, not to watch the games but to cause trouble. During the European Championships two years ago there were also a few incidents, especially between the English and the Russians.

"However, I've not seen or heard about any bad behaviour on the Costa, so maybe that tells you something too."

**Mark Ransom, 51, on holiday from Surrey, England**

"Of course they do! I've certainly not heard about anything. I'm staying in Alhaurin el Grande and it's a quiet place so there's no reason for that sort of stuff to happen. There's a large expat community there and everyone gets on fine.

"I suppose for a few people, when England lose,

the frustration kicks in and then it spills out in a bad way. It's groups of young lads having had too much sunshine and beer. But they don't represent everyone. There are lots of English out here and most are absolutely fine."

**Steven and Frida Hair, 61, on holiday from Ardrossan, Scotland**

"They're all hooligans! No,

just joking. We've never seen any cases of it. There are lots of foreign people here and they all seem to get on well. When the English go abroad, they get targeted because of their reputation. Then the press hypes everything up too. There are a few hooligans but they've got no interest in football, they just want a fight. But it's not just England, the Russians and Dutch are just as

bad, if not worse."

**Christopher and Katerina, 22 and 25, on holiday from Porvoo, Finland**

"We've not had any bad experiences. When we watch an England game the fans are just cheering and enjoying themselves. No one is throwing anything or fighting!

Christopher: I watched the film Green Street Hooligans and so I did have an impression of the English from that! I think there was a problem in 2016 between English and Russian fans, but I think that was more the Russians' fault."

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## Matador gets scalped

FLAMBOYANT matador Juan Jose Padilla has suffered another gruesome injury after being gored. The 45-year-old from Jerez de la Frontera has only one eye after being gored in 2011.

Now he is recovering from surgery after half his scalp was torn off as he was performing in

front of a packed crowd at the bullring in Arevalo in northern Spain. Colleagues rushed to Padilla's aid after he had been knocked to the floor by a bull, and then attacked on the ground.

Padilla was rushed to hospital in Avila where doctors said he had not suffered brain damage.

# Fight for life

## Ex-BBC host punched in bar

By **Matt Ford**

THE family of an ex-BBC host have released a heart-breaking photo of their dad fighting for his life in hospital as they appeal for help tracing his attacker.

Comic Jimmy Carol, 63, is hooked up to a ventilator in the picture, and his son James Everall said he is on life support after being punched when trying to defend a group of women being harassed by drunks in Benidorm.

The performer from Burscough in Lancashire has a fractured skull and bleeding on the brain.

He said: "Today I arrived in Alicante and went straight to my dad's bedside in the ICU.

"Unfortunately after Friday's positive report there is no further similar update.

"My dad was not responsive to me today and quite honestly it was difficult to be with him.

"He is on life support and the machine is doing his breathing.

"He has a third CT scan on Monday to see if the bleeding and haemorrhaging reduce but due to his multiple skull fractures the medical team are unable to per-



**HORROR ATTACK:** Jimmy was trying to defend a group of women from drunks.

form surgery yet."

James, from Chapel-en-le-Frith, Derbyshire, also confirmed a £20,000 cash reward is on offer for information leading to the attacker being held.

Friend Christine Coles said on social media 'top celebs' will be among those performing at fundraising shows, adding that a crowdfunding page will be set up.

James earlier said the at-

tacker, who hit his dad so hard he was unconscious when he hit the floor, was six feet tall and wearing a red England shirt.

He added: "Please pray for my brother and I who are obviously shaken and disturbed by all of this.

"And please pray for the person who did this. Pray that they realise the gravity of their drunken actions and that they have the courage to turn themselves in."

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# Claims firms fly off with cash

PERSONAL claims firms are preying on holidaymakers at airport arrival gates in a bid to whip up a compensation storm for flight delays.

Those who fall for their schemes could lose hundreds of pounds despite being able to claim what they are owed for free.

Passengers are entitled to statutory compensation of up to €600 if their plane lands more than three hours late.

They can easily make the claim themselves for free via the airline, but claims firms have spotted a sly opportunity to do the chasing on their behalf.

The agents catch weary passengers on their way through arrivals halls - urging them to fill out forms on the spot - which they then take to the airlines.



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**FLIGHT FRIGHT:** Many claimants are unaware that they will not receive the full amount.

However, many claims firms help themselves to a big chunk of the final payout (in the smallprint), sometimes over 40 per cent.

The scourge has been on the rise in the past 18 months as agents hunt for alternatives to payment protection insurance (PPI) claims, which are being clamped down on.

The problem is aggravated by the failure of many airlines to inform passengers of their entitlement to apply for compensation directly.

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**'Baccy sales are on a roll**

SALES of rolling tobacco in Spain have increased by 91 per cent since 2004.

Around 15.4 per cent of the nation's smokers now prefer to roll their own cigarettes, compared to just 1.4 per cent 14 years ago, according to a new study from the World Health Organisation.

And the report found that the main reason for the swing is the lower price of loose tobacco compared with pre-rolled cigarettes, with self-rollers less likely to quit smoking "because they think they are less harmful and more natural."

**TSB blunder sparks squabble**by *Matt Ford*

AN IT meltdown which left hundreds of thousands of TSB customers unable to access their personal accounts has reportedly left owner Sabadell considering whether to offload the UK-based bank.

The row erupted over the role of Sabadell's in-house IT provider Sabis in the slip-up, leading TSB chief executive Peter Pester vowing to "insource" in a letter to MPs.

He added that Sabadell's "written attestations" over its new IT platform were "instrumental" in his

company's decision to migrate customer data.

TSB chairman Richard Meddings recently told the Treasury Select Committee that only 29 per cent of complaints received in nine weeks since the botched upgrade took place had been resolved.

And an unnamed senior figure added that TSB has paid €2.25 million to customers for the inconvenience and a further €13.5 million to those defrauded in the wake of the blunder.

Sabadell paid around €1.6 billion to acquire TSB in 2015 in what was seen as a key move for the group to reduce reliance on the Spanish market.

TSB said in a statement: "Our absolute focus is on fixing the remaining issues, and we are working together with Sabadell to achieve this. We have made a firm commitment that no customer will be left out of pocket as a result of the recent IT issues and no complaint will go unanswered. We are working hard to do this as quickly as possible."

**EIB to fork out €100m in deal**

THE European Investment Bank (EIB) has inked a €100 million deal with Spanish car interior firm Antolin Group.

Part of the European Fund for Strategic Investments, the cash will be used to develop new lightweight components for the next generation of energy-efficient, connected and autonomous vehicles.

EIB Vice-President Emma Navarro said: "As the EU bank, we are pleased to support a project fostering innovation investment in a key sector for the European economy, while also promoting highly skilled employment."

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**Outrage as Spanish wine sold as French**

**GRAPE DIVIDE:** France's wine industry is furious over the scandal.

UP to 4.6 million bottles of Spanish rose wine have been mislabelled as French and sold in bars, hotels and restaurants, according to investigators.

The findings come in the wake of a two-year probe into the wine trade by France's anti-fraud directorate.

And while most wine was correctly labelled, as much as 3.45 million litres of Spanish plonk was 'disguised.'

The typical ploy was to stick

French flags on the bottles with labels including 'Produced in France' and 'Bottled in France.'

Remi Dumas, head of the young wine-producers organisation in the Hérault region in southern France, said: "For those who wonder why we demonstrate, for all the wine-producers who aren't bothered by our calls for protest! Consumers open your eyes! 10m [sic] bottles of fake rose from Spain."

**» BUSINESS EXTRA****Motorists not fuelled**

BETWEEN January and June only 37 per cent of the 735,000 new cars sold in Spain were powered by diesel engines, a year-on-year decrease of 13 per cent, with 57.2 per cent petrol, the Spanish Association of Car and Truck Manufacturers said.

**Fare game**

SPANISH on-demand transport firm Cabify has said it 'categorically denies' talks over a €2.5 billion sale to US-based Lyft after Spanish media reported the pair were negotiating a deal.

**Going postal**

THE European Commission has ordered Spain's state postal company Correos to repay €166 million of 'excessive compensation' it received from the country's government from 2004-2010, according to reports.

**Octopus market squids in**

SPANISH diners are up in arms over the soaring price of octopus.

The delicacy has become increasingly expensive recently and is currently selling wholesale for up to €10.25, a 26 per cent jump from last year and 45 per cent more than in 2016, according to industry data.

In the north of Spain, depleted stocks and re-

duced quotas have seen demand outstrip supply, whereas in Mediterranean provinces catches have remained similar while the market has grown.

And the predicament has reportedly seen suppliers and restaurateurs turn to foreign octopus to make up the deficit, with much of the tentacle treat served in eateries now sourced from Morocco, Mauritania and Portugal.



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# What 'British' education system?

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DO the authorities have any control whatsoever over what is being taught to our vulnerable children who are the very future of the country?

By some of the evidence offered up to the British courts of late, it would appear not. This latest legal sloop of drivelling nonsense truly does take the whole, anti-British values tin. Rapist Adil Rashid was recently spared jail because he claimed, 'he was not aware it was illegal to have sex with a 13-year-old girl.' He maintained that his education left him 'ignorant of British law!'

He was also the piece of trash that told investigators he had been taught that 'women were no more worthy than a lollipop that had been dropped on the ground.'

Disregarding the fact that yet another Judge has passed a sentence that is so extraordinary it hovers on the borders of judicial insanity, it got me to thinking 'just what exactly is going on in the schools of the UK?'

Surely education establishments are legally required to follow some sort of general guidelines that reflect the laws and traditions of the country they are allowed to operate in? Well,



**PARADISE:** Leapy has a new assistant in the house.

don't hold yer breath.

I tried to research it all and believe me it is a complete mishmash of organisations; all apparently empowered to carry out inspections by agreements with the department of education. All have their pompous titles represented by initials (BSI, DSI, SIS, ISI). I didn't exactly unearth ISIS but it's probably in there somewhere!

Did I hear someone mention Ofsted? Don't bother. Of the schools that are supposed to be under the jurisdiction of this main governmental body, many had not been inspected for up to seven years!

So, rest easy all of you. Islamic schools all over the country are operating unsupervised, unchecked and happily teaching a whole new generation of youngsters a completely differ-

ent culture, religion and future set of values to regale you all with. When they all leave these learning establishments, and go out into your world with these totally alien attitudes toward British life, the answer is simple, all you have to do is integrate!

After all, the snowflakes have been recommending integration for years. Well, in the not too distant future they may finally get their wish. Just not quite sure this reversed integration was actually what they had in mind. Still, a happy Sharia to you all. And good luck!

Thanks for all your birthday wishes this week. Still can't quite believe that with the lifestyle I have led I have managed to get this far. One thing this year's event did bring into my life was the introduction of a new woman. Her name is Alexa. She does everything she's told, caters to my every (verbal) whim and shuts-up the second I instruct her to. Paradise!

If they could just give her some resemblance of the female form my Utopia would be complete! Oh, I dunno though. Still can't quite beat the real thing, can you!? Interesting to see my new British licence bears the Union Jack. Looks pretty good to me.

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WHENEVER there's a couple of weeks of extreme weather in the UK, the red tops are full of scare stories predicting that this is the way it's going to be from now on - with the usual dire consequences. You know: 'Health authorities have warned that extreme summer heat is set to become the norm, and that we need to get better at preparing for it.'

Health authorities? The norm? Based on what science? What data? What evidence? A few old tea leaves, the eye of a toad and a bloodied rabbit's foot?

Or maybe the same technique for weather forecasting that Great Aunt Ethel used. Go to the beach, bring back a long bit of seaweed, hang it up outside and examine it every day. If it's dripping wet, it's raining; if it's wet but not dripping it has rained. If it looks whitish, it's frosty. If it looks white, it's been snowing. If you can't see it, there's fog. If it's dry, it's fine but if it shrivels up and drops there's a drought. However, if it's brown and burnt-looking when it drops, there's been a heatwave. Infallible!

Recent British summers have been rub-

## Only mad dogs and Englishmen!



**HEATWAVE: The UK is preparing for another scorcher this summer.**

bish - a few rays of sunshine, lots of cloud, too much rain - accompanied by the inevitable media reports predicting decades without 'real summers.' Some years ago, there was a run of mild winters with the red tops sounding off about kids in Britain never getting to make snowballs or see frost on trees.

A week or more of hot, cold, wet or windy weather isn't conclusive proof of some imminent and long lasting shift in the UK's climate. It's always been variable!

So, for those of you over there, this isn't

a heatwave ... it's called summer. Enjoy it while it lasts. Phew! A few weeks without rain? Soon enough there'll be drought warnings, hosepipe bans and, inevitably, an increase in those water bills ...

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

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*M C (Costa Blanca)*

**A.** The Law of Horizontal Property is not within the Spanish Civil Code,

which is the general body of regulatory law. The Horizontal Law is a separate body of rules that regulates Communities of Property Owners.

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**SINGSONG:** Researchers found brain activity in the birds' sleep was similar to when they sing.

## Trivia from around the world

\*\*\* The name for the country Norway has its origins in an earlier name Nordweg, which means the Northern Way.

\*\*\* Indonesia is one of a handful of countries dubbed 'megadiverse' due to the vast amount of different animals and plants there.

\*\*\* Suriname in South America is the only territory outside of Europe where the majority of people speak Dutch.

\*\*\* The Basilica of Our Lady of Peace of Yamoussoukro in the Ivory Coast is the largest church in the world. It covers an area of around 30,000 square metres.

\*\*\* Although alcoholic drinks are banned in Saudi Arabia, there is said to be a cottage industry of amateur beer and wine making among the expatriate community there.

\*\*\* Baldwin Street in Dunedin in New Zealand is the world's steepest street. It has a 38 per cent grade at its steepest part.

## DID YOU KNOW?

Songbirds rehearse their melodies by singing in their sleep, according to a study. Researchers examined the electrical brain activity of zebra finches and found they dream about singing possibly to help them rehearse their repertoire. Scientists working on the study said the findings could help us learn more about the role of sleep in learning and how people pick up languages.

### Women's wit

“People, even more than things, have to be restored, renewed, revived, reclaimed and redeemed. Never throw anyone out.”

*Audrey Hepburn, actor*

### Famous quote

“All the world's a stage, and all the men and women merely players. They have their exits and their entrances and one man in his time plays many parts. His acts are in seven stages.”

*William Shakespeare, playwright*



### World of English

“Suedehead - A skinhead-like youth but with slightly longer hair and smarter clothes.”

*William Shakespeare*

## YOUR STARS FOR NEXT 7 DAYS

**AQUARIUS**  
(January 21 - February 19)

Energy is low but your spirit seems to be getting power from somewhere. At times, it feels that it is almost outside of your own sphere. When tackling what is seen as a tedious task, you may not be aware that you are building something for the future, but there is much going on that will affect your future to a large extent.

**LEO**  
(July 24 - August 23)

Arm yourself with plenty of information about what is going on in your life at the moment. Those close might expect you to lead the way on an important matter. You need to trust your instincts more and have confidence. Think in the long term. Those who are not considered important now could be so in the future. As you prefer being in charge, this should not seem unnatural to you.

**PISCES**  
(February 20 - March 20)

For some time, things on the romantic front have been confusing, to say the least. There are decisions that someone has to make that affect you seriously. Romantically and emotionally, things come to a head but don't let the wind of change blow away all that you have achieved. Don't begin to doubt yourself or others will, too.

**VIRGO**  
(August 24 - September 23)

Although you feel like going it alone at the moment, you would do well to involve someone close in your project or exercise. There is room for improvement in both your life and your health but it can be more enjoyable if shared. Expect surprises in your love life and you will not be surprised.

**ARIES**  
(March 21 - April 20)

You may well feel that your business life is not going as well as you would have hoped this week. They do say that you can't have everything right at once. This is a good time to enjoy the company of others and make your love life buzz.

**LIBRA**  
(September 24 - October 23)

It could be that you are feeling a little below par at the moment. You may assume it is because of a recent emotional upset, but it is unlikely to be quite that simple. Spend a bit of time and money on yourself for a change. Develop your talents in the realms of writing, painting and music. This need not take a large amount of time. Start with one simple project.

**TAURUS**  
(April 21 - May 21)

There is something of the rebel in you this week. Even you don't fully understand the changes taking place. You will resist any attempt to stop from expressing yourself freely. Although you prefer a peaceful time, it may be necessary to remind someone of your rights.

**SCORPIO**  
(October 24 - November 22)

Despite pulling out all the stops when it comes to a certain person or project, your charm may not be working as well as usual this week. It is still a fine time to beaver on quietly in the background. A few emotional fireworks make you sit up and take notice, but try to be open-minded.

**GEMINI**  
(May 22 - June 21)

Because you are about to enter an active phase, it would be best to keep things as straightforward and organised as possible. Those around you may be less than exciting at the moment, so keep the interest going with joint activities and accepting interesting invitations.

**SAGITTARIUS**  
(November 23 - December 21)

Get some rest and peace because, if you let yourself get too tired, your temper could suffer. When it comes to business get it over with so that you can spend extra time on your social life. Something important is round the corner.

**CANCER**  
(June 22 - July 23)

Have you been a bit of a couch potato recently? Spend some of this week working towards a healthy mind in a healthy body. Running yourself ragged should certainly be avoided. Seek expert advice now about a problem that just won't go away. It will, but only with a lot of effort. Although you prefer to share your activities, this is one area that you need to concentrate on fully, so go for it alone to begin with.

**CAPRICORN**  
(December 22 - January 20)

Sometimes you shuffle things around to survive difficult times. The energy that this uses means that realising a dream this week could mean difficult choices to be made. Your need to be settled makes you impatient.

## LOTTERY

UK NATIONAL LOTTERY



Saturday July 07

17 18  
29 48  
52 54

BONUS BALL

1

IRISH LOTTO



Saturday July 07

3 11  
24 26  
29 47

BONUS BALL

13

EURO MILLIONS



Tuesday July 03 Friday July 06

1 12  
15 29  
48

LUCKY STARS

3 5

EL MILLON: FJD99813

LA PRIMITIVA



Thursday July 05 Saturday July 07

11 13  
31 32  
47 49

REINTEGRO

1 4

JOKER: 594 356

EL GORDO DE LA PRIMITIVA



Sunday July 08

11 19  
22 29  
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JOKER: 7 130 654

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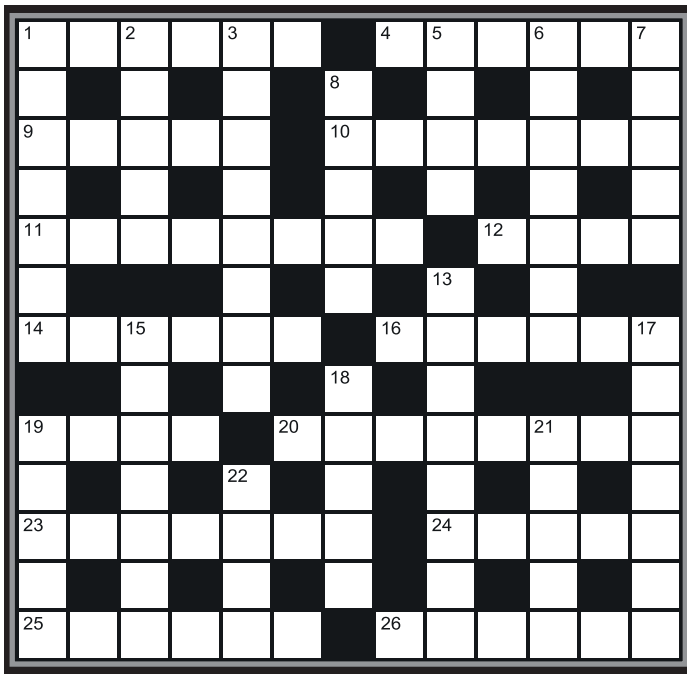
**Cryptic**

**Across**

- 1 Hold out against rebel sister (6)
- 4 Pursued but pure, by the sound of it (6)
- 9 Explicit about king in play (5)
- 10 Manila's odd beasts (7)
- 11 I'm turning in winding street to find insects (8)
- 12 They are the best playthings for children (4)
- 14 See bad moves at the bottom of the ocean (6)
- 16 Was incoherent in her cable (6)
- 19 Start chopping wood for money (4)
- 20 Prisoner to invite disdain (8)
- 23 Specific recipes in a mess (7)
- 24 Drummer from Ulan Bator in Gobi Desert (5)
- 25 Some trainee dedicated to work required (6)
- 26 Plastic or sand for decks (6)

**Down**

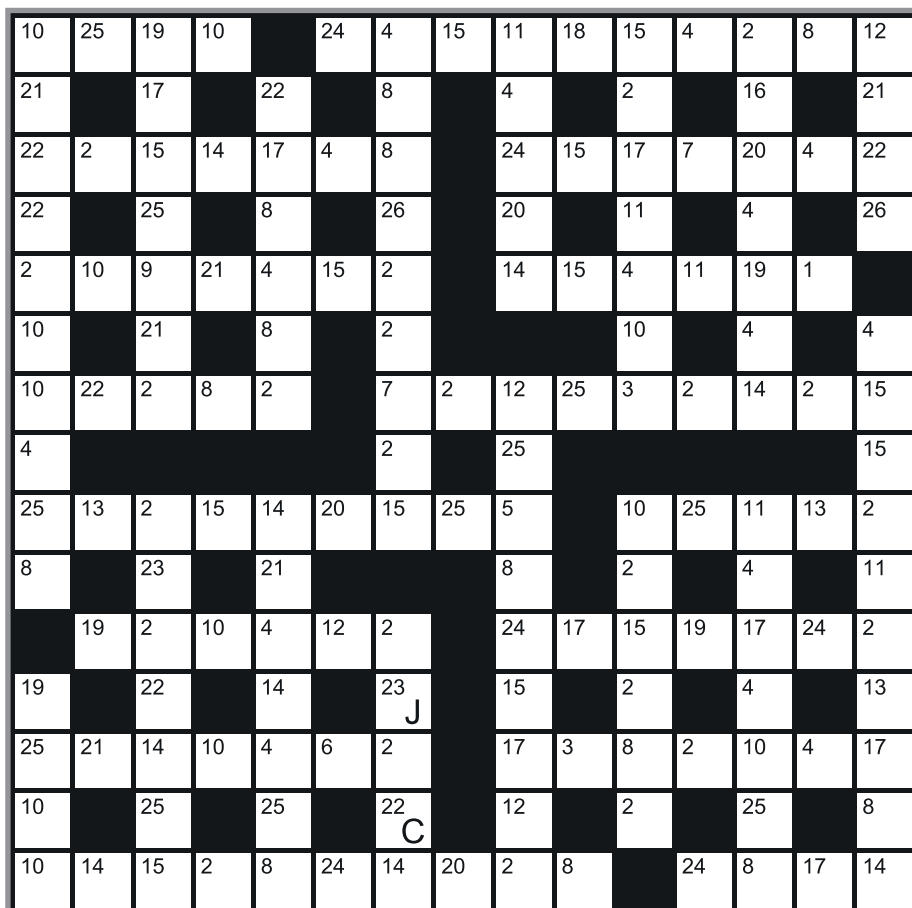
- 1 Quotes poetry in acts of worship around Ecuador (7)
- 2 Promise unusual wares (5)
- 3 In a dress ruined by fish (8)
- 5 One who will succeed with melody, we hear (4)
- 6 Was dosh not right for Cliff's backers? (7)
- 7 Dossiers? No sir! Medical units (5)
- 8 Terribly alert at some time in the



- future (5)
- 13 Successfully dealt with troubling dreams about return of alien (8)
- 15 Australia began before it became bleak and forbidding (7)
- 17 Rat is keeping on fixed allowances (7)
- 18 Cringe when farm animal is next to her majesty (5)
- 19 Some of Al Capone's mob are chicken (5)
- 21 Disorderly Roman territory (5)
- 22 A very small coin for a tiny child (4)

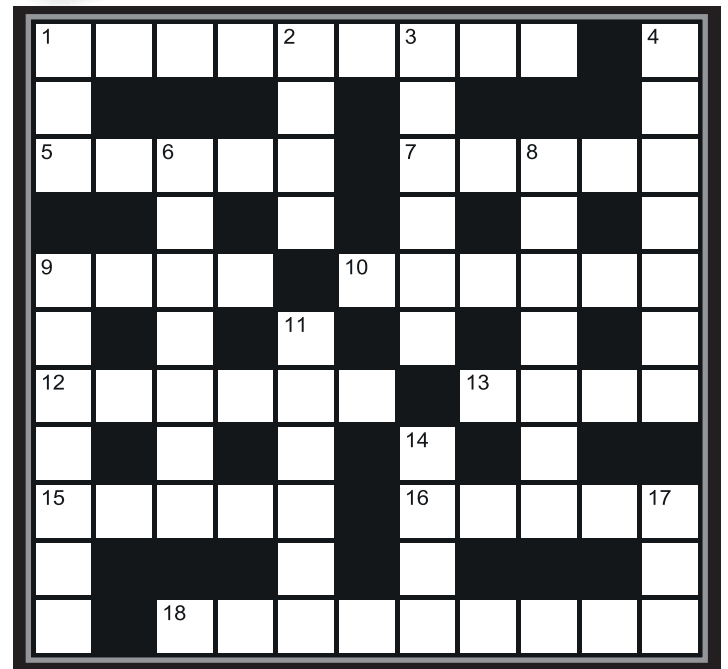
**Code Breaker**

Each number in the Code Breaker grid represents a different letter of the alphabet. In this week's puzzle, 22 represents C and 23 represents J, so fill in C every time the figure 22 appears and J every time the figure 23 appears. Now, using your knowledge of the English language, work out which letters should go in the missing squares. As you discover the letters, fill in other squares with the same number in the main grid and the control grid.



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION FACING PAGE

**Quick**



**Across**

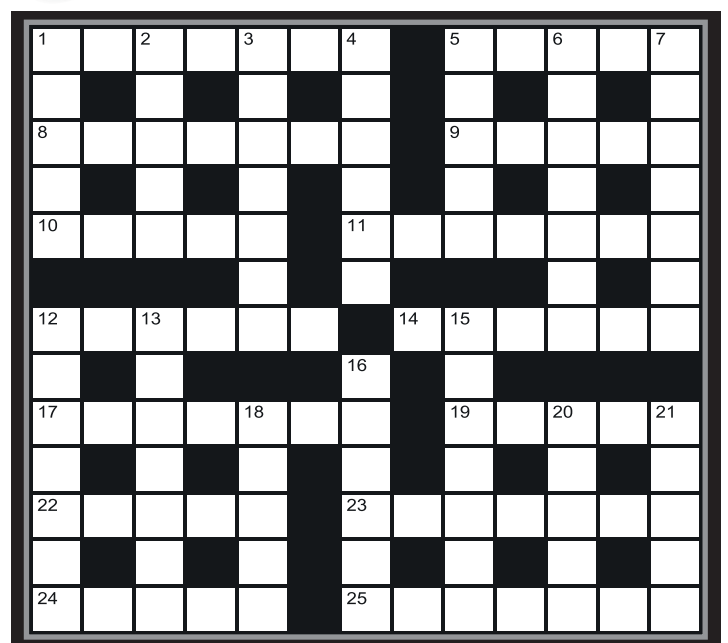
- 1 Short-legged German dog (9)
- 5 Stale and unclean smelling (5)
- 7 American buffalo (5)
- 9 Look for (4)
- 10 Mariner (6)
- 12 Gain with effort (6)
- 13 Cleanse with soap and water (4)
- 15 Great in size (5)
- 16 Does what one is told (5)
- 18 Silvery alkaline metallic element (9)

**Down**

- 1/17 Savoury Chinese dumplings (3,3)
- 2 Eye infection (4)
- 3 Pleasantly optimistic (6)
- 4 King or queen (7)
- 6 Protective structure (7)
- 8 Collect discarded or refused material (7)
- 9 Migratory swift-flying songbird (7)
- 11 Marked by absence of sound (6)
- 14 Large number or amount (4)
- 17 See 1

**English - Spanish**

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



**Across**

- 1 Ciclismo (7)
- 5 Basket (5)
- 8 Moth (7)
- 9 Cheers (used to toast) (5)
- 10 Narices (5)
- 11 Justicia (7)
- 12/14 Good night (6,6)
- 17 To look like (7)
- 19 Attractive (f) (5)
- 22 Friend (f) (5)
- 23 El más frío (7)
- 24 Águila (5)
- 25 Patinete (7)

**Down**

- 1 Coupon (5)
- 2 Tails (of birds, horses, fishes, planes) (5)
- 3 Church (7)
- 4 Farm (6)
- 5 Things (5)
- 6 Egoísta (7)
- 7 Dirección (8)
- 12 En avión (2,5)
- 13 Pendiente (joya) (7)
- 15 Pride (satisfaction) (7)
- 16 Ladrillos (6)
- 18 Code (cipher) (5)
- 20 Agente (representante) (5)
- 21 Después de (5)

CROSSWORD PAGE

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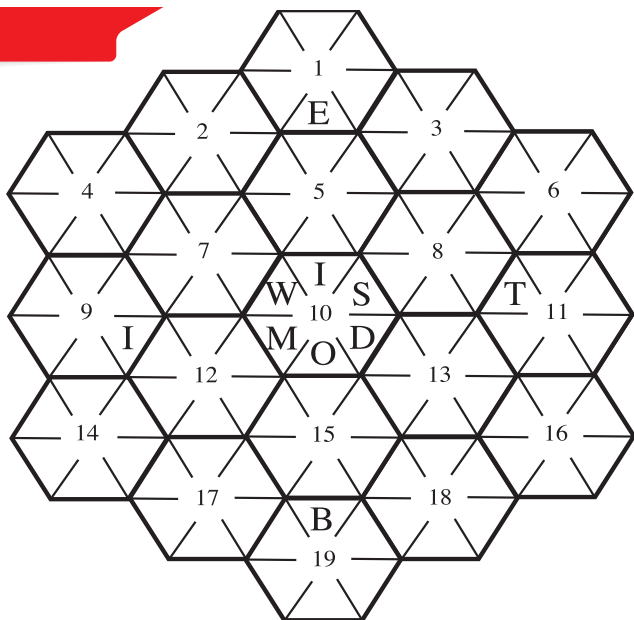
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## Hexagram

- ASCENT
- BABOON
- BEYOND
- CRAYON
- DOMAIN
- EXCISE
- EXPERT
- FAMINE
- IAMBIC
- MOVING
- MYRIAD
- OPAQUE
- PAGODA
- PEBBLE
- PRONTO
- SWAMPY
- TIDBIT
- TIPTOE
- WISDOM (10)



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

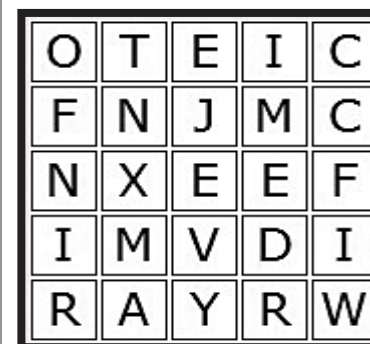
### LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

- 1 Beyond 2 Choosy 3 Goober
- 4 Thwack 5 Brassy 6 Wobble 7 Spooky
- 8 Morrow 9 Triton 10 Parent 11 Airmen
- 12 Notify 13 Meteor 14 Tyrant 15 Splint
- 16 Famish 17 Barfly 18 Advise
- 19 Typing

## 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: 19
- Very good: 38
- Good: 27
- Excellent: 49

### 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

drub dreg dregs shrub scent scene stern  
steno cent cents centre center centers rube  
regent regents ref refund rent rents reef  
thru three tref tree tern teen gent gents  
gene genet gerund enter enters enol unfree  
fret frets free fund furs fern feet erst efts  
nerd nets font fonts floe wurst burs burst  
burn buret berth berths beth beths bets begs  
bent bents bene beef been beer beers beet  
beets long longs longer lone loner loners

## Nonagram

How many English words of four letters or more can you make from the nine letters in our Nonagram puzzle? Each letter may be used only once (unless the letter appears twice). Each word **MUST CONTAIN THE CENTRE LETTER (in this case C)** and there must be **AT LEAST ONE NINE LETTER WORD**. Plurals, vulgarities or proper nouns are not allowed.



### TARGET:

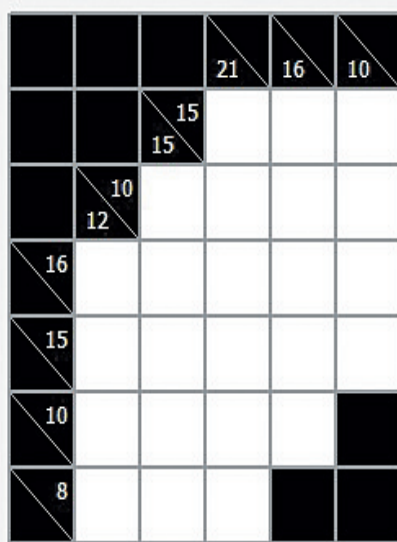
- Average: 24
- Good: 20
- Very good: 28
- Excellent: 36

### LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

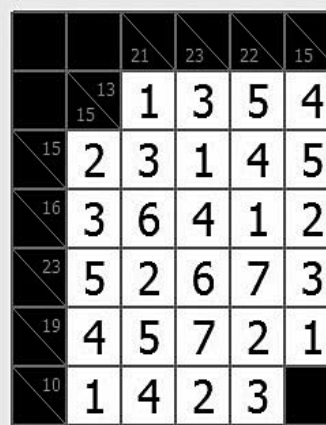
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torero tourer crofter FORECOURT

## 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 Sedate, 4 Frog, 7 Arson, 8 Abhor, 10 Repose, 12/14 Big top, 15 Unsure, 18 April, 19 Tiara, 20 Safe, 21 Breeze.
- Down:** 1 Sham, 2 Distemper, 3 Tango, 5 Garage, 6 Fake, 9 Hibernate, 11 Son, 13 Steals, 15 Ugly, 16 Sitar, 17 Gale.

### CODE BREAKER

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

### CRYPTIC

- Across:** 1 Desist, 4 Dreads, 9 Pontoon, 10 Amour, 11 Taste, 12 Passion, 13 Stamen, 15 Adders, 18 Elevate, 20 Sward, 23 Trout, 24 Shatter, 25 Sherry, 26 Snares.
- Down:** 1 Depot, 2 Sinks, 3 Slovene, 5 Roams, 6 Aconite, 7 Sprints, 8 Snipe, 13 Sleuths, 14 Anemone, 16 Disdain, 17 Feast, 19 After, 21 Actor, 22 Darts.

### ENGLISH-SPANISH

- Across:** 1 Desmayo, 5 Faces, 8 Geese, 9 Cartero, 10 Golpear, 11 Skill, 12 Doctor, 14 Groove, 17 Armas, 19 Cuñadas, 21 Heavier, 22 Ninth, 24 Riada, 25 Dessert.
- Down:** 2 Shell, 3 Aderezo, 4 Oscuro, 5 Forks, 6 Crédito, 7 Shoulders, 10 Godfather, 13 Campaña, 15 Riñones, 16 Scared, 18 Suiza, 20 Dense, 23/1 Hot dog.

## App of the week



**Picai**  
An app which is equipped with artificial intelligence (AI) capable of recommending filters to users based on what is going on in their pictures. It comes with scene recognition technology, as well as recommendations from more than 100 different filters and a unique split-screen selection feature unlike any other camera apps.

## QUIZ: UNDER THE WEATHER

- Brontophobia is a morbid fear of which dramatic weather phenomenon?
- From Spanish for 'the little boy', what name is given to a periodic large-scale warming of the surface of the Eastern Pacific Ocean, especially off the coast of Peru and Ecuador, associated with extreme meteorological phenomena in the Pacific region?
- In which year was TIROS I, the first successful low-Earth orbital weather satellite, launched? (± two years)
- Released in September 1982, what was the title of the Weather Girls only UK hit single?
- What name is given to a dark cloud of great vertical extent charged with electricity, often associated with thunderstorms?
- What name is given to the branch of science concerned with the processes and phenomena of the atmosphere,

- especially as a means of forecasting the weather?
- Which actor played the television weatherman, Phil Connors in the 1993 comedy film Groundhog Day?
- Which famous 1970s UK number one hit single contains the lines 'Thunderbolt and lightning. Very, very frightening me'?
- Which fictional superhero character from Marvel Comics' X-Men, has the psionic ability to manipulate weather patterns over vast areas?
- Which international scale of wind force, named after the English admiral and naval hydrographer who devised it, ranges from 0 (calm air) to 12 (hurricane)?

Not a lot of people know that... the fastest a raindrop can fall is 18 mph (29 km/h)

### Answers:

- THUNDER (estrophobia is a morbid fear of thunder and lightning).
- EL NIÑO.
- (April 1) 1960 (except 1958 to 1962).
- ITS RAINING MEN.
- CUMULONIMBUS.
- METEOROLOGY.
- BILL MURRAY.
- BOHEMIAN RHAPSODY.
- STORM.
- BEAUFORT SCALE.

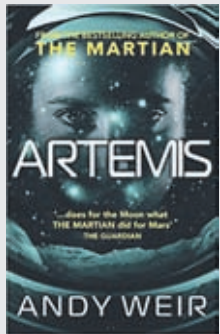
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A gamble in space

WELCOME to Artemis, the first city on the Moon. Its population numbers around 2,000 including tourists, eccentric billionaires and a few criminals to boot.

If you are none of the above then life is hard. Jazz Bashara makes his living as a smuggler of petty contraband, but when she is offered the chance to commit a crime for a hefty reward, she is immediately intrigued.

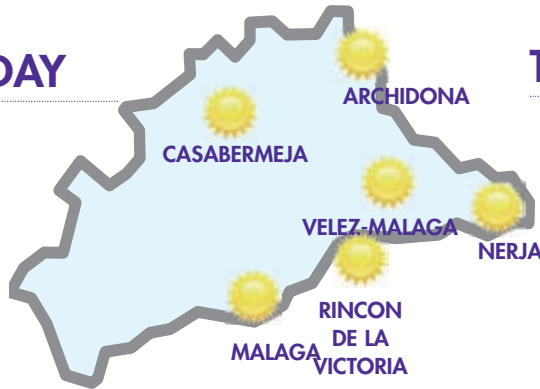
Jazz soon realises however that what she has signed up for is more than just a one-off job with the chance to make some much-needed cash.

She discovers she has entered into a conspiracy for the control of Artemis itself and that her only chance of survival lies in taking ever bigger gambles. We see her struggle to keep her head and stay level in Andy Weir's Artemis.

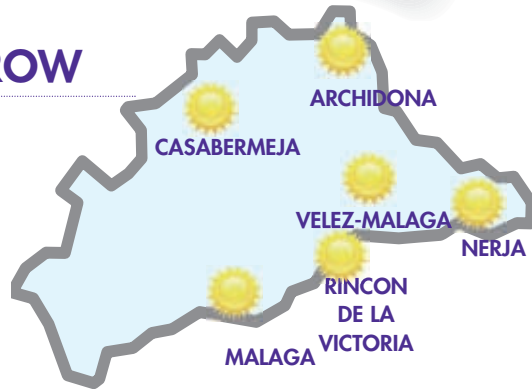
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SATURDAY



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

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BIRTHDAYS

• **Malala Yousafzai, Activist; July 12, 21**

Yousafzai was shot in a failed Taliban assassination attempt due to her speaking out on women being barred from school where she lived in Pakistan. Born in Mingora in the country, she later became the youngest Nobel Peace Prize winner in history.

• **Patrick Stewart, Actor; July 13, 78**

The actor played Captain Jean Luc Picard in the Star Trek TV series and was born in Mirfield in England, taking up acting while in secondary school. He played Professor Charles Xavier in the X-Men film franchise and returned to Star Trek for the film reboot.

• **David Mitchell, Comedian; July 14, 44**

Mitchell is one half of the Mitchell and Webb comedy duo



Patrick Stewart.

with Robert Webb which has spawned the TV series Peep Show and That Mitchell and Webb Look. He was born in Salisbury in England and studied History at Cambridge University where he was president of the comedic Footlights society.

• **Diane Kruger, Actor; July 15, 42**

The German-born ballerina, model and actor bagged a Screen Actors Guild Best Supporting Actress award for her role in Inglourious Basterds. Born in Algermissen, she successfully auditioned for the Royal Ballet School in London but began modelling after an injury.

• **Will Ferrell, Actor; July 16, 51**

Ferrell was born in Irvine in California in the United States and studied Sports Information at university before going

into acting. He appeared on late night US TV show Saturday Night Live and has since landed roles in Anchorman, Step Brothers and Elf.

• **Angela Merkel, Politician; July 17, 64**

Merkel became the first female Chancellor of Germany in 2005 and is still in the post. Born in Hamburg in the former West Germany, she joined the Christian Democratic Union (CDU) party in 1990 and previously served as Minister for Women and Children.

• **Bishop Briggs, Singer; July 18, 26**

Briggs, real name Sarah Grace McLaughlin, was born in London in England and moved to Tokyo in Japan aged four. It was there that she sung in public for the first time in a karaoke bar and she has since gone on to release the single River in 2016 and support Coldplay live.

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

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

GOOD

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

WINE

- GOOD
- WOOD
- WORD
- WORE
- WIRE
- WINE
- JO
- WINE
- FINE
- FIND
- FOND
- FOOD
- GOOD
- Solution

DVD

New friend



CHARLEY THOMPSON (Charlie Plummer) is a 15-year-old boy living with his single father Ray (Travis Fimmel) in the Pacific Northwest.

He wants nothing more than to be fed, a home and a school he can settle into but his father's work takes him travelling meaning life is unstable.

Charley places his hopes on getting a new start after moving to Portland in Oregon. He soon befriends a failing racehorse and the two embark on a quest to find a home in Lean on Pete.

This week in history

**587 BCE - Temple destroyed**  
Babylonian forces storm Jerusalem following a siege with the ensuing pillaging of the city leaving the Temple of Solomon destroyed, according to legend.

**64 - Fire rages**

The Great Fire of Rome spreads through the city for six days leaving around half of it destroyed. The Emperor Nero subsequently blames Christians leading to the first persecution against them.

**1054 - Church split**

An invalid Papal bull of Excommunication is placed on the altar of the Hagia Sophia church in what was then Constantinople during a liturgy. The move led to the 'East-West schism' or break between the Catholic and Eastern Orthodox churches.

**1661 - First notes**

The first paper banknotes in Europe are issued by the Swedish bank Stockholms Banco.

**1776 - Final voyage**

Captain James Cook sets out from Plymouth for his third and last voyage. He would later be killed following a quarrel with Hawaiian natives in 1779.

**1834 - Inquisition over**

The Spanish Inquisition is officially disbanded after more than 365 years, during which time Protestants and other religious groups were persecuted by the Catholic Church.

**1936 - War starts**

A failed armed forces rebellion and military coup against the democratically-elected Popular Front government of Spain triggers the start of the Spanish Civil War.

**2015 - Space mission**

NASA's New Horizons probe performs the first flyby of Pluto by a man-made satellite, completing the initial survey of our Solar System.

## Solo traveller 'privilege'

**Mike Senker**  
In my opinion



Views of a **Grumpy Old Man**

WHY do single travellers get treated like second class citizens? They always get the worst seat in the restaurant. I travel a bit on my own and they always want to stick me in the corner or somewhere out the way. The dumb thing is that I am still given a table for two but always the worst one.

My way round that is, of course, to say I'm waiting for a friend. I then tell them, after looking at the menu for a bit that my friend just cancelled and I just order. The waiter isn't going to say, 'OK, then we have to move you to the kitchen or give you a toilet view.' Oh, and you can't order paella either!

Book most holidays and you find the phrase somewhere 'based on two people sharing' then further down you will find the single person supplement. Having to fork out for the 'privilege' of travelling solo can feel frustrating - not to mention downright unfair. It can seem as though you are being penalised for holidaying on your own.

Hoteliers and cruise ships will view singletons as less profitable, as only one person will spend money on food, drinks, goods and en-

tertainment, where there could be two people spending money. My advice is just don't suffer any of it. There are ways round it. Don't just do as you're told by the people you are giving money to for a service. If they want to charge you more or give you a bad table just say 'no thanks' and if they don't give you something better just take your business elsewhere.

Body lotion! There is too much body lotion in the world. I opened our bathroom cupboard and there were bottles of it. I asked Mrs S why and she couldn't give me an answer because she claims she has never bought a single bottle and I certainly haven't. So we decided it must have been included in gift sets that have been accumulated over the years. We must have 20 bottles of all different makes.

I have to admit I use a face cream every day. But body lotion? OK maybe a bit of after sun now and again but body lotion - who can be bothered? I bet everyone, or at least couples or ladies, have bottles and bottles of the stuff that either has never been opened or which has been used once. Go check and if you find some chuck it away because you are never going to use it! If you do buy someone a gift set, and it has body lotion in it, ask if it can be changed for another shampoo or shower gel, or anything, but not BODY LOTION!

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## FRIDAY - 13 JULY

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2:40am	BBC News	3:15am	This is BBC Two	5:00am	This is BBC Four	8:10am	King of Queens	9:05am	Paw Patrol
7:00am	Breakfast	7:00am	Flog it! Trade Secrets	8:00pm	Beyond 100 Days	8:35am	Everybody Loves Raymond	9:20am	Floogals
10:15am	Right on the Money	7:30am	Right on the Money		<i>The latest national and international news, exploring the day's events from a global perspective.</i>	9:00am	Everybody Loves Raymond	9:40am	Digby Dragon
11:00am	Homes Under the Hammer	8:15am	Coast	8:30pm	The Sky at Night	9:30am	Everybody Loves Raymond	9:55am	Nella the Princess Knight
12:00pm	Rip Off Britain	9:00am	Britain in Bloom	9:00pm	The First Georgians: The German Kings who Made Britain	10:00am	Frasier	10:05am	Mofy
12:45pm	Caught Red Handed	9:30am	Trust Me, I'm a Doctor	11:00pm	Who Were the Greeks?	10:35am	Frasier	10:15am	The Wright Stuff
1:15pm	Bargain Hunt	10:00am	Victoria Derbyshire	11:00pm	Britain's Whale Hunters: The Untold Story	11:05am	Car S.O.S	12:15pm	On Benefits: Life on the Dole
2:00pm	BBC News at One	12:00pm	BBC Newsroom Live	12:00am	Deep Down and Dirty: The Science of Soil	12:05pm	Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA	1:10pm	5 News Lunchtime
2:30pm	BBC London News	12:30pm	<i>Stay up to date on the day's top stories, with the latest breaking news as it happens.</i>	1:00am	The Rise and Fall of Nokia	1:00pm	Channel 4 News	1:15pm	GP's: Behind Closed Doors
2:45pm	Wimbledon 2018	1:30pm	Wimbledon 2018	3:00am	The Art That Made Mexico: Paradise, Power and Prayers	1:05pm	Come Dine with Me	2:15pm	Home and Away
7:00pm	BBC News at Six	9:00pm	Today at Wimbledon	3:00am	Made Mexico: Paradise, Power and Prayers	2:05pm	Find it, Fix it, Flog it	2:45pm	Neighbours
7:30pm	BBC London News	10:00pm	Gardeners' World	3:00am	Paradise, Power and Prayers	3:10pm	Countdown	3:15pm	Cagney and Lacey
8:00pm	The One Show	11:00pm	Mock the Week	3:00am	The Art That Made Mexico: Paradise, Power and Prayers	4:00pm	A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun	4:20pm	Deadly Inn
8:30pm	EastEnders	11:30pm	Newsnight	3:00am	The Art That Made Mexico: Paradise, Power and Prayers	5:00pm	The £100k Drop	6:00pm	5 News at 5
9:00pm	Eat Well for Less	12:15am	Frankie Goes to Russia	3:00am	The Art That Made Mexico: Paradise, Power and Prayers	6:00pm	Come Dine with Me	7:00pm	Home and Away
10:00pm	Keeping Faith	1:15am	Grammar Schools: Who Will Get In? Imagine...	3:00am	The Art That Made Mexico: Paradise, Power and Prayers	6:30pm	The Posh Frock Shop	7:30pm	5 News Tonight
11:00pm	BBC News at Ten	2:15am	This is BBC Two	3:00am	The Art That Made Mexico: Paradise, Power and Prayers	7:00pm	The Simpsons	8:00pm	Tony Robinson: Coast to Coast
11:30pm	BBC London News	3:25am	This is BBC Two	3:00am	The Art That Made Mexico: Paradise, Power and Prayers	7:30pm	Hollyoaks	9:00pm	Celebrity Five
11:45pm	Question Time			3:00am	The Art That Made Mexico: Paradise, Power and Prayers	8:00pm	Channel 4 News	10:00pm	Go Caravanning and Friends
12:45am	This Week			3:00am	The Art That Made Mexico: Paradise, Power and Prayers	8:00pm	Food Unwrapped	11:00pm	The Graham Norton Story
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## What's happening to Mijas Pueblo?

vTHIS is the most beautiful village and the Spanish people are warm and friendly to people from other countries, who live and visit here.

Unfortunately I have noticed a decline in standards which may put tourists off visiting this unique village.

Mijas sells itself by the way it looks and if it falls short in this department then people will not visit as much and this will harm the Mijas economy.

The fountains which grace Virgen de la Pena square are not working and the lift has been out of order for months. There is not even an out of order sign in Spanish and English informing all residents of this appalling fact. Much as I enjoy seeing the excellent flamenco dancers of all ages in the village doing fantastic concerts free of charge, my husband and I specifically extended our stay this year to see the excellent music concerts in the auditorium.

For no apparent reason these are not taking place and everyone I talk to is very disappointed about this. I hope they can go ahead in the following

year. We are pleased that the Blues Festival is happening, as that will be well attended.

As a tax payer in Mijas Pueblo I feel that I am justified in raising these important issues. In the past I have written to the mayor and received no acknowledgement, as well as not seeing any action being taken on the issues raised, which is disappointing.

*Sue Butler-Smith, Mijas*

### Think about neighbours

MY family and I live in Benalmadena Pueblo which is a beautiful Spanish village.

Our villa is in a very quiet residential urbanisation consisting of families with children, retired and working couples of Spanish and other European nationalities.

We have lived here in this small cul de sac for the past 18 years, but as always, things change and two years ago both the neighbouring

### Plea to the people of Gibraltar



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#### BALLOONS: Have been used in the past.

I HOPE that this September for the Gibraltar National Day celebration people are not going to release thousands of balloons again. It is not just a criminal waste of the much-needed rare earth gas helium which is vital for body scanners, etc. The balloons themselves become plastic waste in the sea which then ends up being eaten by fish, whales, sea birds etc and kills them in huge numbers. This is happening across the world now, even in inaccessible places and is not a cause for celebration.

*Michael Hill, Torre del Mar*

villas have been sold to new owners.

Both are now summer rentals and

each villa can accommodate up to eight to 10 adults, so now every seven days there is a change of occu-

pancy, the paying guests are either a large family group with small children or a large group of adults.

We cannot use our garden because of the noise in the day time or we cannot sleep because of the unruly drunken behaviour.

The village already has numerous motels, hotels and dedicated holiday apartments.

We have approached the property management company and spoken with the owners, but little has changed. We are told that if the situation gets too bad, contact the police!

It is not just my family who are affected by these greedy property owners, as all the people in the surrounding villas are affected by the noise and disruption.

*John, Benalmadena Pueblo*

### Daylight robbery

I PURCHASED an additional apartment that had been abandoned for several years.

The community had already arranged for the installation of new smart meters. I paid my lawyer €300 to organise the reinstallation of the electricity to the apartment. Then to my horror, my first bill, without any electric being used, was for €572.01.

I questioned this cost with my lawyer, and they went back to suppliers Endesa, only to be told that, that is the cost of reinstallation. So in a nut shell, to reconnect electric to my new apartment has cost me €872.01. I am appalled at these fees, and think it is daylight robbery.

*Lynette Awcock, Costa Blanca*

### A plea to dog owners

WHILST humans can do a great deal to resolve the situation if they are too hot, all a dog can do is pant to circulate the necessary air through their bodies to cool down. They do sweat through their paws but in this very hot weather, the pavements can cause them pain as they don't wear shoes.

Give them plenty to drink and ensure that they are kept in a well-ventilated area (not a locked car).

*Anita Brown, Casares*

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## Riot police used in Benidorm's 'guiri zone'

If you see riot police why would you bait them. Get out of the way. We are in Spain... Not England. The Spanish police won't tolerate yobbish behaviour!!!!

*Anne Blandford*

Who is baiting them in this video Anne? The man who is simply walking with his son on his shoulders and is struck by a police officer? I'm sorry but I cannot justify behaviour like that by anybody, least of all a police officer who is supposed to be a highly trained professional in order to know better. What if that strike by the baton had sent the guy to his knees and the child had fallen to the ground? A shameful spectacle in my opinion.

*Stacey Knight*

He is very obviously baiting them (very responsible parent NOT!!!) and the whole mob were confrontational as soon as they got a chance! Conveniently the filming doesn't show what's going on behind ie mob shouting, taunting and pushing forward towards the riot police ... perhaps leave them to do their jobs ... drive and walk on and you won't get any trouble would be the preferred intellectual option ...

You're in someone else's country show respect, abide by the rules or pay the consequences? For the love of God they were lucky to only get

### Comments from EWN online

a smack on the legs, try that in America or the Middle East and see how well you come off ... Everyone else managed to walk on by peacefully and get on with their business and the police had complete control of the streets and the situation which is their job remember. Unfortunately the opposite in the UK have lost control of the streets in England and hence why people are fearful and don't feel safe or protected particularly in cities ... totally unacceptable!

I abhor this aggressive attitude and behaviour at home so find it embarrassing and shameful to see it misrepresenting us abroad sadly. Minority ruining it for other respectable people.

*Audrey Gallagher*

We were up there last night the police were well over the top as per. Everyone was enjoying themselves having a great time. I live in Spain so am used to their no nonsense attitude but last night they wanted trouble.

*Richard Seamark*

If I was the police I think I would be agitated confronted with loads of people flanking me on either side and following behind and why on earth would a father with his child on his shoulders be following the police, why wasn't he walking in the opposite direction if a full scale fight had broken out, how safe does he think his son would have been?

*Coral Simpson Tasker*

### Ryanair to grind to a halt during July due to strikes

Maybe they should treat their staff a bit better. Happy, well-treated staff rarely strike as they will lose money.

*Matt Birks*

I always say never again with Ryanair... then I can't get a reasonable flight with anyone else and I think one more try... to be fair the French air traffic people don't help either! It is maddening to have such a hassle when your just going for a short break. Sad for the holidaymakers with children I think...

*Helen Mary Anderson*

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FRESH AIR: Major study findings probably surprise nobody.

# Healthy outdoor lifestyle

ANYONE living in Spain will probably be among the first to agree with the following statement ... 'spending time outside is good for you.'

This has also been backed up by a major study undertaken

from almost 300 million people who were analysed as part of a review into the supposed benefits of nature.

The researchers found that an outside lifestyle can dramatically cut the risk of type 2

diabetes, heart disease, stress and high blood pressure.

Those behind the research - which has taken place over a number of years - hope that the discoveries will encourage doctors to recommend patients spend more of their time in green and open spaces.

Data was studied by the University of East Anglia from 20 countries around the world, including the UK, to come up with their one sentence conclusion. Caoimhe Twohig-Bennett, a PhD student and lead author of the study, admitted they are unsure what causes the benefits found.

She said: "Spending time in

nature certainly makes us feel healthier, but until now the impact on our long-term well-being hasn't been fully understood.

"It reduces the risk of type 2 diabetes, cardiovascular disease, premature death and preterm birth, and increases sleep duration."

Miss Twohig-Bennett added: "We hope that this research will inspire people to get outside more and feel the health benefits for themselves. Hopefully our results will encourage policymakers and town planners to invest in the creation, regeneration, and maintenance of parks and green spaces."



PAIN RELIEF: A hip replacement is often the only option.

# Time for a hip-op?

IF you're experiencing pain in your hip due to an injury or arthritis, you understand the affect that it has on your everyday life. When arthritis or injuries are severe, many times your only option is to have a hip joint replacement.

The hip is a ball-and-socket joint and is one of the largest joints in the body. It's made up of the acetabulum which is the part of the pelvis bone that forms the socket and the femoral head which is the upper end of the femur that forms the ball. The surfaces of the ball-and-socket are coated with articular cartilage that provides cushioning for the joint as it moves. The synovial membrane, the tissue that surrounds the hip, creates fluid that lubricates the cartilage to reduce friction during movement.

In a damaged hip, the articular cartilage becomes worn down so that the ends of the bones rub against each other without any form of cushioning. This causes a great deal of pain for the patient.

There are many diseases and conditions that can cause a hip injury severe enough to warrant a hip replacement. Arthritis can cause the synovial fluid to become inflamed and results in cartilage wearing away too. If you're dealing with severe hip pain and stiffness that persists even when at rest, you may need to undergo a hip joint replacement.

## Don't nod off!

WE hope you can get to the end of this article without yawning ....

To yawn is an almost impossible feeling to resist and control, and yet some of the world's top scientists are still uncertain of the biological reasons for it.

In the past, there have been many theories as to why we yawn, and indeed go back as far as Hippocrates in 400BC who believed that yawning actually removed bad air from someone's lungs before a fever. Many centuries later - in the 1600's and 1700's - medical professionals thought yawning increased the amount of oxygen in the blood, blood pressure, heart rate and the actual flow of blood itself.

In more recent times, the consensus has moved toward the idea that when somebody yawns, the brain cools down. Therefore, if the air temperature and indeed the temperature of the brain itself rises, the episodes of yawning increase.

Actually, if the truth is known ... scientists have no idea why we yawn, but what they do know is that almost every species does it. Animals do it when they're tired and it can often be used by some as a form of threat.

**UNKNOWN:**  
Scientists find the reasons for yawning a mystery.



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# Phoenix Club news

A VISIT to Benalmadena is planned tomorrow (Friday).

Plenty to see and do, take the cable car up the mountain, pick up a bargain or three at the local morning market, have a tasty fish 'n chips lunch at the Halfway Inn, or people watch down at the Marina.

How much? €12.50 per person which includes a gratuity for the driver. Departs Algarrobo Lidl at 9am returning at 4.30pm.

Come and join them for a fantastic evening trip to the annual Almuñecar Fireworks on Wednesday August 15. Price €12 per person includes driver's gratuity. Bring 10 friends and come for €1! Returning at half past midnight.

Then it's the club's ninth Birthday Dinner Dance at Maro Caves on September 29 at 7pm for a 7.30pm start.

The price of €32 per person includes canapes and drinks on arrival and a three-course meal with wine.

Transport is also available at €5 per person with pick-ups all along the coast. Dress is smart casual. Come and dance the night away. Bring 10 friends and pay €5 but transport is extra.

The October mini break this year is to the Hanging City of Cuenca, Logrono and Avila in the north of Spain on October 17 to 21 for five days, four nights.

Price is €350 per person based on two sharing and a deposit of €75 per person payable on booking is non-

refundable.

This includes, coach fare, B&B accommodation, guides in Cuenca and Salamanca and the driver's gratuity.

For more information on this trip or any of their trips or events call Gail on 951 067 723, email [phoenixsocialclub@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:phoenixsocialclub@yahoo.co.uk) or catch visit [www.phoenixsocialclub.co.uk](http://www.phoenixsocialclub.co.uk).

The Phoenix club is a registered charitable association raising funds for two local charities and SSAFA in the UK.

They meet every Tuesday between noon and 2am at Bar La Vega in Torre del Mar and you can book or pay from 12.15 onwards. The bar is just behind the Repsol garage on the way out of Torre towards Benajarafe.



Dorothy Allen and Mark Walker.



Dorothy Allen and Brian Wise.

## Thanks to two fundraisers

DOROTHY ALLEN, Royal British Legion Nerja's Poppy Appeal organiser presented pennants to Brian Wise at El Bosque and Mark Walker at the Punta Lara Bar.

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## Seared and roasted beef

*Eat Well to Live Well*  
by Andrew Harding



LAST week I talked about diets at length, so could only include a simple recipe. This week, there will be little discussion and more recipes!

When I cook I like a beer, glass of wine or this twist on a gin and tonic!

- **Gin and Chilli Tonic**  
**Serves 1**  
3 whole ice cubes  
1 measure gin  
1 slice lemon  
1 whole red birds eye chilli pepper, sliced in 1/2 lengthways and deseeded  
4 measures tonic water

Place in a Highball glass in this sequence and then enjoy.

*Tip: Wear rubber gloves when preparing the chilli pepper.*

- **Seared and Roasted Beef with a Pickled Walnut Sauce**  
**Serves 4**  
1 kg whole fillet steak  
1 tablespoon black peppercorns,

ground  
1 tablespoon butter  
500ml beef stock  
6 whole pickled walnuts, chopped  
2 tablespoons juice of pickled walnuts  
Coat the fillet steak in the ground black pepper and saute in the butter on all sides to seal. then the outside is cooked, place in the oven pre-heated to 200 Celsius (fan oven) 220 Celsius (conventional oven) and cook to personal preference. I would recommend buying a meat thermometer, which for safety's sake is necessary to prevent food poisoning from undercooked pork, chicken and turkey. The thermometer is inserted with the tip in the middle of the steak and should read as follows:

- Rare: 52 Celsius
- Medium Rare: 57 Celsius
- Medium: 63 Celsius
- Medium Well: 66 Celsius
- Well: 71 Celsius

Place the beef stock, pickled walnuts and the walnut juice in a frying pan, bring to the boil and reduce in volume to one third.

Serve  
*Tip: Using a saucepan to reduce the sauce will take much longer than using a frying pan.*

- **Mushrooms with Garlic**  
**Serves 4**  
1 tablespoon olive oil  
4 whole garlic cloves, skinned and chopped  
350 grams mushrooms, coarsely chopped  
1 teaspoon black peppercorns, ground  
Salt to taste

Place olive oil in a frying pan and saute garlic until transparent, remove garlic and reserve.

Add mushrooms to the pan and saute for three or four minutes so they are still firm. Add the reserved garlic, season and serve.

*Tip: There are many varieties of mushrooms, the normal white supermarket ones can be slightly bland. Wild mushrooms are much better.*

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## TV COUCH CRITIC

by Adam Whalley-Lewis

IF you were able to drag yourself away from the sun lounger on Tuesday morning and caught any of *BBC1*'s coverage of the events to mark the *Royal Air Force's centenary*, I hope you enjoyed it as much as I did.

The Royals looked spectacular and a nod to the Duchess of Cornwall, who regularly shows us that a woman of a certain age can totally pull off an above the knee summer dress and to the Duchess of Sussex, who wore less jewellery than anyone in the Abbey and still looked spectacular, the black dress really 'suited' her. Sorry, couldn't resist...

There was even a comedy moment when the Archbishop of Canterbury bowed his head, complete with Mitre, with so much reverence that he nearly took Her Majesty's head off on the way back up - are you picturing cries of 'off with his head,' I was.

Of course the real stars of the programme were the past and present magnificent men and women in their flying machines and those who keep them up there. The flypast was lump in the throat stuff, coordinated for the BBC by Sophie Raworth, who let's hope is paid as much as her male counterparts.

While the BBC did its civic duty on Tuesday,

# Happy birthday to the RAF, loose men and some gardening



**FLOWER POWER:** Jo Whiley and Joe Swift at Royal Hampton.



**FLYING HIGH:** A RAF Typhoon.



**HOST WITH THE MOST:** Robbie Williams on Loose Women.

ITV were showing *This Morning* and then *Loose Women*. LW (as I like to call Loose Women) has reportedly recruited a chap to be on the panel.

This year Robbie Williams, Paddy McGuinness, Olly Murs and John Barrowman have all been on the panel, but only as guests doing one episode. Not sure what I think about a full time bloke. It could turn the show into a Victoria Wood sketch where the man is given the potentially sensitive women's health interview and the ladies all chat about drinking pints and the fact wolf whistling is about to become a hate crime.

To be fair, Ruth and Coleen probably will cover the wolf whistle story at some point.

ITV2 is still showing *Love Island*...

Since moving to Spain I've had to learn a whole new way of gardening and lost numerous timid, flowering plants whilst crying 'but I water them every day,' so it was a pleasure to watch *BBC2*'s coverage of the *RHS Hampton Court Flower Show* last week. I particularly enjoyed Saturday's show and will steal the ideas about creating privacy in your garden with pride.

Another programme running its course last week was *BBC1*'s *Celebrities on the NHS Frontline*, you can catch it on BBCiPlayer. I think the concept of the show was probably better than what we actually saw.

Can you imagine waking up in hospital and Ann Widdecombe appearing to try and find you a bed, or Michael Mosley telling you he's not judging you, but then describing someone in rhesus as having a self-inflicted patient problem.

Stacey Dooley did a better job in the cardiac unit and Jonnie Peacock shed a tear on the children's ward. You can't knock the idea and we can't thank the wonderful NHS staff, my Mum amongst them, enough for what they do. Just one ask, don't picture Ann in a nurse's uniform - you just did, didn't you?

This weekend's TV is dominated by football and tennis.

Happy viewing.

## TECH FOR THE TIMID



MY nephew asked recently: "What happens to our cloud data when there's a thunderstorm?"

My too-geeky answer about needing a Lightning connector is lost on pretty much anyone without an Apple computer which has one. But should the everyday Joe and Jose be using that fabled cloud?

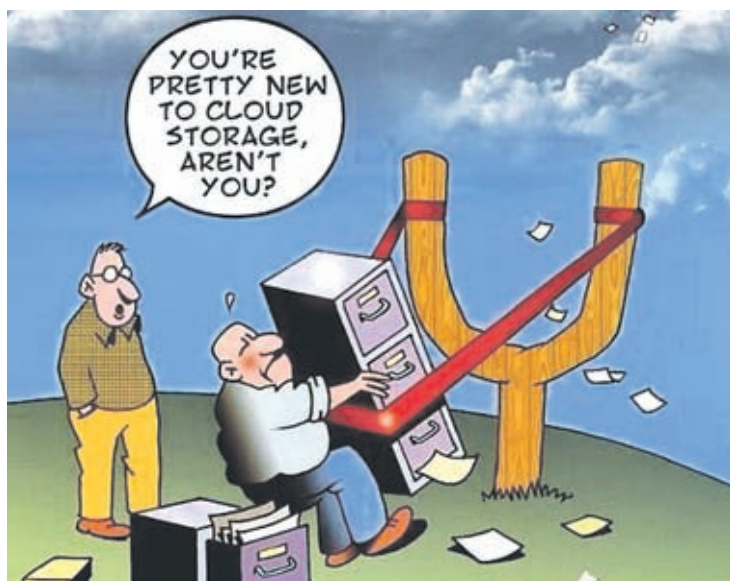
Just to be clear, St Peter hasn't suddenly been surrounded by bits and bytes because 'The Cloud' began seeping into our tech awareness over the past 18 years or so. That's despite any number of wacko data storage ideas which have even included internet access from balloons.

'Cloud' is a misnomer. Saving your precious family snaps to the cloud actually sends them somewhere far less romantic: a gigantic sprawling data-centre near Dublin, most likely, or Microsoft's server farms in Seattle, or winging off to the monstrous Googleplex in California.

Cloud storage has become possible thanks to our growing high-speed data access from our Internet Service Providers. Sceptics quite rightly see 'The World As We Know It' coming

# A cloud of suspicion

Does every silver lining have a cloud?, wonders Terence Kennedy



## THE CLOUD: 18 years and growing.

to an end, come the day we suddenly can't just click and download - better then, they say, to keep all our own data on our own storage, whether that's hard-drives, flash sticks, increasingly-obsolete data DVDs and CDs, or clay tablets.

But there are compelling reasons

for using the cloud. Let me name the ways.

\* Backup: the computing 'rule of threes' says you should always have at least three copies of any important data, one of them 'off-site'. If your computer breaks, or goes walkabout, your data will still be safe up there in

the cloud when you're ready to reinstall it. And cloud services can automatically back-up everything you do.

\* Synchronisation: most cloud services will synchronise between any devices registered to your account. Draft the day's documents in your office, then access them to continue at home without faffing around with flash drives.

\* Sharing: if you're embarrassed sending out scads of pictures of your utterly unique pussycat to your entire address book, just put the photos in the cloud instead and let friends and family choose whether to subject themselves to your moggy or not.

\* Collaboration: there's a whole free office suite in the cloud for the asking, and several people can work on the same document, which will always be up to date.

Nay-sayers grumble that cloud services can be hacked. Well, so can your own computer. If your stuff really is that sensitive, just keep it on a flash drive in your underground bunker with your stash of corned beef and gas masks.

## Cloud: 'Nein'?

CLOUD computing is a circus business these days (sorry).

Mostly, it's free to try. Microsoft provides OneDrive free with Windows 10, for 5 GB of data. Dropbox gives you 2 GB free, while Google Drive ups the ante with a generous 15 GB to start you off.

These and others hope to hook you (but mainly corporate users) into buying more storage. But free is fine for most of us.

With a reasonable broadband connection, you can set most of these programs to backup everything you do automatically.

Keeping copies of your data locally is also prudent of course, but come the crash (and it will, eventually), it's comforting to know your precious information is still available from the cloud. As long as there's no thunderstorm.



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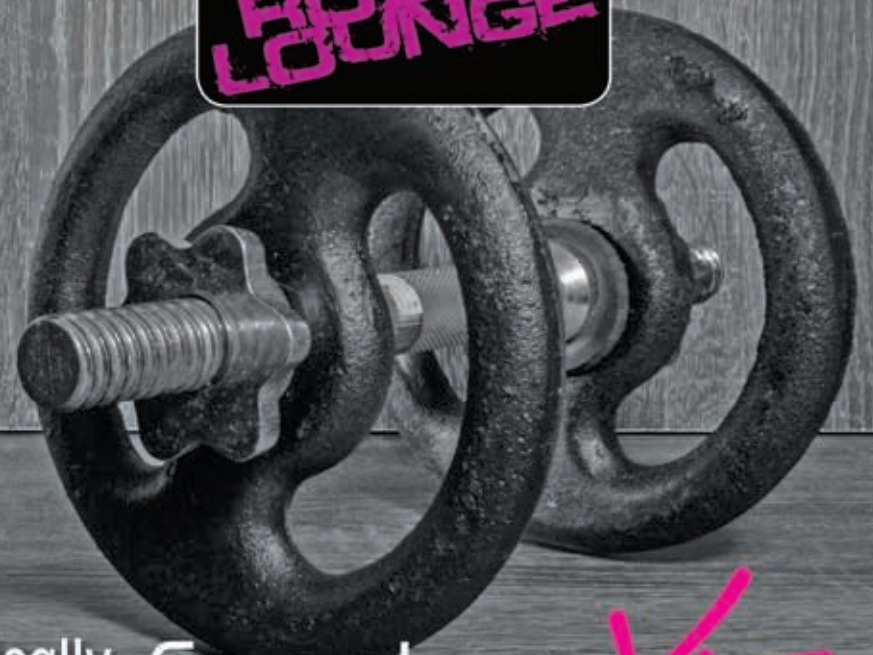
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# London Pride

**GRAEME TYRRELL**

THE Mediterranean climate allows the use in the landscape of many plants that in northern Eu-

rope can only be used as indoor plants.

One of them is London Pride (*Crassula multicava*). It is a wonderful, easy to grow, self

spreading succulent.

I use it as a ground cover around taller bushes and trees. It grows quickly when planted in autumn and spreads quickly with the cooler weather and moist soil in winter.

In spring it has a profusion of small, very fine white to pink flowers on long stems that look very attractive rising high above the leaves. In summer it tolerates the heat very well with minimal watering requirements.

Its advantages are that it covers the soil with attractive foliage with minimal maintenance.

It is not invasive as it is so easy to remove from places that you do not want them to spread to. This can be a disadvantage if you have animals in the garden that scratch or dig as the plants can be quickly damaged.

A visitor to my garden, who is a professional gardener, recognised the succulent and was fascinated to see how well

it had established all around the shrub beds of my terrace. He had only known it as an indoor plant.

It is a great pot plant as it is so hardy. It will proliferate with even poorer soil mixes for years and is usually tolerant of irregular watering.

In northern Europe it is a popular pot plant but most regions are too cold to grow it as a landscape plant in an open garden. The London Pride originates from Africa.

In the Mediterranean garden it will grow so easily. Pieces can be broken off established plants and planted wherever you want more to grow. They also seed prolifically and so renew themselves in the garden and self spread in this way.

The *Crassula* family of succulents, which London Pride belongs to, includes Jade plants and the Silver Dollar plant that



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**GROUND COVER:** The attractive London Pride in flower.

are also more commonly grown in containers. I also grow these as landscape features in the garden.

The garden needs to have good drainage so it is necessary to have compost and you can even add fine stones to ensure that the soil does not get waterlogged in wet weather or when watering. They do not tolerate wet feet for long. They are shallow rooted so a good mulch of compost can be sufficient to grow London Pride successfully in the garden without having to cultivate deeply in established shrub beds.

You only need to water them when you see the leaves are becoming thin and perhaps wrinkled. They will normally recover quickly and swell up again to store the water that enables them to survive long periods without additional watering.

I tend to just water the shrubs in the garden as required and the London Pride take advantage of this watering, so they are not additional work to water and the thick ground cover means that there are few weeds that can compete in the dry conditions that the London Pride can survive in summer.



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**MOTORING FACT**

“ Car manufacturer Lotus designed Chris Boardman's sci-fi bicycle which he rode to victory in the 1992 Olympic 4,000m pursuit final.

NUMEROUS new features in the area of drive-technology enhance driving fun as well as reducing emissions in the current Mini models as from summer 2018.

Emission control in all petrol-engine variants of the Mini three-door, Mini five-door and Mini Convertible, as well as the Mini Clubman and Mini Countryman, will include a particulate filter as from this month.

This demonstrates how Mini consistently continues to pursue the optimisation of emissions in its current models.

The diesel engine variants of the Mini Clubman and Mini Countryman have met the Euro 6d-TEMP standard since March of this year, and their emission control system includes not just a diesel particulate filter and an NOx

# Eco friendly Minis



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storage catalytic converter, but also an SCR catalytic converter which features a special urea injection (Ad-Blue) for highly effective reduction of nitrogen oxide emissions.

In addition, the relevant model variants of the Mini Clubman and Mini Countryman will be fitted with enhanced petrol engines as from now too.

Here, optimised Mini TwinPower Turbo Technology especially benefits fuel consumption and emission levels.

As an alternative to the standard manual transmission, the petrol engine models of the Mini Clubman and Mini Countryman will be available with a seven-speed Steptronic transmission from now on.

**EMISSIONS: Reduction.**

## Nano no-no

RUMOURS are rife that production of the Tata Motors model called the Nano are about to cease. Manufacturing of the Indian-made car have slumped compared to June 2017 when 275 units came off the production line.

Twelve months later, that number had dropped to one. Sales were just as poor with just three Tatos being driven away from the forecourt in June 2018.

## Permanent underground parking

A NIGERIAN man has had one of the strangest, but luxurious, funerals of all time.

The dead man's son always wanted to buy his dad a luxury car ... but he died before he had the chance. So, he bought a BMW X6 and his father was buried in it.

YOU would think that if you bought one of the world's most iconic cars many years ago, and nursed it, looked-after it, and kept it wrapped up in the proverbial cotton wool, it would be worth a small fortune.

Unfortunately, a Jaguar due to be sold at an auction later this month has proved that keeping such a model in storage - in this case for 28 years - can completely backfire.

The auction lot is a 1990 XJS V12 HE that, since new, has only 840 miles on the clock and is almost in exactly the same condition as when it left the factory production line almost three decades ago.

There's no doubt that the estimated sale price at auction of £40,000 is not to be sneezed at. However, once that's been adjusted for inflation its current value is only half the original showroom price.

The car was first delivered by the Bristol Motor Company in May 1990 and the auctioneers have described the Jaguar XJS HE Automatic in the brochure as 'a rare find indeed,' and has an estimate of between £35,000 to £40,000 ... seen as very much at the high end of valuations for this model.

## It's not about the money

If the original £34,200 cost in 1990 had been invested in a tracker fund, with the annual dividends reinvested, the fund

would be worth £332,100 gross.

The car is certain to get a serious amount of interest when it goes under the hammer, as there's barely a hint of wear and tear on the burgundy metallic paint, unblemished cream leather interior and a glossy sheen on the mahogany dash board, centre console and door inserts.



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# CCCA Goes F1!



**I**f nothing else, the CCCA is always pushing the envelope, trying to do things that are a bit different for their members. Film nights, parties, Balls, last month a fashion show and a cabaret performance, and now, a Formula 1 forum with seriously top F1 people involved!

The next CCCA Clubnight will be the first Tuesday in August at Treetops restaurante in El Chaparral Golf and will feature a 'Forum' style F1 evening before dinner.

Former Ferrari race engineer to Michael Schumacher, SKY TV commentator, and latterly Williams Martini F1 Chief Technical Officer, Pat Symonds, will give a short talk on the state of Formula 1 as it is now.

Pat was responsible for the restructuring of the Williams GP team in 2014 and 2015 and was a central figure with Benetton and then Renault when Fernando Alonso and Renault won back-to-back constructors and drivers world titles in 2005 and 2006..

Currently, Pat is still heavily involved with F1, not only working with Sky F1 but also working with Ross Brawn drafting the new regulations for F1 that will come in for 2021.

Also on the team will be CCCA member and ex-McLaren team boss, Jo Ramirez, who will answer questions Forum style from the floor.

The evening will be hosted by CCCA Presidente and former rally driver, Ian Giles, and will be open to non-members who will have to pay only a €10 entrance fee.

For Formula 1 fans, it's a must to get a real inside view on F1 as it is now and as it will be in the future.

I'm sure most readers will have enjoyed the terrific scrap that went on at the British GP at Silverstone this month where Lewis Hamilton fought valiantly to recover from a first lap incident that relegated him to last place. His recovery drive to finish in second place behind the Ferrari of Sebastian Vettel was an inspiration and it will be interesting to hear what Pat and Jo have to say about it



Pat Symonds. Joining Ross Brawn's 2021 Rule Makers & CCCA in August!



Ex-McLaren Team Boss, Jo Ramirez. Coming to the CCCA in August!

all!

More information will appear in this newspaper on my next page in two weeks time. Interested parties can register early or book a seat by e-mailing Ian Giles [info@cccandalucia.com](mailto:info@cccandalucia.com).

## CCCA Classic Car Run, July

After a super Clubnight, dining 'al fresco' under the stars, the Club followed this on the Saturday with a classic car run and lunch that was a huge success. Organised by Club Presidente Ian Giles and wife Carol, the event started



## CCCA members enjoying the July events.

from Venta Platero, just to the east of Coin. Around 40 cars set off in the hot sunshine to head towards the lakes of El Chorro. Coffee and refreshments were available in the village alongside the lake before cars headed east and then north, skirting the lakes in their entirety, before crossing the dam and heading towards Campillos. From here, cars turned south east to head for a welcome beer, or Cola (!) and a tapa at Bar La Herradura in Zalea.

The route then headed along the new road to pass by Coin and Alhaurin and then turning to Mijas Pueblo, enjoying the stunning views from that road.

Lunch was arranged at the Valparaiso restaurant which was indeed excellent and thoroughly enjoyed by all. Staff here were attentive and very professional, producing excellent food and a marvellous ambience, even arranging a room for those so wishing to watch World Cup football after lunch!

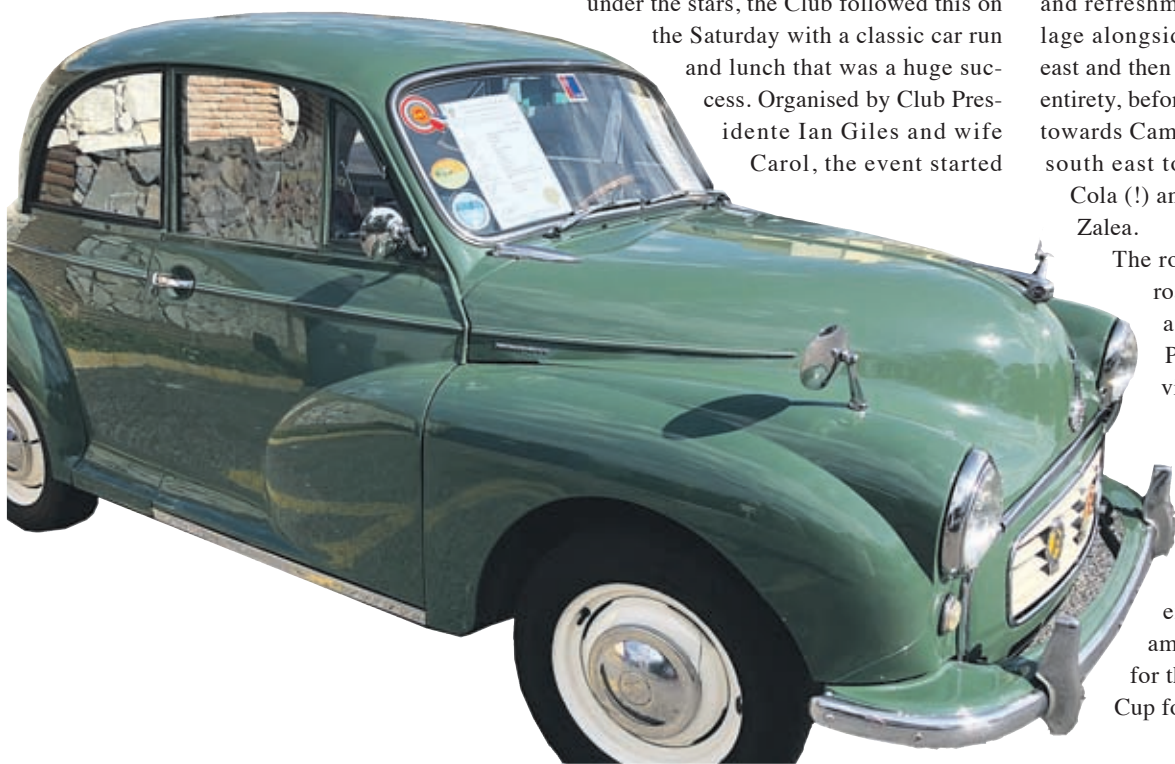
The next event on the calendar is the JEC Car Run and lunch on July 21 which will be organised by Ian Giles. All Jaguar owners are welcome, any age, any model. Details have yet to be finalised.

On July 26 there will be a Concours D'Elegance at the Magna Cafe in Marbella. This is not a CCCA event, but will be supported by the Club who are providing a number of entries including a beautiful early 1960's Rolls Royce Cloud convertible, a stunning Jaguar XK150 and a 1963 Jaguar Mk.2. Other entries are pending and there will be a lot of supercars exhibited too. More information from [info@magnasupercars.com](mailto:info@magnasupercars.com).

The next CCCA event will be the F1 Forum and Clubnight on Tuesday, August 7 and a classic car run and lunch are planned for Saturday, August 11.

*That's it for now, Until our next issue*

*Ian Giles*  
MOTORING



Further information on Classic Car Club of Andalucía events can be found on the Club's website [www.cccandalucia.com](http://www.cccandalucia.com). Membership of this vibrant club is open to anyone owning a genuine classic car here in Spain. *Saca tu coche clásico del garaje y diviértete con él.*

FERRARI'S Sebastian Vettel passed the Mercedes of Valtteri Bottas to win a British Grand Prix full of action, as Lewis Hamilton fought up from the back of the field to take second.

Hamilton drove superbly to recover from a first-lap collision with Vettel's teammate Kimi Raikkonen, and the result hinged on two late safety cars, when world champion Hamilton's Mercedes team took a strategic gamble.

Unlike rivals Ferrari and Red Bull, Mercedes chose not to pit both their drivers for fresh tyres at the first safety car intervention.

The decision promoted Bottas, who had run second from the start, to the lead ahead of Vettel, while Hamilton was propelled two places up to third.

It was a gamble that paid off for the Briton - winning him crucial points in his title fight with Vettel and limiting the damage that could have been caused after the first lap.

However, it didn't work for Bottas, whose tyres ran out and was passed by Vettel, Hamilton



**RAISED EXPECTATIONS:** Vettel has extended his lead in the standings.

## Hamilton fights back to stay in race

and Raikkonen before the end of the race.

Hamilton is eight points behind German Vettel in the

championship, which is as tight as ever as the season approaches the halfway point.

"Winning a home Grand Prix

is always a special thing," said Hamilton. "But in some ways I feel like I won today since I came from last."

## Enrique steps up for his country

EX-BARCELONA and Roma coach Luis Enrique has been appointed as Spain manager on a two-year contract.

The 48-year-old former Spain midfielder replaces Fernando Hierro, who stepped down as interim boss on Sunday.

Hierro - who is not returning to his role as sporting director - was placed in temporary charge of the team after Julen Lopetegui was sacked on the eve of the World Cup.

Enrique has been out of management since leaving the Nou Camp last June.

Spanish Football Federation (RFEF) president Luis Rubiales said:

"The decision was unanimous. I like his commitment and he has turned down better-paid jobs in order to

coach Spain.

"He's a coach who has all the requirements the federation was looking for."

Luis Enrique, who played for Real Madrid and Barcelona, won La Liga, Spanish Cup and Champions League treble as Barca manager in 2015.

The RFEF also announced that Jose Francisco Molina, a former Spain goalkeeper, had been brought in as sporting director.

Spain endured a World Cup tournament to forget, drawing against Portugal and Morocco in between a narrow victory over Iran.

They were then eliminated at the hands of Russia in the last 16, and Enrique, who knows a number of the squad from his Barcelona days, will be expected to turn their fortunes around.



**EXPERIENCED HEAD:** Luis Enrique has a formidable record of success.

## Transfer rumours

### Who is in, who is out, and who is most wanted in England and Spain?

**Manchester City** has agreed a €68 million deal with Leicester for long-term target Riyad Mahrez. (*Daily Mail*)

**Paris St-Germain** want to sign Barcelona midfielder Philippe Coutinho, 26, for €270 million to help keep fellow Brazilian Neymar at the club. (*Metro*)

**West Ham** hope to sign England midfielder Jack Wilshere, who is a free agent after leaving Arsenal. (*The Times*)

**Real Madrid** president Florentino Perez has already chosen Eden Hazard's squad number if the 27-year-old Chelsea star moves to the Bernabau. (*Talksport*)

**Manchester United** are confident of signing 29-year-old Chelsea forward Willian now Brazil are out of the World Cup. (*Sun*)

**Everton** has joined Arsenal in the race to sign Sevilla and France midfielder Steven N'Zonzi. (*Daily Express*)

**Liverpool** has received loan offers from Norwich and Sheffield United for 18-year-old Wales wonderkid Ben Woodburn. (*BBC*)

**Arsenal's** Spanish left-back Nacho Monreal, 32, is a target for La Liga side Real Sociedad. (*Daily Star*)

**Manchester United** are ready to bid €45 million for PSV Eindhoven's 22-year-old Mexico striker Hirving Lozano. (*Mirror*)



**MERCURIAL MEXICAN:** Hirving Lozano celebrates scoring against Germany.

**Real Madrid** want forward Cristiano Ronaldo to tell the club's fans he was not forced out of the Bernabeu if the Portugal captain moved to Juventus. (*Daily Mail*)

**Paris St-Germain** are willing to pay more than €113 million for Chelsea and France midfielder N'Golo Kante, 27. (*Metro*)



**SOUTH KOREA'S Kim Sei-young** broke the LPGA Tour's 72-hole record as she won the Thornberry Creek Classic with an incredible 31 under-par score. The 25-year-old's nearest challenger in Wisconsin was Spain's Carlota Ciganda (22 under).

TO READ MORE

# Sharma knocks England for six

ROHIT SHARMA made a stunning 100 not out to help India beat England by seven wickets in the third Twenty20 match and secure a 2-1 series victory.

England, batting first, could manage only 87 runs from the final 10 overs to post 198-8 in Bristol, despite Jason Roy's blistering 67 from 31 balls.

Rohit shared an 89 run stand with Virat Kohli and accelerated in the final overs to put India in control.

He and Hardik Pandya closed out the match with eight balls to spare and it was the highest run chase by any team against England in an international T20.

Three brilliant catches - one from Jake Ball and two by Chris Jordan - interrupted India's chase, but Pandya took 20 runs from the 18th over - bowled by Ball - to turn the match in India's favour.

A three-match one-day series starts today (Thursday) at Trent

Bridge, before the first of five Tests gets under way on August 1.

England's leading wicket-taker James Anderson remarked that it was "not a day to be a bowler" as both sides made hay on a pitch with short boundaries.

England captain Eoin Morgan said:

"That total isn't defensible when a guy comes out and plays like that on a small ground. India played better than us."



**FIGHTING TALK:** Brailsford pulled no punches in a press conference.

Credit: Ian Parker/Flickr

## Brailsford slams brakes on Lappartient

TEAM SKY cycling boss Sir Dave Brailsford has said that UCI president David Lappartient needs to learn what his 'responsibilities' are, while accusing the Frenchman of having a 'nationalistic view.'

For his part, Lappartient had commented that Team Sky's wealth allowed them to fight Chris Froome's asthma drug case in a way other teams could not have done.

Cycling's governing body dropped the case against Froome last week and Brailsford said: "He (Lappartient) has still got the local French mayor mentality, maybe."

Lappartient, 45, is the mayor of the French commune Sarzeau, where stage four of this year's Tour de France took place.

"If you want to be the president of an international federation, protect everyone in that international community, don't take a French angle, or a nationalistic view," added Brailsford.

"The quicker he can learn his responsibilities, the better it will be for everyone."

When asked if Team Sky would release the evidence used in Froome's case, Brailsford said it was up to the UCI and Wada to publish the details.

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