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NEWSLETTER

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Bienvenido a todos and welcome to the November edition.

The wether during October has been brilliant. Blue skies and warm temperatures, often in the low 30's. However the evenings are now beginning to get much cooler. So, if you are coming over soon, bring that cardigan or jumper. What has also been noticeable during October is the abundance of flies. After more than 10 years on the Orihuela Costa I cannot recall seeing so many and they have often been very annoying. Some people also seem to attract the midges and mosquito and their bites, while others remain untouched. There has been an increase in bites from the Tiger mosquito - *Aedes albopictus*, photo. These can be very painful and are usually accompanied by large swollen areas of flesh. It is important that you check around your property and throw out any stagnant water, where these pests can breed.



With a whole raft of elections due next year, the politicians are already preparing their ground work and handing out promises like sweets at fiestas. PM Rajoy gave a speech to the PP party faithful in Murcia last Sunday. It made me laugh! He referred to the corruption in Spain as 'some little things' and does not reflect what Spain is. Well Mr. Prime Minister, lets take a quick look! First of all there is a former party treasurer of your own party, Luis Barcenas, who has been in custody since June 2013 and is trying to explain €23 million in a Swiss bank account and payments to PP politicians; then there is the long running Gürtel case which involves illicit activities related to PP party funding and the award of contracts by local/regional government in Valencia, the Community of Madrid and elsewhere - many millions!; the Brujal case in Orihuela where 35, including two former PP mayors, have been charged. And lets not forget the Socialists and trade unions in Andalucia. Whereas the PP seem adept at taking bribes and commissions, the left in Andalucia have been plundering public funds, first in relation to the ERE retirement/layoff scandal, believed to exceed €100 million, together with the unemployed training fund money, which for 30 years the unions and the Socialists have been diverting to other areas, and occasionally to their own pockets. But these are just some of the 'little things'. 98% of the Spanish believe that corruption in Spain is institutionalised.

The British Consulate and the Alicante Healthcare Team will be at various Iceland stores across the Costa Blanca. They will have a stand at the entrance to the stores in San Javier, Benidorm and Torrevieja with information about padrón, residencia, property, healthcare and how to keep in touch with the Embassy via social media. The dates are as follows: Iceland San Javier – Monday 3rd November from 11am-3pm; Iceland Benidorm – Wednesday 5th November from 11am-3pm and Iceland Torrevieja – Wednesday 12th November from 11am-3pm.

November 1st is a 'Red Day' *Todos Santos* - All Saints' Day.

There will be no Dream Scene in January 2015. This is due to family commitments. The first of February issue will be distributed as normal and the subscription year will be extended to April 2015 so subscribers do not lose out.

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**"Errol! When I said see to the pumpkin,
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TRANSLATOR & COMPUTER TRAINER

If you find computers too complicated or need assistance in your everyday Spanish life, then, I'm your man!

Computer training and translations are my speciality. I live in the Dreams Hills area. I'm originally from Spain, and have two years of experience as a translator, and many years dealing with computers, since I have two computer-related college degrees from the US.

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...Cows hate cowbells. They are heavy and as loud as a jackhammer (cows have very sensitive hearing), and the animals eat less grass when they're wearing them. See link -

<http://qz.com/271458/cows-actually-really-hate-cowbells/>

...El Corte Inglés is to promote British products. That is at least until November 9. Among the categories being promoted are, mens' and womens' fashion, culture, and of course British food. So, it's hoodies and Pot Noodles then?

...consumption of sugary soft drinks such as cola and lemonade may be linked to accelerated DNA ageing, say researchers who have studied the impact of the drinks in more than 5,000 people. High-sugar fizzy drinks have been under fire from campaigners for contributing to obesity and type-2 diabetes, but this is the first study to suggest a link with ageing. The researchers found that people who reported drinking a 350ml bottle of fizzy drink per day had DNA changes typical of cells 4.6 years older. More here -

<http://www.theguardian.com/lifeandstyle/2014/oct/16/sugar-soft-drinks-dna-ageing-study>

...the flu vaccination campaign is already underway in the Alicante province. Around 300,000 'jabs' are expected to be given. Apply for yours now!

...the companies on the Spanish IBEX 35 (bit like the FTSE 100) are in debt to the tune of €47 billion. It has also been revealed that it takes these companies 169 days to pay their suppliers; this is triple the legal limit.

...10.3% of Gibraltar's GDP comes from online gambling. But the Gib' authorities are not very happy at PM Cameron's plan to put a 15% tax on profits made from clients in the United Kingdom, from November 1, 2014.

...the FBI has a file on one in three Americans. And according to the Wall Street Journal, they're adding between 10,000 and 12,000 new names per day.

He promised his fiancée the world, the moon and the stars. On their honeymoon, he took her to the planetarium.
Joey Adams

What's Up?

The Constitutional Court has suspended the **Catalan referendum**. After little more than an hour of debate, and with the agreement of all twelve magistrates, the court decided to admit the two Government appeals against the Catalan Law of Consultations and the application of article 161.2 in the Spanish Constitution which has led to the automatic suspension of both the law and the referendum for a period of five months. The Court has responded to criticism from some parties and Artur Mas over the rapidity the process has taken, by saying there was no delay as the court is aware of the constitutional and political significance of the submitted questions.

The President of Catalonia, Artur Mas, has announced that the region will stage a **watered-down, unofficial public consultation** on the issue of independence from the rest of Spain on November 9th, a day after he scrapped original plans for a November 9th referendum.

All in all, Mas appears to be digging himself into a deeper hole, pleasing neither the independence parties nor the parties loyal to Spain. Madrid will never relent on the independence question. **Catalonia was never a separate entity in Spanish history**. It was always linked to the province of Aragon, although this very important fact is omitted from Catalan history text books. Forget culture and language; the independence issue is all about money - a constant thread through Catalan history. They certainly receive less funding from Madrid than the region pays in taxation. But you could say the same about the south-east of the UK and other prosperous areas. If they were to say, 'We want to keep all our own revenues and stop funding Scotland, Wales.....and Liverpool!' Well, no one would take them seriously. However there are some pro-independence parties in Catalonia, such as the powerful ERC party (The Republican Left of Catalonia) who want their region to declare UDI, **Unilateral Declaration of Independence**. Now we all know how well that went in Rhodesia! Incidentally, the ERC also want the French to return 'part of their Catalan region.' I'm sure that that won't be a problem with the 'Frogs'!

The Spanish Foreign Minister, Foreign Minister Jose Manuel Garcia-Margallo, told La Cadena Sur that **Spain will not participate in any fighting against ISIS** forces in Iraq. "Spain supports the international coalition in the fight against ISIS, but it will not send ground troops to fight the organisation in Iraq, nor will it participate in any airstrikes", he said in an interview with one of the radio station's presenters. However, the Minister conceded that "Madrid's support of the international coalition will include the use of its military bases, providing logistical support, supply of equipment, weapons and intelligence, as well as refuelling aircraft." Last month Spanish forces replaced Dutch troops stationed in Turkey as part of a NATO initiative. Spain it seems, is happy to let others oppose ISIS, despite being the one Western Country **in cross-hairs for a Muslim 're-conquest of the Levante'**.

Spanish banks have **sacked 63,500 people** since 2008. Some 12,000 branches have been closed and more are expected. The UGT (large trade union) has complained those left working are subjected to excessively longer working days. The economic crisis and the bank restructuring has led to a bloodletting of jobs in the sector, which the CCOO union thinks unnecessary. They believe that if one takes into account the illegal extra hours forced on the employees, nearly 9,000 jobs would be created.

AENA, the Spanish Airports Authority, is about to **launch on the Stock Market**. The State wants to sell 49% of the company. It's the Spanish Governments first privatisation since Iberia in 2011.

Información in Alicante reports that the banks still have **10,700 properties to sell** in the province.

The **extension to Barajas airport** in Madrid has cost an extra €400 million because of complications in the expropriations. The Spanish Airports Authority, AENA, has 145 contrary sentences against it changing the price of the land. With an initial budget of 390 million for the expropriations, AENA will now have to pay 2.1 billion. The price per square metre has gone from 15 € to 283 €. The public body says they will pay when the sentence is firm and said that was why payments had been delayed. Some nuns have received 80 million € for a *finca* they received as a donation.

The Government is to **rescue the toll motorways** from bankruptcy with a 50% pardon of their debt. The cabinet expects to pay the creditors in 30 years with the income from the toll booths. Dream on!

Spaniards work nearly **300 more hours than Germans** in a year. A Spaniard works on average, 1,665 hours a year according to 2013 figures, against 1,388 in Germany and 1,489 in France, according to data from the Spanish Confederation of Business Organisations. And if you believe that I wonder if you would like to invest in my new line of gas operated television sets?

You may recall previous coverage concerning an **underwater gas storage facility** off the coast of Vinaròs, Castellón. Work at the facility was halted after it became apparent that the storage area was built on an underwater fault line. This caused earthquakes on the mainland adjacent to the facility. The government will now compensate the rig operators to the tune of €1.35 billion! The sum will be recovered on gas users' bills over the next thirty years. The previous government authorised the project without any geological or environmental study of the project.

The National Commission for Markets and Competition is investigating anomalies in the **price rises of electricity**. They think the tariffs registered on the wholesale market for the end of August and start of September could have been manipulated by the companies. They will compare that data with previous months in the search for irregularities. So, if occasionally, you get the impression that everyone is trying to 'get you', well maybe they are!

The judge has also charged the wife of the ex-president of **Pescanova**. María Rosario Andrade tried to transfer four million € to Hong Kong when the **fraud** was discovered in the company.

The ex-Administrator of the Valencia Institute for the Attention of the Disabled could be sent to prison for five years. He is accused of **appropriating 180,000 €** of public money for the disabled by changing the numbers on money transfers.

The number of **millionaires in Spain** at the end of June 2014 had risen by 24% compared to last June to stand at 465,000 people, according to a report from World Richness 2014 produced by Credit Suisse. The average wealth of a Spaniard is €106,000, slightly below the European average.

Spain has lost more than €12 billion in **IVA/VAT fraud**, according to the European Commission. It's meant an 18% drop in income from the tax, a substantial reduction. The Community Executive are preparing 'a fundamental reform' to make the payment of the tax 'more solid, efficient and to reduce its vulnerability against fraud'. Other member states have a similar problem, the largest is in Romania where 44% of the expected income was not collected; in Slovakia 39% & Lithuania 36%.

You know the really great thing about television. If something important happens, anywhere in the world, night or day, you can always change the channel.
Jim Ignatowski, in Taxi.

4 What's Up? continued

The Association of the Xarpolar in the Alicante region, comprising 24 small municipalities of l' Alcoià and the Comtat, is considering resorting to the **private security** to deal with thefts that are suffering with some regularity in the area. People have complained that there is a shortage of Civil Guards in the area, with sometimes just a night patrol. Fears became heightened after a woman died during a robbery. Quotes have been obtained from two security companies. The Association is aware of the high cost of such coverage and are hoping for a grant from the regional government. This will never happen as it will set a precedent.

The metal thieves are still among us and nothing is sacred. Aluminium **doors to vaults** in the cemetery at Alcantarilla in Murcia were **stolen** by thieves. They also stole crucifixes and other metal objects from the cemetery. In another case, copper wiring was stolen from industrial premises and warehouses in Yecla, Murcia, on 20 separate occasions. Police caught a couple of men in their 40's, red-handed loading copper into a van one evening. Since their arrests on September 12, the thefts have stopped. What a coincidence!

A **fake doctor** was arrested after he had been practising in some towns in the Murcia area. He had falsified his registration certificate but was also acting as a teacher at the same time. Who says men can't multi-task?

We have just come back from spending a few days down in the Mojacar area but had to smile at a news item there, which left the local police with some very red faces. There, **two burglars** made a mockery of the Mojacar justice system by escaping from a jail cell after being arrested for burglary and the theft of a vehicle, and then proceeding to burgle another property in the same area a few days after their escape. The young man identified as 21-year-old Álvaro R.C. was caught red handed with his accomplice by police in Mojacar, having robbed an apartment in the area. The two offenders, from Jaen, were arrested and charged with the offence and put into custody by police. Unfortunately they managed to escape by squeezing through the jail door's communication window, which is said to be about the size of an A4 sheet of paper. (Obviously no McDonald's in Mojacar!) The 'main' man, who has 12 previous convictions for robbery and theft, and his accomplice, are still on the run. Let's just hope they don't run too far this way. They might be able to climb in through my letter box!

The National Commission for the Markets and Competition (CNMC) is to open an investigation into fraudsters who tamper with **electricity meters**. It's being done to see how such frauds take place and how extensive the problem is. (Only the regional governments have the competence to issue a fine in these circumstances). When such a fraud is detected, the power company concerned cuts the supply. Another common fraud is to steal electricity from your neighbours supply. This is not uncommon.

In the small town of Ciutadella in Menorca, 30 property owners converted their downstairs patios into **illegal public bars**. The council has now demanded that they be closed with fines of €7,000 to those who disobey.

Spain's top judge, Carlos Lesmes, said the country's penal system isn't up to dealing with the complex corruption cases it faces and urged the new justice minister to roll out radical reforms aimed at greater efficiency. **'The current law is designed for 'chicken robbers' and not for the large defrauders'** he said.

Take a look at this bunch and count your blessings that



you never came across them. Arrested in Madrid, these four

Serbs who now face jail sentences of between five and 41 years. The charges they face range from belonging to a criminal organisation to the assassination of the Serbian prime minister, Zoran Djindjic, in 2003. But nestling in amongst their multitudinous crimes is the fact that one of them killed another member of their gang with a hammer, sliced the flesh off his bones and ate some of it, flushing the remaining flesh down the toilet. The bones were discovered in the Manzanares River in Madrid. During the Balkan war in the 90's, these sorry examples of humanity belonged to the Serbian Arkan's Tigers (Serbian Volunteer Guard) and we all know the inhumanity that this bunch was capable of. The police also discovered in one of their homes in Madrid, US\$625,000 in notes, three assault rifles, nine semi-automatic pistols, a key ring gun, a shotgun, silencers and ammunition among other items. Police believe that they may be responsible for another **12 murders**.

A judge in San Sebastian in the Basque Country has sentenced a man to 16 months in jail for **playing loud music** and leaving the music playing after he left home. Neighbours were being driven mad for a period of two years by the loud music, often playing at 4:30 in the morning! He would then shout abuse at the neighbours who complained. Police had called at his apartment on numerous occasions with sound meters and he had been fined several times. This time he was also fined €90. He also received a distancing order of five years from the people he tormented and has to pay them compensation of between 10,000 and 5,000 each. This award is of course a joke as it can never be paid.

I have touched on this rather important case before but you will be all pleased to hear that the Mercantile Court in Alicante has finally reached a decision on **vibrator plagiarism**. A German sex-toy company, Fun Factory, has successfully taken a Valencia company, Life is Short S.L., to court and the judge has found that the company, trading out of Alicante, copied the design of three dildos - 'Red Lover', 'Violet Sweetheart' and 'Yellow Honey.' An extract from the judgement reads, 'the differences which can occur in this kind of product have to be considered as something more relevant than in others, given there exists certain conditions of a technical nature consistent with the contour of the product, even within a moderately wide range of shapes and sizes, and this is conditioned by the lengthened and circular profile of the part of masculine anatomy which function it pretends to replace'. So there. And you thought they were all the same! (Pardon me while I adjust my..... ahem, 'Purple Tornado'.)



A team of research scientists has announced a major innovation; from now on they will be **using lawyers instead of rats** to perform their experiments on. Apparently it's a lot easier to perform experiments on lawyers, a the scientists used to get quite fond of the rats.

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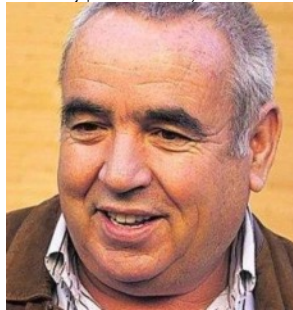
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The Brugal Case - Latest.

The photo above shows a smiling Monica Lorente, the former PP mayor of Orihuela together with an equally happy José Manuel Medina, the PP mayor who preceded her. This photo was taken in 2007, when the PP ruled the roost in Orihuela and Orihuela Costa. But they ain't smiling now! Both Lorente and Medina are now among 35 individuals who are being prosecuted by an investigating judge for alleged illegalities in awarding the Orihuela municipal waste collection service.

Among a whole list of alleged crimes in a 69-page writ are bribery, obstruction of justice, prohibited negotiation, fraud & coercion. It is alleged that the whole affair kicked off in 2006, when the owner of the garbage company Colсур, Ángel Fenoll, (photo-right) released a secretly recorded conversation taken with one of the PP councillors. Since then the judge said that there have been more than 130 investigations and many phone-tapings by the police/judiciary together with seven years of research! At the core of the matter is the fact that Fenoll's company received the multi-million annual contract for the collection of rubbish on the Orihuela Costa for 13 years, without a public tender or competition. One would hope that it is really a slam-dunk case and that the wretched corrupt council officials at least get some jail time. Incidentally, most of the rubbish contracts in the Vega Baja region were controlled by Fenoll. Fenoll has already been handed down a 35-year jail sentence in July this year for 11 tax offences and forgery.



Either way, it seems that along with many others, Lorente's career as a PP politician is finished, but she may, of course, form another party, just to remain in politics.

Most of you will be aware of the often hellish traffic jams on the N-332 stretch which passes through Torrevieja, particularly during the summer months. The lack of a dual carriageway on that stretch is solely down to the lack of planning by the sometimes incompetent town council. They have now secured a million euros from the *Presupuestos Generales del Estado* to facilitate the road widening study. But the cost of creating the extra lanes would be at least €15 million. Also, if the important problem of drainage in the new roads is to be addressed, this will add another €15 to the project cost. But even if they 'pulled their finger out' now, nothing is likely to be completed until 2018. There are plans however, to spend €109,000 improving the safety and traffic problems on the CV-95 stretch between Torrevieja Hospital and the desalination plant and hopefully, this will commence soon. The final spend of some €30 million will be hard to avoid. But it is a shame that the previous (and now jailed) mayor decided to build under utilised theatres (still not licenced) and a large sporting complex - also under utilised, instead of improving the quality of the transport infrastructure.

Everything at IKEA is self-assembly. I bought a pillow, and they gave me a duck.

Todd Glass

The ruling PP council in Torrevieja rejected a motion by the United Left (IU) to ban animal circuses from the town. A PP spokesperson described the motion as "demagoguery and hypocrisy" also stating that "If they were really concerned about avoiding cruelty and exploitation of animals in entertainment should demand the abolition of, among other things, zoos, shows with dolphins and sea lions, aquariums, horse racing, equestrian dressage (Olympic) sport & polo clubs."

Forget the Ebola crisis! What has been causing much anxiety in Torrevieja is the falling dates from the city's palm trees! There are around 4,000 trees in



the city, some 20 metres in height & each tree is capable of producing up to 300 kilos of dates in one year. The problem is not only that of a couple of hundred kilos falling on your head, but when the dates fall on the ground, people step on them creating a mess and eventually a smell.

Torrevieja Town Hall has been forced to 'cough-up' €45,000 to the companies Darasol & El Molino following a successful appeal in Elche Court. The case related to a property development issue in the mid to late 90's, when the town administration led by the now jailed former mayor Mateo attempted to cancel a contract with the developers and their marketing partners. The town will also be obliged to pay interest charges of €257,000 bringing the total sum payable to €902,000! No doubt the taxpayers in Torry are less than amused at the incompetence of the city councillors.

Torry Town Hall want to neuter around 600 stray and feral cats in the area. The cat problem is particularly bad along the Puerto Levante dock. The town hall will absorb the cost of the procedure which works out at a minimum of €30 per cat. (I can think of several politicians I would like to see included in the surgery list.)

The oldest resident in Torrevieja passed away last month. Josefina Blanco Diaz had reached 108 years and was one of the oldest persons in Spain.



"Look, Juanito. If you want to pee in the nice policeman's petrol tank, you have to aim higher!"

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LIME BAR GOLF SOCIETY, LOS ALTOS, ORIHUELA COSTA

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Twenty eight players teed-off in warm sunshine with the course in good condition, however the bunkers were unplayable due to the heavy rain fall last week. There were a few players with high scores leading to a handicap adjustment, this resulted in wild cheers at the presentation.

The competition was in the Stapleford format and the scores recorded are as follows.

Nearest the Pin on the 3rd Hole (par 5) in 3 shots was Les Henderson.

Longest Drive on 7th hole was Mick Slater.

Nearest the pin on the 14th hole (par 4) in 2 shots was Alan Jackson.

Nearest the pin on the 15th hole (par 3) was Graham Mitchell.

Silver Class 3rd place was Norman Dobson with a score of 26 points.

Silver Class 2nd place was Les Thwaites with a score of 28 points.

Silver Class 1st place was Paul Abbott with a score of 45 points.



Gold Class 3rd place was Bill Denne with a score of 34 points (on count-back).

Gold Class 2nd place was Steve Cottle with a score of 38 points.

Gold Class 1st place was Mick Slater with a score of 40 points.

A very good day in pleasant company, with thanks to Captain Mick Slater for organising the event and other members who assisted. Also thanks to the Staff at The Lime Bar and ladies for an enjoyable meal. Anyone wishing to join our friendly society just needs to phone Mick on 659866468.

Old Chinese proverb say: Man who walks through doorway sideways with erection is always going to Bangkok.

A Nasty Fishy!

I suppose it was only a matter of time before poisonous fish from warmer climes would find their way to the Mediterranean. A highly toxic fish of the 'puffer-fish' family has recently been hooked off the coast of Denia. A few years ago, specimens were caught off the Israeli and Turkey coasts. Called the *Logocephalus sceleratus*, it is a particularly nasty one which contains sufficient toxins to cripple a human's central nervous system. The fish is normally native to the Western Pacific and the Indian Ocean coral reefs. Called *Fugu* in Japan, it is also a dish prepared by specially qualified chefs there. There is a 12% mortality rate for those who consume certain parts of the fish. Several people die every year mostly due to respiratory failure following a deep coma.



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A Remarkable Coincidence!

Dream Hills resident Linda Costello has three who reside in the UK. But in this brief note I am reporting on her twin sons, Steven and Paul. What is remarkable is that the twins' partners, Jess and Lavinia, both gave birth on the same day, August 29th; a baby girl to Jess and a baby boy to Lavinia. All are doing marvellously. Linda now has six grandchildren, which must make it very expensive at Christmas! You can read much more here -

http://www.theboltonnews.co.uk/news/northwest/11467550.Twins__delight_with_same_day_babies/



Lavinia, Paul and baby William.



Steven, Jess with daughters Lilly-Anne and baby Lucy-Mai.

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Taking a Dive!

I am sure that many of you will be aware of the dangerous cliffs on the outskirts of Torre Vieja before you get to La Mata.

A 67-year-old Elche man accidentally drove his car down over one of these cliffs into the sea. The car fell about eight metres, hit a ledge and then dropped into the sea. This happened at around 9:30pm. Fortunately a walker noticed the accident and called the authorities who quickly rescued the man. The 'stunt-driver' has since recovered in Torry Hospital from near drowning, hypothermia and respiratory failure. There is no fencing

or bollards leading to the sea in the cliff area. He is fortunate that he didn't go over one of the steeper cliffs. Then it would have been fatal. See photo from Informacion.



Ebola.

The Ebola crisis seems to have been and gone in Spain, at least for the moment. The nursing assistant, Teresa Romero, who was stricken with the disease, has survived and is now fully clear although there has been significant damage to some of her organs. Initially, the handling of the outbreak was a disaster largely due to the Madrid Health Authority. Amongst many deficiencies, the training had been totally inadequate and the protective suits were too short. But much criticism has been levied on Madrid's regional health chief, Javier Rodríguez. Scrabbling around for someone to blame, this jerk poured invective and scorn on the seriously deteriorating assistant nurse, even when she was at death's door and fighting for her life. (Teresa had volunteered to clear the faeces and vomit of a dying Ebola patient.) During a radio interview, Rodríguez said that Teresa lied and was responsible for catching the disease herself. The Romero's were also forced to have their dog put down. Teresa's husband Javier Limón, now plans to take legal action against Rodríguez. Ana Mato, the Spanish health minister, has been unofficially demoted following the catastrophic mishandling of the case. Doctors in Madrid recently took to the streets calling for Mato to quit, protesting against her poor management of Spain's Ebola crisis.

Wind.

A lady walks into Harrods. She looks around, spots a beautiful diamond bracelet and walks over to inspect it. As she bends over to look more closely, she unexpectedly farts. Very embarrassed, she looks around nervously to see if anyone noticed her little 'puff' and prays that a sales person was not anywhere near. As she turns around, her worst nightmare materializes in the form of a salesman standing right behind her - good looking as well! Cool as a cucumber, he displays all of the qualities one would expect of a professional in a store like Harrods.

He politely greets the lady with, 'Good day, Madam. How may we help you today?'

Blushing and uncomfortable, but still hoping that the salesman somehow missed her little 'incident', she asks, 'Sir, what is the price of this lovely bracelet?'

He answers, "Madam - if you farted just looking at it - you're going to shit yourself when I tell you the price!"

The Milkman.

'Mabel, that milkman will have to go,' said the enraged husband. 'He's so cheeky, he reckons he's slept with every woman on this street, except one.'

'Oh, I know who that'll be,' replied his wife. 'It'll be that snooty cow at No.32.'

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PHOENIX GOLF SOCIETY.

We played at La Marquesa golf course on Sunday 19th October. There was a low turn out due to holidays etc, but all that played had a nice day. The course was in good condition and played well.

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Heighway, second was returned to the Phoenix Bar supplied by Donna.

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The uglier a man's legs are, the better he plays golf - it's almost a law.
H.G.Wells

Shenanigans at the Alhambra.

Public prosecutors say that between 2002 and 2005, a 50-strong network of tour guides, hoteliers, travel agents, and monument employees made around €3.5 million from selling entrance tickets to the Alhambra palace in Granada. The alleged scam involved hoteliers and travel agents taking the money for entry tickets from groups of tourists, and then cutting a deal with staff at the Moorish complex, one of Spain's most-visited historical sites, who would let them in, either without tickets or using forgeries.

After a 10-year investigation, public prosecutors are calling for prison sentences of between four and nine years, along with heavy fines, for the accused. On top of the €3.5 million they are charged with making from the fraud, public prosecutors want the 45 to pay a further €3.1 million, which includes material damage to the site, as well as harm caused to its image internationally.



During the period in question, the number of people allowed into the UNESCO World Heritage Site – between 2,000 and 3,000 a day – was regularly exceeded by up to 50% , say prosecutors.

One of Spain's most lucrative monuments, the Alhambra last year received an annual budget of €25 million from the state. In addition to revenue from ticket sales, it also relies on income from donations and sales of books and merchandise.

Important - Long Time Property Owners in Spain.

If you purchased your property in Spain before 1995 and have enjoyed a substantial capital gain since then, you should be aware that the government plans to increase the Capital Gains Tax take on these properties substantially next year. If the planned changes go through, it would mean that the sellers would pay substantially more tax (sometimes by a factor of five) in 2015 than if they sold their property in 2014. If you are likely to be effected by this, you should consult a competent professional immediately.

Duty Free.

We have all at some stage wandered through the 'duty free' sections of International airports. In Spain the 'duty free' concession is held by an Italian retailer, World Duty Free (WDF). They hold the concession of Madrid Barajas airport and 25 others. The contract is being renewed in 2015 by AENA, the Spanish airport authority, who want to raise the contract price from €193 million to €248 million. WDF say this is ridiculous as there have been 8 million fewer passengers at Madrid Airport this year than envisaged in the contract. They now want to renegotiate the contract.

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The natural gas installation in Dream Hills is now well advanced. If you are still undecided about whether to have it installed or not on your property, **I would urge you to contact Virginia or Deibi URGENTLY on 645 113 316** (who speak several languages including English) and they will be pleased to meet with you and answer any questions you might have about the natural gas installation, without any obligation on your part. **They can also be contacted at - comercialecnor@gmail.com**

Remember, you can have two gas connections, say one to a boiler and another to your cooker, for a connection fee of just €21! But, if you cannot decide yet whether you want a connection inside your home, you can still opt to have a gas connection just to your garden or patio. This will cost approx. €2.25 per month with no installation charge. This keeps your options open for the future and would also mean that you would not have to pay a connection charge to your property, which would be well in excess of €1,000! That is, if they were prepared to do isolated cases. (Above figures may attract IVA.) If you don't want natural gas, that is fine. But if you decide at a later date to have it installed, **it will cost you more.**

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If you live in a modern urbanisation, this should be organised shortly by your committee who will arrange to update the frequencies at the central reception point. This will not be expensive.

If however you receive your TDT transmissions through your own personal aerial, then it will need to be tweaked. It is estimated that around one million properties will have to have their antennas adjusted.

The government has set aside €300 million to fund the changes in urbanisations and single properties.

For a short period, some channels will be available in the old and new frequencies. In January next year, there will be 15 private channels and five public channels. The website quoted below gives comprehensive info' in Spanish about the changeover, claiming the allowance and tuning your TV.

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When they arrived, PC Jupiter said, to the duty sergeant. 'This lady has no licence and no insurance'
'Is this true Madam?' says the Sergeant.
'Of course it isn't true Sergeant, here they are' said Enid sweetly, producing the documents from her handbag. 'This officer has really got in for me Sergeant, I can't think why. The next thing is he will be saying that I was speeding.'

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Lying on Facebook!

Anna Stoehr (photo) in Minnesota decided to join Facebook on the eve of her 114th birthday, she came across an oversight which Mark Zuckerberg and pals may not have anticipated.



Anna noticed 1900, the year she was born, was not listed as an option when she registered her date of birth to the site – that only stretches as far back as 1905. So she was forced to do what countless other youngsters do every day to

join the site, and lie about her age. She got around the problem by knocking 15 years off her age and becoming, in the eyes of Facebook at least, a sprightly 99-year-old.

I think great comfort in the knowledge that no matter how clever these program designers are, a 114-year-old can trip them up!

Two sheep in a field. One turns to the other and says: 'Moo'. The other sheep says: 'What are you on about?' The first sheep says: 'I'm learning a foreign language.'

•Paddy goes to the vet with his goldfish. "I think it's got epilepsy" he tells the vet. Vet takes a look and says "It seems calm enough to me". Paddy says, "I haven't taken it out of the bowl yet".

•Paddy's dog goes missing and he's inconsolable. His wife says "Why don't you put an advert in the paper?" He does, but two weeks later the dog is still missing. "What did you put in the advert?" his wife asks. "Here boy" he replies.

Speaka di English.

47% of the Valencians would swap a year without sex to have perfect English, was recorded by the Cambridge University Press (CUP) following a survey of Spaniards on English.

Castilla y León and Valencia lead the ranking at 47%, while Galicia, 33% is the region less willing to give up sex for a year in exchange for perfect English.

In addition, if you could choose between the power to be invisible or have perfect English, la Rioja is the autonomous community having a clearer preference: 66% would choose the second option.

The CUP also asked respondents whether they would buy a miraculous pill (if it existed) for €10,000 which would allow them to speak as fluent as an English native. Seven of every 10 Extremadura would invest that money in the pill, as against five of every 10 in the Canaries.

Regarding job applications, 8 out of ten say that they put the actual level with this language in their résumé but nine out of ten think others lie about their actual level of proficiency.

Letters to the Editor.



Dear Editor,

Dreamhills 2 urbanization recently held their third annual Fiesta and Hog Roast. Despite the inclement weather around 155 people turned out to what proved to be an enjoyable evening. Unfortunately the rain prevented the two entertainers from being able to continue performing - Ian David (Smith) who for many years was Quiz Master at the Phoenix entertained us for the first hour but then it was deemed unsafe for Ian's electrical equipment and the second performers Coast to Coast aka Tony and Don had the same problem.

Our thanks go out to Paul Janet and staff of *Hogfathers* who did an excellent job feeding us all, and to Ann, Yve, Angela, Thelma, Joyce, Chris & Jo now known as the *Magnificent Seven* for baking 150 potato's between them; and to Bob, Phil and Greenland's Golf Club for the use of and fetching the Generator; to Dave, Graham, Bev and Johnny Mac for all their hard work; and to our local Papparazzi aka Vic Bobby and Jim McCormack, who just about 'took' everybody. A raffle was held which raised 201 Euros; this has been donated to the Reach Out Charity thank to all who attended hope to see you all next year.

Jo Rich.

Solve the Riddle.

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Francisco Nicolás Gómez Iglesias: a fraud, a conman, a genius or just a chancer?

This chap bowing to the new king, Felipe 1, has been all over the Spanish news a week ago. Here, he met the king at the coronation - which he gate-crashed! Francisco, also now known as "Little Nicolás" in reference to a series of French novels about a mischievous schoolboy, is a 20-year-old student and is



studying at the Colegio Universitario de Estudios Financieros, or CUNEF, one of Madrid's top finance universities. Francisco has the 'gift of the gab' and it seems a nerve to match.

He gained access to this top university by conning a well known successful businessman to recommend him to the university. However Francisco has been a poor student, passing only four subjects in three years. It seems his real interest is in talking and squirming himself into the top political and business circles. But it seems he has been remarkably successful in doing this. The police allege that he did it by falsifying police and secret service documents and pretending to hold several government and other official posts, including being a member of Spain's secret service.

He began to be seen with senior figures at exclusive places, including the VIP box at Real Madrid's Santiago Bernabéu stadium. "He was always bragging about his contacts; he saw himself as a high-flyer, but a few months ago we began to hear rumours that he was getting into trouble," says a political source.

He has been living in a property with a rental of €5,700 a month, owned by former Bulgarian monarch Simeon II, in Madrid's exclusive El Viso neighborhood. And although he has no regular income, he has organized lavish parties at the house complete with Japanese sushi chefs and an armed Filipino on the door. To add credibility to his parallel life, Mr. Gómez Iglesias sometimes hired chauffeur-driven cars when he was not, according to Spanish media reports, using fake police-car lights and registration plates.

My favourite story concerning him took place in August this year. He telephoned a restaurant in Ribadeo, Galicia, booking a table for 'a member of the Royal Household. Francisco drove through Ribadeo in a 12-vehicle procession with sirens blaring and, would you believe it, a local police escort! When the mayor heard all the commotion he rushed to the restaurant to greet the 'royal' only to find Francisco and a business man. The local police chief has since been 'moved.' (Sorry, lots more but no space!)

The Girlfriend.

• I asked the girlfriend if there was anything special she was wanting for Christmas. She said., "No Dear. Just get me something from The Body Shop." So i've just bought her the front nearside wing for her Ford Focus....No doubt it will be the wrong *effing* colour!!

• I went in to the ice cream shop, and asked the lady to pack half a pint of best vanilla into a condom. As she's doing so, she asks me "Why the strange container?"

"Well," I replied, "2 years ago my girlfriend wanted a new oven for her birthday, so I worked lots of overtime and bought her one. Last year she wanted a new TV, so again I worked lots of overtime and bought one. This year she wants a deep freeze for her birthday, but there's no overtime going"

• I am not saying she's ugly but a peeping Tom once threw up on her window sill.

Lloyds (UK) Discriminating Against Expats?

Lloyds customers living abroad who have an "eSavings" account are being told that they will not be able to switch to a different savings account with the bank because of a clause that requires them to have a British address.

This is despite the fact that the rate on the eSavings account will drop from 1% to 0.55% on October 28.

Under rules introduced last year, anyone who is no longer a British resident will be unable to open a Lloyds savings account.

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It's not just savings accounts that expats are being prevented from taking out. Lloyds also bars overseas customers from opening current accounts, such as its "Club" account, which pays 4% interest on balances between £4,000 and £5,000.

Lloyds is not the only bank to penalise customers living overseas. In April, Barclaycard, Britain's biggest credit card company, told expat customers who hadn't used their cards for at least six months that they would have them withdrawn if they didn't provide a UK address.

A spokesman for the British Bankers' Association (BBA) said there were good reasons why banks could not always provide services to someone living in another country. "Costs can be higher and it often becomes much harder to meet the 'know your customer' checks that banks are obliged to meet. There may also be an increased fraud risk of sending documents, financial information and other correspondence to another country," the spokesman said.

Extract from Telegraph Online. You can view the full article [here](http://www.telegraph.co.uk/finance/personalfinance/bank-accounts/11138335/Lloyds-blocks-expat-savers-from-switching-accounts.html) - <http://www.telegraph.co.uk/finance/personalfinance/bank-accounts/11138335/Lloyds-blocks-expat-savers-from-switching-accounts.html>

I do believe that this is very poor of Lloyds; yet another bank rescued from the mire by their account holders and public. In a Europe without borders they are behaving like a provincial credit union.

The difference between Charles Manson and every woman I've dated is that Manson had the decency to look like a nut the first time you meet him.

Richard Jeni

Holy Humour!

• A Sunday school teacher asked, "Johnny, do you think Noah did a lot of fishing when he was on the Ark?"

"No," replied Johnny. "How could he, with just two worms."

• A Rabbi said to a precocious six-year-old boy, "So your mother says your prayers for you each night? That's very commendable. What does she say?"

The little boy replied, "Thank God he's in bed!"

• Little Johnny and his family were having Sunday dinner at his Grandmother's house. Everyone was seated around the table as the food was being served. When Little Johnny received his plate, he started eating right away. "Johnny! Please wait until we say our prayer." said his mother. "I don't need to," the boy replied. "Of course, you do" his mother insisted. "We always say a prayer before eating at our house."

"That's at our house." Johnny explained. "But this is Grandma's house and she knows how to cook."

• A Sunday school teacher was telling her class the story of the Good Samaritan. She asked the class, "If you saw a person lying on the roadside, all wounded and bleeding, what would you do?" A thoughtful little girl broke the hushed silence, "I think I'd throw up."

Pete Dudman

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Good Advice?

An Emergency Call Centre worker in London, England, has been sacked, much to the dismay of her colleagues who are reportedly unhappy with her dismissal. It seems a male caller dialled 999 from a mobile phone, stating, "I am depressed and lying here on a railway line. I am waiting for the train to come so that I can finally meet Allah."

"Remain calm and stay on the line," was not considered to be an appropriate response..

HOW TO DOUBLE YOUR DAILY MOBILE PHONE BATTERY LIFE.

With the launch of the iPhone 6, smartphones are getting even more sophisticated and popular with record orders in Spain, but one thing which most bothers mobile phone owners is the battery life.

We have found and tested the sequence below on android phones, but as batteries are generally the same cross-brand this should also work with apple.

It may seem strange but do the following and see your battery life increase -

1 - Turn the phone on and charge for at least eight hours. (Overnight is good.)

2 - Unplug and turn off the phone and charge for one hour.

3 - Unplug the phone, turn on the phone and wait for two minutes and turn off the phone.

4 - Charge for another hour and your daily battery life will be longer. (Typically Spanish)

Now don't blame me if you mobile blows up! Mick.

NATIONAL HOLIDAYS (RED DAYS) FOR 2015.

The eight national fiestas in 2015 are January 1 (New Year), January 6 (the Epiphany), April 3 (Good Friday), May 1 (Labour Day), August 15 (the Assumption of the Virgin), October 12 (National Day), December 8 (the Immaculate Conception) and December 25 (Christmas Day).

In 2015 November 1 (All Saint's Day) and December 6 (Constitution Day) will not be national fiestas as they fall on Sundays, and the following Mondays can be fiestas if the autonomous regions chooses so, which means:

November 2 is a fiesta in Andalucía, Aragón, Asturias, Baleares, Canarias, Cantabria, Castilla y León, Extremadura, and Galicia.

December 7 is a fiesta in Andalucía, Aragón, Asturias, Baleares, Castilla La Mancha, Castilla y León, Comunidad Valenciana, Extremadura, Murcia and La Rioja.

COST OF ELECTRICITY STILL RISING.

A report by Spanish consumer association FACUA has revealed that the average Electricity bill in Spain has increased 19.2% - or EU13 in real terms - since January 2014. The study also compared prices in September to the same month in 2013 and found they had increased by 7.8%, showing how prices have increased significantly since the Government changed the method of calculating tariffs last January. The new calculation method allows more freedom for electricity suppliers to raise prices with the consumer being unaware of what they are paying until their bill arrives. FACUA believe that Brussels may penalise Spain and stop the chaotic tariff model imposed by the Government.

The Bike.

One of the most beautiful girls on the Orihuela Costa had all her clothes stolen when she went sunbathing in what she thought was a secluded spot. Realising that the evening was coming and it could get cold she knew she'd have to take a chance and get home as soon as possible. At that moment she saw a young man pedalling along the road, so she flagged him down and told him of her plight. He readily agreed to take her home and she jumped on his 'cross-bar'. After 10 minutes she couldn't believe he wasn't affected by her appearance and said, 'Haven't you noticed I'm completely naked?' 'Oh yes,' replied the young man, 'but haven't you noticed that I'm riding a girl's bicycle?' Stewart

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Go easy on the Frogs!

A lion was in its enclosure at the zoo, basking in the sun and licking its bum.

"That's a very docile animal," a visitor remarks to the keeper.

"Not at all" says the keeper, "that lion is the most ferocious beast in the entire zoo. Just one hour ago, the lion grabbed a French tourist, sadistically toyed with him at length and then completely devoured him.

"That's difficult to believe," said the bewildered visitor, "but why is he just sitting there ignoring us and licking its arse then?"

"Poor bastard is trying to get the taste out of his mouth," replied the keeper.

Idiot of the month.

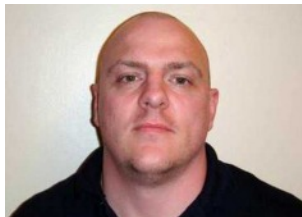
This month we start with the good old US of A and feature Walter Earl Morrison, a 20-year-old, who worked for UPS unloading cargo from a plane in Sky Harbor Airport in Phoenix, Arizona. Walter, who you will see, is not the sharpest knife in the drawer (see photo), decided to steal a small case while he was unloading. He thought the case contained money, but was somewhat deflated when he found it contained a single gemstone. Walter then decided to swap the gemstone for \$20 worth of marijuana. However the stone was actually a diamond worth \$160,000!



Walter was quickly traced by the police, fired by UPS and will no doubt be the butt of many jokes in the 'state hotel' he will be occupying for several years. By the way the diamond was recovered and returned to its owners.

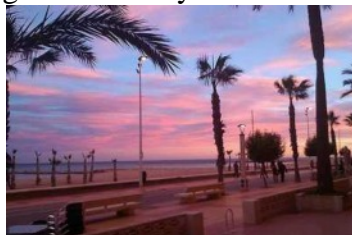
It was early October and you could be forgiven for thinking that *Mad Max* had come to Torre Vieja. At about 9:30pm on Thursday the 2nd, a drunk driver driving between the coast road and Calle Ramon Gallud managed to hit 13 vehicles and destroy a bar terrace. The driver, of Lithuanian origin, was too drunk to take a breathalyser test and was taken straight to Torre Vieja Hospital and detained there by the police.

Next we have a 33-year-old British fugitive called Scott Kelly



(photo). Kelly had stabbed a man in the back in a bar in Exeter in March 2005. He was released last October on condition that he stayed in a hostel. However he fled to Europe. He then posted photos of himself in Facebook showing him skiing, and enjoying the good life in bars and restaurants with

friends. Kelly was careful not to post photos of geographic locations which might indicate where he was hiding. But one photo he placed on Facebook showed a tree-lined promenade with a beach. British police managed to identify the location as the Paseo Maritimo in Alicante, photo. They alerted the Spanish authorities and the National Police spotted him driving around in Alicante and arrested him. He was extradited and is now back in jail in the UK, no doubt sharing his photos with his cell mate.



Once again I am reminded of the words of Georges Pompidou, who said, "There are three ways of ruining your life: alcohol is the quickest, women are the most pleasurable, but technology is the surest."

Now it is back to the US of A, where a not-so-bright criminal is heading back to jail after accidentally texting his probation officer asking if he had any weed. Alvin Cross Junior's dumb approach to arranging a drug deal quickly landed him in trouble when the probation officer alerted police.



According to a police statement, the probation officer received a text from Cross, asking: "You have some weed?"

A drugs squad promptly raided his home in Albany, Georgia, where they found a bag of cocaine. Mr Cross, photo, will spend another year in jail after pleading guilty to possession of cocaine.

Once again, technology screws with someone.

I think I bought a bad computer. The mouse bit me.
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OTHER NEWS

New Pill.

Spanish researchers have produced a pill which lowers the risk of a heart attack. It was presented on World Heart Day, September 29.

Cardiovascular illnesses are the main cause of death in the world, and yesterday the experts took the opportunity to remind the public that a change in their habits alone can save many deaths.

The pill was developed by the National Cardiovascular Centre in conjunction with Ferrer International, based in Barcelona.

Called Trinomia it prevents heart attacks in patients who have already had their first heart attack. Its main advantage is that this one pill replaces three which patients have had to take until now. It will be on sale in Spain at the end of the year.

Each year more than 17 million people worldwide die from heart problems. (Typically Spanish)

I have bad reflexes. I was once run over by a car being pushed by two guys. Woody Allen

Dwarf stripper gets Spanish bride pregnant on her hen night!

A Spanish woman has been forced to confess to cheating on her husband-to-be on her hen night with a dwarf stripper after she gave birth to a baby with dwarfism. Her husband believed the baby was his and that it had been conceived during the honeymoon but his wife confessed to the infidelity after he repeatedly questioned doctors as to how the baby could have been born with dwarfism.

The woman has not been named, but according to local reports she felt compelled to tell her husband after questions were raised by friends who had accompanied her on the hen night, which took place at the beginning of the year.

Spanish website LasCincoDelDia, which broke the news, said: "Neither her closest female friends or her family knew she had sex with the midget stripper but once she had her son in her arms, she broke down and confessed what had happened.

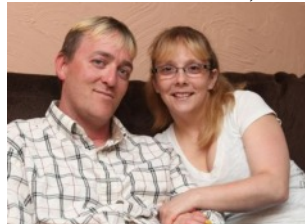
"As you can imagine no-one that sleeps with a stripper at her hen night broadcasts it or at least they try to take their secret to the grave. But the protagonist of this episode had no choice but to confess and could never have pretended the boy was her husband's because of a little problem - the child was born with dwarfism."

It is not unusual for dwarfs to be hired as entertainers at hen and stag parties in Spain and several websites offer the services of "miniboy" as they are known in Spain. (Daily Telegraph Online) Ed:What was she drinking?



Unlucky or What?

Meet Dale Decker, a married 37-year-old from Wisconsin, USA. Poor



Dale (in photo with wife) slipped a disk in his back in 2012 while getting out of a chair and for some neurological reason now experiences around 100 unwanted orgasms a day. As you would expect, it has ruined his life - being the constant butt of jokes, shunned by his neighbours, unable to keep a job and rendering it impossible to take his two young sons to sports, fairs and similar. Doctors

have been unable to solve his problem which is known as Persistent Genital Arousal Syndrome (PGAS). A gynaecologist who has mainly worked with women who suffer with PGAS explained 'It's a serious medical condition and I just hope he gets the help he so desperately needs. Being aroused can be a wonderful thing but this is not like arousal, it's not even sexual. It's a horrendous spasm and it can be terribly painful.' You can read more here, together with a video - <http://www.mirror.co.uk/news/weird-news/meet-man-who-says-life-4306380>

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The Nude.

'I would like to be painted in the nude' said the beautiful young girl to the famous artist.

'Okay,' replied the artist, 'but I'll have to keep my socks on so I have somewhere to put my brushes.'

Stewart.

THE WAR BETWEEN BRITISH ITV AND SPANISH TELECINCO.

ITV Studios thinks Mediasat's Telecinco has copied their *The Alphabet Game* making *Pasapalabra* and is demanding 17 million €

It started in 2009, when the British channel asked Mediasat to become a co-producer of the programme and asked for 10% as the owner of the format and also asked for ITV to be mentioned in the final credits.

But a year later the nifty Spanish lawyers at Mediasat discovered that ITV had not registered a key part of the programme – which consists of circle of letters, imposed around the head of the contestant who has to answer questions from a to z to win. It was this circle of letters that so the directors and the 'pasapalabra' as theirs.

It was two in 2012 studios the Spanish trickery, and immediately went to Spanish court presenting a crime against intellectual property, explaining *Pasapalabra* was taken from their format *The Alphabet Game*.

It took several months for the Spanish court to agree with ITV and ordered Mediasat to pay 17 million € for breaking a contract and damages for the last four years which Telecinco was still broadcasting the programme.

Mediasat has not paid the money and ITV Studios has started more legal action to recover the money, while Mediasat has appealed the Spanish court's decision. (TypicallySpanish)

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GALLERY.

These two photos on the left were sent in by Sue & Dave Purdy. The first shows some very large fish caught off the shoreline at Punta Prima. I always thought that one could only catch mere sprats off the shoreline here in the over fished 'Med', not these giants.



The second photo shows an entrance to a church in Los Montesinos which has been beautifully decorated with flowers. Thanks to Sue & Dave.



The photo on the right shows the sub-Saharanans trying to climb over the border fence in the Spanish enclave of Melilla in North Africa. This is almost a daily occurrence.



The Cap.

Patrick O'Leary showed up at Mass one Sunday and the priest almost fell down when he saw him. O'Leary had never been seen in church in his adult life. After Mass, the priest caught up with O'Leary and said "Mr. O'Leary, I am so glad you decided to come to Mass. What made you come?"

O'Leary said, "I've got to be honest with you, Father. A while back, I misplaced me cap. I really, really love that cap. I knew that Donald Shaunessy had one just like mine, and I knew that Shaunessy came to church every Sunday. I also knew that Shaunessy had to take off his cap during Mass, and I figured he would leave it in the back of the church. So, I was going to leave after Communion and steal Shaunessy's cap."

The priest said, "Well, Mr. O'Leary, I notice that you didn't steal Mr. Shaunessy's cap. What changed your mind?"

O'Leary said "Well, after I heard your sermon on the ten commandments, I decided that I didn't need to steal Shaunessy's cap." The priest gave O'Leary a big smile and said, "Ah, after I talked about 'Thou Shalt Not Steal,' you decided you would rather do without your cap than burn in Hell, right?"

O'Leary shook his head and said, "No, Father. After you talked about 'Thou Shalt Not Commit Adultery,' I remembered where I left me cap."

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CUT-OUT & KEEP.

THE JOTA.

It is easy for expats to develop misconceptions about certain aspects about Spain and its culture. For example, we see *paella* as a Spanish dish. But it's not, it's a Valencian dish. Similarly, if I were to ask you to describe Spanish music, dance and song to me, you would probably say *flamenco*. But flamenco is essentially part of the Andalusian *gitano* culture, if it is anything. (As an aside, although I love *flamenco* dancing, Tid and I went to a *flamenco* song contest one evening near Torre Pachecho. It was the longest week of our lives!)

There are however, many dance forms and music throughout Spain. Here, we take a quick look at 'Jota'. A genre of music and dance known throughout Spain, it probably originated in Aragon, it now varies from region to region. (It was once danced in Valencia during burial services.) Its varied forms are now enjoyed in Aragon,

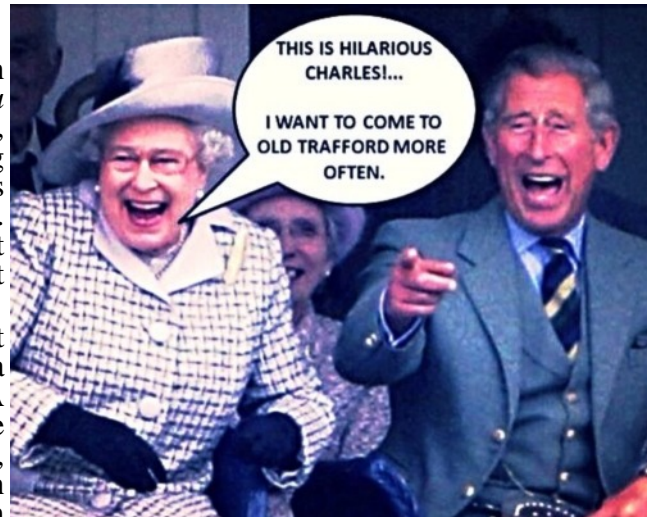


Catalonia Castile, Navarra, Cantabria, Asturias, Galicia, La Rioja, Murcia and Eastern Andalusia. They even dance the *Jota* in the Philippines, a former Spanish colony.

The dancers costumes may vary from region to region and can vary considerably from the usual flamenco attire. Castanets are also used extensively during the dance.

There are plenty of examples of the *jota* in YouTube, two good ones here - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Eh3PmJiNQG> & <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jJ-7iGx9Wqw>

Bizet, Glinka, Liszt, Ravel and many other composers have used *jota* music as part of their compositions.



It's in the Bag!

This little gay guy walks into a pub carrying a small bag and announces to the crowd, 'If anyone can guess what's in my bag, I'm yours for the night.'

A big burly man stands up, thinking he'll have a laugh and shouts, 'Okay, I guess you've got a 10-ton truck in there.'

The gay looks into his bag and smiles. 'Well done, we have a winner!'

•I gave my son an iPhone 4 for his birthday last week, and recently I gave my daughter an iPod for hers. I was dead chuffed when the family clubbed together and bought me an iPad as a birthday gift. So, I got my wife an iRon as a belated birthday present ! It was about then that the fight started ...

The History of Spain, Part 45. The Non-Intervention Committee, The Entry of the Soviets & Gold.

Franco began his march to Madrid in early August. It was now obvious that the military coup had failed to win over a large part of the armed forces, together with a number of major cities such as Madrid, Barcelona and Valencia. The rising had now developed into a civil war. Ultimately, it would develop into a European War by proxy.

The Nationalist Army of Africa airlift from North Africa continued. The transport of troops by sea also increased as the Republican Navy was proving to be inept in the extreme, with decisions made by committee and no natural leaders emerging. By the end of September 1936, the Republic abandoned the blockade on the Straits of Gibraltar and the Republican Navy in the south returned to Cartagena Harbour and remained there.

Although Franco's relationship with Britain could be described as tense, British naval officers at Gibraltar supported the uprising. After the Spanish naval officers were slaughtered by the Nationalists, the inherently anti-communist Royal Navy officers passed on intelligence about Republican shipping to the Nationalists. They are unlikely to have done this without the approval of senior naval officers in Britain. Two Royal Marines deserted their base in Gib' and volunteered for the rebels. The men were enlisted into the legion under false names.

But the Republican Army was still less than effective. There was little cohesion in its disparate groups. The CNT (anarchists) provided a large section of the force, but unlike a professional army they had little discipline and training. It was not unusual for some of the anarchist soldiers to leave the front lines and make their way home at weekends. Better cohesion and control would eventually come to the Republicans, but the architects of this would be the Communists.

At this stage of the conflict one of Franco's tactics was to threaten a full frontal attack on the Republican lines. His more experienced soldiers would then manoeuvre and attack the flanks of the Republicans, causing mayhem and chaotic retreats. At this stage few prisoners were taken.

But both Britain and France did not want to see the Spanish dispute spread to the remainder of Europe even by proxy. This was an era of appeasement under the Baldwin government. France and Britain proposed a Non-Intervention Committee in August 1936. Ultimately it would have the support of 24 nations. A plan was eventually put forward to control the war materials coming into Spain. This was effectively subjecting the Spanish Republicans to international isolation. The Republic strongly objected to this as they said they were the democratically elected government and that, as an established nation, they should be permitted to purchase arms and supplies. In reality, the Committee was only interested in the facade of non-intervention. The German diplomat, Von Ribbentrop would dub it the 'Intervention Committee'.

Efforts to stem the flow of war materials to Spain were largely unsuccessful, with foreign involvement in the Spanish Civil War proving instrumental to its outcome. Nazi Germany, Italy, Portugal and the Soviet Union consistently broke the agreement they had signed, France occasionally so. Britain remained largely faithful to it.

The Conservative government in Britain, although officially maintaining a neutral stance in the conflict, shared the Nationalists' conviction that a Republican victory would be the prelude to a Communist revolution.

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This would threaten its vital strategic and economic interests in the region.

Although the Portuguese, Germans and Italians were already supplying arms to the rebels, the Soviet Union began supplying a whole range of armaments to the Republic in late September 1936 at the behest of Stalin. These included tanks and planes which were at this stage superior to those received by the Nationalists from Germany and Italy. The following year the German armaments, particularly the aircraft, would be superior. But all the Soviet supplied arms (together with pilots and tank crews) were to be at the disposal of the Communist Party and no one else!

Stalin (photo) also encouraged the Comintern (an association of Communist parties of the world, established in 1919 by Lenin) to organise the formation of International Brigades. He also sent Alexander Orlov of the NKVD (later to be the KGB) to advise the Republican Popular Front government. Orlov also used NKVD agents to deal with left-wing opponents of the Communists in Republican held areas. This included the arrest and execution of leaders of the Worker's Party (POUM), National Confederation of Trabajo (CNT) and the Federación Anarquista Ibérica (FAI).



The Soviet Union provided considerable help to the Spanish Communist Party to improve its position in the Popular Front government. This included the removal of the socialist Francisco Largo Caballero as prime minister and replacing him with the communist sympathizer, Juan Negrin.

The Republican Army would now wear a red star on the front of their caps with they adopted the clenched fist salute from the German communists.

The Soviet Union were now the main suppliers of military aid to the Republican Army. This included 1,000 aircraft, 900 tanks, 1,500 artillery pieces, 300 armoured cars, 15,000 machine-guns, 30,000 automatic firearms, 30,000 mortars, 500,000 rifles and 30,000 tons of ammunition.

The Republic had to pay for these arms. Spain possessed the 4th largest gold reserves in the world. Conscious of the rapidity of the Nationalist's initial advances, the government authorised the despatch of 27% of the gold reserves (174 tons) to Paris to facilitate the purchase of arms from France and other sources.

Most of the remainder was packed in 10,000 crates and shipped from Cartagena to Moscow on September 17, on the instruction of the new PM Negrin (photo). The gold was accompanied by NKVD agents and an NKVD Rifle Regiment. When it came to calculating the cost of the arms



provided to the Republic, the Soviets significantly overcharged their Spanish comrades. Gold was valued in dollars and the going rate of exchange at the time for the rouble-dollar was 5.3 roubles to one dollar. The Soviets calculated the Spanish gold transactions at the rate of 2.5 roubles to one dollar. This netted them a considerable profit. When news of the despatch of gold to Paris and Moscow was known, the Republican peseta collapsed.

(More next month.)

Lime Bar Fishing Sunbathing Club

A bit tight for space this week so over to our roving reporter - Sweeney.

"A Magnanimous Gesture gone Wrong!"

Half a dozen of "The Sunbathers" stalwarts swelled the ranks of Lime Bar regulars who journeyed to *Benidorm Old Town* on one of Pete's cultural coach outings last month. Everyone enjoyed the sights and delights of a busy Old Town before returning, mid afternoon, to our rendezvous point (Vincent's Pub) to sample the buffet and beverages.

There must have been something "different" in the coleslaw that prompted *Anti Social Baz* to leap to the stage and belt out 2 or 3 Karaoke numbers: the mike almost had to be surgically removed from his grasp!

As home time neared Daffy left to collect a hitherto unknown order of 20 (suitably worded) baseball caps: one for each *Sunbather*, and promoting the Lime Bar.

With the coach arrival imminent, the replete party wended its way to the pick up point: *no sign of Daffy*. Sweeney positioned himself at a point where he could point a returning Daffy to the coach, but it all went "pear shaped". The coach driver waited, past official departure time, but had to go. Daffy and Sweeney were abandoned, but the *piscatorial god* did not desert them. On his way to the tram station (after a half hour walk by different routes), Sweeney was hailed by Daffy who was patiently waiting for a Taxi. What were the odds of such a meeting?

The homeward journey involved tram from Benidorm to Alicante City Centre, stop for refreshment, walk to mainline station and taxi home in style.

P.S.

It transpired that Daffy's cap order was not ready so he demanded the return of his money. Altercation ensued and the Local Policia became involved, who surprisingly, sided with Daffy. The cash was reluctantly returned, but unfortunately, no caps. So if anyone is in the busy street between Benidorm Old Town and New Town, there is a 'Hat Shop' selling "*Lime Bar Fishing Club*" emblazoned caps at a *knock down price*

Sweeney

The Sweeney has got a whopper!

The largest carp comp runs from the 1st of October for the whole year. "3 rods" will collect another dust gatherer at the November "Presentation Night" as no one could beat his 10.93 pounder. OR COULD THEY? If the "Sweeney" had pulled his finger out and caught his whopper a week earlier, he could have beaten 3 rods! That said, well done Sweeney for getting this year's comp off to such a good start.

13.88 lbs caught from the Rio Segura. For over here, that is HUGE! See photo. If you don't recognise the swim, TOUGH, we are not telling you!

This month's match was also for the "Rod & Reel Trophy". Unfortunately, 4 members couldn't compete in this match as Just John had booked a "cat fishing" exped to the Rio Ebro - **on the "wrong" dates**. DOH!

Over to a new reporter, 3 rods.

We had an excellent 3 days admiring the scenery and drinking large amounts of beer. The fishing was disappointing to say the least, only 2 carp and 1 cat fish caught. On a personal note, I never had as much as a bite in 3 days fishing. Daffy had the best fish, a cat (fish) of 59 lb. Fagin was over the moon for him!

Just John had a carp he claimed was 17 lb and Fagin had one about 15 lb. Daffy could have made a name for himself, but unfortunately he lost 3 big carp in weed. Still, after Benidorm, who needs a name?

Ammo & Casualty Report. Cyril "the elder" reported that he only managed to land 28lb one Sunday last month. Well make the most of it; you'll be lucky to land that in a week over here...

Fishy Fingers,
The Ghost.



Quasimodo.

A bunch of wee boys are following Quasimodo down the street, He turns round and says,....."For the last time I haven't got your f***ing ball."

Quasimodo comes home from work and Esmerelda is in the kitchen holding a wok....He says, "Great, are we having Chinese?" She says "No, I'm just going to iron your shirt."

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FANCY A 'STIFF' DRINK?

A Chinese beer maker has been arrested after it was discovered that he was adding Viagra to his drink in a bid to make them more popular, according to reports.

The man, who was only named Mr Huang, owned a liquor factory in the province of Hubei. He is suspected of adding Sildenafil, a chemical compound used for the treatment of erectile dysfunction, to alcoholic drinks marketed as "nutritional" and "healthy" for 30 yuan or \$5 per bottle, according to People Daily.

Huang paid 2,400 yuan (390 U.S. dollars) for the sildenafil powder. He added 130 milligrams of sildenafil per 100 milliliters of liquor, producing 750 liters of the spirits in total, according to the police.

Adding sildenafil to liquor is illegal and is likely to have strong side effects on patients with cardiovascular problems.

Facing stiff competition in the alcohol market, Huang said his motivation was to 'increase alcohol sales and make money fast', according to sources. Aaagh! The capitalist's dream!

He also gave 810 bottles to his friends and reportedly kept 30 bottles for his personal use. Chinese authorities are now trying to locate the unconsumed bottles of Huang's liquor, which contained 130 milligrams of Sildenafil per 100 milliliters of liquor according to police. The Jianshi County authorities are trying to retrieve the liquor from the market, but don't seem 'up' to the task. Good luck on that one!

Eventually!

The two young lovers are in the back of the car parked in a quiet country land. 'Brenda,' asks the man, 'how about giving me some oral sex?' A very shy and prudish Brenda forcefully replied, 'If I do that you'll never respect me again.'

A year goes by and during that time he asks her for blow-job on a number of occasions but she always refuses. Eventually they get married and on the honeymoon he asks her again but she replies, 'No, I know you'll never respect me again.'

Many years go by and the couple are now in their 50's. One day in bed, the man turns to his wife and says, 'Brenda, after all these years of happily married life, a beautiful house, big car and two successful children, do you think I could have a BJ please? You know I will always respect you.'

So at last the wife gives in and sometime later as they're relaxing in bed, the front doorbell chimes. He turns to her and says, 'Hey cocksucker, answer that.'

Stewart

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Midget Fidgets!

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The second midget says, "I couldn't even get up on the f**king bed."

*My toughest fight was with
my first wife.
Muhammad Ali*

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Pope in Glasgow.

The Pope comes to Glasgow and asks "Anyone with 'special needs' who wants to be prayed over, please come forward to the front by the altar." With that, wee Brendan got in line, and when it was his turn, the Pope asked, "My son, what do you want me to pray about for you?" Wee Brendan replied, "Your Holiness, I need you to pray for help with my hearing." The Pope put one finger of one hand in Brendan's ear, placed his other hand on top of his head, and then prayed and prayed and prayed. He prayed a great prayer for Brendan, and the whole congregation joined in with great enthusiasm. After a few minutes, the Pope removed his hands, stood back and asked, "Brendan, how is your hearing now?" Wee Brendon answered, "Ah don't know. It's no 'til next week....."

The Night Out.®

Two women friends had gone for a girl's night out. Both were very faithful and loving wives, however they had gotten over-enthusiastic on the Bacardi Breezers. Incredibly drunk and walking home they needed to pee, so they stopped in the cemetery. One of them had nothing to wipe with so she thought she would take off her panties and use them. Her friend however was wearing a rather expensive pair of panties and did not want to ruin them. She was lucky enough to squat down next to a grave that had a wreath with a ribbon on it, so she proceeded to wipe with that. After the girls did their business they proceeded to go home. The next day one of the woman's husbands was concerned that his normally sweet and innocent wife was still in bed hung over, so he phoned the other husband and said: 'These girls' nights have got to stop! I'm starting to suspect the worst. My wife came home with no panties!!' 'That's nothing' said the other husband, 'Mine came back with a card stuck to her ass that said....'

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Happiness.

The occasional lacing of my husband's dinner with cat food has done wonders for my spirits.
Lana Tate

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