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Booze limits floated

By Joe Gerrard

AUTHORITIES in the Balearic Islands have called on airlines and airports to limit the amount of alcohol consumed by passengers travelling to Mallorca.

Officials with the Balearic Government are reportedly concerned about a rise in 'uncivil tourism' fuelled by binge drinking holidaymakers.

The authority plans to consult with Eurocare, a Europe-wide alcohol policy group, on proposals designed to curb such behaviour.

Antoni Vicens, director of the Balearic Islands Europe Centre (CBE), said both the Balearic Government and Eurocare were planning on getting the representatives of airlines and airports to Palma for talks.

"Problems are increasing and they encompass what could be called 'uncivil tourism,'" he told Spanish media.

"The intention is to organise an event in Palma with various



LIMIT PLANS: Authorities want to curb booze drunk by flyers.

international players to see how we can act jointly against a practice that poses a serious risk to air security," he added.

Officials said they may introduce new legislation if necessary to curb the amount of alcohol available to plane passengers flying into the island. Vicens said authorities had to be realistic in their expectations of controlling binge drinking.

"Implementing a total ban would be very complicated. We are asking airlines and airports to restrict alcohol consumption before they arrive in Mallorca, which is where the problem lies," he said.

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NEWS EXTRA**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-

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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Ex-official detained

PALMA Council's former planning spokesperson has been arrested in connection with the new underage sexual assault allegations. Javier Rodrigo de Santos, of the conservative Partido Popular (PP), held the post on the city council from 2003 to 2007 and was sentenced to serve five years in prison for similar crimes in 2010.

Arrest stats

A TOTAL of 15 people have been detained in connection with theft and robbery investigations by Palma police since the start of June. The figures come as both the National and Local Police in the city said they had stepped up patrols and operations since the onset of the tourist season.

Bin fires

AROUND 150 blazes have been started in rubbish containers since the beginning of this year causing some €120,000 in damage. National Police are tracing a group of people in connection with the fires, with officers suspecting a gang of arsonists is behind the vandalism which left a man in hospital in one case.

Hiker help

THE firefighters of Mallorca have rescued 20 hikers in the area of the Torrent de Pareis, from where they had called for help after becoming dehydrated. Firefighters joined forces with a mountain rescue team and headed to the Inca park, where they found 15 young people, and a family of five.

Balcony fall

A 41-YEAR-OLD tourist has been seriously injured after falling from a second floor apartment in Sant Antoni on Ibiza. She has suffered severe head trauma and was taken by an ambulance to Our Lady of the Rosary hospital, and this is the seventh such incident in the Balaeric islands this year.

Murky mole

POLICE fear that businessman Bartolomé Cursach had a mole in the Balaeric Islands investigation team that warned him when an inspection was about to be carried out. The Tax agency was tasked with the operation, and it is believed that one of the company's financial directors was close to Cursach.



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.

Rapper turns in

A MALLORCAN musician currently in Belgium and wanted in Spain after being sentenced to prison over song lyrics has been bailed after handing himself in.

Josep Miguel Arenas, who performs under the name Valtonlyc, was released unconditionally by the Belgian court last Thursday.

A judge is now set to decide whether to approve his extradition to Spain, a process due to last a number of weeks.

Arenas has given a number of interviews since last week. In one he said he did not regret the songs that landed him a three-and-a-half-year prison sentence.

"I think the powers that be should thank us for only doing songs because they deserve so much more," he said.

The rapper lost an appeal against his prison sentence for slandering the monarchy, glorifying terror groups and inciting violence earlier this year. He later fled Spain.

Balcony fall summons

AUTHORITIES administering the Magaluf resort have called in British diplomats in the wake of mounting deaths and injuries from hotel balcony falls.

Envoys met with Calvia Council officials and representatives from a local hotel association last Friday.

A spokesperson for the local authority said the meeting was called due to the number of those killed and injured, with this year's figures having already surpassed those of 2017.

"Calvia Council called the meeting and gathered together all possible information to decide what more could be done," the spokesperson added.

Those attending the meeting agreed British authorities would step up awareness campaigns to discourage 'balconing.'

Hotels have been asked to curb free drinks offers, particularly in all-inclusive establishments, the council said in a statement.

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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 *Ubootarchive.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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by Staff Reporter

A UK media investigation has revealed how young Britons heading to Mallorca for summer work are turned into 'sex trophies' and 'modern slaves.'

Responding to recruitment adverts offering €100 per day for shifts of four to six hours in Magaluf, they are scammed into handing over their passports by bullying landlords before or forced to live in cramped, dirty accommodation.

The British government has even issued warnings after a Foreign Office probe into nightclub owners who pay below-minimum wages and charge inflated rents for substandard flats.

A 19-year-old A-level student who did not want to be named told *The Sun*: "I didn't really do any planning apart from buy a cheap one-way ticket to Palma Airport. I had £350 in my bag."

"I knew there would always be touting jobs for clubs so I wasn't worried. Another girl put me in touch with a Spanish man who worked for a few of the clubs."

"I was told I would have to work a week in advance and give him my passport as a deposit for my accommodation... foolishly I agreed."

'Modern slavery' probe

Party resort's dark side exposed



TAKE CARE: Young Brits are warned to be wary before accepting summer jobs in Magaluf.

"Things came to a head when I went to collect my wages only to be told I wasn't bringing in enough punters and had earned nothing."

"I had been conned. I had worked five days for nothing. It was basically slave labour. I was left skint. I asked for my passport and he said I could have it back once I had completed my first month's work."

"I spent most of the next 10 days in tears just counting down the days till I could go home."

"My parents eventually paid for my flight after I told them I

was missing home. I was too embarrassed to tell them what had happened."

She added: "Drugs were commonplace and girls were doing disgusting things - just to get a free drink. One game was called 'erection perfection' where girls have to lap dance for naked boys. If one of the boys doesn't get aroused his girl has to do a forfeit."

James 'Jamesy' Alton, 33, who has appeared on the ITV talent contest *X Factor*, accepted a job as an entertainment manager on the island.

Also speaking to *The Sun*, he said: "They told me I would be paid €2,000 a month and given an apartment," he revealed.

"On the first day I didn't ask for a contract, you know you are settling in and enjoying the job."

"After that I asked for a contract and first of all the agency said we have nothing to do with it we just place you."

"I then asked the guys for a contract in Santa Ponsa and they said there was no point giving me one as it would be in Spanish, and I wouldn't understand it."

"Then a couple of weeks later they said we aren't going to pay you your full wage and that the cost of my apartment would be taken out of my wage."

They then told him the rent would set him back €1,600 per month, leaving him with €400 to live with.

Director of Communications at the British Embassy, Katy Reid, said: "If you go to Mallorca... make sure you have a contract, without it you are working illegally."

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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JUST five days following the funeral of Love Island star Sophie Gradon, it has been reported that her 25-year-old boyfriend Aaron Armstrong has been found dead at his home in Blyth.

Northumbria Police were called to the house at 12.20pm on Tuesday July 10 by authorities who had found the deceased. According to the police spokesman at the scene, he said "There is not believed to be any third-party involvement and a report will now be prepared for the coroner."

Double tragedy

Previously on social media, he had posted a picture of the funeral service, declaring: "I love you with all my heart my beautiful angel."

"I'm absolutely heartbroken, I can't stop crying and I can feel your spirit in my soul. RIP Sophie Hannah Gradon."

Aaron had shared an Instagram photo of the pair

together on Monday, captioned: "Just wish I could cuddle you all day, miss you so much man Sophie, not a minute goes by without your gorgeous smile being a picture in my mind every day we spent together was so amazing I need them days back. I love you princess."

With family and friends paying tribute to Aaron

on social media, his friend wrote: 'Hope you're at peace now Aaron, my heart goes out to your family.'

Sophie, who became part of the first same sex couple after a recoupling in the Love Island series of 2016, was also found dead at her parent's home in Newcastle three weeks previously on June 22.

Reportedly she had suffered bouts of deep depression and was deeply affected by the sudden loss of her good friend Paul Burns.

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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.

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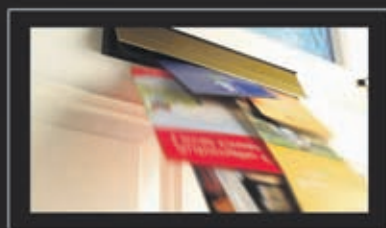
la before leaping aboard a helicopter and flying to a luxury resort.

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 Matteo, believed to have been born via two surrogate mothers.

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Rural rules enforced

AS part of the Conservation Plan in Tourist Areas, Mallorca Council will prohibit the construction of rural hotels and golf courses in protected areas, and will also ban tourism rentals, as part of new regulations.

Catalan cash

MALLORCA Council will invest €250,000 in promoting Catalan in printed literature, with the sum of €170,000 going to companies and €80,000 going to non-profit organisations and associations, and it will be published in the Official Bulletin of the Balearic Islands.

Flat brokers

BARCELONA-based crowdfunding company Ethic investors has now set up shop in Mallorca, acquiring several flats and estates including in Calvia, Muro, Inca, Porto Cristo and Palma, in order to develop its transparent investment platform.

Park Party

A WELCOMING party in the Parc de la Mar for politician Joan Mesquida in joining Ciudadanos, has left a significant area of litter, including flags, posters, plastic bottles, and the thousand attendees have aggrieved local residents.

Child's play

INCA has a new playground for children in the Coso neighbourhood, on Avenida de Alcudia, which is split into an area for children aged one to five, and one for those between six and 11.

High flyers

A TOTAL of 131,043 flights were managed from the control centre of Palma in the first half of 2018, a 3.6 per cent increase on last year, according to data published by Aena.

Ex-Duke appeals

THE former Duke of Palma's lawyers have lodged an appeal against a five-year and 10-month prison sentence handed down for crimes including fraud and embezzlement.

Iñaki Urdangarin, who is also brother-in-law to Spain's King Felipe, was found guilty of using his royal title

and position at the Noos Institute charity to pocket around €6 million.

His lawyers have now put it to Spain's Supreme Court that the conviction should be dismissed on the grounds of a lack of evidence.

"When the lack of motivation appears as an expression of the lack of evidence, it will be materially insubstantial," Urdangarin's lawyers said.

They added the crimes the former Duke had been found to have committed at the end

of his trial in 2017 were not made explicit or clarified by the courts.

Palma's Provincial Court found Urdangarin guilty at the original trial in February 2017. The Supreme Court reduced the sentence from six

years and three months to five years and 10 months after an appeal last month. Infanta Cristina, his wife and sister of King Felipe, was acquitted of tax fraud in 2017.

Urdangarin entered Brievara prison, in Avila, last month. He asked to serve his sentence in the women's prison due to security concerns.

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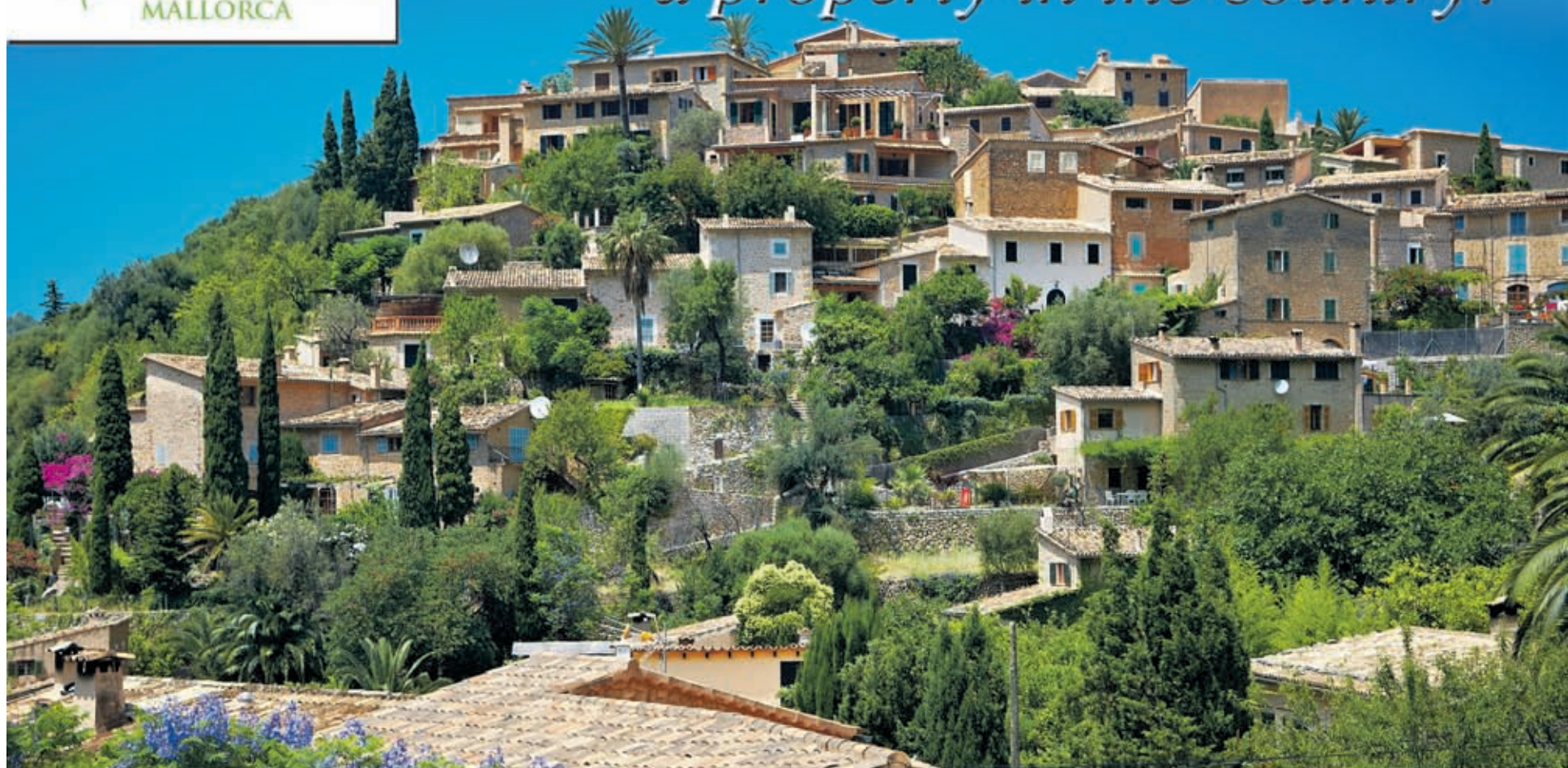
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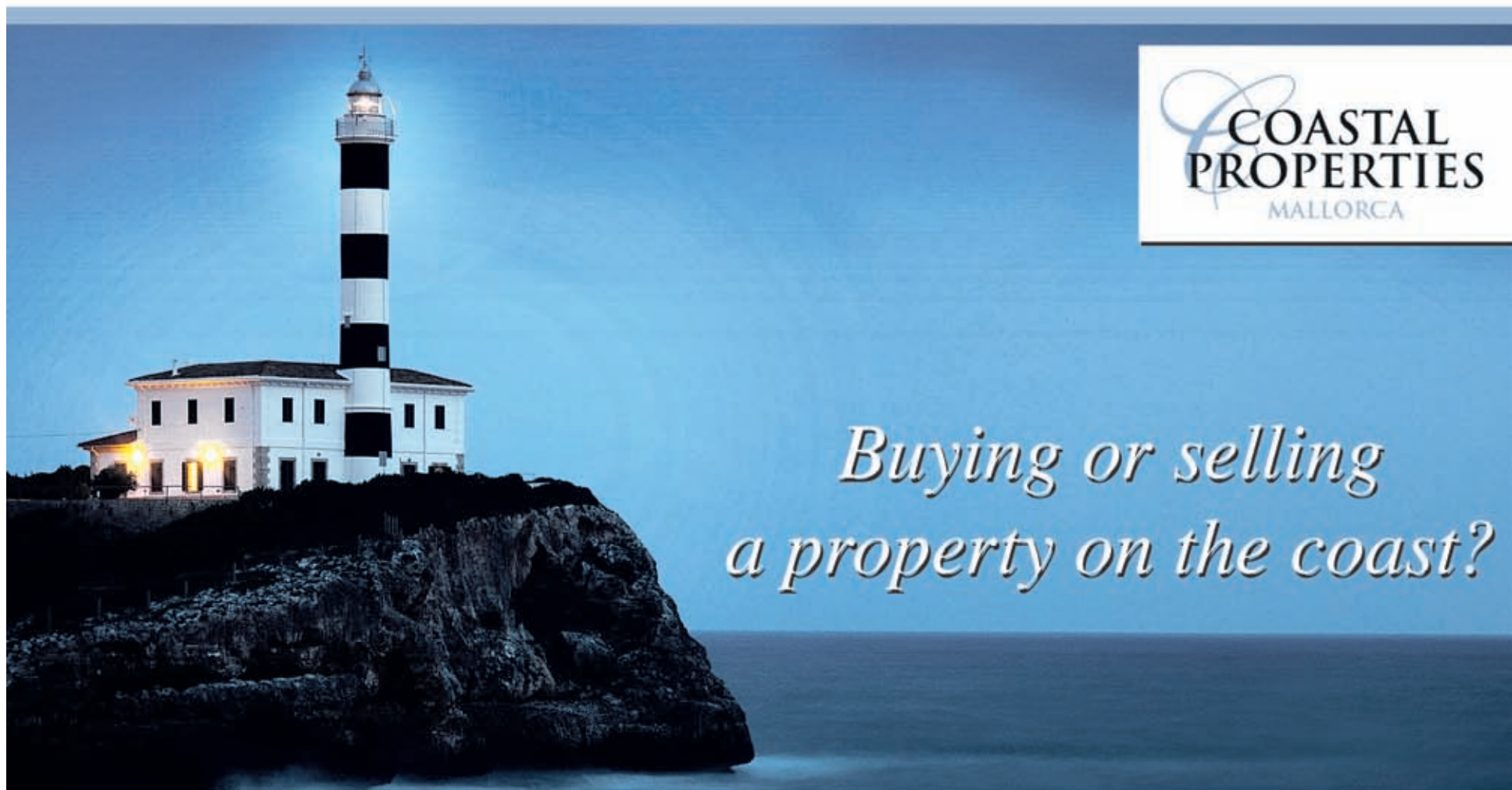
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FROM RUSSIA WITH SHOVE: Jussi.

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 Europe 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

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?

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."



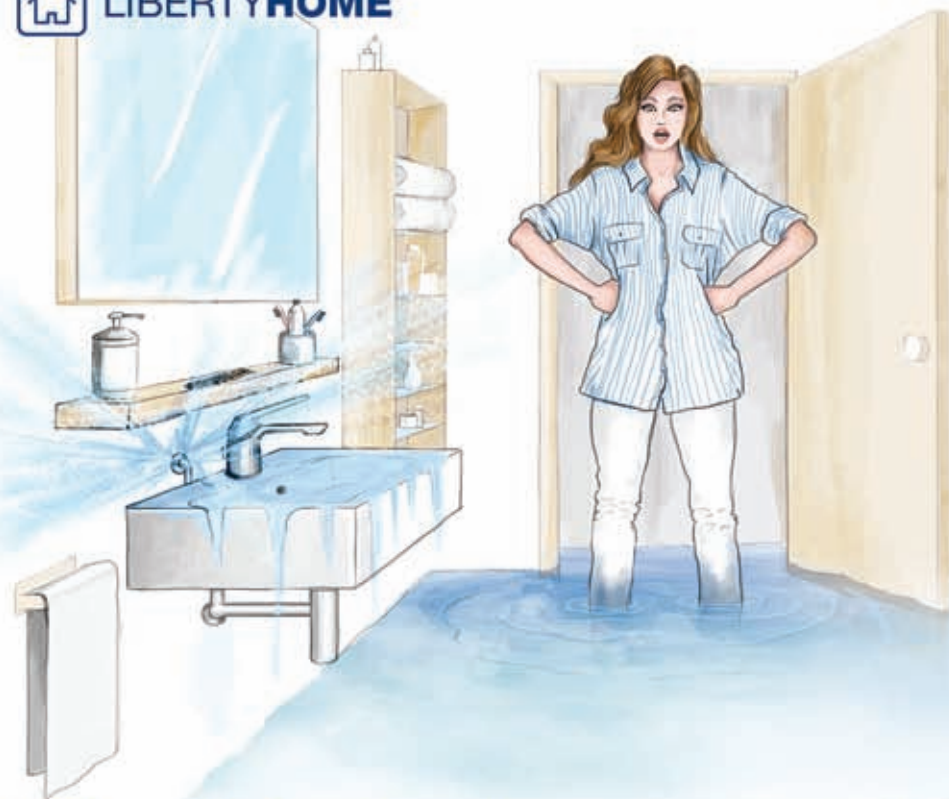
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‘Brit’ group in punch-up with locals Mass brawl breaks out

By Staff Reporter

A BROAD daylight street brawl between two groups of youths has been filmed in Magaluf.

Shot outside a branch of fast food chain McDonald's, the clip shows a gang of bare-chested youngsters believed to be British trading punches with a second group described as Spanish in local media.

One of the holidaymakers is knocked unconscious and seen lying on the ground before on-lookers rush to help.

The fight starts on the pavement before spilling into the street, and a Spanish pedestrian recording the drama can be heard to say "this happens every day" before adding "knocked out, knocked out," as one of the shirtless pugilists crumples to the floor.

He was taken to hospital after police were called to the scene, although no-one is believed to have been held.

Women can be heard



BIG SMACK AND FRIES: The fight erupted outside McDonald's.

screaming in the background as the battle erupts.

It comes after Newcastle United footballer Ciaran Clark was last month hospitalised after being assaulted with a bottle in a Magaluf bar.

A man was arrested in the wake of the incident and re-

leased on bail after a court appearance.

And at the end of May a British woman holidaying in the resort town was hospitalised after being left unconscious following a street fight on the Punta Ballena party strip.



Credit: mcherevan/Shutterstock

FAIR FIGHT: Padilla has had his share of assaults from bulls.

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 any brain damage after carrying out a CT scan.

He was then moved to Sevilla where he was put under the care of Dr Alberto Garcia-Perla, a specialist in maxilla-facial medicine who has been treating the matador since he lost his eye in Zaragoza.

Medics have said Padilla was lucky to still be alive and revealed that he had remained conscious as his horrific 20cm wound was treated with 40 stitches.

The renowned bullfighter posted on social media: "Many thanks to all the followers for their love and support."

"I have been overwhelmed by so many expressions of affection, respect and encouragement."

‘Wrong defendant’ in court

MAGISTRATES at a court in Palma have shelved proceedings against a 36-year-old in court in connection with a glass bottle attack after discovering he was not the defendant.

The man, from Senegal, reportedly repeatedly denied that he was the man set to be

tried that day. He was previously arrested after the courts issued a warrant for the detaining of a suspect in connection with an alleged assault with a glass bottle in Magaluf.

The 36-year-old was released but was

summoned to appear before the court again last Friday. He continued to insist he was not the defendant and so Judicial Police compared his fingerprints with that of the suspect.

Officers found the 36-year-old shared the

same name and nationality as the suspect but the prints showed he was not the suspect.

The man was freed and a warrant has been issued for the arrest of the suspect who is nine years older than the 36-year-old.

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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.



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

"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 perform surgery yet."

James, from Chapel-en-le-
 Frith, Derbyshire, also con-

firmed 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' from TV comedy Benidorm will be among those performing at fundraising shows, adding that a crowdfunding page will be set up.

James earlier said the attacker, 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."

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 standing 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 referen-

dum on self-rule.

Sanchez floated at the meeting lifting the blocking of financial transfers and investment into the region, according to Spanish media.

The Catalan President took questions from reporters after the meeting. Torra said he told Sanchez he regarded former pro-independence politicians currently being held or having fled abroad in connection with the independence push 'political prisoners.'

"We must put an end to the police and judicial offence against the independence movement and the persecution of people for their ideas," he said.

Carmen Calvo, Spain's Deputy Prime Minister, said Spain was a "single state" and there were no options for self-rule under its Constitution.

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Pound - slight boost

Commentary by Moneycorp

THE slightly hawkish approach of the Bank of England Monetary Policy Committee gave the pound a slight boost, as did the release of the Financial Stability Report. Positive ecostats also worked in the pound's favour.

The Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) for Britain's manufacturing sector came in above forecast - and a tick higher on the month. The construction sector PMI came in at 53.1 - higher on the month and half, a point ahead of forecast. The services PMI was 55.1 for June, beating the forecast by more than a point. Better PMIs mean a stronger economy and a greater chance of the Bank of England taking interest rates higher in August. The pound rose on the prospect, but faces more uncertainty as the prime minister presents ministers with her latest post-Brexit customs plan.

EU heads of government met to discuss a raft of issues ranging from migration to structural reform. The euro jumped higher

on news that the European Council had reached an outline agreement on the management of migration. Aside from the political manoeuvring, euroland ecostats were few. IFO's measures of German business confidence were just about on target. Across the Eurozone, retail sales were flat in May, falling just short of analysts' predictions, and producer prices rose by a monthly 0.8%, twice as much as expected.

Investors were spooked by Trump's proposal to restrict investment in US companies, ostensibly in order to protect intellectual property.

Higher prices for steel, aluminium and oil are having an effect on US companies and the proposed punitive tax on European cars would hurt consumers. US farmers, metal-bashers, oil producers and car manufacturers are already facing Brexit-like uncertainty about the effects of tariffs and other regulatory changes. In the long run, the economic damage, coupled with Amer-

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ica's rising trade and budget deficits, would hardly be positive.

Canada's GDP data put growth in April at a monthly 0.1%, ahead of the 0.0% that analysts had predicted. Canada's manufacturing PMI came in ahead of expectations at 57.1 but retail sales fell by a monthly 1.2% and core inflation slowed to 1.3%. Bank of Canada governor Stephen Poloz addressed the Greater Victoria Chamber of Commerce yesterday, confirming that the

US trade war will affect interest rate decisions. The decision on July 11 will be the first to be affected; until recently there had been an odds-on chance of an increase in July.

Australia recorded an above-forecast services sector PMI, a 0.4% monthly increase in retail sales and a narrower trade surplus. The New Zealand dollar reacted badly to a decline in business confidence. New Zealand's central bank held interest rates at a record low of 1.75% but signalled it is prepared to cut them if needed as economic growth slows and inflation remains below target.

The Reserve Bank of New Zealand governor Adrian Orr had previously said in May that the rates were likely to remain at their current level for some time to come, but weaker than expected growth and business confidence dropping to a seven-month low have caused the change in approach.

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Tattoo battle

By Joe Gerrard

THE Spanish Defence Ministry has announced it plans to change its entry rules after a woman was told she could not join due to her tattoo.

Estela Martin argued she was being discriminated against after being told a tattoo of a lotus on her foot broke army uniform regulations. The armed forces have yet to confirm if she can be allowed to reapply, she said.

Current rules require tattoos, piercings and other body modifications be covered up by men and women while in uniform.

Martin was told hers would be visible if she wore a skirt, optional for women in the army who typically wear trousers.

Military officials since announced rules will be changed so that tattoos, rings and other body modifications will not be allowed to be shown in uniforms common to men and



RULE CHANGE: Estela Martin was told she could not join due to her tattoo (inset).

women. The wording excludes skirts in order to resolve the issue Martin had.



Martin said she was happy for other women that the rules were set to change but added

the military had not contacted her to offer her a chance to reapply. "When I saw this new measure, at first I felt happy to know that it will not happen to other women. But then I wondered ... what about me?" she said.

"If they change the rules they are acknowledging they were unfair to me but I have not had an answer from them," she added.

Martin applied to join the Spanish Army as a psychologist this year after leaving her job at a hospital in Madrid two years ago. She sat her civil service exam last month.

Martin was taking part in a swimming test when an examiner noticed the tattoo and told her she could not continue with the entry process. It may have been seen if she wore a skirt, he added.

She claimed men who bore tattoos in similar places to hers were not pulled out of the session.

Nightclub shooting

HOLIDAYMAKERS fled the British Square 'Guiri zone' area in Benidorm as a young man was shot.

In what is currently believed to have been a turf war over drug trafficking, a British holidaymaker was caught in the crossfire and shot in the leg.

Police rapidly closed off the area and shortly afterwards arrests were made in both Benidorm and Villajoyosa hospital, where one was attending having been wounded in the battle.

The shooting, which occurred at approximately 11pm, which was initially thought to be a terrorist attack by those at the scene, caused a social media frenzy, quickly being picked up

by the British tabloids.

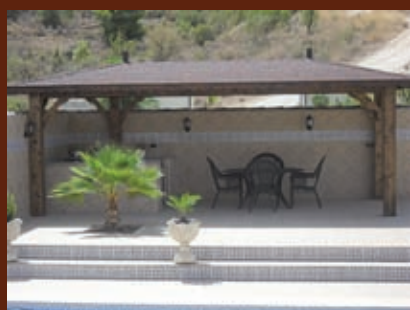
Several witnesses posted of their experiences. Mark Johnson tweeted: "We are sat on our hotel balcony and heard three shots, two guys running off and a load of lads chasing them with chairs, there are police everywhere."

Another witness posted: "An altercation started in the main strip, next thing you know there are about 40-50 lads running up the street. Me and my mum and sister ran into one of the clubs where we heard three to four gunshots."

"The young lad who was shot, and with his girlfriend, was taken to hospital, there was blood everywhere."

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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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PRINCESS MADELEINE of Sweden has posted a picture of her with her third child Princess Adrienne to mark the child turning four months old, with the baby royal the younger sister to Princess Leonore and Prince Nicolas.

Drought claim

A BODY representing farmers has joined Swedish government officials in warning that drought could strike the country if a lack of rainfall continues, with the Agriculture Council's chairman adding crop yields could also fall.

'Hero' dog

A POLICE dog in Sweden has been called a hero after helping to find an elderly man who went missing in a Dalarma forest, with Sacko and the officers called out after the walker's wife raised the alarm.

Man arrested

A 30-YEAR-OLD man has been arrested in connection with the death of three people aged 15, 22 and 31 in Vivalla, with the suspect's lawyer and prosecutors refusing to comment further on his detaining.



NEW ARRIVAL: Princess Adrienne is four months old this month.

GERMANY

Court call

LAWMAKERS at the Bundestag in Berlin have adopted a motion calling for more support to be given to the International Criminal Court, with the resolution urging the German government to encourage more countries to sign up to its jurisdiction.

withdraw some €300 million from German banks to transfer back to the country amidst worries Tehran could face a shortfall of cash after the United States reinstates sanctions.

Defence cash

GERMANY and France have agreed to raise their military spending in the wake of pressure from United States President Donald Trump's call for NATO

members to increase defence funds ahead of this week's NATO summit in Brussels.

China trip

LI KEQIANG, the Premier of China, arrived in Berlin on Sunday for a fifth round of talks between his country and Germany which will see officials make joint plans on a number of issues for the next four to five years.

NETHERLANDS

Several held

SIX men have been arrested in connection with a shooting which took place in Enschede last Sunday, with a car fired upon during the incident and the driver unharmed as police continue to probe the attack.

App warning

DEFENCE MINISTRY officials temporarily banned service personnel from using sports and fitness smart phone apps amidst fears sensitive information could be leaked after military deployments in Iraq were published based on app data.

Walk out

POLICE officers, hospital staff and airport security staff went on strike across the Netherlands last Monday, with the workers having walked out in a bid to strike a better collective work agreement with employers.

Obama visit

FORMER US President Barack Obama is set to come to the Netherlands in September for a 'Former Thinking Leadership' summit organised by DenkProductions and AFAS Software, with the ex-head of state set to take audience questions.

DENMARK

Stage fall

A SINGER with the British band Gorillaz was taken to hospital after falling off the stage at the Roskilde's music festival, with Del the Funky Homosapien saying he is 'alright' but will remain under observation.

Link floated

AUTHORITIES in Denmark and Sweden are reportedly considering creating a link between Helsingor and Helsingborg, with the road, railway or combined line spanning the 6.7 kilometres between the cities estimated to cost around €2.3m.

Trade data

THE amount of goods exported by firms in Denmark rose by 2.5 per cent at the same time as imports climbed by 3.3 per cent in May, resulting in a lower trade surplus than the previous month.

Bank scandal

A MAJOR Danish bank has been accused of laundering more than €7 billion through an Estonian subsidiary, with a Danske compliance spokesperson saying it was 'too soon' to draw conclusions about the extent of the allegations.

NORWAY

Man hurt

A MOTORCYCLE rider was taken to hospital after being involved in a crash with two cars in the Stathelle area last Sunday, with the rider taken to hospital and one of the vehicle drivers treated in an emergency room.

Ban lifted

CHINESE health officials have lifted a long-standing ban on the importing of salmon from Norway and two other countries, with the Norwegian Fisheries Minister Per Sandberg welcoming the move as good for the fishing industry.

Knife death

A 27-YEAR-OLD woman has died in hospital after being stabbed outside a cafe in Oslo last weekend, with the 51-year-old father of her children having been charged in connection with the death.

Crash stats

A TOTAL of 12 people have been killed in leisure boat-related accidents so far this year according to Norway's Maritime Directorate, with the figure down by two compared to the same period in 2017.

FRANCE

Plane crash

OFFICIALS from France's aviation authority investigating the crash of an EgyptAir flight in 2016 have claimed the aircraft was most likely downed after a cockpit fire leading to the deaths of some 66 people, including 15 French citizens.

Plan delayed

PRESIDENT Emmanuel Macron has postponed the presentation of an 'Anti-Poverty Plan' due to be delivered this week after France made it to the World Cup semi-finals, with the country's Health Minister saying they could now be unveiled in September.

Party probe

SEVERAL suspects have been indicted by courts in France in connection with an investigation into the Front National putting people on the payroll of its European Parliament operation amidst allegations that the far right party created 'fictitious' jobs.

Remarks leak

THE outgoing French ambassador to Hungary's leaked comments praising the country's leader Viktor Orban have resulted in President Emmanuel Macron having to rebuke the remarks due to his ongoing criticism of the country's migration policy.

BELGIUM

Trump march

PROTESTORS took to the streets of Brussels to demonstrate against the arrival of United States President Donald Trump in the country for a NATO meeting last weekend, with placards waved stating the head of state was 'not welcome' in Belgium.

Job figures

THE number of job vacancies in Belgium has risen by 176,000 since 2014 according to data from the country's National Social Security Office (ONSS), with a third of those created in firms in receipt of state funding.

Visit off

JAPAN'S Prime Minister has cancelled a visit to Belgium scheduled for yesterday (Wednesday) after flash floods struck the west of his country, with Shinzo Abe due to sign an economic pact with the European Union in Brussels during the trip.

Rail strike

SEVERAL train routes were halted across Belgium from last Tuesday after workers at the SNCB rail company staged a union-backed walkout for 48 hours, with 10 intercity lines going to the coast disrupted.

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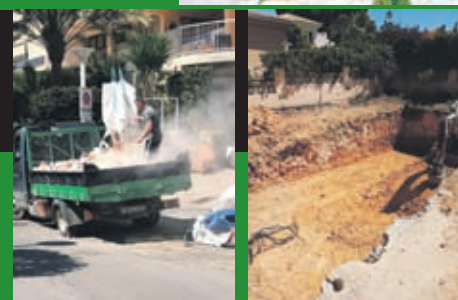


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excavations in order to create cellar space and Darren has good
experience of this from his past work in the UK. This excavation work
also includes swimming pools.

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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."

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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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Anglo American	1,713.30	12.10	0.71	24,184.53
Associated British Foods	2,502.00	10.00	0.40	20,615.20
Admiral Group	1,871.00	1.00	0.05	5,492.98
Ashtead Group	2,302.50	47.50	2.11	10,903.13
Antofagasta	966.20	22.20	2.35	9,393.24
Aviva	495.95	-0.15	-0.03	19,836.17
AstraZeneca	5,224.00	23.00	0.44	65,651.19
BAE Systems	644.50	2.50	0.39	20,443.47
Barclays	186.36	-0.14	-0.08	31,927.35
British American Tobacco	3,938.50	35.00	0.90	89,455.05
Barratt Developments	481.90	-1.10	-0.23	4,935.00
Berkeley Group Holdings (The)	3,565.50	-11.50	-0.32	4,845.74
British Land Co	664.80	0.60	0.09	6,526.03
BHP Billiton	1,684.20	20.00	1.20	35,039.27
Bunzl	2,278.50	15.50	0.68	7,633.91
BP	577.05	-2.05	-0.35	116,427.91
Burberry Group	2,068.50	-1.50	-0.07	8,505.48
BT Group	229.88	-1.67	-0.72	22,765.81
Coca-Cola HBC	2,580.00	13.00	0.51	9,336.02
Carnival	4,274.50	-27.50	-0.64	8,727.15
Centrica	164.03	0.93	0.57	9,140.46
Compass Group	1,584.50	-6.50	-0.41	25,086.04
Croda International	4,845.00	-13.00	-0.27	6,343.88
CRH	2,699.50	3.50	0.13	22,539.81
DCC	6,877.50	17.50	0.26	6,078.36
Diageo	2,743.00	-4.00	-0.15	67,423.33
Direct Line Insurance Group	331.80	1.60	0.48	4,714.88
Evrax	514.80	4.80	0.94	7,229.01
Experian	1,892.25	-6.25	-0.33	17,340.67
easyJet	1,631.75	15.75	0.97	6,446.69
Ferguson	6,058.00	7.00	0.12	13,980.54
Fresnillo	1,134.00	10.50	0.93	8,470.59
Glencore	329.58	0.63	0.19	47,039.08
GlaxoSmithKline	1,545.40	-2.40	-0.16	76,401.79
GVC Holdings	1,059.50	9.50	0.90	6,018.43
Hargreaves Lansdown	1,999.00	-1.00	-0.05	9,450.80
Halma	1,340.50	0.50	0.04	5,053.03
HSBC Holdings	702.95	0.65	0.09	140,804.02
International Consoltd Airs Grp	680.00	10.60	1.58	13,584.89
InterContinental Hotels Grp	4,725.50	72.50	1.56	8,854.71
3i Group	906.90	3.10	0.34	8,760.11
Imperial Brands	2,892.25	1.75	0.06	27,777.59
Informa	830.80	3.80	0.46	10,325.22
Intertek Group	5,615.00	-11.00	-0.20	9,073.52
ITV	181.70	1.30	0.72	6,963.96
Just Eat	841.00	20.60	2.51	5,487.80
Johnson Matthey	3,587.00	19.00	0.53	6,889.79
Kingfisher	295.90	3.70	1.27	6,240.01
Land Securities Group	953.50	3.80	0.40	6,989.74
Legal & General Group	264.95	2.35	0.89	15,686.39

COMPANY	PRICE(P)	CHANGE(P)	% CHG.	NET VOL
Lloyds Banking Group ORD	63.17	0.68	1.09	44,794.81
London Stock Exchange Grp	4,503.00	6.00	0.13	15,516.73
Micro Focus International	1,283.50	23.00	1.82	5,480.55
Marks & Spencer Group	312.80	5.50	1.79	5,020.59
Mondi	2,036.50	20.50	1.02	7,381.54
Melrose	211.30	3.20	1.54	10,021.73
Morrison (Wm) Supermarkets	254.85	0.85	0.33	5,972.47
National Grid	875.40	-1.10	-0.13	28,838.42
NMC Health	3,523.00	59.00	1.70	7,241.57
Next	5,932.00	132.00	2.28	8,197.73
Ocado Group	1,016.75	2.75	0.27	7,139.78
Paddy Power Betfair	8,322.50	37.50	0.45	6,869.69
Prudential	1,770.25	8.25	0.47	45,668.80
Persimmon	2,460.50	-9.50	-0.38	7,745.70
Pearson	890.40	4.20	0.47	6,962.05
Reckitt Benckiser Group	6,386.50	-20.50	-0.32	44,945.68
Royal Bank of Scotland Group	249.60	1.30	0.52	30,033.52
Royal Dutch Shell	2,643.50	25.50	0.97	120,307.05
Royal Dutch Shell	2,729.50	31.00	1.15	100,772.32
RELX	1,648.75	-6.75	-0.41	17,116.61
Rio Tinto	4,111.25	40.25	0.99	53,424.67
Royal Mail	488.10	-2.90	-0.59	4,980.00
Rightmove	5,085.00	9.00	0.18	4,725.66
Rolls-Royce Group	983.40	-2.20	-0.22	18,426.61
Randgold Resources	5,748.00	32.00	0.56	5,488.52
RSA Insurance Group	649.60	0.60	0.09	6,760.18
Rentokil Initial	342.05	-3.25	-0.94	6,359.50
Sainsbury (J)	329.35	3.45	1.06	7,151.08
Schroders	3,230.50	15.50	0.48	7,228.20
Sage Group (The)	615.60	2.00	0.33	6,629.15
Segro	672.50	-5.10	-0.75	6,792.19
Shire	4,279.00	-7.00	-0.16	39,010.13
Smurfit Kappa Group	3,111.00	17.00	0.55	7,306.12
Sky	1,466.25	10.25	0.70	24,865.58
Standard Life Aberdeen	317.80	1.10	0.35	9,537.34
Smith (DS)	511.90	-0.90	-0.18	5,456.73
Smiths Group	1,714.50	18.00	1.06	6,646.81
Scottish Mortgage Invstmnt Trst	536.00	5.00	0.94	7,520.47
Smith & Nephew	1,321.25	-1.25	-0.09	11,535.30
SSE	1,402.75	2.75	0.20	14,197.40
Standard Chartered	688.05	-6.25	-0.90	22,889.17
St James's Place	1,174.00	3.00	0.26	6,177.05
Severn Trent	2,068.00	0.00	0.00	4,796.62
Tesco	259.65	-0.45	-0.17	25,397.24
TUI AG	1,672.50	8.50	0.51	9,741.81
Taylor Wimpey	172.25	-0.65	-0.38	5,619.49
Unilever	4,206.00	-3.00	-0.07	50,738.97
United Utilities Group	783.10	-0.30	-0.04	5,284.64
Vodafone Group	188.87	-2.13	-1.12	50,127.06
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AMERICAN EXPRESS	98,5200	-0.01%	-0.0100	84.762,88
APPLE	187,970	+1.39%	2,570	923.898,49
BOEING CO	334,640	+0.44%	1,460	194.611,17
CATERPILLAR	135,410	-0.29%	-0,400	80.968,38
CISCO SYSTEMS	42,710	+0.35%	0,150	200.860,09
COCA-COLA	44,64	-0.04%	-0,02	189.954,92
DOWDUPONT	65,93	-0.21%	-0,14	153.055,88
EXXON MOBIL	82,33	+0.02%	0,02	348.529,25
GOLDMAN SACHS	221,79	+0.48%	1,05	83.774,09
HOME DEPOT	194,4800	+0.04%	0,0700	224.364,23
IBM	142,48	+0.74%	1,05	130.764,59
INTEL CORP	51,3700	+1.22%	0,6200	239.384,20
J.P.MORGAN CHASE	104,0600	+0.33%	0,3400	354.301,09
JOHNSON & JOHNSON	125,7500	+0.60%	0,7500	337.280,36
MC DONALD'S CORP	159,4200	+1.33%	2,1000	125.172,98
MERCK AND CO. NEW	62,20	+0.91%	0,56	167.363,81
MICROSOFT	101,160	+1.40%	1,400	777.232,31
NIKE	76,48	-0.09%	-0,07	98.100,41
PFIZER	37,1100	+0.65%	0,2400	217.106,83
PROCTER AND GAMBLE	79,310	+0.13%	0,100	199.407,74
VERIZON COMMS	51,48	+0.39%	0,20	212.668,71
VISA	134,09	+0.60%	0,80	239.488,84
WAL-MART STORES	84,5100	-0.07%	-0,0600	249.375,86
WALGREENS BOOTS	63,30	+1.47%	0,92	62.819,67
WALT DISNEY CO	104,7800	-0.53%	-0,5600	155.796,59

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COMPANY	PRICE	CHANGE NET / %
Most Advanced		
Black Box Corporation	\$ 2.03	1.08 ▲ 113.68%
AC Immune SA	\$ 12.86	3.56 ▲ 38.28%
ArQule, Inc.	\$ 6.81	1.14 ▲ 20.11%
Biogen Inc.	\$ 357.48	58.67 ▲ 19.63%
MediciNova, Inc.	\$ 8.34	1.28 ▲ 18.13%
Internet Gold Golden Lines Ltd.	\$ 3.18	0.36 ▲ 12.77%
Stitch Fix, Inc.	\$ 32.41	3.58 ▲ 12.42%
Proshares UltraPro Nasdaq Biotechnology	\$ 39.1743	3.9243 ▲ 11.13%
Corbus Pharmaceuticals Holdings, Inc.	\$ 5.70	0.45 ▲ 8.57%
Solid Biosciences Inc.	\$ 42.26	3.31 ▲ 8.50%
Destination Maternity Corporation	\$ 6	0.46 ▲ 8.30%
Most Declined		
Restoration Robotics, Inc.	\$ 3.25	0.42 ▼ 11.44%
ProShares UltraPro Short NASDAQ Biotechlgy	\$ 15.12	1.88 ▼ 11.06%
PriceSmart, Inc.	\$ 83.40	10 ▼ 10.71%
Tricida, Inc.	\$ 30.50	3.51 ▼ 10.32%
Credit Suisse AG	\$ 45.28	5.04 ▼ 10.02%
Collegium Pharmaceutical, Inc.	\$ 21.14	1.86 ▼ 8.09%
ProShares UltraShort Nasdaq Biotechnology	\$ 17.32	1.40 ▼ 7.48%
Mersana Therapeutics, Inc.	\$ 17.61	1.32 ▼ 6.97%
Silicon Motion Technology Corporation	\$ 51.04	3.55 ▼ 6.50%
Town Sports International Holdings, Inc.	\$ 13.80	0.95 ▼ 6.44%
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With no plans in place, under Spanish law the Guardia Civil must be called and a doctor contacted. The doctor will issue a temporary certificate, after which either the doctor or the Guardia Civil will contact a local funeral director to attend to the deceased. The Spanish funeral director will ask for a release form to be signed and in some cases the form is part of a legally binding contract, it usually does not disclose prices until after all the arrangements have been made.

Taking care of the process in advance by means of a funeral plan is greatly reassuring for both, the emotional burden and it takes away the worry and concerns of cost from loved ones and the remaining family.

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What 'British' education system?

LEAPY LEE SAYS IT

OTHERS THINK IT



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.

Keep the Faith

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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?

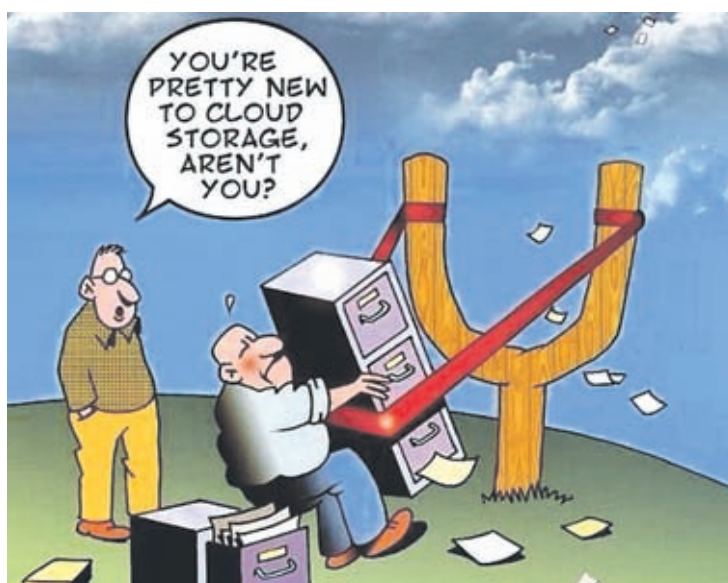
Just to be clear, St Peter hasn't suddenly been surrounded by bits and bytes because 'The Cloud' began seeping into our tech awareness over the past 18 years or so. That's despite any number of wacko data storage ideas which have even included internet access from balloons.

'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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Nora Johnson
Breaking Views



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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. 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 ...

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LEGALLY SPEAKING

Was Horizontal Law broken?

Q. Can you tell me if the HPL is within the Spanish Civil Code?

If this Law is continually broken over many years, what remedy is there via the courts? There is a mass of evidence to show that the law has been abused or ignored. I am not referring to decisions which are disputed, but to serious breaches of this law that is supposed to regulate Communities of Owners.

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.

If you have evidence that your Community, by votes at the AGM or by the actions of its officers, has broken this law, you need to consult a Spanish lawyer who is experienced in the affairs of communities. The lawyer can steer you through any complications. Even one owner alone can bring legal action against the Community. If you can gather a group of owners to share the expenses and the problems that may arise, this will be to your advantage.

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CEILING FANS: Outdoor fans are great for keeping patios cool in summer.

Jobs for the boys

Cassandra Nash

A weekly look

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

A BIG headline in *El Mundo* announced that Pedro Sanchez was giving away €7 millions' worth in salaries to those close to him.

His buddies, the newspaper insinuated, will be shoe-horned into Renfe, Correos and ADIF amongst other big names and can look forward to cushy jobs now Sanchez is in the Moncloa.

The 'tentacles of state' - *El Mundo's* words - will also inch their way into Bankia, Aena, Enagas, Indra and Red Electrica, as the government can name directors and exert enormous influence.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Right or wrong, that's politics, folks, and not only in Spain but the world over.

That's my boy!

PABLO CASADO inched forward in the race to lead the Partido Popular

now that Mariano Rajoy has reclaimed his old job as Property Registrar in Santa Pola (Alicante).

It looked a two-horse race between eternal rivals, the former vice-president Soraya Saez de Santamaria and Dolores de Cospedal, the PP's secretary general and Minister of Defence during Rajoy's last government.

It's still a two-horse race but it will be between Santamaria and outsider Pablo Casado, Rajoy's former Communications' chief, attracted by supporters who feared that a victory for either woman would split the party in half.

It's been said that Albert Rivera semi-lookalike, Pablo Casado, has the blessing of Jose Maria Aznar who was president of the Spanish government between 1996 and 2004.

Oh no, Aznar protested recently. He has had little contact with Casado, he insisted. 'Santamaria and

Cospedal were in my governments, Casado no.'

Was there ever a subtler or better endorsement?

Degrees of involvement

CASADO does have a problem, however. There's the trifling matter of his master's degree. Just like Cristina

GIVEAWAY:
Pedro Sanchez
is inching the
tentacles of the
state
throughout
Spain.



The long and the short of it

PEDRO SANCHEZ admitted that the Catalan crisis will not be solved 'in one, two or even six years.'

The Catalan situation festered during Rajoy's two terms in office when Soraya Saez de Santamaria, ostensibly minister responsible for bringing Cataluña back into the fold, did Sweet Fanny Adams. In her sporadic forays into the region she spoke only to the opposition

and once the 'Proces' towards secession gathered momentum she spoke only harsh, threatening words.

Five weeks after Sanchez moved into the Moncloa Palace he moved pro-independence politicians remanded for rebellion and sedition to prisons in Cataluña.

Sanchez is not kidding himself about Cataluña but, however long it takes, he has shortened it by a few days.

Most political parties will turn a blind eye to candidates' peccadilloes until they are officially classed as suspects, after which it's curtains.

Ponder on Cristina Cifuentes who resigned because of her dodgy degree and, once she was under the interrogator's lamp, two pots of face cream that she possibly shoplifted in a Madrid supermarket.

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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 entertainment, 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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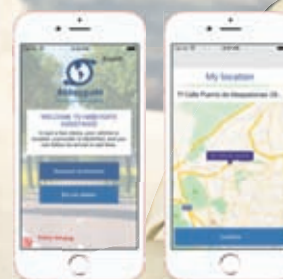
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	10:00pm	Who Do You Think You Are?	10:00pm	Qi	11:00pm	ITV News at Ten and Weather	11:00pm	Our Guy in Russia	10:00pm	Traffic Cops	9:00pm	Sky Sports Tonight	
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	5:15pm	Flog It!	5:15pm	Natural World	6:00pm	The Chase	6:00pm	Come Dine with Me	6:00pm	5 News	12:00pm	Sky Sports News	
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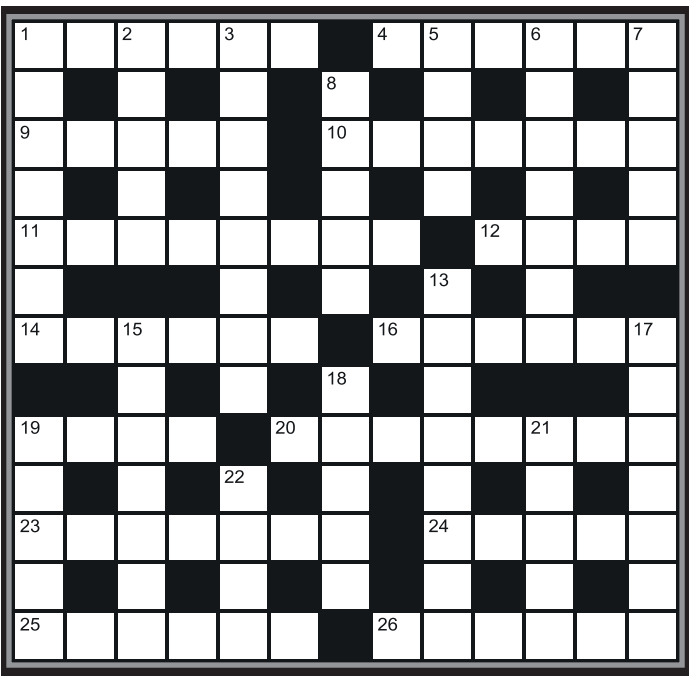
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- Across**
- 1 Hold out against rebel sister (6)
 - 4 Pursued but pure, by the sound of it (6)
 - 9 Explicit about king in play (5)
 - 10 Manila's odd beasts (7)
 - 11 I'm turning in winding street to find insects (8)
 - 12 They are the best playthings 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)

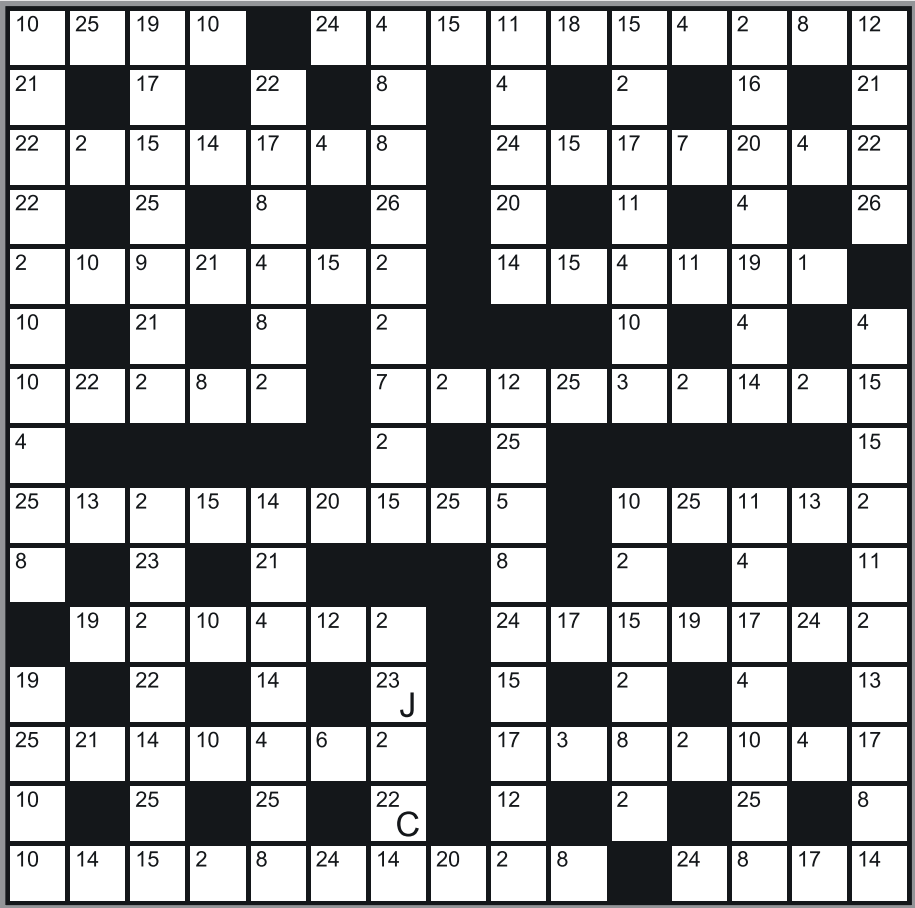


- Down**
- 1 Quotes poetry in acts of worship around Ecuador (7)
 - 2 Promise unusual wares (5)
 - 3 In a dress ruined by fish (8)
 - 5 One who will succeed with melody, we hear (4)
 - 6 Was dosh not right for Cliff's backers? (7)
 - 7 Dossiers? No sir! Medical units (5)
 - 8 Terribly alert at some time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

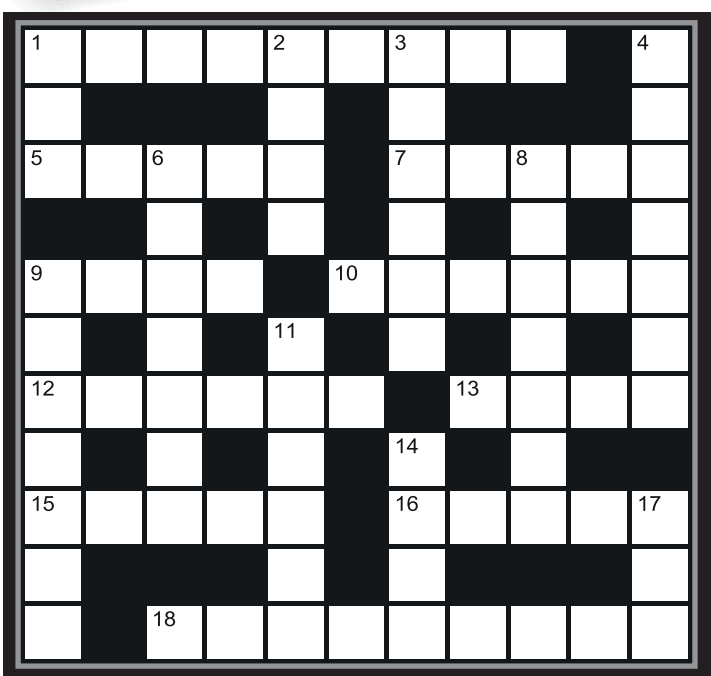
- future (5)
- 13 Successfully dealt with troubling dreams about return of alien (8)
- 15 Australia began before it became bleak and forbidding (7)
- 17 Rat is keeping on fixed allowances (7)
- 18 Cringe when farm animal is next to her majesty (5)
- 19 Some of Al Capone's mob are chicken (5)
- 21 Disorderly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



Quick

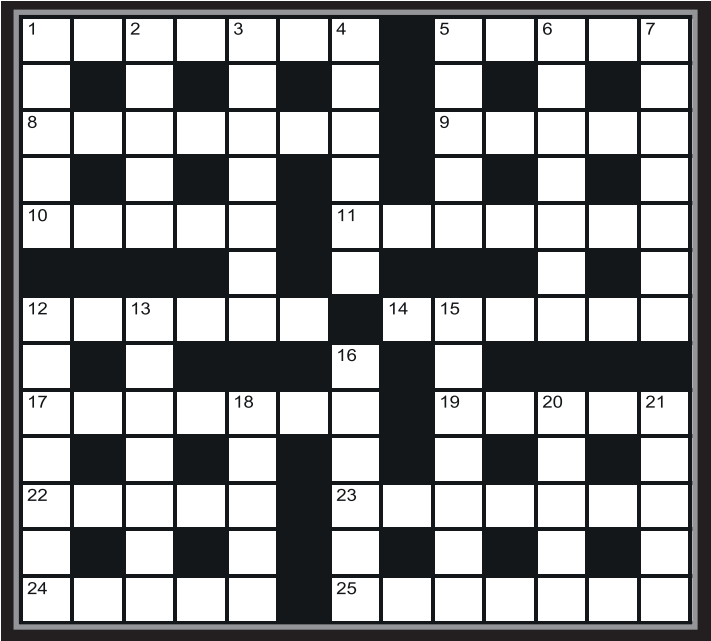


- Across**
- 1 Short-legged German dog (9)
 - 5 Stale and unclean smelling (5)
 - 7 American buffalo (5)
 - 9 Look for (4)
 - 10 Mariner (6)
 - 12 Gain with effort (6)
 - 13 Cleanse with soap and water (4)
 - 15 Great in size (5)
 - 16 Does what one is told (5)
 - 18 Silvery alkaline metallic element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

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What's happening to Mijas Pueblo?

THIS 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

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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

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 se-

vere hip pain and stiffness that persists even when at rest, you may need to undergo a hip joint replacement.

This surgery will relieve your pain and help you return to the activities you enjoy most.

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



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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.

There are even suggestions that t h e

wide-open mouth that comes with a yawn can be contagious and set off a series of networks in the brain that

are responsible for empathy, this explains why when someone yawns others follow.

Be honest, how many of you yawned when reading this?

UNKNOWN: Scientists find the reasons for yawning a mystery.



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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.

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.



FLYING HIGH: A RAF Typhoon.

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.



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

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.

Travel

Adventures in Africa

ONE of the best perks about living in Spain, or visiting there often, are the amazing travel opportunities to exotic destinations. Madrid, Barcelona, Galicia, Granada, Ibiza, Portugal and France are all completely different from one another yet right on your doorstep.

But what about Africa? A quick glance on the map tells you that a vast continent is just a sail away, or even a swim if you're fit enough. But travelling there for the first time can be quite a daunting prospect, especially with visas, vaccinations and language issues.

Enter the Spanish enclaves of Ceuta and Melilla. Just as the UK has maintained Gibraltar, Spain has its own overseas territories, both claimed by Morocco. Ceuta is an old Spanish penal colony with a fascinating history, while Melilla has been under the Spanish flag for more than 500 years.

Both are excellent travel destinations in their own right and, by travelling to Africa, you can certainly tick off the 'something different' box.

Ceuta and Melilla are not in the same region. Ceuta is near the Moroccan port of Tangier, about a six-hour drive from Melilla to the east.

Ceuta doesn't have its own airport but you can fly from Malaga by helicopter if you're feeling adventurous. Most people opt for the



CEUTA: Near Morocco.

MELILLA: Less touristy.

fast ferries from Algeciras which run several times a day and take just 45 minutes.

Melilla is less touristy but does have its own airport with flights arriving from Malaga, Madrid, Almeria, Granada, Valencia and Barcelona. A more leisurely option for those

who don't get sea sick are ferries from Malaga, Almeria and Motril, which take from three to seven hours.

Which city you choose for your North African adventure depends on what you're looking for. Ceuta is a perfect destination for



those interesting in exploring beyond the border and seeing real Morocco. After all, having gone all the way, it would be a shame not to visit the bustling medinas of Tangier, just a short bus ride away.

Entering Ceuta from Morocco will be a genuinely eye-popping experience as you see first hand the many challenges faced by border police. If that discourages you, worry not, Ceuta has some of the best duty free shopping in Spain courtesy of its autonomous status!

Melilla on the other hand is much more interesting as a tourist destination in and of itself. Walking tours of the old city and its many museums present a fascinating insight into the region's maritime history. You can explore the legendary Caves of the Convent, relax at the beach, or go sailing or fishing in the glorious blue waters.

The city will have a familiar vibe for Spanish residents, flush with tapas bars, flamenco music and an abundance of tourists from the mainland. A perfect easing in to your African adventure.

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,

Seared and roasted beef

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 (con-

ventional oven) and

cook to personal

preference. I would

recommend buying a

meat thermometer, which

for safety's sake is neces-

sary to prevent food poi-

soning 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.



The Russians are returning



Swan Lake on stage.

THE Moscow Ballet is visiting Palma again as part of its Spanish Summer Tour and will present two different ballets at the Auditorium on August 3 and 4.

This world-famous company has been touring internationally for 25 years, promoting some of the most popular ballets of all time and for this visit they are tackling works of Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky and Ludwig Minkus.

The first ballet, Swan Lake is based on a German legend and moves between love and

magic, linking the eternal struggle of good against evil as it tells the story of Prince Siegfried and his love for Odette, a young woman turned into a swan by an evil spell and Odile, the black swan and daughter of a wizard.

Swan Lake is undoubtedly the most popular ballet of all and with lead dancers from the Moscow Ballet showing the eventual victory of love, the evening promises to bring a feeling of inspiration and magical performance to Mallorca which starts at 9pm.

The following night also at 9pm sees the corps de ballet performing Don Quixote, a ballet in three acts based on the Spanish literary masterpiece.

The world premiere of the ballet took place on December 26, 1869 at the Bolshoi Theatre in Moscow and focuses mainly on the lovers Kitri and the Barber Basilio taken from the second volume of the novel of Cervantes and in the adventures of Don Quixote and Sancho Panza around the young couple.

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Another for Autograph Collection

MARRIOTT INTERNATIONAL'S Autograph Collection Hotels has opened the Eugenia de Montijo, in the centre of the UNESCO World Heritage site of Toledo in Spain.

The 42-room hotel operates in the former palace of the Empress Eugenia de Montijo, after being redesigned by Spanish architects Manuel Bernard and Sainz de Vicuña in tandem with Interior Design Leitmotiv.

The property is located

near the cathedral and Jewish Quarter, as well as the Church of Santo Tome where painter El Greco's masterpiece, The Burial of the Count of Orgaz, resides.

John Lidence, Marriott International's Vice President of premium brands Europe, said in a statement:

"The hotel's rich heritage, intimate size and chic, modern design creates a unique getaway experience like nothing else.

"We look forward to wel-

coming guests as they discover the special city of Toledo."

This is Marriott's latest addition to the Autograph Collection brand, which will join the other Spanish locations of Madrid, Baqueira, Santiago de Compostela, Granada and Barcelona.

Marriott has a total of 77 hotels operating in Spain under its AC Hotels, Autograph Collection, Edition, Renaissance, Ritz-Carlton, and Courtyard brands.



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Ref 3146, Llucmajor, 275,000 €

Big townhouse which needs modernising with garden. 3 bedrooms, 2 more rooms, 2 Bathrooms, Hallway, lounge, dining room, Kitchen, living room 264 m2, garden 82 m2, plot 180 m2.



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Sun and sea keep Brits on the Costa

THE ongoing Brexit uncertainty shows no signs of dampening British people's love of the Spanish sunshine.

In fact, Danish holiday rentals company Novasol has conducted a study that reveals that mainland Spain is the top choice for British holiday-makers looking to take last minute, warm weather breaks.

Add in the weather, and you have the ideal location for a holiday home purchase.

Moreover, leading Spanish home builder Taylor Wimpey España (TWE) knows very well how easy an option Spain is when it comes to owning a second home overseas.

Marc Pritchard, Sales and Marketing Director of TWE said:

"Spain has a mature market when it comes to servicing overseas buyers, and Taylor Wimpey España has been building homes here for more than 60 years.

"Not only is the purchase process relatively straightforward, Spain's numerous, inexpensive connections to



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BRIGHT FUTURE: Homebuilders Taylor Wimpey España have a strong footing in the Spanish market.

the UK mean that it's a hassle-free option.

"Add in the weather, cuisine, coastline and leisure pursuits and you have the ideal location for a holiday home purchase."

Novasol's findings showed that the Costa Calida, the Costa del Sol and

Costa Blanca were the three most popular destinations, with Spain also dominating the rest of Europe in terms of overall arrivals numbers.

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The team is trained and accredited by the NCCA and the IICRC. Both organisations follow a rigorous training, study, examination and practice programme which ensures that quality and professional service is delivered to customers at a consistently high standard.

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GRAEME TYRRELL

THE Mediterranean climate allows the use in the landscape of many plants that in northern Europe can only be used as indoor plants.

One of them is London Pride (*Crassula multicaeva*). 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 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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In fact, no responsible trainer would undertake to train a guard dog unless absolutely sure that the handler was also a responsible person, if not a member of the services who, of course, have their own trainers.

The reason is that aggression, once roused, is most difficult to reverse. Be wary of putting up such signs as 'Beware of the Dog' because this is an admission that you have an aggressive or dangerous dog. The sign 'Guard Dog' is also an indication that you have a dog trained to guard and, possibly, to injure.

It's best to put up a sign that

says simply 'Dog.' Nobody can complain about that. The chances are a burglar will come in through the back entrance anyway and won't even see the sign, but he will probably hear the dog barking.

When dogs growl, they should never be corrected, whatever the circumstances. Instead, you should walk away. The animal will learn very quickly that this verbal display will cause owners to walk away and ignore them. Any verbal correction on the part of owners can cause more problems. Our voices can actually encourage more aggression.

Properly socialised dogs should not growl at any human. It is a sad fact that I get many e-mails from people from all over the world worried about their dogs growling. If the dog does so as soon as people enter the house, the answer is simple: put it away somewhere secure.

Some dogs will tolerate chil-



CAREFUL: A dog who feels threatened can turn angry.

dren, whom they see as being no threat, but will not allow adults to handle or go near them. In nearly every case, it is the owner's fault

for not having taken the dog as a puppy to dog training classes where it can socialise with other dogs and people.

The answer with an older, unsocialised dog that growls is to find a behaviourist to come to the house to deal with the problem. There is no substitute for 'hands on' work by a specialist.

There are, however, a few things which should be done to reduce the dog's dominant attitude.

Somebody emailed me about his dominant dog that growled whenever any adult came into the house, though it did tolerate children. Two baby grandchildren were to visit during the summer and he did not want them scared by the dog's growling. "Please help," he begged.

I told him his dog would regard the babies as little dogs entering his territory - dogs that would receive more attention than him. The result would inevitably create jealousy and could be potentially dangerous.

The answer was simple: 'Put the dog into kennels while the babies are with you.' Better a dog in kennels than a baby in hospital.

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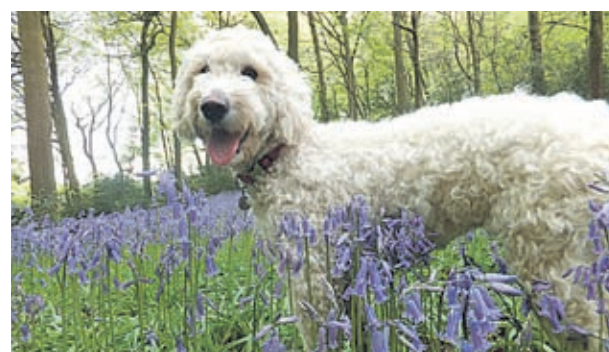
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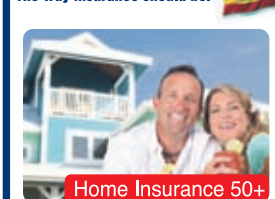
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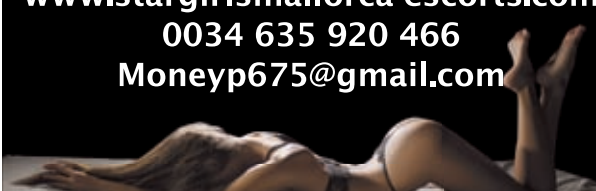
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FLAMENCO: Set to the background of the port.

640 performances over two months

A NUMBER of great flamenco artists will offer micro performances in all the restaurants of Port Adriano during the months of July and August.

This is thanks to the new project from Las Minas Flamenco known as the Summer Flamenco Experience and thanks to this, Port Adriano will become one of the flamenco meccas for eight weeks.

Visitors will be able to enjoy each Thursday to Sunday until August 26 a total of 640 micro-acts lasting four minutes in different restaurants of the port.

With the artistic direction of Ángel Rojas, Summer

Flamenco Experience offers a new way of appreciating flamenco art as never before seen in Spain, a format where the environment is more important than ever, with the Mediterranean Sea as a backdrop.

In addition, Las Minas Puerto Flamenco will also feature at the Port Adriano Music Festival on August 4, sharing the bill with artists such as The Jacksons, Raphael and Josep Carreras.

These shows tell the story of the journey through the history of flamenco with eight principal artists who, sing, dance and play instruments.

Large pleasure yachts cause damage offshore

ENVIRONMENTALISTS who are part of the Salvem Portocolom group have been outraged at the unacceptable anchoring of large private vessels in protected areas.

They have specifically cited the Ocean Club, a luxury yacht which flies the Maltese flag which anchored overnight last Sunday on a posidonia meadow in Portocolom which it damaged by pulling large quantities of this plant out with its anchor and chain.

One hectare of posidonia is said to produce five times more oxygen than one hectare of Amazon rainforest but although endemic to the Mediterranean, it is threatened by water pollution and nautical tourism.

It is recognised that although the vessel should not have chosen this area to anchor, the captain did move once the facts were pointed out to him.



OCEAN CLUB: Anchored in a prohibitive area.

The group however regrets the fact that current law only allows fines to be levied or legal action taken if members of the Guardia Civil or Seprona become involved.

Other action groups have also spotted similar improper activity and SOS Posi-

donia tweeted that the 33-metre yacht Christina G anchored over sea grass beds in front of Banyalbufar.

According to environmentalists, Winwin, Free Spirit and Aloha were also spotted at anchor in other designated protected areas.

Work starts on the old Palma pier



WORKMEN have started on the demolishing of buildings around the old pier in Palma in the area which includes the removal of a building on the Carrer Contramuelle Mollet.

The eventual removal of three buildings is part of the Port Authorities plan to remodel the area with an

extension to the Jardines de Sant Elm Park and a general tidying up of the area.

As detailed in its published plan several months ago, the entire area is to be upgraded although the construction of a 400-plus underground car park is yet to see the light of day.

The second of three buildings is demolished.

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MOTURING 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



Photo credit: BMW Group

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 Tatanos 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.

VOLVO is shortly to launch a new brand - Volvo M - which looks to deliver a broad range of mobility services offering 'Freedom to Move.' It is due to launch in Sweden and the USA sometime next year.

Car makers are starting to think outside the box as the future of personal mobility changes and outright car ownership, perhaps, becomes a thing of the past.

Already offering 'Care by Volvo' where customers can rent a car just like a phone, Volvo is now looking further ahead and is launching a new brand - Volvo M.

Volvo has been running a car sharing plan in Sweden for 20 years (known as Sun-fleet) and it will be incorporated into the new 'M' as Volvo extends what it offers.

Volvo say that current mobility services, including their own, only offer an alternative to taxis or public transport, but Volvo say the new 'M' will focus on the way people use their cars and deliver a service which can take its place.

Volvo CEO, Hakan Samuelsson, said: "Volvo

Volvo looking at mobility diversity

Cars is becoming more than just a car company. We recognise that urban consumers are rethinking traditional car ownership. M is part of our answer.

We are evolving to become a direct-to-consumer

services provider under our new mission 'Freedom to Move.'

"Volvo M will start to roll out in 2019 in Sweden and the USA, and although there are no real details of what is going to be on offer, Volvo

makes it clear they want to respond to needs, rather than just offer services, and aim to build five million direct consumer relationships by 2025 to deliver that through an intuitive M App."



ALTERNATIVE: Volvo 'M' to launch its mobility initiatives.

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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*)

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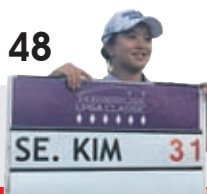
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SOUTH KOREA'S Kim Sei-young broke the LPGA Tour's 72-hole record as she won the Thornberry Creek Classic with an incredible 31 under-par score. The 25-year-old's nearest challenger in Wisconsin was Spain's Carlota Ciganda (22 under).

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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

Sharma knocks England for six



Credit: @ImRo45/Twitter

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."

ROHITTING HARD:

Rohit Sharma's stunning century won the day for India.



Credit: Ian Parker/Flickr

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

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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