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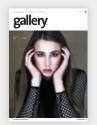






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used to live a large proportion of my life in coffee shops. The life of a freelancer that can't afford an office is, on one hand, a desperate mission to find comfy window seats, free wifi and good coffee and, on the other, the most liberating and free feeling you could wish to have as part of your working life. It took me around the world too, stashing laptops in hostel basements between work days. I loved getting strange looks from locals as I'd download the whole of Adobe Creative Suite on a shared computer in an internet cafe in some far flung South American town to work on someone's brand or marketing strategy. It was wonderful.

In the years I've lived in Jersey I've seen a lot of people progress and transition through that stage. Initially they were the ones that sat on the same bench as you at the Bean, beavering away on stickered laptops. Now they're professionals that have probably planted some roots and bought themselves a few bits of furniture, either in a co-working space or in an office in which they've taken on the world in some creative way or another. I draw attention to this only as I'm back there today, sitting in a cafe, getting a few hours out of the office on deadline and considered the theme, wonder, and what it means to me.

We've got our usual theme adherent features in the pages beyond this one; some cast a wry eye on the wonder of Christmas, some profile amazing people doing wonderful things, whether the incredible job of taking care of our children (p. 30) or busting out some amazing shapes as Jersey's first formation skydive team (p.190). We have a write up from one of this year's Galleryrally teams who went above and beyond in their fundraising efforts and did wonderful things for local charities as part of our travels to Milan this year. If travel's your bag, we've seven alternative wonders of the world to add to your life itinerary (p.48). For some, freedom is wonder; for others, success. We meet the next generation of the latter, Jersey's future leaders, in our bumper careers feature this month (p.141).

'Tis the season to go late night shopping, so we have our annual gift guide (p.57) of wonderful items from local retailers. These are presents you can go and actually collect, in the flesh, even on Christmas Eve, if you're lucky. I'm looking at you, gentlemen. Sure, everyone buys online these days but this is Christmas and I don't trust the supply chain that ends in Hermes couriers any further than they could throw your parcels.

As I watch people from my coffee shop vantage point, walking past in every whichway, I can't help but wonder of what constitutes wonder for them at this time of year. Whether it's a Christmas with family unwrapping presents, the annual liberation of karaoke at the office party or the ticket to bolt to the snow at the first available opportunity. Maybe just the wonder that is being warm, fed, loved or just alive to breathe the fresh Jersey winter air. It is a wonderful place, never forget it.

See you next year.

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Jess Stanier Read her article about saying **** you to colds this winter on page 36

Getting asked to be Maid of Honour for an old friend

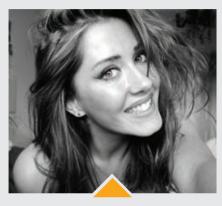
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CONTRIBUTORS "WHAT'S
THE MOST UNEXPECTED GIFT
YOU'VE EVER RECEIVED?"



Katherine Day

This month Katherine met some nursery nurses and a group of skydivers, find out more about them on pages 30 & 190

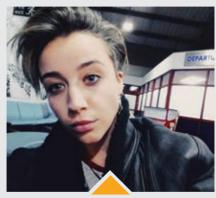
My new puppy, Stitch! As a child I begged my dad for a dog every year, and after 22 years of asking, our family grew last year with the introduction of our Cockapoo, Milo. I never in my wildest dreams thought we would get a second dog. But here we are a year later, welcoming Stitch into our home.



Jessica Myhill

See what's on Jessica's Christmas list this year on pages 58 & 59

When i was 12 and going through my punk/goth phase I convinced my friends I was getting the latest Avril Lavigne CD, and at my party I got a pink sequined, flapper style, flowery hat from a relative. That was the end of my punk/goth phase.



Cloe Freeman

The voice of the Jersey Art Review, Cloe takes a trip to the eighties this month. For a bit of local nostalgia turn to page 52

The most unexpected gift I have ever received was the opportunity to return to University via funding from a very generous family member. I was able to complete my degree with First Class Honours which I hope reflects my deepest gratitude!

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What's On.

A rundown of key events in Jersey this month.

A selection of events in Jersey this month by What's On. Published quarterly, it's the essential guide for visitors to the Island. If you have people coming to stay or you're hosting AirBnBers, make sure you grab one from our transit hubs or Visit Jersey at Jersey Museum for them to keep as their companion for visits to Jersey. They're packed with local information and fresh each season. Look out for the Autumn edition now. If you ever want listings in What's On, register and upload details to Visit Jersey's 'Mylistings' portal.



Think candlelight, carols and roasted chestnuts. Make Christmas shopping a pleasure by enjoying the beautiful surroundings of Hamptonne Country Life Museum, taking the time to explore the beautiful buildings and discovering Genuine Jersey artisans, food and entertainment hidden in every cosy corner. In conjunction with Genuine Jersey / National Trust for Jersey. £1 entry/ Under 6; free.

La Rue de la Patente, St Lawrence

01534 863955 jerseyheritage.org

02-DEC - 02-DEC 14:00-17:00 **Chocolate Making Workshops**

Spend three hours in chocolate heaven! Free your creative spirit and revel in the joy of mixing flavours of syrups, fruits, extracts and textures. Learn the skill of tempering chocolate for super smooth chocolate cases and mould work. Make a luscious ganache paste using Jersey cream and use your unique artistic flair to decorate these delicacies before taking them home to your loved ones to sample.

O Greve de Lecq Barracks, St. Mary

01534 769165 info@purejersey.com purejersey.com

The Awakening Club Christmas Family Rave/ D.I.S.C.O

Don't miss out on Jersey's only Family Rave! Optional festive dress up: Christmas Jumpers, glitter, any thing that sparkles!

The Arcade 13-15 Halkett Street, St Helier

7 07700 329626

☐ 01-DEC - **⑤** Star Wars Concert

Did you hear about last years inaugural Jersey Premier Brass and Jersey Garrison Star Wars concert? Maybe you were lucky enough to be there? Then prepare to be amazed even further! Working together to go bigger & better, Jersey Garrison and Premier Brass have so much more Star Wars fun packed in this truly spectacular event. Tickets available from Bean Around the World and JSSK Les Quennevais Parade.

La Grande Route De St Clement, St Clement

720435 tpritchard7.wixsite.com/jerseypremierbrass

☐ 01-DEC - 03-DEC ⓑ 10:00-20:00 **Christmas Market at Jersey War Tunnels**

A Christmas Market held up stairs in the visitor centre at the Mange Tout Cafe. Expect loads of Festive stalls, entertainment, delicious cakes and Santa's postbox for children to post their letter to Santa with Santa collecting their letters everyday at 4pm. The Nest Art Studio will be open to paint that unique gift for Christmas. Open until 8pm on the Friday.

Les Charrieres Malorey, St Lawrence.

01534 860808 jerseywartunnels.com

01-DEC - 02-DEC (1) 20:00-22:30

Russell Watson - Songs from the Heart

The UK's best-selling classical crossover artist of all time returns to the stage with 'Songs from The Heart' featuring a stunning collection of our best loved songs along with tracks from his new studio album 'True Stories'. Russell Watson has sold more than seven million albums and performed for Her Majesty the Queen, The Pope and two US Presidents. Captivating to watch and echanting to

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□ 03-DEC □ 09:30-12:00 Variety Santa Fun Run 2017

The 5km fun run leaves from La Fregate Cafe, participants can run, jog, walk or crawl as far as the Kiosk burger bar at Bel Royal and back. The entry fee is £10 and all proceeds go to Variety children's charity and Women's Refuge. The event is open to all ages and participants are encouraged to dress up in festive fancy! There will be prizes for the race winner and best fancy dress. Registration is 09:30am

Le Fregate Cafe Jardin de la Mer

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03-DEC - 03-DEC 10:00-15:00

Jersey Hospice Care Christmas Market Start your Christmas shopping with us. As well as some lovely Genuine Jersey stalls, selling beautiful Christmas goodies, you can try your hand at our raffle and bottle stalls, or sample some home made cakes and refreshments. Or why not buy your Christmas Cakes, with amazing decorations from the Sugar Art group.

@ Clarkson House, Mont Cochon

O1534 510349 narinabrockbank@jerseyhospicecare.com jerseyhospicecare.com

□ 05-DEC

Soup Kitchen The Shelter Trust for the Homeless in Jersey will be holding its annual fund raising soup kitchen, with over 40 different soups on offer. For a minimum donation of £3 you get soup of your choice plus French bread. Serving starts at 10.30 and will continue until the soup runs out.

The Royal Square, St Helier

01534 730235 shelter.org.je

07-10 / 14-17 DEC 10:00-20:00

The Genuine Jersey Spirit of Christmas

Come and experience the true 'Spirit of Christmas' in St. Helier's Royal Square. With the Genuine Jersey Spirit of Christmas Markets bringing the centre of town to life over 8 days of festive celebration. Some 18 local traders will be selling seasonal food, locally produced art and craft items at each of the four-day events which will be free to enter. The perfect place to find a unique gift this Christmas.

The Royal Square, Hill Street

01534 859000 genuinejersey.com

07-DEC - 07-DEC ① 12:00-13:00 Santa Dash for Jersey Hospice

Dash for a good Clause! A fun festive dash around

the streets of St. Helier in fancy dress, raising money for Jersey Hospice Care. Santa suits will be provided but all fancy dress is welcome! Individuals and teams can enter, meeting at Liberty Wharf first for a warm up with Father Christmas. Refreshments will be provided afterwards.

Liberty Wharf

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Ice Skate Jersey

Come and skate at Jersey's fabulous indoor ice rink, whether you are a complete beginner or accomplished skater. The rink will have a dedicated children's/coaching area with penguin skate aids for the youngsters. A professional coach will be on hand if you wish to further your skills. Live DJ sessions Friday and Saturday evenings. Closed Christmas Day. Open 2-6pm Boxing Day & New Year's Day.

Queen's Hall, Fort Regent

07700 878351 iceskatejersey@gmail.com iceskatejersey.co.uk

■ 08-DEC - 23-DEC ● *19:00-21:30*

The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe

This Christmas, travel to the magical land of Narnia with Jersey Arts Centre for an extraordinary musical adventure! When the Pevensie children are evacuated from the dangers of war-time London, little do they know that meeting kind Professor Kirk and hiding in the wardrobe that sits in his spare room will open the door to a world unlike any other.

Phillips Street, St Helier

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© 09-DEC - 09-DEC © 10:00-16:00 Father Christmas at 16 New Street

Christmas in Jersey wouldn't be complete without a special visit to see Father Christmas at 16 New Street. This year the Trust has extended the range of activities at The Georgian House to include storytelling in the attic, Christmas crafts on the first floor and a festive treasure hunt around the house.

2 16 New Street

© 09-DEC - 09-DEC © 20:00-22:30 Locrian Ensemble: Vivaldi by Candlelight

Britain's best-loved classical touring ensemble, the Locrian, present a musical tribute to the great Venetian composer, Antonio Vivaldi. Attired in lavish period costume, performing in front of a stunning classical set, these charismatic musicians perform Vivaldi's Four Seasons, a composition which depicts 17th century Italian rural life in a wonderfully inventive manner.

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The children will spend some time with the Elves and meet with Mrs Claus for a drink and a cookie before taking a sneaky peak at the Elf workshop. While visiting the workshop they will get the chance to create something special to take home for the Christmas Tree. This family activity is suitable for children aged two to eight and children must be accompanied by an adult.

Fort Regent

⊘ 01534 449600 active@gov.je fortregent.je

10-DEC 16:45-18:00

The Jersey Battle of Flowers Christmas Parade

A delightful Christmas spectacle with many floats forming a colourful procession through the streets of St Helier. The floats are festooned in twinkling lights, and include adults and children dancing or walking in costume to help spectators get into the Christmas spirit. Viewing points: Maritime House, Aqua Splash, Overpass, Liberty Wharf, Pomme D'or, Liberation Square and the east side of the Esplanade.

Parish of St Helier

1 01534 730178

battle@battleofflowers.com/ battleofflowers.com/

11-DEC (L) 20.00

Sing Street

Jersey Film Society 70th Anniversary: This funny, joyously uplifting treat is a loving homage to the 1980s. Conor, the new kid at a Dublin school, musters the courage to talk to beautiful Raphina. He asks her to front his music video and she agrees, the only problem is, he's not yet in a band. FS Members only 70th Anniversary drinks and nibbles in the Maria Ritchie Room from 6.30pm

Phillips Street St Helier

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☐ 12-DEC - ⓑ

Jersey Reds vs Dragons (B&I)

Head up to St Peter to support our Jersey Team as they host an afternoon of Rugby action. The Barclays Pavilion Bar adjacent to the Clubhouse will be open to all supporters from 12noon, offering full bar, including 'Jersey Pride' on handpump, plus food such as 'special of the day', 'posh dogs', pasties, burgers etc. It gets busy in the hour leading up to kick-off.

Rue des Landes, St Peter

01534 499929 enquiries@jrfc.je jerseyreds.je

12-DEC - 12-DEC 18:00-19:30

Candlelit Tour of 16 New Street

As the nights draw in, experience 16 New Street in a totally different way. Explore this magnificent Georgian building by candlelight, guided by costumed actors who will introduce you to members of the household. The tour ends with mulled wine and mince pies in front of a roaring fire.

@ 16 New Street,St Helier

✓ 01534 483193 catherine@nationaltrust.j nationaltrust.je/events

13-DEC - 13-DEC (20:00-22:30

Milton Jones is Out There

Milton Jones is Out There, no really out there this time and he's holding up the mirror of truth to society, and he can see right through it, which means its probably just a window. In his brand new show he'll be putting his foot down and lifting the lid on the pedal bin of media lies. Milton will be talking about his life so far, the ups, the downs and why buying his own see-saw was the best decision he ever made.

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14-DEC - 18-DEC ① 12:00-12:00

French Christmas Market at the Weighbridge

Come and visit the traditional French market and breath in the sights and smells of Normandy, with everything from psaucissons, calvados, cider, wines, sausages, crepes, waffles, cashmere jumpers, cheese, biscuits and sweets, vegetables and more. Soak up the al fresco atmosphere at this special time of year.

The Weighbridge

✓ 01534 280110 info@maisondenormandie.com maisondenormandie.com

□ 15-DEC □ 19.00

Killer Queen

Killer Queen formed back in June 1993. Their first public shows were at London University, following in the footsteps of the real Queen who had played their first shows there 21 years earlier. By 1995 Killer Queen's UK popularity had grown to such an extent they secured a residency in London's Strand Theatre attracting nationwide BBC coverage - the first tribute to have a show in the West End .

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16-DEC - 16-DEC (19:30-22:30)

The Jersey Bounce with special guest Michael Clews

The Ultimate Christmas Party, Part 2! Join Jersey's biggest and best show band for the non-stop festive fun with a few surprises along the way. They are joined by the No. 1 National and International Michael Buble and Neil Diamond tribute artist, Michael Clews. His sensational voice and mannerisms make him the most authentic tribute artist on the circuit.

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☐ 17-DEC - ①

Jersey Symphony Orchestra - Christmas in Vienna

Join the orchestra for an evening of wonderful music that is sure to delight with composers such as Richard and Johann Strauss, von Suppe and Lehar. Our internationally renowned Conductor Wolfgang Heinz will lead us through the Blue Danube, Champagne Polka, Radetzky March and so much more. Stefan Dohr, the fantastic principal horn of the Berlin Philharmonic is our guest soloist.

Fort Regent, St Helier

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18-DEC - 22-DEC ① 09:00-17:00

Christmas Kids Craft and Food Workshops

Pure Jersey offers your child the opportunity to get creative by joining our craft and foodie delights workshops during the Winter months. On cold, wet weather days enjoy designing your own unique gift for the home in the cosy surroundings of our craft workshop by the seaside. Indoor workshops include: Chocolate truffle making, festive tree baubles, pine cone garlands, jewellery creations, Christmas lanterns, tea lights and reindeer fudge.

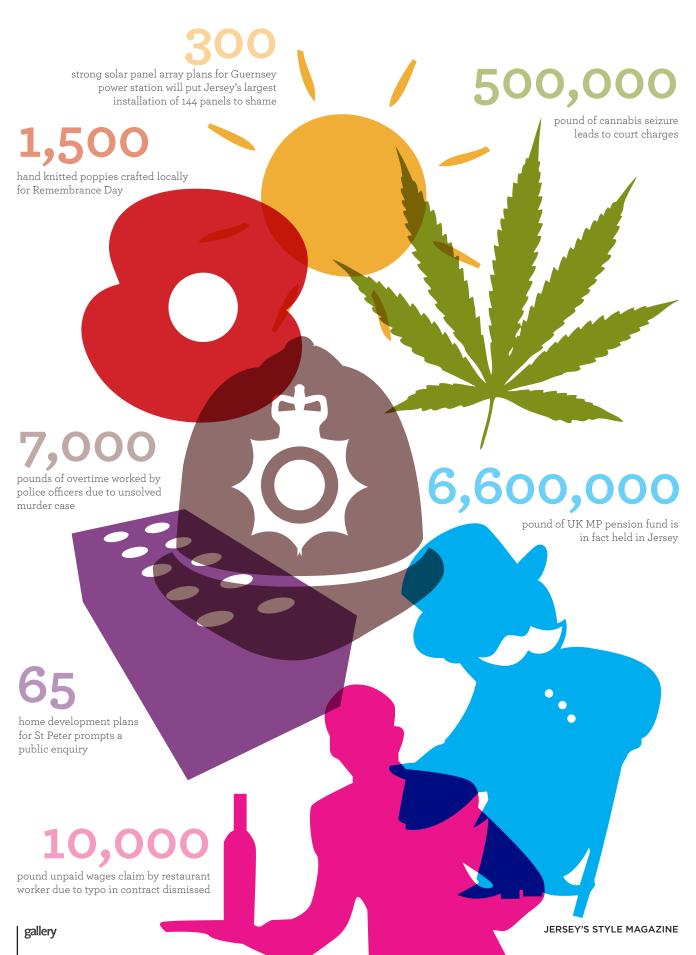
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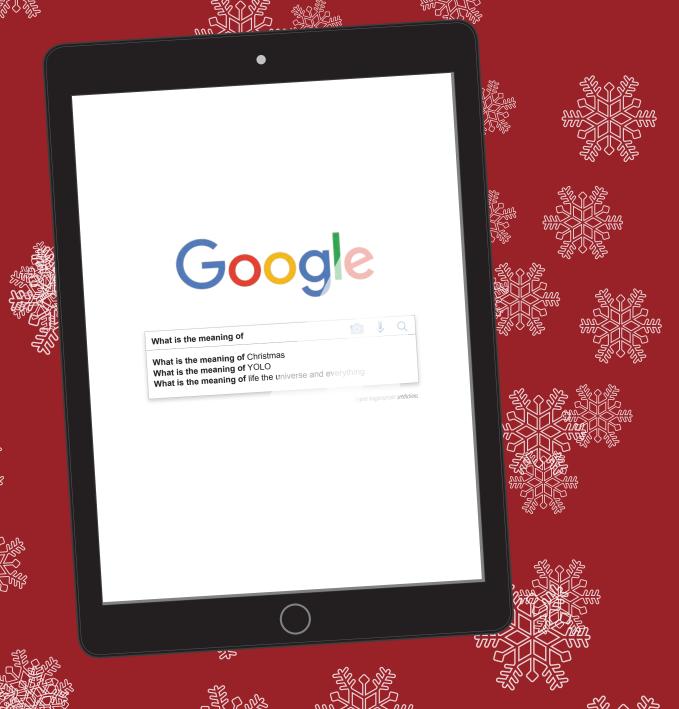
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Here we are, another year done. It's crazy to think this time last year we were all still dumbfounded in the wake of a dangerous, unstable man with the emotional and mental ability of a toddler being let into the White House. Nonetheless, we managed to celebrate a wondrous, joyous Christmas regardless. But why does it feel like that magic just isn't here anymore? Could the state of the world really have such a big impact on the most wonderful time of the year?

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I remember as a kid finding Christmas to be the most exciting thing on my calendar. The weeks leading up to the start of Christmas break were filled with in-class movies, school dances, the big Christmas lunch and exchanging 'Secret Santa' presents with friends. Christmas day was about getting new PJs, seeing my family and playing games together, and finishing the day watching Elf on the sofa whilst everyone else napped off lunch.

That carefree time seemed to go on forever, until I turned 18 and the real social event was the Christmas eve night out. It turns out sambuca hangovers are only cured with more alcohol and enough

food to feed an army, so Christmas day is definitely the best day to suffer with one.

The reality of Christmas becomes clearer the older we get; the gifts, food and booze take priority and the stress to stay happy and make everyone else's Christmas good becomes overwhelming. There's a high amount of pressure put on everyone to be as festive as humanely possible, with an American style 'bigger is better' attitude to one of the most celebrated holidays in the western world. It has reached the point of where the average amount spent on Christmas by a British family is over £800, with people even putting themselves into debt or maxing out their credit in order to please their family materialistically.

The whole mentality of what Christmas means has been warped. Check social media anytime in November and you'll see tweets saying 'It's not Christmas until the John Lewis advert is released' seriously, that's what Christmas has come down to now. A one-minute advert that was created in a boardroom with the purpose of making you, the consumer, consume as much of their product as possible. We all believe that the more we can squeeze into the perfectly displayed Instagram picture of all our presents, the better our Christmas was. Even if we spent the whole day sitting on our phones, ignoring our families and looking to see what the Kardashians did that day.

I know, I'm sounding like a 21-year-old scrooge. It's just a shame that our desire for the latest trends, the coolest items and the need to show everyone we have them has overthrown the innocent wonder of Christmas, the magic and sense of community that envelopes December. Granted, the image of the Father Christmas we know might have been created by Coca Cola, but regardless, the magic he symbolises seems to have disappeared.

Maybe our obsession with the biggest, best Christmas is because the worse the state of the world gets, the more we want to distract ourselves from it. It can be difficult to see the bright side of anything

> when we watch life crumble around us. There are people across the world

> who have no home, family, friends or reason to celebrate something as materialistic and shallow as Christmas. The holiday spirit, it seems, can only be felt and enjoyed by those who can afford it.

> So, as Christmas draws nearer and you start to frantically write countless lists of things to buy, think of what Christmas truly means. Will your kids really remember the 10 versions of the same toy you get them? Is technology really necessary on Christmas day? Are you really making the effort to show your loved ones you love and care for them with words and gestures rather than expensive gifts? Could your money maybe even be used to make someone less fortunate than

you have the Christmas everyone deserves?

It's easy to get sucked into the vortex of Christmas, and let the stress of it overrule the thrill of it. But in a world where so much is going wrong, and so many have nothing, take the time to think how you'd want your Christmas to be remembered in years to come. Love, laughter and gratitude are priceless compared to the 20 gifts that'll be under the tree. Don't lose sight of the true meaning of the most wonderful time of the year. Stay merry and bright.

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The eighth wonder of the world?

I'm sure that you've all heard people claiming that they can show you the eighth wonder of the world before, but the only thing that you can be certain of is that I have absolutely no interest in knowing the context in which you heard those words.

But in slightly more serious news, scientists believe that they've discovered what could become the actual eighth wonder of the world in New Zealand thanks to a 19th century field diary that once belonged to geologist Ferdinand von Hochstetter. The pink and white terraces of Lake Rotomahana were buried after the volcanic eruption of Mount Tarawera in 1886, after which scientists hypothesised that the terraces had either been destroyed or pushed to the bottom of the lake as a result.

Recent research, however, has revealed that they might in fact just be buried below fifty feet of ash and mud, so subject to governmental approval (isn't it always the way?) they hope to begin excavating the site so that the pink and white wonder can once again be appreciated by tourists in the same way that it was in the 19th century. Except with a lot more selfies.

Quoted:

Gal Gadot (Wonder Woman)

"By the way,
Wonder Woman is
Amazonian, and
historically accurate
Amazonian women
actually had only one
breast. So, if I'd really
go 'by the book' ... it'd
be problematic."



Poor jokes:

How did Stevie Wonder meet his wife...? On Blind Date!



Chop chop!

You've heard of lumberjacks (you know, the outdoorsy blokes in the plaid shirts) but meet the world's number one lumberjill, Erin Lavoie. Despite dealing with asthma and a heart murmur at an early age she eventually decided to combine her passion for sports with her study of forestry to begin competing in, you (possibly) guessed it; forestry sports. Log rolling, log sawing, log chopping, things predominantly involving logs. She's also a crossfit addict and competes in that too, which probaby also helps. But what relevance does this have to this month's Gallery magazine, you may wonder? Well, she holds the world record in the famous Guinness Book for the most Christmas trees felled in two minutes at an impressive 27 trees.



Christmas cheer...

...for electricity suppliers, anyway. They exist the world over, even here in moderately restrained Jersey. We've all seen them. People who choose to drape excessive quantities of festive illuminations over their houses. That one by Grand Vaux. The one just after St Peter's Village on the way to St Ouen. They never fail to disappoint, year in, year out - unless you happen to be their neighbours, in which case the chances of disappointment are quite high knowing that sleeping at night without using blackout blinds is going to be tough. For one family's neighbours, things must be particularly tough, and that's because they've held the record for most Christmas lights on a residential property twice. Congratulations to the Gay family of New York, who I'm sure will be aiming to beat their impressive (debatable) 601,736 lights on display this festive season. I can't help but think that one of the kids has to count them before the Guinness adjudicator arrives or risk getting a lump of coal from Father Christmas.

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WONDERFUL WINTER WASTELAND

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SAPPET BUN BUN BUN Isn't Christmas the most magical time of the year? For Britain's least scrupulous businessmen the answer is "yes, with bells on", because the holiday season sends spending into overdrive whilst burying our ripoff radar under a drift of magical snowflakes. The outcome is a whole herd of unusually gullible consumers, wallets wide open, surging across the arctic tundra of commerce like caribou running away from Brian Cox. Everywhere are devious hunters, trying to bring them down with overpackaged chocolate, itchy seasonal clothing and unnecessary DVD boxsets of Mrs Brown's Boys.

Nowhere is crappy Christmas capitalism more extortionate than in the market for "Christmas experiences", pitched at hardworking families who just want their children to live through a little bit of magic before they grow up to have their spirits crushed on the cruel wheel of paid employment. Trip To Eurodisney? Expect hours of queueing and thanks to Brexit exchange rate fever you can easily spend £40 on a burger. You can also fly the kids to Lapland to look at some grubby reindeer at the cost of two week's finance wages. If you can't afford to waste your money on those there's still one option left for xmas kiddie magic - the aerosol snow horror house known as the winter wonderland.

The winter wonderland is as unsatisfying as the other "experiences" I've mentioned but despite being cheaper is even worse, because it sets up in your home town or in a dingy event centre ten minutes walk from the train station. At least if you're in Lapland and can't take it any more you can wander into the snow to freeze the pain away; get tired of tattooed penguins at the local Santa's Ghetto and you'll only veer off the yellow snow ice rink to land face first in a portaloo. Still, who cares when there's money to be made? This is why I've already put in the permits to run my own elf laser tag (and massage parlour) at the reclamation site, starting in September 2018. Here's some of the things you can expect.

Santa's snowhole: the arctic ambiance of a Siberian work camp

The true winter wonderland will be neither wintry nor wondrous, unless the winter is the kind that chills your heart and the wonder is how soon you can escape. The real vibe is precisely located in the middle of a Venn diagram made up of "grim fairground", "meat fridge at the prison" and "Frozen-themed hen party." If you're lucky there will be fake snow, (as opposed to expanding insulating foam or shredded photocopier paper) although I'd caution against getting any moisture on your face unless you want to spend Christmas with e coli. There will also be ice, both the black kind and the dry kind, one to threaten your ankles and the

dry kind, one to threaten your ankles and the other to fool your kids into believing they're in an elven paradise and not a marquee



also used for beer festivals and weddings. It's funny how an elven paradise resembles the second-best nightclub in a condemned cruise ship.

Santatainment: travelling circus of health & safety violations

After paying a fiver per kiddie to get in, expect to be bled further with the cost of ice skating and various other "entertainments." These comprise food, whatever stuffed toy scams the funfair people could cover with spray snow, and maybe the opportunity to antlers. Ice skating on the village pond is magical if you are a small, fictional Victorian boy, but in modern Britain expect a rollerdisco with worse music and rusty footwear. At an average price of £15 for twenty minutes, it is nonetheless cheaper than trying to win sweatshop of a man with football tattoos on his face. There will also be a a Winter Waltzer, which "scream if you want to go faster" guy is wearing a santa hat and smoking an e-cig that smells like mince pies.

Santa's snackbar: festive burgers and slush

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Nothing says Christmas more than that warming, comforting smell of ... burned onions. The sign outside promises a "winter food village", which is technically true to the extent that chips and candyfloss can be eaten year round, and a £5 cup of slush will make you feel cold all the way to your heart. There will be mince pies, but they're just the Iceland ones with an 800% markup. If you were expecting one of those German Christmas markets with spiced wine and delicious gingerbread cookies you're in for disappointment, although covering your face in a protective layer of sausage grease will offer some protection if you get in a shoving match in the queue to meet Santa.

Santa's workshop: a wondrous market of things that will be broken before January

With the exception of actual food, every Christmas-themed product is over-priced garbage destined for the landfill. Christmas music, stupid house lights, ironic sweaters and Elf On A Shelf should all be loaded into a skip and pushed into a volcano. Tinsel has been scientifically proven to shorten your life; mistletoe is a form of sexual harassment. Most of this rubbish is bad

of yuletide when they don't think to ask how Santa manages the logistical challenge of running an iPhone factory at the North Pole whilst also taking the day out to sit on a plywood throne in your hometown, smelling of Super Kestrel. Although Santa's beer belly can be explained via the effects of diabetes brought on by all those gingerbread cookies, it's harder to explain who let the elves get facial piercings and why Santa can't remember anybody's name. Perhaps he banged his head climbing down a chimney, that explains the slurring and

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enough if you buy it at a real shop, but any shop at a winter wonderland type attraction will be stocked with products that are either shockingly overpriced or so budget they got rejected from the pound shops in cities that you only know about from Channel 5. A tube of reindeer-shaped marshmallows? £12. A glowing plastic penguin? £25. A range of toys depicting "Paw Patrollers" "Pokeymonster Goes" or "Leggo Ninja"? £2 each but don't lick or expose to open flames.

the ankle tag. Finally it will all be worth it, because as well as £3 worth of plastic tat Santa will also give his one true magical gift: the opportunity for adults to escape the winter wonderland before they get a parking ticket. Ho ho ho!



COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY IN JERSEY



Good luck to the De Putron Shortlist!

The De Putron Challenge staged its biggest ever Jersey contest at the Radisson Blu Hotel last month, showcasing the island's brightest young minds. 19 primary schools took part in the Year 6 competition with newcomers St Mary's Primary School emerging victorious after three heats and a four team final. In the Year 8 event, De La Salle College took the win over Victoria College with a six point lead. A Post-16 contest saw Hautlieu, Victoria College,

Jersey College for Girls and De La Salle College competing for the Jersey trophy. It went to a sudden death tie break with Victoria College only beating Hautlieu by one point. The three winning Jersey teams went on to compete against the winning Guernsey teams (Beechwood in Year 6, Elizabeth College in Year 8 and Post-16) at the inter-island final at the Grand Hotel just as we went to print. Fingers crossed!

For more information and updates on the De Putron Challenge search @DePChallenge

RBC support future of IT

Thirteen primary and secondary schools in Jersey have benefitted from 6.5 tonnes of computer equipment thanks to a donation from RBC Wealth Management, in partnership with Jersey charity the White Knight Foundation, which aims to improve the facilities for teaching in the Island's schools. Bill White, Trustee of the White Knight Foundation explained: 'The donation from RBC Wealth Management has enabled us to further our programme of raising computer standards in education. Top quality machines have been installed which would have cost each school around £50,000. Plus we've saved teachers around 600 hours of administration time as a result of the quicker on and off functions. We are very grateful to RBC for its support.





Tweeting on the edge.
BIRDS on the Edge will plant and
restore a kilometre of hedges with the
help of local farmers and landowners, to wildlife, thanks to a donation by The Channel Islands Co-operative Society. The Society led the way in recycling in 2008 by levying a 5p charge on one-trip carrier bags. The proceeds from

will provide shelter from predators and bad weather and material to build nests for endangered birds, as well as food in the form of buds and berries.

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With Love, Melissa x

Each year the United Nations' International Day of Persons with Disabilities is observed on 3rd December. To celebrate the contribution of people locally, Enable Jersey has planned a week of events and school presentations to raise awareness. The aim is to promote an understanding of disability issues and mobilise support for the dignity, rights and well being of persons with disabilities

Melissa Alves is a local champion for disability and accessibility who has recently completed a project with local filmmaker Rebecca Coley. Clips form part of a Social Media campaign and an emotive short film will be screened at events and in schools to help people relate to disability. Melissa is dedicated to sharing her experiences, regularly writing blogs in both English and Portuguese, she now has plans to set up her own YouTube channel. As a young person Melissa has had to show great resilience and faced adversity, challenging people around her who said she would not achieve her goals because of her disability.

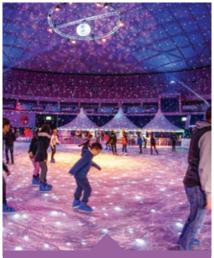
"All my life I have been told I could not to do things I wanted to do. I was told I couldn't go to school and that I couldn't drive; but I have gone on to prove people wrong. I've been to school like everyone else, I've passed my driving test and I have even won a flying scholarship."

Melissa is a keen sports woman inspired by a meeting with gold medalist paralympian Baroness Tanni Grey Thompson when she was at primary school in Jersey. Whether it is basketball, training on the racetrack at FB fields or completing 2 courses at Highlands College, she applies her time to improving and achieving the highest standards. Enable Jersey is dedicated to improving the wellbeing of people with a disability and is able to provide funding to help buy equipment. Formerly the Jersey Society for the Disabled, the charity was established in 1970, it is a member organisation inclusive of all people with a disability whether a physical impairment, learning disability or any other condition. When Melissa was looking to upgrade her sports wheelchair they were able to help.

"I needed something to prove myself and improve my training and that is when Enable Jersey was mentioned to me. I know some people don't like to ask for help but I really needed this and I am so grateful for Enable Jersey and everyone involved for helping me."

Enable Jersey are also teaming up with a network of charities including Healing Waves, Helping Wings, JSAD and Beresford Street Kitchen to ensure that people with a disability are celebrated for their valuable contributions to our community. Melissa is an inspiring role model to us all.

To watch the film visit www.enablejersey.org Make sure to read 'With Love, Melissa x 'blogs, available in both Portuguese and English. www.withlovemelissax.com



Get your skates on!

Ice Skate Jersey, sponsored by Sure, has returned to Fort Regent for Christmas as part of Festive Fort. The rink, which consists of real ice 100mm thick and chilled to -5.6°, is 800m2 in size and includes a dedicated rink for children to use. One-to-one or group lessons with a professional ice skating instructor will be available to book and live DJ skate sessions will be held every Friday and Saturday evening at 6.30pm and 7.45pm. After ice-skating, skaters can visit the Ice Cafe which will be offering a range of beverages and snacks, including cupcakes, hot dogs and freshly made Belgian waffles.

Sure's head of marketing, Louise Burrows, said: "Sure is passionate about supporting local community initiatives and events that provide islanders with something fun and a bit different to do."

This year Christmas at Fort Regent is set to be even more festive with the addition of 'Festive Fort' - a variety of fun things for all the family to do including interactive experiences and Christmasthemed activities. Look out for The Elf Workshop which offer children aged two to eight the chance to meet the elves and Mrs Claus before creating something special to take home for the Christmas Tree and the Chills and Thrills VR Experience with two virtual reality experiences - a snow themed rollercoaster and a car racing simulator.

Ice Skate Jersey will run from 7
December 2017 until 14 January 2018
and will be open to the public as well
as available to hire for corporate events
and private parties. Tickets can be
purchased on the day and in advance
from Monday 4 December at the Ice
Skate Jersey ticket booth within the
piazza at Fort Regent.

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There isn't much that Jersey Post don't know about parcels and delivery. That's why they'd like to remind customers to post early this Christmas, so that friends and family are not left disappointed.

With that in mind, every Christmas, to encourage islanders to keep in touch at this time of year, they offer reduced price postage for card and letter sized items. These reduced price postage stamps will be available at all post offices from Monday 20 November until Saturday 9 December.

The stamp prices will be:

Jersey Local letter (up to 100g) 43p (reduced from 49p)

UK, IOM, Other Channel Islands (up to 100g) 55p (reduced from 63p)

Europe (up to 100g) 63p (reduced from 73p)

Jersey Large letter (up to 100g) 73p (reduced from 79p)

UK Large letter (up to 100g) 90p (reduced from £1.07)

In addition, with parcel volumes set to exceed figures from previous years, they'd like to remind customers not to leave ordering online gifts and shopping to the last minute. If you find the perfect gift online but the retailer doesn't ship to the Channel Islands, don't forget you can use Ship2me.co.uk to deliver it straight to your door; with 20% off all deliveries until the end of 2017, there's never been a better time to take advantage of this service, just enter promo code LOVE20 at the checkout!

Finally, if you haven't already, you can sign up to their SecureDrop delivery services to ensure items are delivered in time for the big day. If you have a safe, weatherproof place to leave parcels at home or a trusted neighbour they can leave them with, their free SecureDrop services will help make your life a little bit easier. Alternatively, if you're always on the go and want a solution for parcels that can fit around your daily life their 24/7 Parcel Collection lockers, which conveniently located around the island, give you the option to collect your parcels 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

For more information visit: www. jerseypost.com/christmas





Wedding wishes covered at La Mare

If getting engaged is top of your Christmas wish list, or a dazzling diamond was the surprise in your stocking, then it's LA Mare's New Year's Resolution to ensure you have your dream wedding.

Nestled in a quiet corner of the St Mary's countryside La Mare Wine Estate is the perfect venue for your big day. With open-air weddings soon to be available, why not be one of the first couples in Jersey to take advantage of the updated laws and plan an amazing al fresco ceremony amongst the vines, in the orchard or in their stunning lawned gardens.

Whether it's a small and intimate affair in the stunning Elms Farmhouse or something larger and more lavish in the fabulous Winery, their experienced team would love to help you plan your special day. They will work with you to ensure that your day is unique, personal and special to you.

Their Wedding Breakfast menus are created exclusively by their in-house team and all their wines are supplied directly from our carefully chosen wine list, with an excellent selection from around the world along with our very own award-winning La Mare wines created at the Estate.

They've thought about all the little extra touches too, from delicious chocolate and sweet favours hand made on the Estate, to exclusive La Mare miniatures including Jersey Royal Gin and the iconic Apple Brandy.

If you are thinking of saying 'I do' and want to say 'yes' to La Mare, don't worry there are a limited number of 2018 dates still available and the diary is open now for 2019.

To find out more, call their friendly team anytime on 01534 481178 or visit: www.lamarewineestate.com/ wedding

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Cookery competition celebrates the best of Jersey

The JCG/Genuine Jersey 'Skills for Life' competition celebrates the best amateur chefs and fresh, local produce that Jersey has to offer. Throughout a week long event, 71 students from Les Quennevais, Beaulieu, Le Rocquier, Victoria College and JCG competed in a bid to win a variety of trophies for their culinary skills and imaginative use of local, seasonal produce. Entrants were asked to create a healthy, balanced main dish, and then invited to make their dish against the clock for the judges. In its 11th year, the competition was open to all secondary school students and for the first time included an adult segment to the contest. Entrants were judged by local culinary experts.

Beaulieu student, Emma Preisig, was the overall winner of the event, scooping the Modern Hotels Award for Year 13 and the Jersey Market's Trophy (sponsored by Vienna Bakeries) for Best Overall Entry in the Competition. This was Emma's fourth year cooking in the competition, as she sets her sights on studying cookery at a culinary college in Birmingham after finishing her exams. Emma's winning dish was monkfish wrapped in Parma ham. The Shaun Rankin Award for Best Use of Jersey Produce went to Year 8 JCG student, Ada Ostroumoff for her ambitious dish of beef, crab and vegetable sushi. Event organiser Antoinette De Louche, Head of Food and Nutrition at JCG, said: "Ada showed innovative and creative use of ingredients and her sushi looked and tasted superb!"

The competition crowned Mrs Angela Crowcroft as 'best amateur chef' in the adult division for her dish of skate poached in La Mare wine with a Jersey butter and caper sauce. The adult section of the competition was launched this year as part of fundraising efforts for JCG's upcoming charity school trip to an orphanage in Ghana in 2018. Organiser Antoinette De Louche, Head of Food and Nutrition at JCG, said: "The standard of cooking in the competition continues to rise with every year and was undoubtedly at it's highest this year. This contest gives teachers and parents an opportunity to promote and raise awareness of the nutritional benefits of using local produce, in a fun and engaging way."

Held in partnership with Genuine Jersey and organised and hosted by Jersey College for Girls, Skills for Life aimed to capture the spirit of shows such as The Great British Bake Off and Masterchef. The event enjoying ongoing sponsorship from Modern Hotels, Mange Tout, Dunn Ross Fisheries, Rondel's Farm Shop, Longueville Manor, Genuine Jersey, The Boathouse Group, Shaun Rankin, the Pedley Family, Sandpiper and Vienna Bakery.



Victoria College Pupils Recognised by New Deloitte Awards Scheme.

Deloitte has celebrated the achievements of three Year 11 pupils from Victoria College as part of its commitment to supporting improvement, effort and academic performance in the school. The Key Stage 4 students were presented with their trophies at a special assembly last month. Jasper Clarke, aged 17, won the Award for Performance and Academic Achievement, recognising his exceptional GCSE grades in Year 11. He gained a combination of A* and A grades in addition to the new Level 9 in Mathematics and English. Tom Bolton, aged 16 won the Most Improved Student Award. Harrison Matthews, aged 16, received the Award for Outstanding Effort throughout years 10 and 11, showing a high commitment to his studies and portfolio. Siobhan Durcan, a Director at Deloitte, said: 'It is wonderful to see the resilience and commitment of these boys. We are proud to be able to support the awards - the second cohort to be recognised in this way.

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Forget New Year's resolutions!

Here are four courses at Highlands College you can master in four weeks (or less!)

New Year's resolutions can be the perfect opportunity to kick-start some self-improvement, but they can also set us up for failure; we break them, become dispirited and even more despondent than we were before we started! With just 8% of us managing to keep our resolutions, experts have suggested that the key to success is to focus on small, achievable goals. So if your New Year's resolutions are often out the window before mid-January, why not make it more manageable? Without further ado, here are four Highlands College courses that you can complete in four weeks (or less!) to kick-start a successful 2018.

Pattern Cutting – Dressmaking Design to Make a Skirt (4 weeks)

18 January - 8 February, 6:45pm - 8:45pm

Perfect for anyone who loves fashion and has some sewing knowledge. This course will cover basic pattern cutting skills to design and construct a skirt in your size and style.

Beginner's Nutrition (1 week) 16 January or 21 February, 6:30pm - 8:30pm

This course will explore what the body needs to stay healthy, our digestive system, compare the differences between processed and home-made foods, and making your own food and drink from raw ingredients.

Wild Vegetables of the Ocean: An Introduction to Foraging Seaweeds (2 weeks)

1 February & 8 February, 7:00pm - 9:00pm

Gain a historic overview of the centuries-old tradition of seaweed gathering in Jersey, as well as an insight into modern uses of seaweeds and learn best practice for foraging.



Sushi School Beginners (4 weeks) 15 January – 5 February, 6:30pm – 9:00pm 19 February – 12 March, 6:30pm – 9:00pm

Learn from an expert on how to roll various types of sushi, cook and season the perfect rice, prepare ingredients for both sushi and sashimi, and indulge in your own creations!

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I do not profess to being a petrol head but I can tell a Mazda from Maserati, so when the opportunity came up, I did not hesitate in signing up to the Gallery Rally to Milan.

The combination of a drive and doing something for good causes made a lot of sense. We decided to pick two very worthy charities for our fundraising, which was an easy decision to make as my co-driver and I have both been directly supported by the vital work of British Heart Foundation, Jersey Branch and Silkworth Charity Group in the months leading up to the event.

Wanting to share the experience and knowing that no girl could turn down an adventure culminating in Fashion Week in Milan, I invited one of my best friends to join us and she, too, easily roped in a Co-Driver. The event is a fundraiser and we wanted to make sure we hit our target so

we set out arranging a quiz night, bumper raffle, football cards, a chilli cook off, a sewing class to name but a few to add to our charitable collections.

As a diverse mix of veterans and newbies, the ralliers for this year's event met at the harbour to be greeted with a bacon roll and Lesson One: read ALL instructions. Many of our crew were sporting big ginger beards and we were rather baffled as to their choice of attire. We quickly learned that our comrades were more eagle eyed than we were and had spotted a hidden clue in the briefing packs we were provided with and we set out creating our own from the resources we had to hand.

This set the tone of the trip and we stepped into the Quizmaster's mind-set – it's a dark and mysterious place - where we learned to think (way) outside of the box, listen to everything we are told and not to take anything too seriously.

Despite being parked alongside some top names, including Ferrari, McLaren, Porsche, Mercedes, Maserati as well as some VWs and Land Rovers, we learned that fast was not always first. A morning briefing set you off in the right direction following clues to the first stop where we used our wit and sometimes pot luck to answer the scavenger hunt style questions before setting off to the next stop and hoping that we had unravelled the clues correctly.

The Gallery Rally was a chance to drive through some incredible scenery, through quaint villages and historic towns, a ski

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resort, around lakes and over mountains collecting items across the Alps and to have inordinate amounts of fun and silliness along the way. We followed cryptic clues to direct us to our next rendez-vous point. We learnt to Geocache, sew outfits and map read (albeit all badly and not necessarily at the same time!).

In the evenings, we all sat down to dinner as a group and went over the day, which often centred around the McLaren Sat-Nav fails and the antics of the previous evening partying, where some of us needed a little help in piecing together the finer details. The event culminated in a black tie dinner at a swanky Milan restaurant, where the worthy winners were announced to the celebration of the group. It truly was about the taking part and everyone was a winner. We have made some great friends, from all walks of life and with differing backgrounds and stories but we all shared many laughs, mostly at each other in scantily clad homemade outfits or at our blearily-eyes the morning-after.

We all set off home from Milan, a little wearier but with a real sense of excitement for next year. The Gallery Rally was easily one of the best trips I have taken. So if you can drive and have a good sense of humour, Gallery Rally X is a must!

Next year's Galleryrally takes place on the 28th September - 1st October and for the tenth anniversary is heading to Monaco



Learn more about the event at www.galleryrally.com



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FILL THEIR EYES WITH WOODER

WORDS Katherine Day

Laughter bounces off the walls and echoes through the halls. Wooden blocks clatter against the floor and Lego bricks click as they stick. Dolls are invited to afternoon tea and superheroes soar through the sky. This is the world of imagination and light, where weird scribbles become letters and works of art. This is Nursery.

December is an incredibly busy month, made even busier for families with children. Nurseries provide a much-needed service which helps parents to create the best lives they can for their children, yet once the nursery has been selected for our precious bundles of joy, how often do we pause in our busy days to give a thought to the talented and caring staff at the nursery who provide the important building blocks, the

true foundations for our children's education. For both children and parents, these people are the real superheroes. The Wonder Women and Supermen of Early Years education.

Perhaps it is time for them to step forward into the limelight. Meet a team of three, some of the superheroes of La Petite École, where your children are nurtured with love and attention.



LYNSEY DIVIN

Based at Fort Regent, Lynsey has been working as a nursery teacher for the last six years.

"I studied education at school, and I knew it was always what I wanted to do. I love coming and seeing the children each day. It is a wonderful experience to see them grow and see their different personalities emerge. Each day is different. I'm from Ireland, and my accent was quite strong so I have learned how to adapt it so that the children can clearly understand me. I am rather adept at switching "voices" to bring laughter to our day. My favourite activity has to be role-play. More so especially with the children who are two-years-old and older. It becomes incredibly interesting to see what they come up with, to see their bright imaginations at work. Here at La Petite École, we are all a family and that warmth surrounds the kids making each day fun and happy. We have just enjoyed a Halloween party with the children,

with all the dressing up and games which go with that, and now we are in full preparation for the Christmas Party. Christmas here at the nursery is huge fun. The kids all get party hats and a proper little Christmas dinner, it is an amazing time of the yea which most definitely sparks funny and memorable moments."

On the subject of books Lynsey shares her lift of favourites for story time – STICK MAN and THE GRUFFALO by Julia Donaldson.

And if Lynsey were a toy, what would it be? Lynsey considers this amusing request for a few moments and admits "a teddy or a doll, to be there to provide comfort and cuddles when needed."

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SARAH - JANE SMITH

Based at Fort Regent, Sarah-Jane has been working in nurseries for eight years.

"Originally, I wanted to be a teacher, but I fell in love with the Nursery environment with all its hustle and bustle. Seeing the children grow and develop their character and skills each day is such an honour. I love seeing them learn new things, each little journey, such as when they learn to write their names. I've found that I've become sillier, as I get down to their level and am involved in their play. It is so important to be enthusiastic, no matter how weird the game. Experiencing their creative sides is a true joy. Letting them be messy with lay dough and paint in a way that they might not be able to at home, allowing them to explore that side is so important and quite mesmerising. It's not the big moments that are overly amazing of funny, it is all the little moments, the little things that happen each day that brings laughter and smiles to everyone's faces.

What the children notice is rather extraordinary, be it the colour of someone's nail polish to whether or not they washed their hair. This is a job I wouldn't change for the world.

She explains, "Instead of dreading that somewhat imaginative moment when your child goes a little mad in the supermarket, just go with it, nurture it." Conor adds, "we must allow children to explore and express their imagination and creativity in different ways."

Working in nurseries is a role that people usually only associate with women, however, La Petite École is proving this view to be false. It is incredibly beneficial to have male staff in nurseries as it leads back to Nursery staff mirroring the parental set up of the family home. It is important to have male staff working in nurseries, and "don't forget," Sarah-Jane says, "male teachers work in secondary schools. They shouldn't be scared to come and work within early-years."

Working in a nursery may seem all fun and games, but that is far from the truth though the days are often filled with laughter. Lynsey points out, "One of the most challenging issues in nursery education is the very important

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WE LOVE WHAT WE DO, AND IN SOME SMALL WAY IT IS PERHAPS THROUGH THE EXISTENCE OF THE EARLY LEARNING TEACHERS THAT FAMILIES AND SOCIETY CAN CONTINUE TO GROW AND FLOURISH

One of my favourite books to read to the children is SQUASHING A SQUEEZE, and funnily enough, if I were to be a toy I think I would want to be a book. When reading picture books, children look at all the pictures and no matter what the actual story is, they always make up their own based on the illustrations. I think it would be so interesting to listen in on what they were saying and making up from the pictures."

Imagination is such an important part of play and learning when children are young. It is sad to note that with the appearance of PlayStations and iPads the use of imaginative play has dwindled. Sarah-Jane remarks "it is not that imagination has gone, but it becomes less visible especially as children grow at school. But it is still there and it is important to remember that our little ones need their parents and practitioners to provide the resources and encouragement, as well as the confidence to use their imaginations."

legislation and planning. Working in a nursery, contrary to popular belief, isn't just playing. I love what I do, it brings me so much joy knowing that I am helping prepare these children for the future. We are helping shape them into the amazing individuals they will be." Sarah-Jane adds "We are proud to be looking after human beings, from babies to those about to go to school, and every day we consider the children's emotional and physical needs. But our presence also allows a great number of the parents of the children to work and provide for their families."

She smiles thoughtfully as she wraps it all up in one final sentence.

"We love what we do, and in some small way it is perhaps through the existence of the early learning teachers that families and society can continue to grow and flourish."

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CONNOR PINEL

Based at St Mark's Road, Connor is at the beginning of his career having worked at the nursery for just five months.

"I used to work in construction, but that didn't quite fit. As I had previously been on a work placement at La Petite École I already knew the staff so it was an easier transition when I made the decision to move from the construction of buildings to providing the building blocks of education."

Although this seems to be quite a drastic change, the move for Connor to nursery education turned out to be a natural fit as his he had spent a great deal of family time taking care of his younger cousins.

Connor grins as he outlines a normal day's activities, "Each day is a new day and completely different. There is no real set routine, you need to adapt it each and every day for the children as they can be rather random. There is an enormous sense of unpredictability which keeps you on your toes. The funniest thing is by the time home time comes I have an array of songs firmly ticking in my head which refuse to be dislodged. At the moment, they are all Christmas songs as we are working on the Nativity.

One of my favourite times of the day is most definitely outside play, as it allows children to be really energetic. That's when you see some of the really quiet ones come alive. Outside they have more confidence. They relax and everyone becomes more involved. They are constantly asking me to play the crocodile game with them, which is pretty much me chasing them as I clap my arms in front of me like a hungry crocodile.

Connor explains that each day is filled with so many amazing and funny moments; the staff often feel incredibly proud of the children, especially when they surprise you with something they have learnt or said.

Storytime is a popular time of day and the children's book of choice is currently a book called MY DAD which the kids love.

Asked what toy he would be, Connor has admitted with a fun sense of humour "play dough. That way I could be anything they want or need, whether for playtime or learning."

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I ALREADY KNEW THE STAFF SO IT WAS AN EASIER TRANSITION WHEN I MADE THE DECISION TO MOVE FROM THE CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS TO PROVIDING THE BUILDING BLOCKS OF EDUCATION

Whatever the reason, the choice for your child's nursery is an incredibly important first step and these wonderful people have allowed us a glimpse into their imaginative and entertaining world – keeping the wonder alive for our little ones.

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WONDER VS WILL: A REMEDY FOR THE BRAIN

WORDS Jess Stanier

Last week, I got that inevitable first-of-winter cold that hits everyone this time of year. It started with sneezing, then a high fever, then that horrible crusty-eye feeling and then I was hit with a tsunami wave of the Victim Virus.

The Victim Virus. Truly the worst part of getting ill. You know it. Most commonly associated with Man Flu? Well, it really overtook me and I swear I lost my personality. I turned into this snivelling zombie, and just couldn't see anything through my usual posi-goggles any more. I'm talking the full on 'I'm a HORRIBLE fat, ugly, failure who is good at NOTHING and has NOTHING at all positive to bring this cruel world so I may as well just give

up right now' (my face a real life replica of the sad crying open mouthed emoji). It was only on the Thursday when I started feeling tiny a bit less snivelly that I realised just how absolutely awful I had been to be around. It made me think about how I'd treated myself that week; in particular what I'd done for my brain.

I mean, you get sick, you eat chicken noodle soup, you get into bed at 6pm and you wear your dressing gown for 5 days straight. You know that your body needs sleep, mindless TV and soup to get through the lurgy. But what about your poor zombie brain that is currently infected with the Victim Virus? What are you doing about that?

Thursday night I decided enough was enough. I pulled out some books, I went on my phone and actually actively thought about what was fueling my brain right now, and how I was going to fix the VV. It was actually a really similar process to when I decided I needed to do something about how I felt about my body (bopo mission) during a newly-single chapter last year. But more on that one another time...

So, read on for my top tips for getting over Man Flu or Zombie Brain - referred to here fondly as Victim Virus, a terrible foe mostly brought on by the good-old common cold.

LOOK SHARP

Best for: Changing your own perception (Like when they dress up the Boggart in Harry Potter)

Effectiveness: 2/5

For God's sake take off that dressing gown you've been festering in for 5 days. You cannot wear that to get more soup. No it is not ok to be in joggers and a hoodie instead. You are no victim! When you go to the shop today do NOT do it in your pyjamas. PUT SOME REAL CLOTHES ON AND SHOW YOUR POWER!

GET CREATIVE

Best for: Starting the 'I can' flow.

Effectiveness: 1/5

You are a creative person and not just a zombie with crusty

Get out that weird colouring book everyone used as a stocking filler last year, and get your childrens' pens and start scribbling... WITHIN THE LINES!

FUEL THAT BRAIN

Best for: Preventing the onset of social-media numbness.

Effectiveness: 3/5 No more mindless scrolling. Delete every social app and give yourself a texting ban for 24 hours. Fill this time with books, sudoku, colouring... but not technology. However, you are allowed to watch documentaries. There's a maximum limit of 3 hours' TV though and it has to involve David Attenborough (he's basically chicken soup for

the soul).

ACHIEVE SOMETHING

Best for: Remembering that zombies have no responsibilities, but you do. Effectiveness: 4/5

Obviously you can't hit the gym because you're sick, so you need to find another way to feel like you've achieved something today. Take back control and burn the Victim Virus from its unwilling host (just like in Stranger Things). An easy way to do this is to remind yourself that you have a shit-tonne of future to worry about. So, make a list, starting with something you can definitely tick off today like 'book the dentist' all the way up to something huge and uncomfortable like 'pay off that loan'. This shit will quickly bring you back down to planet earth.

GET SOCIABLE

Best for: Feeling better, despite yourself. Effectiveness: 5/5

And if none of that works to get rid of VV and you're STILL stuck with a bad case of oh-woe-is-me, then I'd suggest forcing yourself to get sociable (but only once you are no longer contagious, or alternatively via Facetime - otherwise you're just a dick). The final thing that kills VV is feeling good about yourself, and friends are bound to help in that one.

Disclaimer: Some people can suffer with Victim Virus for a lifetime and the above will not help. They also probably didn't suffer a cold which brought it on. Unfortunately, for this there is no remedy. Just be glad you are not one of those people and be sure to stay clear of them - try not to let them eat your brain in the search for their own.

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Whitmill Trust 25th anniversary celebrations LA CAPANNINA

THURSDAY 2ND NOVEMBER

Independent local trust company Whitmill, celebrated its 25th anniversary last month. To mark this milestone, staff and partners enjoyed a fabulous dinner at La Capannina restaurant.

and Managing Director Don Wijsmuller, who said, "It was wonderful to enjoy a relaxed evening with so many team members coming together to mark this very special occasion. We were incredibly grateful to Tino and his staff at La Capannina, the food and service was, as always, second to none, helping to make a truly memorable evening."

Team members flew in from offices around the world including Geneva, Gibraltar and Dubai. Guests enjoyed a delicious four course menu with wines personally selected by founder













Radisson Blu 10th Anniversary Gala
THE RADISSON BLU
SATURDAY 4TH NOVEMBER

On the 4th November the Radisson Blu Waterfront Hotel literally turned blue against the night sky to add to the celebrations to mark the 10th anniversary. A spectacular gala dinner was held, hosted by the directors who welcomed invited guests to an evening of gourmet dining and lively entertainment.

The J Lee Production dancers kicked off the evening with Alex Welsh performing

enthralling close-up magic. Fabulous West End singers, Incognito Artists, were the surprise act on the night, followed by Down For The Count, a magnificent seven-piece band from London.

The evening also saw generous donations, with an auction and raffle, raising in excess of £30,000 for the directors chosen charity for the event Jersey Alzheimer's Association.





We can cater for everyone's Christmas gifts and even offer free gift wrapping, or just pop in to enjoy the beautiful surroundings.



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The Hocus Pocus Ball
THE RADISSON BLU
FRIDAY 27TH OCTOBER

The Hocus Pocus ball was a spooky evening of fabulous food and fun held at the Radisson Blu Waterfront Hotel on 27 October. Live band, Take This, kept guests dancing the night away into the small hours.

Held in aid of MacMillan Cancer Support Jersey, the bewitching event raised over £7,000. The organisers were Mandy Le Feuvre, Jacqueline McDermott, Amanda Davey and Paola Mitchell. Mandy, Amanda and Paola will complete their fundraising challenge for MacMillan Cancer Jersey with a cycle ride from Geneva to Nice in 2018.













Intertrust Private Drinks Reception
CCA GALLERIES INTERNATIONAL
THURSDAY 2ND NOVEMBER

Clients and business partners of Intertrust were treated to a private viewing of the spectacular Four Seasons Exhibition on Thursday 2 November. The exhibition which runs throughout November, showcases some of Jersey's beautiful landscapes

along with artwork by various international artists including Graham Bannister, Anna Gillespie and many others. For further information about the exhibition and to find out more about the artists, please visit www. ccagalleriesinternational.com













The Quilter Cheviot Investment Roadshow THE GRAND HOTEL WEDNESDAY 8TH NOVEMBER

The Quilter Cheviot Investment Roadshow wrapped up in Jersey on 8th November after travelling to 18 locations across the UK and Ireland. Over 150 trustees attended the half day seminar 'Big Ideas for Channel Island Trustees' to hear three presentations on various valuable subjects specifically

relevant to their business. Following the extremely positive feedback, Quilter Cheviot is starting arrangements for their next roadshow to take place early next year so stay tuned for further details.













Voisin Law Glitz and Glam Event VOISINS DEPARTMENT STORE WEDNESDAY 8TH NOVEMBER

Clients of Voisin Law recently enjoyed a fabulous 'glitz and glam' evening, as around 75 guests took in a fantastic catwalk style fashion show at Voisins Department Store; checking out the latest trends in 'metallic' and the en vogue 'velvet look' whilst taking a sneak peak at some wonderful 'wow' outfits from top brands such as Ralph Lauren,

Whistles, Ted Baker and Millie Mackintosh.

Ladies attending also got some top tips on the latest 'hair up' dos from Aveda stylists and ideas on how get the perfect finish and a great glow from Laura Mercier make up artists.

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Bellezza Beauty Lounge Re-Launch Party 2-3 RED HOUSES THURSDAY 16TH NOVEMBER

Bellezza celebrated in style to mark the opening of their fantastic new Beauty Lounge opposite M&S in St Brelade, Red Houses. Having moved after 6 years at the St Brelade's Bay Hotel, old and new clients were invited to see the beautiful salon that the wonderful Bellezza team now work

from. Owner Angela Mariani commented "I'd love to thank everyone who have supported us along our journey. We're looking forward to welcoming people for the Christmas season and into the new year at this brilliant new space."













New Next Store Launch Event 46-49 KING STREET WEDNESDAY 22ND NOVEMBER

beautiful purpose built new store which has 25,000 of shopping over two floors. Store Manager Tracey Pelleymounter commented "We've been very excited to open this new store in St Helier and to also introduce our home department to the islands, make sure

Delighted guests were amazed at this

Open Monday-Saturday 8:30am-7:00pm with late opening on a Thursday until 8:00pm and special opening hours of 10:00 - 5:00 on Sundays over the Christmas period.

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you come down and have a look!"













Airtel-Vodafone Flagship Store Launch CASTLE STREET WEDNESDAY 22ND NOVEMBER

Airtel-Vodafone held their flagship store launch for corporate and VIP customers. Over sixty individuals attended, from a variety of companies where they were given the opportunity to explore the new globally fitted store.

fitted store.

The move brings Airtel-Vodafone's head office and store teams all under one roof,

with distinctive glass panelling where retail

customers can see through to the call centre

from the store. Local graffiti artists James Carter (aka Midnight) was commissioned to create a 'evolution of the mobile phone' and 'hello' wall in different languages.

These touches make the flagship store and office a very modern, unique space which brings all of the Airtel-Vodafone team together – and a store for all customers to enjoy!













Link Asset Services; rebrand launch.

ROYAL YACHT HOTEL

FRIDAY 10TH NOVEMBER

A big new name came to Jersey in November in the form of financial services giant Link Group of Australia, which acquired London headquartered Capita Asset Services from Capita plc. To celebrate, and to launch Jersey's newest financial services brand, Link Asset Services held a reception for its 200 employees on Tuesday 14th November at the Royal Yacht Hotel. Norma O Sullivan, Managing Director of Link Asset Services in Jersey said: "Our clients rely on us to provide robust and agile technology, combined with relevant knowledge and expertise. Now sitting within the wider Link Group, our proposition will go from strength to strength. Link Group is a new name to the island and we are really looking forward to establishing ourselves as being a key part of Jersey's growth story. It was great to see such a huge amount of enthusiasm amongst colleagues for the new business."

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If you see them walking the streets of St Helier, it's hard to miss this dapper duo. Kipper and his master Max are a pair of coffee sipping creatives that spend their time walking, talking and taking photos. We caught up with Max to ask him how he and his four legged friend spend their time.

Who are you?

I'm a photographer, so most of the time you'll probably see me with a camera in my hands. I never forget how fortunate I am to be able to do what I love for a living. I work with some exceedingly talented photographers at Studio_M and every day is something new. Kipper is part of the team too and therefore you'll often see him in the studio or on shoots. I'm very much into exploring new music and get out and about whether it's on Island or abroad. When I'm here though, Kipper's at my side.

Describe Kipper's personality in three words? Very, very chilled.

What's your morning routine? We head straight out as soon as possible and down to the beach. That's providing the weather is good of course, we aren't big fans of the rain. A bit of exercise and fresh air for the two of us is a great way to start the day with a clean mindset. We'll then wander into town to grab some breakfast and a coffee and that's us ready to own the day!

You work 'together' - any funny stories of kipper at work? Hmm. I probably wouldn't take him to a food shoot again. Watching him spend two hours eying up plate after plate made me feel really bad. The first time I took Kipper on a shoot was a bridal portrait shoot. I'm not sure he liked all the attention being on the models

so what did he do? Photobomb! He comes to the studio every day and is very useful at making our clients feel calm and relaxed which, as photographers, we love!

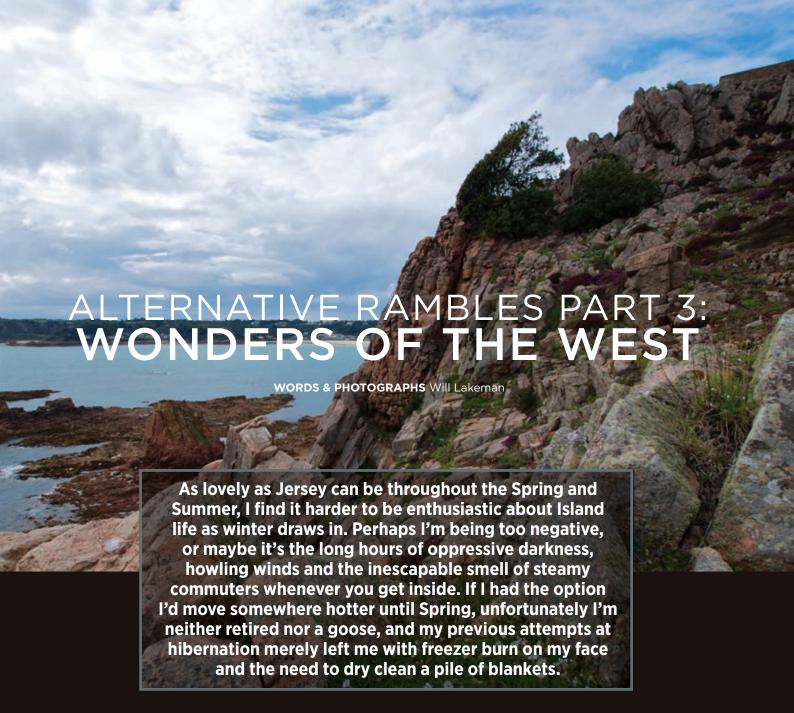
Describe your perfect weekend day

together. It's difficult to say as during the summer most of my weekends are occupied with work. When we do get time together it's always down to St. Ouen for a big run on the beach and to chase some stones. Kipper always brings his stone back to the car so the collection at home is mounting! When we're done with the run, it's off at Le Braye, which is dog-friendly, for a bite to eat and a drink!

So you dine together, what's your favourite place to go? Nude. That's our favourite place for breakfast. Not only does Kipper get a generous portion of chicken but I think that the level of attention that he gets makes the whole experience tastier!

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TRAVEL



If I spend the entire season inside I start to resemble a lump of halloumi cheese, so I am forced to embrace the unique qualities of Jersey's winter weather. It's neither warm nor dry out, but our coasts are at their most spectacular as they get beaten by the freezing waves, and there's a humid, fungal pleasure to the woods and valleys that you can't enjoy at any other time. Even when the elements seem like they're conspiring to destroy you, stick it out long enough and you'll be awed, exercised and fully justified in eating a large slice of cake when you eventually reach somewhere warm indoors. This article focuses on my favourite locations in the West, because although I strongly advocate making the effort to go outside, I still prefer to be within 20 minutes of a warm bath and my slippers.

Plemont and its surrounding areas

Visit the headland above Plemont today and it's hard to believe it was blighted by a mouldering pile of rubble for decades. The States saved the area from developers and handed it over to the National Trust, who have returned most of the site to nature. I still haven't seen any puffins but the result is one of the finest places to experience the salty fury of a Jersey storm. In summertime Plemont bay is the most beautiful swimming spot on the Island, but in the depths of winter the area is transformed whenever the wind and surf are both heading in its direction. If you walk around from the former holiday camp, instead of heading down towards the beach you can take the cliff path heading towards the East. Just after the little lookout tower, head down to your left through the bracken to Plemont Fort and

below that Petit Plemont. There's a German bunker offering a nice view of Plemont itself, but follow the path carefully down through the old gate; down and along to the very end of the rocks, being careful not to get too close to the edge on your left. At the end you can often enjoy the sight of massive waves battering the cliffside which faces the North West - when the conditions are just right the wind sends thousands of little puffs of sea foam floating high in the air. It would be easy to drown here, so don't swim in the surf and try not to go alone.

The pinnacle rock / German tower

There are many reasons to take a long walk from Grosnez to L'Etacq, whatever the time of year. The rocks and heather are beautiful whether bathed in sunlight or huddled beneath a duvet of milky fog.

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PICTURED PAGE LEFT: La Cotte PICTURED BELOW, LEFT TO RIGHT: Peilstand Marine Tower, Petit Plemont





When slicked with rain, the brutal concrete of the German Marine Peilstand tower is creepy and magnificent in a way that other buildings could learn from. I wish I lived in one, though nearby I was once harassed by gulls whilst inspecting a pool of trapped baby jellyfish. Despite the numerous guns, boulders and fortifications Le Pinacle, or pinnacle rock, is the highlight of the area - over 50 metres of weathered granite emerging straight from the sea and one of the loveliest places to watch the sunset. If you pick your way (very, very) carefully down from the the main path you can follow the rock around and even climb down close to sea level, although the grass is unexpectedly slippy and that deep, dangerous looking hole is as deep and dangerous as it looks. It's strange to sit on the rocks, buffeted by winds and divebombed by birds, and consider that ancient humans saw fit to settle this place multiple times throughout history. It is thought to have been a site for pagan worship, perhaps making it the historical equivalent of the Watersplash.

La Cotte de St Brelade

The area of land between Ouaisne and Portlet is one of my favourite places to take a long walk with my camera, especially as I have a nice choice of venues to reward myself afterwards with fried foods or beer. As well as enjoying the view down across the coast, you are also traipsing across paths that have been in use by humans and our ancestors (the St Ouennais) for millennia. The cave beneath the rock arch has yielded artefacts up to 250,000 years old, including tools and the bones of wooly mammoth. La Cotte is thought to be one of Europe's last Neanderthal sites and is arguably as significant an area for archaeology as Stonehenge, Piltdown or the swimming pool building at Fort Regent. I would park at the top, and walk left along through the woods to look over Portlet down towards the searchlight bunker at the end, then back up along the clifftop until you eventually take the steep path down to Oaisne bay. Look at the cave from there - due to a treacherous approach and loose boulders the site itself is off limits to the public, but you can enjoy a different view from sea level by swimming past or hiring a kayak.

Noirmont point

On the other side of Portlet bay is the Island's war memorial, comprising the historic fortifications stretching across Noirmont and a very bumpy car park that is popular with nighttime visitors, although I'm not sure why. I enjoy visiting all Jersey's bunkers, whether fully restored or full of beer cans and wee, but with the exception of the underground hospital the command bunker in the Batterie Lothringen complex is the most

"There are persistent urban legends that this area used to host a nudist beach, but despite hours camped out in the bushes with my binoculars (looking at cormorants, thanks) I've yet to see witness anything naughtier than a pair of Speedos."

impressive we have. Opening hours are on the website for the Channel Island Occupation Society, but the contrast between this area's quiet woodland and its lichen-encrusted cliffs makes it worth a visit even if you skip the concrete part of the experience. Once again, danger warning: using some often sketchy paths the sure-footed can make their way all the way down from the car park to the Tour de Vinde, a coastal tower close to sea level. There are persistent urban legends that this area used to host a nudist beach, but despite hours camped out in the bushes with my binoculars (looking at cormorants, thanks) I've yet to witness anything naughtier than a pair of Speedos.

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(ALTERNATIVE) WORLD

WORDS Rebecca Evans

For this, the Wonder issue, my thoughts naturally turned to the Seven Wonders of the World. Unfortunately the Pyramid in Giza is the only ancient wonder left to see, and whilst a 2007 worldwide poll of 100 million people declared a 'New' Seven, including the Taj Mahal, Roman Colosseum and Great Wall of China, it seems to me as though some of these have been a bit 'done' now. (You only need to spend 10 minutes on Tinder or Instagram to come to the conclusion that at least 75% of people have been to Machu Picchu already).

In any case, as impressive as these ancient and new wonders of the world are, I've always been a believer that anything humans can do, Mother Nature can do probably do better, so with the help of some much better-travelled-than-me friends, and after much debate, exclamations of

admiration, and googling of the next flight leaving for Brazil, I bring you a selection of alternative wonders and phenomenons; each naturally occurring; each magnificent in its own way and all to be experienced on this little lump of rock we call Earth. Passports at the ready....

Diving Silfra, Iceland

When you think of scuba diving you might imagine tropical turquoise waters, colourful fish and bright coral, but one of the best and most unique dive sites on earth is quite different. Silfra fissure in Iceland, situated within Thingvellier National Park, is a fascinating sub-aquatic chasm between the Eurasian and North American tectonic plates, which widens by around 2cm per year. Experienced divers have the opportunity to explore this watery wonder, through a number of official tour companies. The crystal clear glacial melt water provides up to 100 metres of visibility, more than enough to showcase the awe-inspiring rock formations and spectrum of colours. For those who haven't dived before, snorkel tours of the surface are also available, and you'll be pleased to note that dry suits are provided.

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2Bioluminesence on the Beach, Jersey

Did you know that there's a fascinating natural phenomenon right here in Jersey? In the moonscape seabed of the south east coast, millions of small but mighty luminescent worms make their home. When a new moon combines with a low tide it's possible to visit these mystical neighbours, and watch in awe as you splash through rock pools which light up with thousands of flashing lights like underwater fireworks, or trace patterns in the sand that glow bright green before your very eyes. Noted by local fishermen for time immemorial, these real Jersey wonders have only come to the attention of the scientific world in the last half a dozen years.

(Please note that due to the treacherous nature of our coast, bioluminesence walks MUST be undertaken with a guide. See www.jerseywalkadventures.co.uk for details & bookings)



Lesser known that Victoria or Nigara, but no less jaw-dropping, Iguaza Falls, marking the border between Brazil and Argentina is a chain of hundreds of individual waterfalls extending almost 3km and plunging over 82 metres at their highest point. Over a million visitors a year visit the falls, with the best time being spring or autumn, combining the best weather with the highest water levels. A series of walkways, trails and bridges offer close up views, and the intrepid can book a helicopter tour for a bird's eye view, or take an exhilarating wet & wild speedboat ride around and under the base of the falls.



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5 Hiking White Island Volcano, New Zealand

Situated just 50km off shore from Whakatane in the North Island, White Island is arguably the most accessible active marine volcano on earth. Guided tours by boat are available year round, and visitors get up close to New Zealand's most powerful geothermal activity, including boiling mud pits, whistling steam vents and most impressively (or frighteningly, depending on your outlook) a lake of steaming acid. With over 70% of this geological behemoth underwater, visitors are deposited almost directly at the crater, which is just 30m above sea level. Whilst seismic activity is closely monitored, gas masks and hard hats are provided; this once in a lifetime experience is not without its risks.

6 Son Doong Cave Vietnam

Discovered locally in 1991 and remaining a secret to the outside world until 2009, Son Doong Cave in Vietnam is the worlds' largest. So large in fact that a Boeing 747 could fit through the largest cavern without touching the sides. Like stepping directly into Wonderland, towering stalagmites and enormous stalactites line this unworldly interior, whilst a long ago roof collapse has allowed in enough sunlight to cultivate an entire jungle and a complete localised weather system inside this gargantuan grotto. With only 450 visitors per year allowed to step inside, more people have stood at the top of Mount Everest than have ventured into this ancient chamber.

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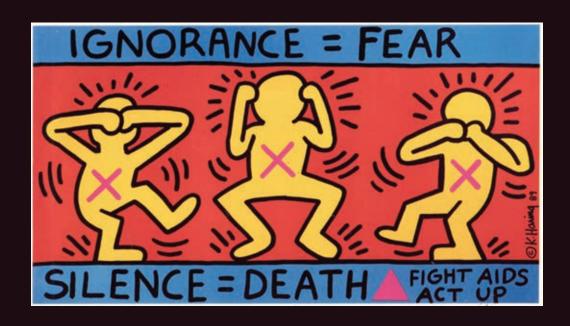
Okavango Delta by Mokoro

The Unesco World Heritage listed Okavango Delta covers over 15,000 square km of Botswana and is one of Africa's last great wildlife habitats. In the months from July to October when the flood level peaks, it is home to 160 species of mammal including rhino, buffalo and big cats, 530 species of bird and over 1500 varieties of plant. The best way to experience the tranquillity of this remarkable oasis is by mokoro, or traditional dugout canoe. Glide peacefully just above the waterline as dragonflies and kingfishers flit through the air, and elephants, giraffes and zebra stroll majestically along the banks. •

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CULTURE





THE JERSEY ART REVIEW

WORDS Cloe Freeman

It's a common human quandary to reflect on what the world was like before we were in it. It's part of our inquisitive nature to question and analyse cultural changes and make comparisons to what we understand today. Since the early 16th Century there have been developments of specific institutions that focus on, document, and in some ways, celebrate Cultural Heritage.

Originally established by the global expeditions of travellers; the 'Cabinet of Curiosities' or Wunderkammer describes collections of various objects that struggle to be categorised but that are celebrated for their intrigue. The exhibition of strange and foreign artefacts collected from around the world was believed to give people a greater understanding of life due to being exposed to the unfamiliar. The collections included, but were by no means limited to, objects belonging to natural history (lots of dodgy taxidermy), geology, religious and historical artefacts, works of art and antiques. What is interesting is how these Wunderkammers were regarded as 'memory theatres'; it was understood that to behold a collection in its entirety was to somehow gain complete knowledge of what the collections represented. However, looking back perhaps these pieces were a reflection of the collector's interpretation of the world and their message to those who were able to view it.

The Jersey Museum is an example of an institution which has evolved out of this lengthy history. The current exhibition on display 'Berergac's Island-Jersey in the 1980s' aims to offer audiences a glimpse into what life was like in the 1980s and a chance to understand this decade. The literature about the exhibition highlights a key aspect of this understanding through an exploration of 'how we felt' at that time.

On entering the space you are immediately greeted by dominating walls blocking any personal path you might want to explore. It becomes evident that a fixed route has been planned out for your 37 year time hop, led by emotional classes i.e. Happy, sad, angry. Categories appear by text anchoring you into specific historical, cultural or social events such as 'The Cold War' and 'AIDS'. As though stepping into a large scale book, the walls are like pages of an encyclopaedia, covered in text and imagery on each subject. As opposed to being conceptually

transported back in time, I was instead plunged into these pages of archival text. A distance felt palpable between my personal space in time and these printed words on the walls. That distance for me, representing the impenetrable 37 years' time difference. For an exhibition which aims to explore how 'we' felt- I suddenly sensed I was not a part of that 'we' and more like an objective, external voyeur.

Topics flow almost linearly around the space, pulling you through each ascending year and its corresponding events. These events were sometimes local, sometimes global which again may serve to confuse who 'we' really are. I became conscious that I was reading text describing global events, it felt odd and detached to be reading something clearly written on the behalf of others involved. However, there is great strength in the texts which showcase collections of more intimate local insights of what life was like in Jersey during the

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1980s, including first person accounts and display of personal collections of memorabilia. In this sense, the show was reminiscent of the BBC Domesday Project which was a nationwide event that aimed to document 'ordinary' life in 1986 by asking people from local areas around the UK to contribute to an archive of letters, images, events and stories. In 2011 the archives were painstakingly digitalised and are available for request on The National Archives website of which people today are invited to continue contributing to the archive.

What I think this exhibition at The Jersey Museum is partially lacking is the impetus to acknowledge the question of 'why look at the 1980s today?' It's just a start to suggest that it was "an amazing decade" but surely there are more critical parallels we can draw with the issues we face today? There are many topics explored in the exhibition which are very much current, such as AIDS and the threat of Nuclear War - we are all bombarded with stories of the feud between Trump and Kim Jong-un. It just seems conceptually a little flat and perhaps too easy to choose a decade because of its apparent popularity.

Another somewhat disappointing lack (at least a personal one on my part) is any mention of how important the decade was in the Art World. Surely to explore ideology, attitudes and emotions of the people, the Art World is a perfect point of reference? The postmodern ideals of artists based within what is known as 'The Pictures Generation' could have been used to illustrate some of the emotions explored. Photographers like Barbara Kruger presented iconic and very critical reflections of the capitalist consumerist ideologies such as the representation of women in the media. Ideologies the



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PICTURED LEFT: Keith Haring
PICTURED ABOVE: Barbara Kruger

"Surely to explore ideology, attitudes and emotions of the people, the Art World is a perfect point of reference?"

exhibition touches on by proxy because popular culture at the time was awash with these. Also, artists like Keith Haring and Michel Basquiat were heavily motivated by economic structures. Haring's street art was accessible even when depicting darker themes, it heightened awareness of some of the most important issues of the age, most poignantly, the AIDS epidemic as mentioned in the exhibition, which would take Haring's own life in 1990.

Going back to the curation of the show, there were nifty creations within the graphic design which felt fresh and current. I enjoyed the illustrative characters which playfully observe you as you wonder around. The colours and patterns used were very cleverly articulated into the form of the walls within the large space. I particularly enjoyed the old TV sets built around the screens which attempted to bring you back in time as you watched the visuals. Perhaps more visual methods of this kind could have been explored as for me it was a more successful form rather than simply reading text on the wall. I think it's sometimes safe not to ask too much of your audience, but to create a more active

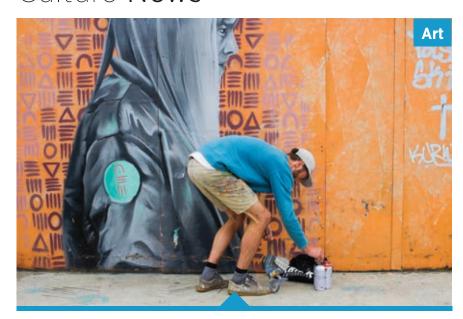
engagement often follows on to a more successful and varied experience.

The exhibition is extending its opening into 2018 with some small adjustments along the way. I think it's an exhibition worth visiting more than once to really gain full appreciation of the research and work which has gone into compiling it which is impressive. Due to its vastness you are bound to miss information which will make for a new experience each time. The exhibition is built to appeal to a wide demographic but I think its best audience would probably be people who lived through the 1980s as it definitely holds with it a nostalgic undertone. Those who do not identity with the time I think might struggle holding interest, partially I think as a result of the distance which has been reinforced through the style of curation. The show is perhaps reminiscent of a 'Cabinet of Curiosities' which desperately begs for you to understand but alas; understanding, I believe, comes as a direct result of a strong route message carrying the undercurrent of the curators opinion. It is this message which I think is the key element unfortunately missing in the show.



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Culture News



Bokra goes BIG

If you drive down Grenville Street, you'll no doubt have been wondering what could possibly be happening underneath all that scaffolding that's been on the side of the building in front of you as you wait at the lights. Well, thanks to support from Arthouse Jersey, the skills of Bokra's Ben Robertson have been used to full effect with another of him 'Russian Doll' style art pieces. Ben tells us that the first was more a style that developed organically until someone pointed out it bore a significant resemblance to the shape of those wooden ladies that fit inside each other. With that in mind, it helped inform Ben's future designs with this definitely one of the 'outside' size variety. The beautiful mix of styles features pigeons, the built environment and palm leaves to create a fantastic colourful art piece we can all now enjoy on our school and work runs!



Twinkle Toes

Ever dreamt of pirouetting / leaping on stage in beautiful costumes to the strains of Tchaikovsky? For the next best thing you can visit the Jersey Opera House in February and step into the world of Swan Lake and The Nutcracker, delivered in traditional Russian style by the Saint Petersburg Classic Ballet.

For those who appreciate a different style of dancing, Strictly's latest star, the sidestepping ex-Communard turned Church of England Priest, The Rev Richard Coles, will be recounting his experiences on the dance floor and backstage with the stars. Get creative, express yourself and be inspired to buy a different type of gift this Christmas. Phone the Jersey Opera House Box Office on 511 115 to buy show tickets, theatre tokens or vouchers for OH! Cafébar.

Skipton Open Studios 2018 to open its doors to creatives of all kinds

Skipton Open Studios, run by ArtHouse Jersey and made possible thanks to the ongoing support of Skipton International, celebrates the wealth of talented artists and makers in Jersey and is now in its ninth year. This popular Jersey event sees hundreds of local artists open up their studios or take up residence in unusual sites around the island. The public is invited to engage with local artists, learn about their practice, and to purchase or commission work directly. It is a fantastic opportunity to get a sense of the thriving artistic culture of the island and find out more about exactly how local artists make the work that they do.

In 2018 ArtHouse Jersey is stretching the Open Studios event beyond the visual arts to invite creatives of every discipline (for example musicians, designers, etc.) to showcase their work and open their rehearsal spaces, creative agencies and recording studios to the public, to better reflect the huge variety of creative people making work in the island.

Thanks to the ongoing partnerships developed with Jersey Heritage and the National Trust for Jersey, local artists are also given the opportunity during the event to transform some of the island's unique heritage properties into pop-up studios.

The Open Studios weekends will remain the main focus of the project with all participating creatives opening their studios across both weekends of the event, which will take place across the 23rd/24th June and 30 June/1st July 2018. ArtHouse Jersey will be announcing details of extra special events, workshops, demos and private views taking place as part of the 2018 Open Studios in the New Year.

Creatives and agencies interested in taking part should visit the ArtHouse Jersey website, where they can find details about the event, or email Producer Alice Bravery on alice@arts.je before 31 January.

2017 saw ArtHouse Jersey take a break from the Skipton Open Studios to pursue the Skipton Arts Series - the umbrella term that encompasses the Open Studios as well as other community arts events throughout the coming year. 2017 events included the Paper Talks project which saw thousands of islanders try their hand at the art of paper-cutting, and commissioned projects including the DIY Terrarium Project run by Will Bertram at the Link Gallery and Ben Robertson's Mural Project, amongst others.

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Get your entries in for Blank Canvas!

Art

Last month Le Masurier launched their blank canvas competition, a chance for any pupil at GCSE/A level at a Jersey senior school to compete for £500. You can even do it as part of your coursework. All you need to do is choose one of the three briefs for artwork the firm would love to use to decorate their new headquarters. Here are your three areas;

1: Reception Area

Dimensions: 6ft wide x 3.5ft high. | Suggested style: James Rosenquist

In the Reception area we are looking for a bold, colourful design that is inspired by the giant billboard-sized paintings made in the 1960s by the American artist James Rosenquist. You might like to begin by making a photo-collage, then scaling up part of the composition, as Rosenquist did in his sketchbooks.



2: Meeting Room

Dimensions: 3ft 10" wide x 3.5ft high | Suggested style: Georgia O'Keeffe

For our Meeting Room, we would love a large design to depict what Le Masurier does today. In the style of Georgia O'Keeffe (City skyscrapers/skyline). Of note is her skill at depicting the buildings in the Precisionist style. She also made atmospheric cityscapes of her view of the East River and smoke-emitting factories in Queens.



3: Board Room

Dimensions: 13ft wide x 3ft high | Suggested style: Abram Games

The Boardroom needs a striking graphic design that will show a visual timeline to illustrate the history of Le Masurier, paying homage to the Jersey's Tourism heyday. This is a great opportunity to artistically celebrate Jersey's recent past – the tourist heydays of the 1960s and 70s, Occupation and Liberation etc. A good place to start for inspiration is the advertising work of Abram Games and the work he did for the Jersey Tourist Board in the 1950s and 60s. Note his attention to detail in his clever use of imagery and typography .



THE PRIZES

Win for yourself & your school! Each category will be judged separately. The 3 Winners of the different categories will receive £500 each and £500 for their school. A Runner up prize for each category of £200 will also be awarded.

HOW TO ENTER

Just submit an A3 full colour design with the entry form, downloadable from www. lemasurier.co.uk/blank-canvas and mail/drop the two marked as 'Le Masurier Blank Canvas Competition' to 25 Commercial St, St Helier, Jersey JE2 3RU.

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Glyn Burton

Glass Worker

Glyn is a glass worker producing flameworked beads, architectural glass and sculpture from his studio in St Mary. He's been making jewellery for more than 40 years using a variety of precious and non-precious materials.

'The oldest glass objects known are beads and I love the idea that I am working in that tradition. The vibrancy and richness of glass colours provide me with endless possibilities and the beautiful island of Jersey constant inspiration.

What I love is how the work becomes part of the owner it's a collaboration between me as the maker and them as the wearer. Some of my work is in museum collections which is a great honour, but it saddens me that they are never worn."

Glyn works with glass rods from Murano to produce his jewellery. "The glass gives me the opportunity to work with a fantastic range of colours. I love working with people to produce unique pieces which reflect their personality. Molten glass is a mesmerising magical material and I am always happy to demonstrate for visitors to my studio The Old Priory at Devils Hole, St Mary.

In my online shop, which you can find on my website www.glynburton.co.uk, I have a few examples of my beadwork, I have at least a thousand in stock at any time so if you want something in particular please contact me, if I don't have it I will make it for you.'



Aida de la Herrán

Jewellery

Aida is a proud member of Genuine Jersey. She designs and makes sterling and fine silver jewellery, by hand from scratch, using traditional silversmithing techniques at her studio in St Saviour, sometimes complementing her pieces with semiprecious stones, pearls or pottery found around the Jersey beaches.

She was born and raised in Jerez de la Frontera in the south of Spain and studied Biology and Fine Arts with a concentration in Sculpture at Mount Saint Joseph University, USA.

'Jewellery is a miniature form of sculpture to me, and the advantage is that you don't need a massive space to work in, unlike sculpture. But the tools can be quite specialised and expensive.

My jewellery is mostly inspired by nature and from taking long walks around Jersey with my doggie Simba, which helps me come up with new design ideas.

I especially love incorporating the bits of pottery found on the Jersey beaches; every time I find bits of pottery or get given them, I feel like a child in a candy shop...'.

Aida's style is quite simple, organic and unique. She started working from a long and narrow lean-to by her garage and now has moved into the garage in order to accommodate all her different projects, be it jewellery, sculpting or building objects.

On the island, her work can be found at the Harbour Gallery in St Aubin and Jersey Oak in St. Martin. Visitors are always welcome to her studio by prior appointment.

You can visit her website at www.aida.je or contact her on 07700888999 for more information or bespoke commission work

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gift ideas from Jessica Myhill



Here you have it, dear Gallery reader -Jessica's Jolly Christmas Collection in the Gallery Gorgeous Gift Guide. Contributor and fan of alliteration, Jessica Myhill, has been out and about in St Helier this month to search out 24 things that'll be on her Christmas list this year and they're all available locally! So take a look through for some inspiration, and if you know Jessica then maybe pick one to wrap up and hide under her tree this Christmas.



Booja Booja Hunky Punky Chocolate - 100% Health

£6.59 The most delicious ice-cream I've tasted and it's dairy free! Full of yummy and healthy ingredients, such as cashew nuts and coconuts.



Fragrance Lamp + Oil -Wizards and Woozles

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Jelly Beans -The Chocolate Bar Jersey

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Lamp - Wizards and Woozles

£49 I love the choice of colours and designs they have in the shop, idyllic for any décor.



£35 I love the velvet look and

and festive!

Rucksack - Accessorize feel to this rucksack! Very unique



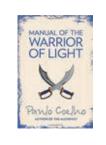
Roller Blades -Graeme Le Maistre

£50 One of my favourite sports to do with friends, no matter what the season! Love the timeless black style of these.



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Cushion – The Loving Chair Company

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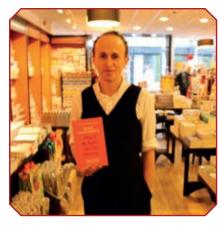
Stretch Armstrong. This retro toy has been brought back and has been named one of the dream toys of 2017.

The Entertainer - £22.00, plus 10% off because we live in beautiful Jersey.



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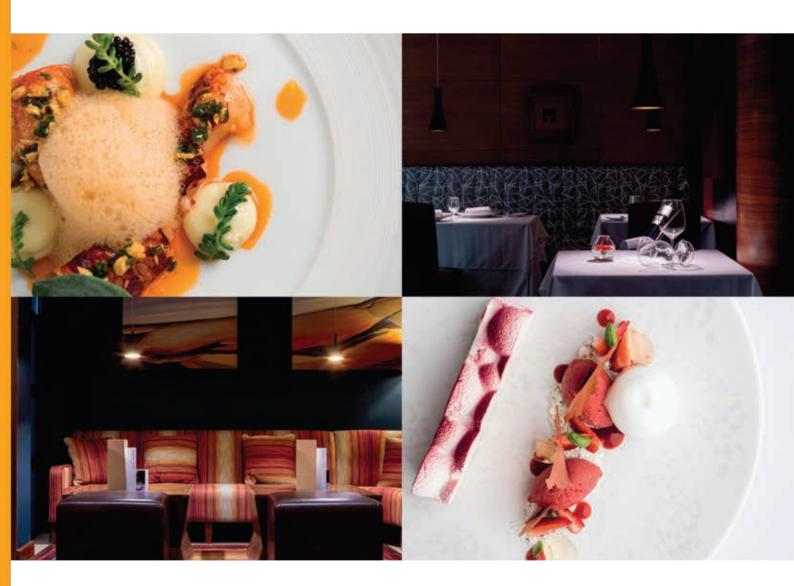
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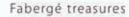
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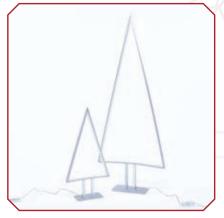


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Beauty News



WORDS Lorna Jackson 1st BSc (Hons) Acupuncture, BAcC, AFN

According to the report almost three in ten Brits exercise more now than they did ten years ago but more than half say they have been injured during sport in the past and one in three claim to have never recovered from their injuries.

To overcome a sporting injury, almost three in five people say they take oral painkillers, and nearly a third turn to ice and heat packs, compared to just 11% who opt for traditional acupuncture.

Discomfort from musculoskeletal problems can be alleviated with the correct diagnosis and treatment. Traditional acupuncture is evidence based therapy that has been shown to help reduce pain and swelling, increase blood flow to promote recovery and helps restore movement at the site of injury.

A lot of people either ignore their injury or opt for painkillers and anti-inflammatory drugs without ever being physically examined. Painkillers often mask the problem and do not always address any potential underlying issues. Traditional

acupuncture can help to identify the root cause of a problem, improving a patient's understanding and management of symptoms for a more positive long-term outcome.

Acupuncture is the insertion of ultrafine, single use sterile needles into specific acupuncture points on the body. This involves between 8 to 30 needles depending upon what is being treated. Acupuncture frees up the normal flow of blood, energy and nutrients by releasing myofascial and musculoskeletal constrictions. The insertion of fine needles creates an unnoticeable micro trauma; this induces a healing response in your body, releasing pain-relieving endorphins into your bloodstream. Essentially, acupuncture jump-starts your body's self-healing mechanism. Your body is constantly repairing and rebuilding itself; acupuncture can help direct this healing response in a more efficient way.

The gift of glowing skin Head to RIO Hair & Beauty to get your hands on these brilliant Christmas kits

A Helping Hand

Let's face it there is going to be a fair bit of washing up to be done over the festive season, so why not make it not quite such a chore by purchasing the divine Neal's Yard Remedies Festive Mandarin & Clove Hand Wash And Creme Duo to pamper your hard working hands? The wonderful scent will lift your spirits so you can get on with the 99 other things that need to be done!

Available through our lovely local brand rep Jo Le Cornu via facebook.



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The truth of emotions

WORDS Christopher Journeaux, Quiet Room Therapy



I have sometimes felt a conflict of emotions between the months of December and January. Christmas I have experienced as a largely happy time and in contrast to the cold, starkness of the New Year. I have felt that the month following Christmas must contain some sort of payment for its excesses.

In this I experience a shift in my emotions that I find uncomfortable; from joy to angst. But are these real emotions or just guided responses led by culture and social media? After all, we're bombarded with images of the so called "party season" which ends abruptly after NYE, as well as the struggles of being broke after Christmas and the grit of New Year's resolutions. So just how genuine is my sense of how I feel?

At the end of the year my Facebook timeline goes into overdrive with memes telling me how to solve all of life's problems, some which are intended to impart great insight; 'A bird doesn't sing because it has an answer, it sings because it has a song'. This was attributed to Maya Angelou, the world-renowned person that wrote it and civil rights activist. The inference is that this statement must have some profound awareness because of the writer. Should I feel something specific?

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As the BBC website reported in November, though she didn't write it. It is just another quotation that is intended to help us find a short cut to emotional well-being. Our emotions are being directed or pushed by the meme farms behind this and spread by those unable, or perhaps unwilling, to actually connect with their own sense of self.

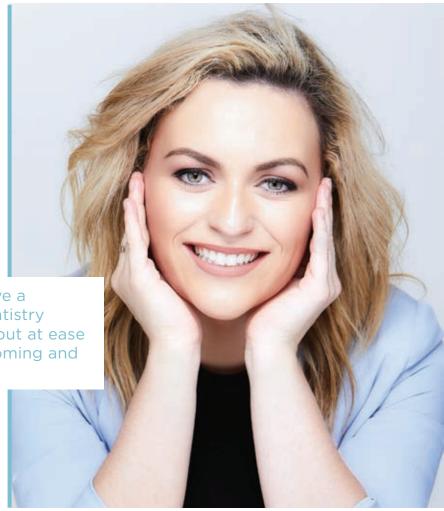
Being told how to feel at any time is as fake as a misattributed meme and, ultimately, just as unhelpful. Our emotions are ours uniquely. We can't make them fit a handy meme template.



Smiles all round



The team at Smile have an excellent reputation which has contributed to making them one of the island's leading dental surgeries. They offer patients a wide variety of affordable treatment options to help them achieve a naturally beautiful smile.



We met up with their patient Zoe Fergus to hear about her experience with the @Smile team.

Why did you decide to join @ smile? @Smile was recommended to me by friends and family, I had heard really positive reviews. Everyone @smile is so friendly and helpful and I felt instantly at ease. For as long as I can remember I had always hated the large gaps between my teeth and would never smile for photos or anything. So I was keen to see if they could

help me.

What made you decide to have your dental work carried out now? It was something that I had always wanted done from a young age. I've always been so conscious of my teeth and I knew it would give me more confidence.

How did you find the treatment?

I wasn't really too sure what options were available to me so when I explained what it was I wanted to achieve, the dentist went through each procedure with great detail and clearly answered the many questions I had.

I didn't want braces, so it was great to find out about the alternative option of cosmetic closures to get rid of my gaps and also I opted for teeth whitening. The treatment itself was brilliant. It was so quick, easy and completely pain free with same day results. I wanted my teeth to look as natural as possible and we achieved exactly what I'd hoped for.

Which dentist carried out your treatment? Louise Brownlow was my dentist @smile and I could not recommend her enough.

What would you say to others considering carrying out cosmetic dental treatment?

I'd say once you're clear of what your options are, go for it. It was the best decision I ever made.

Would you recommend @smile?

Absolutely. @smile has a very welcoming environment with friendly and professional staff and they gave me this lovely smile that I'm so happy with!

A new patient appointment costs just £59 (which includes all required small digital X-rays). If you're concerned about cost they can take you through their 0% finance options too.

Call them on 745467 to start your journey to the perfect smile.

ABOVE: Zoe pictured showing off her brand new perfect smile!

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Getting too much sleep is rarely something you hear people complaining about. In fact, I'm not sure I've ever heard someone say such a thing. But getting the right amount of sleep, which it's worth noting is different for everyone, can have a huge positive impact on every part of your life. I'm not sure I truly appreciated just how important getting your eight hours a night was until I sat down with Sam and Allan Watts, the husband and wife team behind the exciting new Genuine Jersey milk drink, Sleep Well, which hit our shelves last month.

The National Sleep Foundation and the UK Sleep Council are generating valuable research into sleep and how many people are negatively affected by not getting enough shut-eye. Amongst other things they discovered that a worrying third of adults in the UK have taken medication to help them sleep and almost half of Britons say stress or worry keeps them awake at night.

Sam explains 'When you get a great night's sleep, you feel like you can rule the world. That's why at Sleep Well we're on a mission to help people get their eight hours a night - a good average for most ages, although it is important to remember everyone is different. A great night's sleep can improve your health, mood, thinking, and immunity.'

Sleep Well is the first milk sleep solution which uses only natural ingredients: Jersey milk, valerian, and honey. What's valerian I hear you ask? Well, valerian root has been used to ease insomnia and anxiety for nearly 2000 years. It carries the safest class

1 herb rating, is known to reduce the time it takes to fall asleep and improves the quality of your sleep. So because it's a herb, unlike prescription sleep aids, it won't leave you feeling groggy the next morning. One of the most important things you can do to help get the very best night's sleep is to establish a bedtime routine. What you do before you go to bed directly affects the quality and duration of your sleep so this is vital.

The magic 30 minutes

Spend at least 30 minutes winding down before bed. Prepare yourself for the next day and give your body cues that it's nearly time to sleep. Don't start checking emails or social media, argue with your partner, open bills or do anything that will set your mind racing.

Avoid blue light

This means you need to put down the phone, computer or iPad 45 minutes before bed as the blue light these emit can suppress the

body's melatonin production. It's this which is a vital signal for your body to know it's time to sleep.

Are you sleepy?

Go to bed when you are sleepy, not when the TV programme has finished or when your other half wants to go to bed.

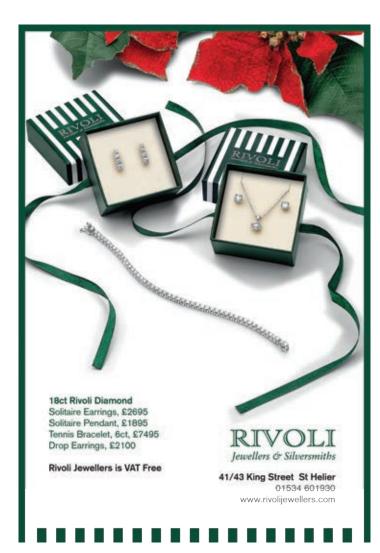
Reintroduce a bedtime drink

Many people follow the bath, bottle, bed routine for their children but ignore such a routine for themselves as they grow older. Introducing a bedtime drink, like Sleep Well milk, into your routine is a great habit to get in to.

Having myself been recently plagued with more than one broken night's sleep I was very keen to find out if the product offered the kind of restful night` to which others have been testifying. I'm happy to say that it really does! And it tastes great too.

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Beauty Products

Dear Santa, I'd like any / all of these pretty please.





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Energy Zest Bath & Shower Oil

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Eve Lom

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Brand available from deGruchy Includes their famous Cleanser as well as a Brightening Cream and Advanced Brightening Serum. For radiant refreshed skin. A luxury gift, ideal for hard working mums.



Sisley

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Available from Voisins

A hard working lip balm that delivers intense, long-lasting colour with a velvety matte finish, as well as soothing and most importantly plumping.



Aromatherapy Associates

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Jo Malone

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Phase Eight Geonna Sequin Knitted Dress UK RRP £110 de Gruchy £99

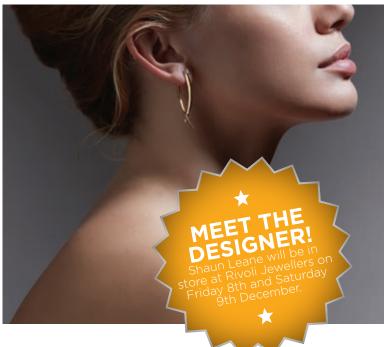


Phase Eight Caro Shimmer Full Length Dress UK RRP £209

de Gruchy £188







The Shaun Leane ethos was born at the bench in London's renowned jewellery heartland, Hatton Garden. From the age of 15 Shaun apprenticed in the finest techniques of traditional craftsmanship. He perfected the art of high end diamond jewellery mounting and antique restoration in an environment where skill was paramount and perfection was the only acceptable standard.

This foundation of technical excellence and classic artistry is now the pre-requisite for Leane's discerning philosophy. The House of Shaun Leane atelier comprises a team of highly-skilled artisans, designers and technicians, all trained in the delicate yet innovative art of goldsmithing.

We were lucky enough to get to interview Shaun ahead of his visit to Jersey in conjunction with Rivoli Jewellers who sell his show stopping pieces in their King Street store.

It's our WONDER edition... so we were wondering where would you wander for inspiration? As a designer, your eyes are always searching for inspiration; it is all around us. Many of my creations are inspired by organic forms but I am also greatly inspired by art. I feel that art, fashion, architecture, and all elements of design feed each other. My (not-so-secret) but definitely a favourite spot to wander is Hampstead Heath in London. Stepping back from the frantic pace of city life is essential.

Why do you love what you do? I love the idea that jewellery will remain and be treasured forever. There is something very romantic about that, the stories and sentiment behind a piece; to know that it has been greatly treasured and loved through generations.

What's your favourite part of the creation process? The traditional jewellery making process is something that I am naturally passionate about and take great pleasure from.

Best moments of your career so far?

Seeing my creations hit the catwalk with Lee Alexander McQueen were always moments of pride and excitement. When we won our first award in 2004 for Jewellery Designer of the Year, this was a very proud moment for my team and I, to feel our vision was appreciated and admired. Winning International Jewellery Designer of the Year at the Andrea Palladio Awards in 2015 still continues to fill me with pride.

Every time we create a piece that fulfils our vision it evolves the house further, with the aspiration to always create the new and the beautiful. It's always a landmark in my career.

I am looking forward to seeing where my creations will find their next homes following the upcoming auction of my personal archive at Sotheby's New York in December.

What are you excited about for 2018?

I'm currently working on collections for 2018 and 2019 and a string of some beautiful bespoke works which I am very



excited to see take shape. There is an extremely important project that I have been working on for the past 4 years which will be a monumental landmark for the House and the history of jewellers in Britain, but sadly I cannot reveal it at this point, you'll just have to wait and see!

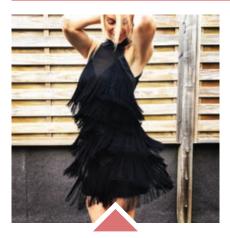
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Winter Wonders

WORDS Laura Morel

Finally, it's time for the glitz and glamour of December where the days slowly roll into one big celebratory party. Or, more importantly, a constant catwalk to show off the latest trends for the winter season! Party wear, cosy comforts and indulgent pieces that can only be worn to full effect at this time of the year. We've saved you the trouble of some online browsing by offering up our pick of winter fashion wonders so eye-wateringly fantabulous that you'll struggle whether to simply wear them or hang them from your Christmas tree. You decide.



Karen Millen dress

Be the star attraction this Christmas in a dress which comes to life. Tassels and fringing remain a huge trend this season and can be found everywhere from jackets to handbags, even dripping from earrings. Karen Millen gives the ever faithful little black dress a festive makeover with sheer panelling and masses of fringing. Throw yourself onto the dancefloor to truly make the magic come alive.



New Look top

Don't just make an entrance at this year's Christmas parties, but leave a lasting impression when you exit with an outfit that dazzles from the front as well as behind. This gold top from New Look offers just the right amount of peek-a-boo with a plunging front and open back. A little bit disco, a little bit retro, but with a whole heap of style. At a bargain price, this party top is definitely worth its weight in gold.



Eclat gilet

Like an Aladdin's cave of all things decadent and wonderful, Eclat does not disappoint with this fabulous embroidered faux-fur gilet. Wrapping up for winter weather has never looked more glamorous or more cozy. With mirrored details and colourful beadwork, this alternative to the coat is sure to turn heads at every Christmas party. Available in a range of colours, there's a version to suit to slot onto everyone's Christmas list.



Carvela have created the answer to every girls' dreams this season with a Christmas corker of a shoe. These court shoes provide a very necessary splash of colour to liven up these long, dark winter days, ticking off so many on-trend boxes. Sky scraping stiletto? Check. Bedazzling jewel trim? Check. Ornate brocade pattern? Check. The only difficult decision is whether to gift them or keep for yourself.



Pinko handbag

Surely we're not the only ones who go ga-ga over a splatter of star motifs? Splashes of starry skies are a sure fire hit this season and the perfect reflection of our dark, crisp winter nights. This eye-catching handbag is top of our accessory must-have list this winter. The 'Love Stars' leather shoulder bag features metallic stars, a chain handle and their distinct kissing birds emblem. All that's needed is some mistletoe to hang it up under!

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Trend **News**



Little Black...EVERYTHING!

Sleek, slimming and eternally stylish black is just THE BEST. We've rounded up a few beautiful pieces from this season's latest collections at deGruchy for you to feast your eyes on!

- 1 Tailored to give a flattering fit and refine your silhouette these are a winter wardrobe staple! L.K Bennett Solene Trousers, Black £135
- **2** Layer up in style with this gorgeous jumper. The metallic gold accents makes it a great festive piece. L.K. Bennett Camilla Black Gold Merino Wool Jumper £135
- **3** The ultimate party piece. Fabulously embellished with sequins, this top can be paired with slim fit trousers and heels for a modern party look. *Great Plains Suraya Sequins Top* **£85**
- 4 A deluxe jacket is the perfect statement item, offering effortless sophistication with its traditional tailoring and single button fastening. L.K. Bennett Deluxe Black jacket £275
- **5** This stunning faux fur shearling coat is completely versatile with the option of wearing it skin-side or fur-side out depending on the desired look. *Great Plains Aspen Reversible Faux Shearling Coat* £200

All available from deGruchy.

Munthe Since Munthe (pronounce Mun-th) was established in 1994, the brand has experienced immense growth, gaining prestigious awards and adorning top models and trend setters the world over.

In 2014 designer and creative director Naja Munthe relaunched the brand, which today is best known for its predilection to unique details. The brands finesse lies in the clever combination of the raw and deconstructed, paired with the refined and elegant.

Munthe's designs are easily recognisable because of their artistic, free spirited and contrasting characteristics. The result, season after season, is clothing that is to be worn and loved, and a style which is both relaxed and right-on-trend.

Munthe is available from Manna

Jewellery to fall for

Be beguiled by these jewelled Fabergé masterpieces, unveiled at Hettich as part of their latest collection. From the opulence of the Russian Imperial court to Jersey's finest jewellers, these delicious and vivid signature egg pendants, bangles and earrings are ready to fall in love with.

This stunning collection draws its inspiration from the original Fabergé jewelled masterpieces, capturing their refined detail and technical perfection in a choice of exquisite pieces. Dazzle and enchant in rose gold or white gold, watch these stunning diamonds catch the light and cherish your own modern treasure. Wear singly or stacked for maximalist appeal and let the compliments roll in.

Fabergé at Hettich Jewellers, prices start from £1,857. Hettich Jewellers, 1 King Street, St Helier. Tel 734491 or visit www.hettich.co.uk



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STALKED BY Jessica Myhill







Anna Ku

This outfit shouts 'Winter Snow Queen'. Anna's created the perfect combination of keeping warm whilst looking absolutely fabulous in her leopard patterned skirt. It's refreshing to see these bright pastel colours at this time of year.

Brad Jones

Repping local clothes brand Mango Tree at Mad Hatter, Brad's colour coordinated his denim jacket and burnt orange baseball cap perfectly. With just the right amount of laid back chic.

Jan Peter

Brightening up Autumn! Jan is glowing in her mustard yellow Joules Jacket from Vosisins, which compliments her blue polka dot scarf.

Jade Orkiszeurski

Jade has shot up her corporate work look with just the right amount of added fervour, in her red plaid scarf from Monsoon which combines nicely with her beige coat and high-waisted skirt.



Chris Bishun

The sauve corporate look is complete to a T here. Chris has modishly finished off his outfit with sharp Ray-Bans, striped shirt and striped scarf.



Anna Zarczynska

The deep turquoise Benetton coat and mustard yellow scarf compliment each other here. This shade of yellow is very big this season and Anna's pulled it off perfectly with her black kneehigh boots.



Catalina Fotache

Catalina stands out for all the right reasons, in her bold statement cinnabar colour top from Dorothy Perkins. Matched delightfully with her layered black cardigan and coat from Asos.



Linda McDonald

Embellishing the high-street, Linda has definitely added that much needed charm, with her pink furry shrug found in a Boutique shop in the UK and her colour co-ordinated shoes and handbag.

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WORDS Sara Felton

Like most things in life when I'm challenged to do something and I've no idea how I'm going to make it happen, I turn to my good old friend, Facebook. So when I was asked to write a feature about the Jersey Wonder I posted a status to try and find someone who could help me learn how to make them.

I was, sure enough, inundated by offers of introductions to the elderly generations of peoples' families but the person who appealed most was the call out from a friend who recommended I speak to Tash Day (neé Rault). Tash is a self-taught Wonder maker, in fact, she's taught herself how to make most Jersey delicacies mainly because she doesn't want to see the traditions lost.

Now we both know that people are likely to be horrified that Tash hasn't been passed down the art of Wonder-making from generations of her family, but I for one think it's awesome that she's grabbed the bull by the horns and found out how to make them so that she can now start her own family tradition. So, on a Friday night, I stepped into the Cooperative to buy lard... rather than wine; it's to fry the golden beauties in by the way.

For those who don't know the Jersey wonder is described as a sweet cake, which it is claimed has a similar consistency to the doughnut, but is neither filled with jam nor coated in sugar (damn shame I say!).

Traditionally, Jersey housewives cooked their wonders as the tide went out. Apparently, if they cooked them on an incoming tide the fat in which the wonders were cooked would invariably overflow the pan, but nobody seems to know why this is the case! But we did, of course, observe the tradition, more by luck than judgement.

Tash uses a recipe that she found on www. theislandwiki.org, but it's known that each parish has its own variations and many are closely guarded secrets which would never be shared outside of the immediate family.

For those that are die-hard Wonder makers, we hope that you see that this is very much a celebration of a tradition.

I must admit Wonders have never held a huge amount of appeal, perhaps it's because I'm not a true Bean (yes I know, shocking isn't it!) but they always seem to be a bit dry and stale tasting, but I was prepared to have my mind changed and shockingly, I did! It may well have had something to do with

the controversial addition of a coating of cinnamon sugar or just simply tasting them as soon as they'd been cooked, which yields a fluffy Wonder which is delightful. They are most definitely a labour of love and I admire those ladies who make these in bulk. I'm also grateful to Tash for giving up her Friday evening and I really do admire her dedication to keeping this tradition alive.

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> **INGREDIENTS: Jersey Wonders** (makes 40)

700g self-raising flour 100g butter (cold) 200g caster sugar 6 eggs

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Sieve your flour and sugar and rub in butter, you need to make sure your butter is cold and it's easiest if you chop it into small pieces. This is labour intensive and you'll need to make sure that there are no large lumps left, so that the mix looks like fine breadcrumbs.



Whisk the eggs and then add them to the dry mix. You may want to use a metal spoon to bring the mix together to begin with (it's messy work). Eventually you'll need to get your hands in to bring the dough together.



We then rolled the dough into a sausage shape and left it to rest (there was a hungry baby that needed feeding) but the Wiki recipe says you should flour your hands and make the dough into golf ball sized shapes. Place these on a lightly floured tray and cover with a damp cloth for two hours.



After they've been rested you need to roll out each of the balls into oblongs two inches x four inches. You'll need a rolling pin for this and don't forget to keep some flour on standby to flour your surface and the pin.



With a sharp knife slit the centre of each oblong and take the top end (of the oblong) and poke it through the slit. This is how you form the knot shape.



It's amazing to realise these odd look flat shapes will puff up once they hit the oil, at this stage, they are nothing like a doughnut.



You'll need a large pan of hot oil, we used lard which apparently adds to their flavour. Depending on the size of your pan drop three to four Wonders at a time into the pan of hot oil, cook for two minutes on each side until golden brown.



You'll want to have some kitchen paper on standby to drain off the oil. We suggest you also have the kettle on to boil and a cup of tea on standby so that you can enjoy it whilst eating one of your Wonders.



Now it's time for the best bit - eating them! With enough ingredients to have made forty of these little culinary wonders you might want to consider sharing them. Or not, the choice is yours!

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When I was asked to write about alternatives to the traditional Christmas dinner I harked back to my youth and immediately considered the 17 years I spent as a vegetarian. Yes, that's right, I was set on the plant-based eating pathway at the tender age of 10, at a time when the words plant-based didn't feature in most people's vocabularies - particularly those that were writing menus in restaurants.

But fear not it wasn't all bad, along came Linda McCartney and TVP (textured vegetable protein) was shaped into a variety of meat alternatives, which meant you could be right on and still eat 'sausages'. Well, I'm afraid to say that I fell off the wagon and am a fully fledged carnivore once again. So what merits the mantle 'alternative' when it comes to Christmas dinner, well so broad is the subject, I decided to look and see what others around the world serve alongside their sprouts, other than turkey...

Well, first of all, it appears that here in the United Kingdom we are very much in the minority when it comes to celebrating the big day on the big day. In much of Europe, the main meal is held on December 24, and there's not a speck of turkey to be seen!



Poland



Some of the most eyebrow-raising Christmas food comes from Iceland [the country, that is, before the supermarket sends the litigators in - Ed], where it's not unusual to be served puffin or roasted reindeer – I fear this could lead to some rather awkward conversations with the younger members of the dinner table about Rudolph.

Still, it definitely sounds better than their menu on December 23 as the last day of Christmas fasting, meat is traditionally outlawed, and boiled potatoes and fermented skate are served instead. So pungent is the fish that many people choose to eat out in a restaurant, rather than risk making their home smell. Sensible!

Poland is another largely Catholic country so Christmas Eve is when families gather and eat together, it also means that for this meal meat doesn't usually appear.

Carp is the main dish of the meal and its scales are said to bring luck and fortune and by some are kept for the whole year (e.g. in wallets). In fact, this is a fairly typical dish across much of eastern Europe and many families buy a live one and keep it in the bath until it's time to cook it... but worry not these days more people buy their carp fresh [but already killed], or frozen. They also cook it in a variety of different ways, not just roasted as it is in our picture.

Keeping with the Catholic tradition of no meat, the Portuguese make fiel amigo bacalhau (salted cod) in a traditional Christmas Eve preparation called Bacalhau da Consoada. Here, the fish is simply boiled up with potatoes, cabbage, carrots and hard-boiled eggs, and drizzled with Portuguese olive oil.

They usually have two kinds of Christmas cakes: Bolo Rei (King Cake) and Bolo Rainha (Queen Cake). King Cake dates back to the time of the Romans and is symbolic of the three kings. It's a bread like consistency and filled with dried fruits, nuts and topped with candied fruit and powdered sugar. The Queen cake, which is very similar to the king, but filled with considerably more nuts and raisins and sans candied fruit.

People drink Porto wine, traditional liquors and eat 'azevias' and 'felhozes' (Portuguese biscuits and sweets).

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The main Christmas meal is called Réveillon de Nöel and is eaten on Christmas Eve after people have returned from midnight mass. Dishes might include roast turkey with chestnuts or roast goose, oysters, foie gras, lobster, venison and cheeses. For dessert, they bring out a Yule Log called a bûche de Noël.

In Provence they are are all about the desserts. Here the Christmas meal ends with a ritual number of 13 desserts which are said to symbolise Christ and his 12 apostles. The desserts must be served all at the same time and each guest must taste each one of them. That's it I'm booking my ferry now!

Japan

I had to include this one as I genuinely didn't believe, but it's true! Over the last four decades, the fast food chain KFC has made their finger lickin' chicken synonymous with Christmas in Japan.

The story says that as there was no Christmas tradition in Japan the chap who managed the first KFC back in 1970 (he went on to become CEO of Kentucky Fried Chicken Japan from 1984 to 2002) saw an opportunity to make one, and the Christmas 'Party Barrel' was born and still remains

An estimated 3.6 million Japanese families eat KFC during the Christmas season, at least so reported the BBC. Millions of people weather long lines to order fried chicken weeks in advance to carry on the tradition.





Fun and Festive at Ormer

Like any good wine improving with age, Ormer continues to evolve and offer something different. Take their newly transformed al fresco terrace - it now sports a completely weather-proof, retractable roof and brand new toasty heaters to keep you snug throughout the winter.

You can also enjoy their resident DJs on the terrace on a Friday night or bring the family for a Saturday brunch. You might even notice something else on its way...the cryptic clue we've been given at Gallery is: 'Those who seek what is hidden will find light in the darkness.'

If you're starting your Christmas shopping, why not plan to eat with Ormer during late night shopping evenings? There's a wide range of bar snacks on offer from the popular Ploughman's, to Jersey oysters, gourmet flatbreads, carefully crafted salads and more. While you're there, you can tick off another person on your gift list with a £50 or £100 gift voucher for the restaurant or their masterclasses. The first 100 people to buy a £100 gift voucher will receive a £10 voucher for themselves!

Finally, don't panic if you haven't found your Christmas-do venue yet, as Ormer still have a few spaces left to host your lunch, brunch, dinner or drinks! With menus starting at only £29pp don't wait too long to book.

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THE KITCHEN AT GOREY VILLAGE



If you've not ventured out east for a while and are hankering for something delightful to eat then we suggest you head into Gorey Village and visit The Kitchen.

Owners Jacqui and Simon will be familiar faces to many having once been resident behind the counter and in the kitchen of a beachside establishment down at Beaumont. I won't lie, we were rather sad when suddenly they left the catering scene and so did the Dags Whopper. So we were absolutely delighted when we heard they'd taken their great quality cooking and excellent customer service inland to the heart of Gorey Village.

The interior of The Kitchen is a funky combination of mismatched chairs and wooden tables and the walls are adorned with old Jersey Evening Post front pages (perhaps we should take them a few Gallery covers) which add a touch of nostalgia to the modern setting. The large windows mean that the interior of the cafe is light and bright whatever the weather.

They serve a varied menu which includes their incredible all-day breakfasts, freshly made deli sandwiches and wraps as well as a selection of teas and coffees. And make sure you leave room for a cake as these are worth the drive out to east to experience if the breakfast isn't a lure enough!

Opening hours:

Monday - Saturday 7am-5pm last orders for food 4:15pm Sunday morning for breakfast 8am-12:30pm Gorey Village Main Road Call 01534 872744



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Rekorderlig Channel Islands wishes everyone a very Merry Christmas and a huge thank you for all your support since we launched in 2011. Enjoy the Festive season with our wonderful new Rekorderlig Spiced Plum.

Rekorderlig Spiced Plum is bursting with warm seasonal flavours. Pear Cider blended with plums, cherries, cloves and cinnamon creating a rich fruity experience. Best served cold over ice or hot with a slice of orange for BEAUTIFULLY SWEDISH enjoyment. Roland Topf from Rekorderlig wanted to share a personal thank you: "The Channel Islands have created a great success for this amazing Swedish cider with sales per capita as some of the highest in the world. The support from our distributor Liberation Group, the local people and our wonderful, Jersey bars, restaurants, cafes, shops, supermarkets and more has been amazing and we want to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and massive thanks for your support over the past 6 years".

Available to try at the Ice Skating Rink, Coop or Victor Hugo Wines. For more stockist info, please contact Brett at Brettalfescoevents.je

HALF CUT

The geniuses at Thomson & Scott have cut out half the sugar from their wonderful Skinny Prosecco drink. Tasting



notes describe the prosecco as "light and refreshing, with floral and apple aromas on the nose".

We've tried it, and it's delicious. The palate is fresh, lively, and fruity with great acidity and notes of green apple, golden apple, honeydew melon, and pear. Also their mini bottles are brilliant, there is something decadent and fun about sipping prosecco through a pretty straw from an equally pretty bottle.

Produced from grapes grown on the south facing slopes of the foothills of the Dolomites, close to Soligo, North East Italy. The core principle of their business is not to produce a prosecco aimed at weight loss but that; 'if you grow beautiful, pure fruit in the vineyards and work carefully and respectfully in the winery, there is no need to add lots of sugar to your finished wine'.

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With the Panda bringing their Vietnamese to town, it great to see the asian food offering available at work-day lunchtimes stepping up a notch. Singing from the same song sheet is a new addition to the Central Market. An open sided, industrial frontage of a market pitch is perfect for Ginger: a new Asian street food lunch spot. the menu is varied and there are some good 'clean' choices, such as the warm broth of a tasty ramen dished up in enormous bowls, available to take away; you'll be set for the whole afternoon.

The menu also offers Pad Thai, rice bowls (great with teriyaki chicken) and salads. Warning! The portions are very generous! Plan on eating a light dinner, or if you're smart, keep some for later. If you're extra hungry, some steamed buns with aubergine or dumplings are there to help. The food is cooked to order and served quickly while you wait for box fresh goodness. There's something great about eating from a cardboard box, as though you're working late in a US legal drama. When we went to give it a try last month (twice!) we made our way to eat in the Autumn sunshine but if you're early there are also a few stools and a table for two to eat in with the smells and action of the goods cooking in front of you, for the authentic street food experience.







The Panda has a house!

The Pink Panda Van has been a trailblazer for street food in Jersey. Emily Walker's classic Citroen became a mainstay at events and quality parties, offering up the tastiest Vietnamese Street food. When Panda went off the road in June, we were worried. Thankfully Panda #2; a newer model

van was in service soon after and meant vans of bao buns and katsu curry weren't left without their fix for too long. Recently the PP has had a part time home as part of Street Food Thursdays but it's time for Ems to get a little more space to work and offer people in town their Panda on plates with the addition of a new premises.

With Elke from Flavour having to relocate for a while, she's handed the Esplanade sport familiar for great and healthy food over to be the new Pink Panda. We figure their customer profile is pretty similar and whilst we'll miss Flavour's amazing spicy eggs on sourdough, we're glad it's going to another local who is passionate about great healthy food. As Ems told us; 'As long term fans of Flavour and all that Elke has created there, we are delighted and honored to be taking on such a great little spot, dedicated to fresh, local and seasonal produce. 2018 is looking Pandalicious already! We can't want to get our faces around some bao buns at lunch. Watch that space.



Pizza (and Pacman?) Project'

Market Street is a great little part of St Helier. The characterful lane that takes you from Hugo's to the Market has some great little retailers; whether an impressive display of Peonies from Eden or oh-so-chic Scando home wear from Pebble. In culinary terms it's changed a bit over the years, first with the change from the old Che cafe to Relish and with the upcoming establishment of Crab Shack's St Helier branch where Lidos once was. Further down the lane, it was always a tale of two tearooms, with Rosie's on one side and Market Tea Rooms on the other. With the recent retirement of Market Tea Room's owners, it's now left Rosie as the queen of the street in terms of scones but left a gap to fill.

Step forward local entrepreneurs
Fim Evans and Nick PerchardRees, two gentlemen who share
kindred opinions about pizza and video
games. Nick's Pizza Projekt has already
been catering to the requirements of
barties and events this summer and
Fim's love of retro gaming led him
to the acquisition of some classic
bld school games machines recently.
Combined, the pair are planning to
turn the old market tearooms into a
finew fusion eating and entertainment
fipace; the sort you'd usually find tucked
flown a backstreet in Shoreditch or
flood theatre mixed with high scores.
It's being stripped out ready as we go
to print so look out as they pop up in
floecember ahead of getting established
to 2018. Maybe one for a Christmas
flood with a difference!

*Pacman may not be available on site, we just liked the alliteration in the title.





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It's no secret that I love food! I particularly love all of the foods that arrive on the scene when the seasons change and the nights draw in and I'm happy to say that this love was fully satisfied on a recent visit up to the L'Auberge Du Nord at The Farm House, in St John

On a cold Tuesday evening, I headed up to the "pub" which sits in the original building that forms part of The Farm House just outside St John's village. Greeted by the incredibly lovely Danny, my companion and I were seated next to a roaring fire with two glasses of Malbec and immediately felt at home.

We have some of the finest and freshest ingredients one could wish for on our doorstep and Chef Gary and his team use as much high quality, locally grown and sourced ingredients as possible on the menu at the L'Auberge. He and his team freshly prepare all of their dishes daily, so we knew we were in good hands when we discovered that he'd chosen our food for the evening.

First up were our starters of ham hock terrine served with sourdough and fig chutney, so good! A generous portion; well seasoned and with lovely chunks of flavoursome ham, capers, and gherkins within the terrine. It really was excellent. My partner in crime had the seared local scallops which sat on top of crispy black pudding and were

accompanied by just the right amount of lemon butter - delicious!

Next up we, rather embarrassingly, had four main courses delivered to the table. I mean come on - we did this for you, the reader - and don't forget that chef chose our dishes. We weren't disappointed by any of them and ate almost every morsel on all of the plates, much to the shock of our fellow diners.

squash risotto with wild mushrooms and spinach, which was just the right side of garlicky and spiked with fresh thyme, even for a carnivore. It was delicious.

And then there was the pie! We went a little off-piste on this one (chef hadn't included it but we ordered it) but I'm so glad we did, as it was a triumph. Shortcrust pastry filled with melt in the mouth steak and amazingly tasty, rich gravy. Served with a side of creamy mash and steamed vegetables, it was the pie of my dreams. It also comes in chicken and mushroom, which I fully intend to go back and sample.

It came to quite a shock to the chef that we were feeling brave enough to take on dessert. If I'm being honest it was

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We sampled the bangers and mash; three fantastic Cumberland sausages were accompanied by creamed potatoes with celeriac and delicious red onion gravy. For the fish lovers, there was posh scampi which sat alongside langoustine, calamari and whitebait, served with salad and the most amazing chunky chips I've seen for some time. Then came a perfectly cooked roasted

a stretch even for me, but again I'm so glad that we did. We agreed to share a portion of the fresh-that-morning salted caramel cheesecake and all I can say is -yum! The base and topping were perfectly proportioned and the addition of ginger biscuits in the base added a lovely note to the dish. It was a delightful ending to what had been a thoroughly enjoyable evening.

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In the heart of rural Grouville, the property is set amongst rolling fields with a copse of trees, extensive wildlife, and no other properties to obstruct its amazing location and view. As you arrive at the gated entrance you get a sense of what lies beyond, but only once inside do you really appreciate what is essentially a private valley that stretches out to the front of the property.

As you park next to the large 3 car garage and storage room, all you can hear is the gentle stream that runs to the side of the valley, and the call of pheasants (the current owner shoots both clays and birds on the land). Formerly part of the nearby Radier Manor estate, the owner of Val Poucin enjoys the title of chef tenant of Grouville. The chef tenants own Grouville common (The Royal Jersey Golf Course) and hence

enjoy the right to play on the golf course without paying membership fees.

Looking back to the entrance, you will see the main house; a beautifully developed 18th Century granite farmhouse with flexible accommodation including a separate one bedroom annex, and a four bedroom cottage. Entering the main hall, you will be impressed by the grey polished









concrete flagstone floors, light Farrow & Ball walls with a custom built hall wardrobe create a sense of space, elegance and calm.

The main hall opens to the left to a beautiful formal drawing room, with open fire place, whilst to the right is the heart of the house: a large open plan kitchen, and dining area with a full size aga dominating a large granite hearth. This is the central hub of the house - the large polished granite central island works very well, together with a bar area, and a large dining area. This house is designed to entertain large gatherings of friends and family.

Moving from the kitchen, you will pass a well equipped utility room which opens to the rear of the property, with a lovely granite courtyard. And then Val Poucin yields its hidden secret: a cavernous, oak floored, double height open living area. This amazing space is heated with a large free standing wood burning stove, which can also be ventilated in the summer with electric velux windows. This highly adaptable space is currently divided into a seating area by the fire, and large U-shaped snug area for enjoying film nights. The doors from the space lead out to a secluded and sheltered sun trap, positioning the room as one that lends itself to entertaining on a grand scale.

Moving through the barn room, you can access the integrated one-bedroom cottage through double-locked doors. The cottage is a completely separate unit with its own entrance and can therefore be let as unqualified or for short term holiday let. The cottage has a spacious kitchen, dining, living area and has a large master bedroom and shower/bathroom. The main bedroom opens out to a private terrace and garden area, and can also be accessed from a separate private drive at the rear of the property.



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Returning to the main house and heading upstairs, the master bedroom enjoys a commanding view of the valley, and benefits from a large double height dressing room and adjoining ensuite. There are a further two double bedrooms on this floor, and a further house bathroom. The top floor of the house is capped with two beautifully appointed double bedrooms and a shared bathroom. There is extensive eaves storage easily accessible.

Just down the valley a little and to one side, the additional 3-bedroom cottage has a separate entrance and driveway. The cottage has a beautiful, modern double height glass apex with stunning views of the surrounding countryside. Recently refurbished, there is under-floor heating throughout. This cottage currently enjoys unqualified status, but residential status would be subject to re-confirmation with housing at the point of sale.

Val Poucin is a beautiful example of a Jersey farmhouse, but feels contemporary, light, spacious, yet private and secluded. The accomodation is adaptable in a number of ways and would suit a large, possibly multi-generational family who will enjoy its unique position in the Jersey countryside whilst offering the most convenient of school runs.

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The cost of borrowing has fallen so low that many people have never experienced the much higher interest rates that used to exist up to 2008. It is highly unlikely that we will see a return to those rates at any time soon, although one thing is certain and that is that rates are now going to slowly rise.

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to have slowed, although demand remains quite high. Agents are having difficulty in matching demand against new instructions, as there is a shortage of most flat and house types in the First Time Buyer market, as well as in the Home mover market at the next level up. It is possible that worries over Brexit might also be an influence despite there being much more confidence in the local economy. The recent hike in Bank of England base rate is

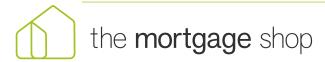
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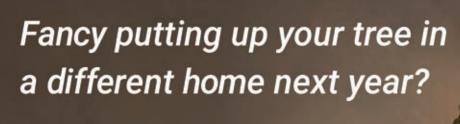
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With their fast delivery service the bed business is booming for them and they've had move to a larger warehouse, take four more staff on board and two additional delivery vehicles to meet Jersey's appetite for the perfect bed. This is alongside all the other fab furniture that MyPad sells to kit out your home makes mypadci.com the Channels Islands fastest growing furniture outfit.

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You've probably walked by Wizards and Woozles on New Street many times, but perhaps haven't ever stopped in for a browse. Many people will pass the tardis like shop by thinking it's purely for those seeking the weird and wonderful, but it has so much more to offer than just its very popular holistic side.

Once you step inside you'll be greeted by a veritable treasure trove of treats to choose from. They have some great finishing touches for your home and of course, fab options for Christmas presents too!

Choose from the fantastic range of Bomb cosmetics, already wrapped and ready to gift. Or what about one of their incredibly popular salt lamps, which are known for their natural air purifying qualities, these were in such demand last year that they sold out, but worry not, they have plenty available this year!

Wizards and Woozles also have a range of beautiful Ashleigh & Burwood oils and diffusers, in a variety of colours, shapes and sizes adding both decorative charm and delightful scent to any room. There are also plenty of candles and incense options available and a variety of less conventional greetings cards, it's a veritable one-stop shop.

Next time you're passing be sure to stop in and take a look around for yourself.

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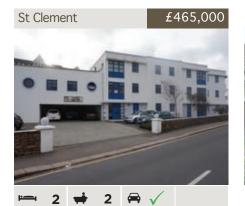


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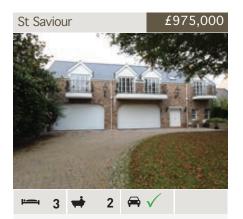
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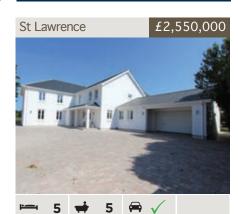
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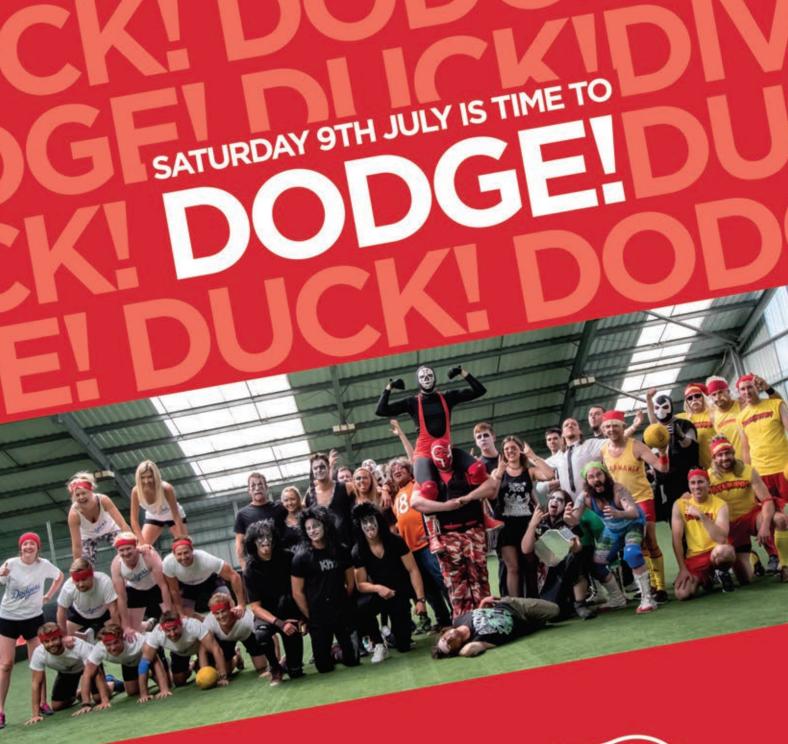
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WONDER WOMEN

WORDS Laura Morel

Following the release of 'Wonder Woman'. Marvel's first ever film with a female lead, an important conversation has started this year about how we view strong women. These women are independent. do not need rescuing, in fact they're the ones we turn to in times of crisis. In Jersey's business community, we have long had our own team of female superheroes, challenging gender stereotypes, pushing boundaries and setting an inspirational example to young men and women evervwhere.

Here's the secret to success from some of Jersey's very own wonder women...



JOANNE LUCE

Managing Director at Aqua Group

Joanne is at the helm of local private wealth firm Aqua, who provide corporate and wealth management solutions. Describing herself as a "honey that makes the money," Joanne keeps a healthy balance between work and home life, creating a framework at Aqua where all can flourish - be it working mums, dads or young inspiring individuals just starting out in the industry.

This year has seen Joanne bring Aqua under direct staff ownership, whilst continuing to significantly grow and develop their client base. She credits the success of her firm down to a good team of people, who make what she does look very easy!

She is particularly proud that her role allows her to give support, assistance and build relationships with some wonderful families and that Aqua is committed to giving 2% of their profits to some fabulous charitable causes.

Joanne was included in the IFC Top 200 Powerwomen List in 2016 and is looking forward to seeing Jersey businesswomen taking more of a stand of solidarity following on from recent media attention and the #metoo campaign.



Head of Tax, EY

Wendy's approach to business; to be open, authentic and at times vulnerable has made for a winning combination. She has held the role of Head of Tax at EY for the last two years, having worked for the firm for almost four years providing expert tax advice on funds, corporates and international structuring.

Awarded the Bronze award for Woman of the Year in this year's Citywealth Powerwomen Awards, Wendy is thrilled to be helping to put the Jersey finance community on the map and to be an inspirational businesswoman.

She believes being a leader today is very different to what it was ten years ago and 99% of the time, gender plays a part. There are increasingly fewer people who believe a woman can't compete as effectively in a man's world of business. She is happy to be part of a growing community of senior women in finance, recognised for her great work in a leadership role in a large organisation.

Super power:

Bread making. Joanne has been known to treat the office as well as her family to a home-made loaf on occasion. Watch out GBBO, there's no stopping her!

Super power:

Patience and positivity in times of stress. Plus, being able to constantly walk in 4 inch heels every day.



CAROLINE DUTOT

Advocate & Founder of Ardent Chambers

It's been a whirlwind of a year for Caroline Dutot, Co-Founder of the barrister style chambers which provide high quality legal and advocacy services. The business was awarded runner up in Citywealth's IFC Boutique Law Firm of the Year, after only having been in operation for nine months. Caroline was then recognised as CEO of the Year 2017 by Finance Monthly, one of only two females in the UK to receive the award. She was also awarded 2017 Female CEO of the Year at the CV Magazine Corporate Excellence Awards.

As well as running her own business, Caroline also holds the position of Vice-Chair of the Jersey Chambers Commerce Committee, Chambers Connection, as it looks to engage with young professionals across all industries on the Island. She also works as a Non-Executive Director and is a trained mediator, two areas on which she would like to focus more next year.

The self employed nature to Ardent Chambers provides for flexible working, a concept of which remains difficult to achieve in the legal world. As a time consuming profession, it is often difficult for women to carve out a career and balance this with family, especially for female court room lawyers where demands on your time don't leave room for much else.

Super Power:

Reframing problems through probing questions...and definitely losing keys.



ALEX MOREL

Managing Director of ALX Training Ltd

Many would regard Alex's biggest achievement as winning Director of The Year For a Small Organisation at the Jersey Institute of Directors Awards. But for Alex, creating a business that makes a real difference to people's lives is a much bigger trophy to own. Through her business ALX Training, Alex is supporting people as they re-enter employment or helping those carry out their roles more efficiently. Most importantly Alex has managed to convert a passion of technology into a successful and rewarding career.

Running her own business has required a lot of hard work and dedication, much of which Alex credits to her husband, Kirsten, for his continued support whilst Alex flits between breakfast meetings and dinner networking events. Alongside being a wonder women, Alex is very grateful to have celebrated her 40th birthday this year in the Artic with her family by her side.

A constant hunger to learn has contributed to Alex's success, as she has always dedicated huge amounts of time to studying and furthering her learning. Whether it is business, finance or the latest software package, there is always a way to use this new knowledge to her advantage.

Super Power:

Converting technophobes into IT lovers.



TINAPALMER

Director, ASL Recruitment

Tina has managed stay at the top of her game in recruitment for 27 years now. As a Director of ASL she has navigated the business through developments in the employment market as well as new legislation and changes to the regulatory environment

In 2016 the recruitment agency opened up a new division as a leadership development centre, running accredited ILM workshops and courses based around behaviours. This is an area which fascinates Tina, who is a strong advocator of diversity on boards. Whilst female equality is important, she believes it is a much wider question and that businesses should be embracing religious and cultural diversity in order to engage with their audience and achieve success.

Tina is very proud to hold the position of President of the Rotary Club of Jersey de la Manche. She is one of only a handful of women involved with the club, proactively playing a key role. Tina has also been a member of the Skills Board member for three years and a past member of the Employment Forum.

Super power:

As predictable as it may sound, being highly organised and spinning many plates at once. The key to her career and varied roles is to be a master multi-tasker.

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JERSEY TECH COMPANY GOES GLOBAL

Peter Le Brocq, Touchstone
Managing Director (pictured),
explains how the technology
company has enjoyed major
expansion across the APAC region
and received the highest Microsoft
accreditation for its NavOne wealth
management system.

Touchstone, the provider of choice for global wealth management administration and accounting systems, has opened an office in Singapore following continued growth success, especially in the APAC region.

The office, in the business district, has been opened following increasing global demand for Touchstone's services and products, especially NavOne, used by increasing numbers of trust and fund administration companies, family offices and professional advisory firms in over 25 global jurisdictions.

"There has been a drive for companies to have better administration and accounting systems to help them look after their clients' assets, particularly with increased demands represented by impending regulation of the Hong Kong financial services market," said Peter Le Brocq, Touchstone Managing Director.

"A physical presence in Singapore underlines our commitment to the region, to our existing customer base, and the opportunities we are already seeing."

Established in Jersey in 1997, Touchstone opened an Australia office in 2008 to service demand in Australasia and now has a growing team of wealth systems experts based in Sydney.

"We see significant growth potential in the APAC region" added Mr Le Brocq.

"As Microsoft continues to evolve its Microsoft Dynamics NAV business solution, we will continue to develop NavOne as the market-leading product, with the highest standard of service provided to our customers enabling them to use the technology to increase operational efficiencies and reduce administration costs."



Other positive news for Touchstone includes NavOne being granted the Microsoft accreditation "Certified for Microsoft Dynamics". This signifies the solution has met Microsoft's highest standard for partner-developed software. By successfully meeting all certification requirements, NavOne can now carry the distinctive "Certified for Microsoft Dynamics" logo.

Solutions that are "Certified for Microsoft Dynamics" have demonstrated development quality and compatibility with the Microsoft Dynamics NAV product on which it runs, by passing rigorous software solution testing for

Microsoft Dynamics. In addition, the Microsoft Dynamics partner must have customers who are successfully using the certified solution and are willing to recommend it, and be a Microsoft partner with

Gold competencies within the Microsoft Partner Program.

"Touchstone has always been committed to software excellence, and achieving the Certified for Microsoft Dynamics designation for NavOne is a reflection of that commitment," said Adrian Akers, Technical Services Director at Touchstone

For customers, Certified for Microsoft
Dynamics helps identify Microsoft
Dynamics solutions that have been tested for
compatibility, meet high quality standards,
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customers. This certification represents a
significant step in elevating the standard
for partner-developed software solutions for
industry-specific business applications. By
highlighting these solutions, Microsoft also

creates new opportunities for partners to expand their reseller channel and to better promote their packaged Microsoft Dynamics solution for customers.

"By requiring that both the software solution and the partner meet our highest standards, Microsoft is assuring customers that these certified solutions work with their investment in Microsoft Dynamics," said a Microsoft spokesperson.

"Microsoft congratulates Touchstone on achieving the Certified for Microsoft Dynamics status for NavOne

"A physical presence in Singapore underlines our commitment to the region, to our existing customer base, and the opportunities we are already seeing."

by demonstrating its success and commitment in delivering a leading Microsoft Dynamics solution".

Touchstone employs 50 staff and is the provider of choice for global wealth management administration and accounting systems, specialising in Microsoft's Dynamics NAV technology, consultancy and development. With offices in Jersey, Singapore and Australia, it is the wealth management division and a wholly owned subsidiary of the Touchstone Group, one of the largest suppliers of business software and consultancy services to midsized UK organisations.

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You may well have recently seen what looks like modern day superheroes hanging around, or rather off, a variety of the island's tallest buildings. Well worry not they aren't just taking part in a variety of charity abseiling initiatives, or fighting crime, they are instead providing an incredible service for those people who may need help getting to hard to reach places.

When it comes to working at heights or hard to access places then rope access is by far the safest and most efficient access method used around the world today. Here in Jersey, Tony Riley and Jay Kimpton of Channel Island Rope Access Services (RAS) are two highly qualified professionals who, collectively, have decades of experience in the building trade which they have now applied to their business that was first launched in 2015.

Often if you have maintenance that needs carrying out to the exterior of your property you first call a scaffolding company, which can lead to you incurring large costs and also waste valuable time whilst you're waiting for towers to be erected. Well thanks to the evolution of rope access equipment Jay and Tony are able to quickly perform both inspections and maintenance on your property.

Their services include, but are not limited to; performing camera surveys, painting, inspections, surveys, cleaning and maintenance of the facade of your property, as well as high level building painting, jet washing, carpentry and joinery, sign and banner erection, roof repairs, roof cleaning, vegetation removal and gutter repairs.

Basically if you have a job that needs someone who can get up high or into an awkward place then these guys are who you need to call!

There are other benefits to using RAS too. They're cost effective, thanks to the need to use fewer people to accomplish tasks. They're environmentally friendly as they leave a minimal footprint and don't need petrol, oil or electricity. They're fast and efficient, which means they can be



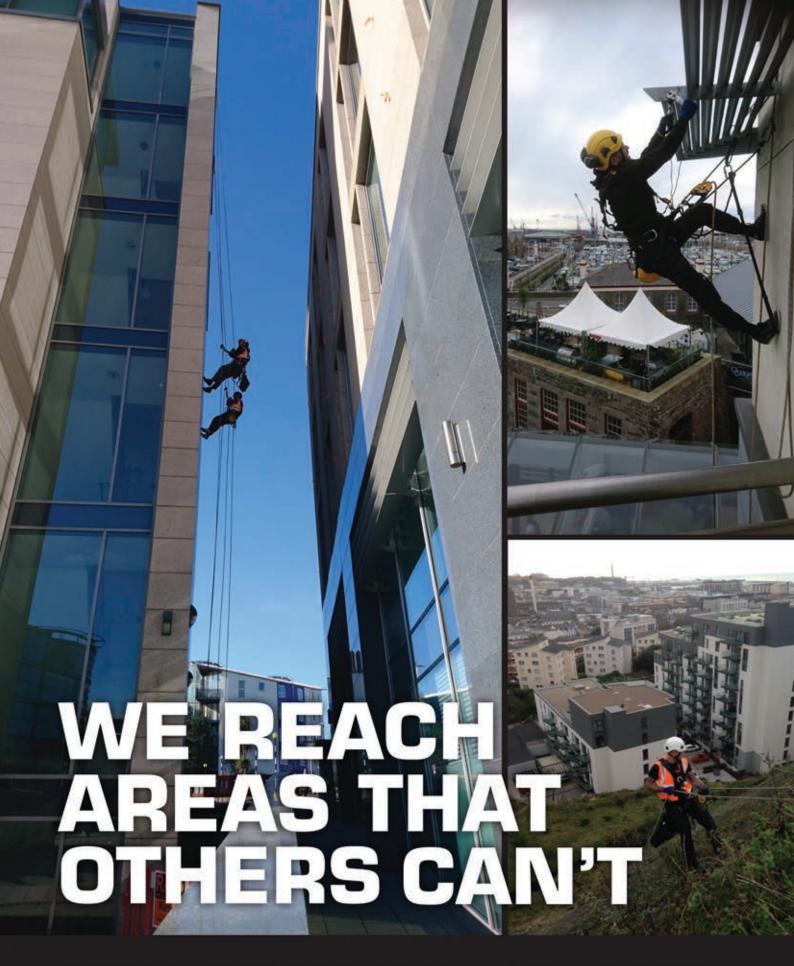
established and dismantled very quickly. They're also safe, as IRATA certified rope access technicians they belong to a group who uphold an exceptional safety record within the construction industry.

They've learnt their trade through years of working here in Jersey and also offshore too. Both Jay and Tony worked on the Westmount site five years ago and after that went off island to continue working on a variety of well-known high buildings around the UK. They've also worked on the North Sea oil rigs, which means they're not afraid of extreme conditions.

Having spent the majority of their time developing their trade off island they soon realised that Jersey was lacking the expertise that they have to offer, so decided to go into partnership and set up their business so that they can offer their services to both local business and also local residents such as you and I.

If you'd like to find out more about what the team at RAS can do for you then you can give either one of the guys a call or visit their website for more information.

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New Blue Islands inter-island schedule starts this month.

After feedback from its consultation survey aimed at the Channel Island business community, Blue Islands has altered its inter-island schedule. New times will see the evening Jersey to Guernsey services depart at 16:40 and 18:00. The final two Guernsey to Jersey services will leave at 17:20 and 18:40. Rob Veron, Blue Islands CEO, says the two consultations issued this year now have enough responses to make alterations; "The first survey had just 94 responses, nowhere near enough to base schedule changes on. However, the second survey had 570 responses, and combined this means we have enough data to make adjustments. On analysing the responses, there was no consensus on morning schedule alterations, with roughly a third supporting each suggestion. Therefore, the morning schedule will remain the same. However, demand was clearly shown for afternoon return flights to be even later, and that's why we are pushing these services back by 30 minutes, allowing people to get even more out of their day's travel." He says the airline was happy to make alterations when there was clear evidence it was what people wanted. Although the changes might not meet with approval from everyone, he added, this is what the feedback had requested. So if you're heading to Guernsey this month, you have an extra half an hour to get your business done!



Brooks Macdonald teams up with Generali Worldwide

Generali Worldwide's Professional Portfolio International investors using Generali Worldwide's Professional Portfolio are now able to access Brooks Macdonald's multi-currency discretionary investment strategies, which are managed through the firm's Channel Islands subsidiary. Minimum investment amounts for a full DFM service through Brooks Macdonald's six risk-rated International Managed Portfolio Strategies start from £50,000 with bespoke and alternative strategies available for portfolios of £500,000 or above.

Aztec rock the Guernsey ICSA Awards!

Aztec Group took the Corporate Services Team of the Year award at the 2017 ICSA awards in Guernsey last month. The local ICSA awards are designed to celebrate individual and collective success of ICSA students and members, showcasing the value they deliver to organisations. The judging process required a 2,500 word written submission, highlighting the innovation, progress and key accomplishments that the team had achieved in the past 12 months. The judges then shortlisted the four firms, who they believe are leading the way and demonstrating excellence in corporate services on the island.





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Interior design with a Purpose

Purpose has revamped its office design to give its staff a more innovative and uplifting environment to work in. Inspired by the new trends in modern office design, Purpose has created a positive working environment through its reimagined office space complete with moss walls, white-board spaces, think pods for independent study, a chill-out area and silver birch trees.

Staff are encouraged to brain-storm solutions on the white-board walls so that everyone can understand what problems people are trying to solve. It is hoped that the new office will banish any sign of Monday morning blues, creating a relaxed environment for Purpose's team of ten to excel in their studies and day-to-day work.

Luke Smith, Director of Purpose, said: "Our objective is to be provider of choice to our clients and employer of choice to our team,

so it was important that we had an office space that reflected this. What employees value is changing and we all know we're at work a lot so having somewhere to show Purpose as a great place of employment and collaboration is hugely important to stay authentic to our objective."

Luke worked together with Stuart Dryden of Waddington Interiors to come up with the concept for the office. They were keen to bring elements of the outdoors inside and reflect nature and the environment in their office given Purpose's close involvement with many renewable energy projects such as 'Clean Marine' and 'Repowering London'. The addition of the feature moss wall provides more than just a focal point as it helps to oxygenise the room and control humidity. It also assists with noise levels, absorbing reverberations and adding a pop of colour to the environment. The project is nearing completion as they look to install LED screens to their office ceiling. These will mimic the effect of a sky light on the ground floor and bring a little piece of sunshine into everyone's working day.



Tier One for Collas Crill

Following on from the recent announcement of its growing team, Collas Crill's commercial property practice in Jersey has received a top tier ranking in legal directory Legal 500, joining its Guernsey counterpart. The annual rankings, that were released earlier this month, saw the team move up to Tier 1 alongside the Guernsey commercial property offering. As well as receiving rankings for 12 of its practice areas, the firm saw 30 of its lawyers listed as 'recommended' as well as 10 included in the elite 'leading' and 'next generation' lawyers. This news follows the appointment of new group partner Pamela Doherty, who joins the firm's current property partners, Martin Le Boutillier and Paul Harben, as one of Jersey's largest property offerings on the island.

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MBO at BNP

The management team of BNP Paribas Real Estates (Jersey) Ltd has successfully completed a management buyout of the business. The company, which will rebrand as D2 Real Estate, will continue to be led by the current management team of Phil Dawes and Chris Daniels, who will be supported by a consortium of private investors. BNP's eight staff have also transferred across to the new company. From its base in Anley Street, D2 Real Estate will provide services through the whole spectrum of the commercial property lifecycle including property development, freehold and leasehold disposals and acquisitions, commercial property management, valuations and landlord and tenant consultancy.



Win for Law At Work Director

Richard Plaster, a Director at Law At Work (LAW) has won the inaugural 'Outstanding HR Professional' Award at the Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development Jersey Branch Awards 2017. Richard, who joined LAW in 2014, was singled out as an exceptional individual who has driven significant business improvement within LAW, including its expansion into mediation, secondment, recruitment, e-learning and the introduction of a salary survey. He was also praised for his positive impact on colleagues and his contribution to the wider HR and business community, including leading the Employment Forum and Skills Board.



Collas Crill bolsters corporate & commercial team

Collas Crill has appointed two new lawyers to its Jersey office, further strengthening its corporate and commercial department. Ross Rennie and David Walters have both joined the firm as associates following the recent expansion of Collas Crill's commercial, banking, regulatory and funds offering. Ross advises financial institutions, public and private businesses, individuals and funds on all aspects of corporate, commercial and finance law. He has significant experience advising on cross-border transactions in the real estate, financial services and energy sectors. Prior to joining Collas Crill, Ross worked as an associate in the banking and corporate team of Bedell Cristin in Jersey. David has a wide range of experience in advising fund managers, administrators and financial institutions and has advised on the fund raises of international buy-out funds, real-estate funds and infrastructure funds from inception through to final close. He also has experience advising investors on their investment into funds and advising sovereign wealth funds, family offices, foundations and fund of funds. Prior to joining the firm, David worked as an associate in the London office of leading American law firm Ropes & Gray.





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The ideal candidate would have

- Knowledge and previous experience of Customer Relationship Management preferably in the software or finance industry
- Project management skills with an ability to interact with and motivate others to succeed on several fronts simultaneously; results orientation and leadership skills
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"Having obtained a board level position in December 2015 he took, what some might consider, the bold decision to completely change his own career path."

CARVING OUT A SUCCESSFUL CAREER

Renny Gould is a well known name in both business and sporting circles thanks to having carved out not one, but two, incredibly successful careers in the professional surfing world and the finance industry. If you don't already know Renny then you might be interested to learn more about his professional journey, as he's now at Optimus Recruitment, helping others navigate their own career paths.

Renny surfed for Team GB, in both the junior and open team at four World Championships, ranking as high as 14th in the junior division and 22nd in the open. He was a member of the Billabong European Surf Team from 1996 to 2015, and is now a brand ambassador.

Having started his own career at an entry level office junior "without a clear understanding of what the finance industry was all about"; Renny was lucky enough to have found himself in a great firm of experienced people who took the time to teach, train and coach him in the trust industry. During these early years he held roles in several trust companies from junior to trust officer level, in amongst extended trips away chasing waves and competing in surf contests.

This took him through to 1995 when he returned from a three year global surf

journey finding work where he could, and then joined Chase Bank. "This role formed the foundation of my career in trust. Through managing an incredibly diverse range of assets held in various jurisdictions, predominantly for Latin American clients, this paved the way for a move into business development with Coutts Trustees, who I joined in 2004. The major focus of my business development activities with Coutts was Africa, with regular trips to Kenya, Zambia, South Africa and Nigeria, all of which I loved and miss!"

He left Coutts in 2014 to join the board of TMF to drive business development, establishing a new business team, managing high net worth private clients and taking on director responsibilities.

Having obtained a board level position in December 2015 he took, what some might consider, the bold decision to completely change his own career path. "I popped in to see Jamie Guyer at Optimus Recruitment to discuss potential opportunities and left highly intrigued with the chance of moving into recruitment. After seriously considering the change, I followed up with Jamie and here I am 18 months in and loving it."

Like the other members of the team at Optimus, Renny has come to this role with stacks of industry experience, which means he and the team are able to provide guidance and advice to those who seek assistance with their career. "By calling on my own experience I'm able to help people who might be looking to explore new roles. It's one of the major reasons I left the finance industry, so I could help people and work in a way that enabled them to benefit from my experience."

It's important to note that Renny's career wasn't just about chasing waves but finding his ever-changing path and developing the right opportunities.

If you see him down at the beach and want surfing tips or to find out more about how Renny can help you find the next big wave in your career be sure to go and say hello.

Contact Renny on 832660 or email renny.gould@optimus.je



Cut out for Account Management?

Account Manager opportunity

This is an exciting opportunity where you could join a world-leading provider of wealth management system as an Account Manager.

Based in Touchstone's Jersey office and working with the Head of Client Relations, this role includes developing opportunities and generating sales of NavOne licences, products and associated professional services from existing customers. The right candidate will also support the Head of Sales in acquiring new customers and achieve sustainable business growth by building successful, long-term customer and internal relationships that deliver a positive customer experience.

The ideal candidate would have

- Proven work experience as an Account Manager, Key Account Manager, Sales Account Manager, Junior Account Manager or relevant role
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Bright Futures

Future Finance are delighted to announce the appointment of two new Business Development Executives. Alan Cameron brings a wealth of experience having most recently worked for deVere Financial Services in Qatar. Josh Le Corre brings invaluable experience to his new role having previously worked in a similar role within the HNW insurance space. Denny Lane, Director of Future Finance said, "we're really pleased to welcome Alan and Josh to the Future family. Both Alan and Josh have already made a significant difference to the company and we look forward to supporting them as they grow into their new roles."

Bedell Cristin Associate recognised for second year running

Senior Associate at Bedell Cristin, Henry Wickham, has been recognised at the annual Citywealth Future Leaders Awards as the Gold Award winner in the 'Lawyer of the Year IFC - Associate' category for the second consecutive year. Henry, a member of the firm's international private client group in Jersey, has a long list of credentials that includes being listed as a prominent figure in the leading lawyers' category of Citywealth leaders list in 2015 and 2016.

New Marketing Manager at Airtel Vodafone

Airtel-Vodafone has appointed a marketing manager to join the team based in their new flagship mobile Jess Stanier joins the team with a wealth of experience in the full marketing mix. Based in Jersey, with responsibility for managing marketing activities in the Channel Islands, Jess' new role will involve implementing Airtel-Vodafone's new brand strategy following their partner Vodafone's every marketer's dream to work for a global brand and now I get to work with two. It's a great time to be joining the business with some many exciting and new initiatives on the go.'





Senior appointment at Rathbones

Rathbone Investment Management International has strengthened its business in Jersey with the appointment of Matthew Sutton as a Client Director. In this role Matthew will be responsible for developing and maintaining important relationships, both with intermediates and clients in Jersey, Guernsey, Bermuda and Switzerland. Matthew will work closely with trust companies and consultants along with individuals and their advisors to assist in providing tailored investment solutions. Matthew has worked in the offshore financial services industry since 1978 and has a wealth of experience at board and senior managerial level. A Chartered Member of the Chartered Institute for Securities and Investment, Matthew holds the Diploma in Company Direction from the Institute of Directors, a Postgraduate Diploma in Marketing from the Chartered Institute of Marketing and the Banking Diploma from the Chartered Institute of Bankers.



Oi strengthens team

Marketing and creative agency Oi has made two exciting new hires in Guernsey. Jess Mauger joins Oi as an Account Manager bringing with her over 15 years' experience in marketing and PR including nine years at one of the island's top telecoms providers. With extensive local PR knowledge and a wealth of experience from event management and product launches to strategic promotional activities, Jess brings fantastic marketing expertise to the team at Oi. Her new role will encompass all her existing skills and offer Oi's clients a key touchpoint for activating their own brands and products in a competitive environment. Peter Grange, Oi Chief Executive Officer, said: 'It is great that Jess is joining our team at such an exciting time for Oi. We are continuing to expand our portfolio of local, national and international clients. Having locally respected talent on board is fundamental to our success.'

Also joining the team is Tia Gardner who joins Oi as a Social Media and Digital Marketing Executive. Locally born Tia has a degree in international promotion and marketing and a keen eye for all things social. Tia is well placed to facilitate all areas of social media and Oi looks forward to seeing her develop within the role whilst delivering outstanding social media content for clients. Peter, continued: 'This appointment illustrates the importance we place on social media as an agency as an increasingly-important marketing channel. Oi is going from strength to strength and we are excited to bolster our award winning team with new hires and appointments.'



New Account Director at Direct Input

Julien Morel has been promoted to Account Director at communications agency Direct Input. In his new role, Julien will take a lead in the day-to-day management of the firm's varied PR accounts, helping DI's clients to communicate in a timely and effective way. Julien joined the team at Direct Input in 2015 as the next step in a 15-year career in the media, which included working as a journalist and sub-editor at the Jersey Evening Post and as a content editor at ITV Channel.

New Family Law firm established

A new specialist family law firm, Corbett Le Quesne, has been launched by Advocates Barbara Corbett and Nicholas Le Quesne. The firm will be advising and representing clients in all areas of Jersey family law including: divorce, financial settlements, cohabitation, pre-nuptial, post-nuptial and separation agreements, civil partnerships and dissolution, children law, parental responsibility, residence, contact, relocation, child abduction, care proceedings, surrogacy and adoption. Advocates Corbett and Le Quesne are both experienced family lawyers qualified in both Jersey and England and Wales and are therefore able to advise and represent clients in both jurisdictions. They also advise foreign lawyers and clients on Jersey family law internationally. Both advocates are trained in collaborative law and Advocate Corbett is also a mediator and an arbitrator. In November 2016, Advocate Corbett was awarded Family Law Partner of the Year at the Jordans Family Law Awards in London.



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Carly Vardon; associate director at Hawksford

Hawksford has appointed an associate director with 11 years' experience in the legal and financial services industries to its private client team. Carly Vardon's responsibilities will include working with fellow directors to implement Hawksford's private client business plan and developing new business opportunities. She will also play a role in managing and growing the private client team and ensuring all clients receive a quality service. Carly joined Ogier in 2006, where she qualified as an English Solicitor as part of their legal training contract within the corporate and commercial team. Following a management buyout she became a manager at Elian Private Wealth in 2013, where she advised on international portfolios for Middle Eastern clients and provided specialised offshore administration to high profile clients. Carly has also held roles at Royal Bank of Canada and IFG Trust Jersey. In 2016 Carly was recognised as a 'Top 35 under 35' professional by industry publication Eprivateclient.



Intertrust in Jersey appoints Chris Bowden associate director

Chris Bowden joins the company from Vistra with 19 years' experience in the trust and corporate services sectors. Chris will look after a portfolio of clients and will provide company administration, director and company secretary services to a diverse range of corporate structures. He will also focus on business development, as Intertrust seeks to grow its Jersey corporate services business. His previous experience in the offshore finance industry has seen him manage complex corporate structures in multiple jurisdictions with a diverse asset base including mining and exploration, commercial and residential property and e-commerce. Mr Bowden is a member of the Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners (STEP) who holds the STEP diploma in international trust management.

Bedell Cristin bolsters property team through series of appointments and promotions

Bedell Cristin has bolstered its property team in Jersey through the appointment of Jeff O'Boyle as a Senior Associate and Priya Jobanputra as an Associate.

Jeff, who joined the firm from a Guernsey practice, has been advising clients in the Channel Islands on local and UK commercial property transactions since 2013. Previously, Jeff spent 12 years working for Pinsent Masons in the UK and brings experience of representing a number of

multinational clients including investors, developers, lenders and private clients on a wide range of complex and high-value instructions.

A qualified solicitor in England and Wales, Jeff has a particular expertise in acquisitions and disposals, landlord and tenant matters, property finance and energy.

Priya, who is also an English qualified solicitor, joins Bedell Cristin as a Property

Associate. She has more than seven years' experience working in residential property and conveyancing. In her most recent role, she assisted in developing standard practices and growing the department.

These appointments follow the promotions of Natalie Harris to Senior Associate and Jane Needham to Associate, who was sworn in as a Jersey solicitor earlier this month.



Welcome to our careers special...



Gallery speaks to recent graduates about their move to the working world, what motivates them and what advice they'd give to those that are new to Jersey's top companies. We also caught up with a recruitment consultant to hear about their advice for graduates.





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KATIE PHILLIPS

ASSOCIATE AT MOURANT OZANNES
LITIGATION PRACTICE GROUP

Age: 26

Degree subject: Law with Criminology (LLB)

What did you want to be when you were 82 A

What did you want to be when you were 8? A ballerina. Favourite way to relax?

Sitting on a beach somewhere hot enjoying a cocktail! Favourite place to eat in Jersey?

That's a difficult one as I'm as massive foodie. I would probably say Oyster Box or Banjos.

What attracted you to Mourant Ozannes? I'm very much a Jersey girl at heart and I knew once I'd finished University that I wanted to come back to the Island. Mourant Ozannes offer a great training platform in that I could study towards becoming a Jersey Solicitor whilst also becoming equipped with the skills in order to practice as an offshore lawyer.

What do you do on an average day? To be honest no two days are the same as a lawyer and my day to day tasks can be incredibly varied. I work in the Litigation Department at Mourant Ozannes, predominately specialising in employment law, as well as being involved with more wider contentious litigation matters. My day could therefore consist of anything between drafting bespoke documents, conference calls, preparing advice for clients or providing client training to assisting with matters in the Royal Court.

What is your next step? I qualified as a Jersey Solicitor in January 2017. I have really enjoyed my role to date and feel that I have learnt a great deal from working at Mourant Ozannes. I suppose the next step would be to potentially look at converting to become a Jersey Advocate which would permit me to take a different role in relation to the matters I'm involved in and would allow me rights of audience in Court.

What advice would you give to those about to embark on a career in law? I would really recommend applying for a bursary or work experience placement with a local firm. It provides great insight into what it is like to be a lawyer and also the opportunity to get involved with various different areas of law. Reading law at University and becoming a lawyer in practice are two very difficult things and I would therefore advise getting as much experience as possible to be able to determine the specific area or speciality that is right for you.



RORY FORREST

TRAINEE AT MOURANT OZANNES FINANCE & CORPORATE PRACTICE GROUP

Age: 28

Degree subject: Law

What did you want to be when you were 8?

Professional athlete

Favourite way to relax?

Chilling out with friends or going to the gym

Favourite place to eat in Jersey?

7 Angels (for the beef wellington)

What made you choose a bursary with Mourant Ozannes?

Mourant Ozannes is renowned for being one of the biggest and best offshore law firms and has a reputation for supporting its staff through the Jersey law exams.

What do you do on an average day? Every day is different and depends on what transactions I have on my desk, whether it is assisting with large real estate financings or the provision of corporate advice on a range of matters for companies registered in Jersey.

What is your next step? My next step is to finish the remaining 3 Jersey law exams in July 2018 and qualify as an Advocate in autumn 2018.

What advice would you give to those about to embark on a career in law? Reach out to law firms before you start studying to see what bursaries or vacation schemes are available as the experience will prove invaluable both for your studies and your future employment prospects. Placements in different departments will also help you determine which areas of law you find the most interesting and rewarding.

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MATTHEWBLAKE

COMPLIANCE OFFICER

Age? 30

Uni attended: University of Lincoln

Course undertaken: Masters in The Conservation of Historic Objects

What did you want to be when you were 8: A writer Favourite way to relax: Sitting on the couch with my partner, a drink and a film - Perfect!

What is your favourite possession? My phone, because it's the second half of my brain

What made you choose the company you work for:

After university I was seeking a role that would challenge me in an organisation that would support my professional growth. I believe Alter Domus offers this as well as a great social environment. My role is varied, challenging and I feel part of a wider growing, exciting business.

NATALIEAPPLEYARD

PERSONAL ASSISTANT

Age? 25

Background: After completing my BTEC Level 3 diploma in sport at Highlands College I worked for Thompson Estates.

What did you want to be when you were 8? Physical Education Teacher

Favourite way to relax?
Running

What is your next step?

Having spent time building my knowledge of our company, relationships with colleagues and most importantly clients, I want to develop my technical skills and I have just started studying for my Executive Personal Assistant Diploma. Alter Domus really dedicates time to supporting my learning and career development and I am looking forward to developing my skills further.

ED HOWGATE

GOVERNANCE FUNDS

Age? 22

Courses undertaken? I am currently studying Level 4 IFA (ICSA).

What did you want to be when you were 8? A Police Officer

Favourite way to relax? Get stuck into a TV Series or play quitar.

What do you do on an average day?

One email or phone call can change your day completely and it requires me to be on the ball at all times, adapting to client requirements.

What made you choose the company you work for?

When I returned to Jersey I was looking for a dynamic firm who would support my professional growth. Alter Domus fits the bill perfectly. The firm has identified my strengths and placed me in a position where I can perform and deliver for them. I am constantly given the ability to progress and to see the real impact my work has.

CIARA LAWLESS

SENIOR OFFICER ACCOUNTS, REAL ESTATE

Age? 22

Background: After finishing my A levels I worked at RBC in the middle office Corporate Team to get some initial exposure to working in the finance industry. I then decided that I wanted to study for a professional qualification having not gone to University. I set my sights on Accountancy and started looking into companies that supported this career path and chose to work for Alter Domus.

What did you want to be when you were 8? A singer – until I recorded myself and heard my singing voice!

Favourite way to relax?
Catching up with my friends and

travelling.

What sort of professional

What sort of professional training do you take?

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EMILY ASHFORD LEGAL ASSISTANT AT APPLEBY





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01534 888 777 / jersey@applebyglobal.com Appleby, 13 - 14 Esplanade, St Helier Age: 29
Uni attended? Liverpool
Course undertaken? Law degree

What did you want to be when you were 8? A librarian Favourite way to relax? I'm not sure it can be classed as relaxing, but I am a member of the Jersey Triathlon Club and enjoy running, swimming and cycling.

Favourite place to eat in Jersey? I love the Thai at Bonne Nuit. What's your favourite possession? My Great-Grandma's engagement ring

What made you choose the company you work for?

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I was interviewed by Wendy Benjamin who is the Local Practice Group Head for our Corporate team and I connected with her straight away. The way she spoke about the team, the clients we work with and what it is like to be part of Appleby was really inspiring, I knew straight away that I wanted to be part of her team.

What sort of professional training do you take?

I am currently studying for my Jersey Law Exams. It's a flexible course, which allows me to fit my study around my day job and my personal life, meaning that I have been able to create a good work-life balance. Depending on your previous qualifications, it is generally a two-year course completed alongside either two or three years work experience.

The course is quite varied and you study all aspects of law from property and procedure to bankruptcy.

What do you do on an average day?

My days are structured around the needs of our clients and the support that the team need. It's important that we respond to our clients quickly and provide well thought through advice.

Generally, I will work with the Partners and Lawyers to deliver fit for purpose solutions, this includes reviewing and drafting documents, and advising on a variety of legal matters. I really enjoy the teamwork and collaboration and being encouraged to share my views.

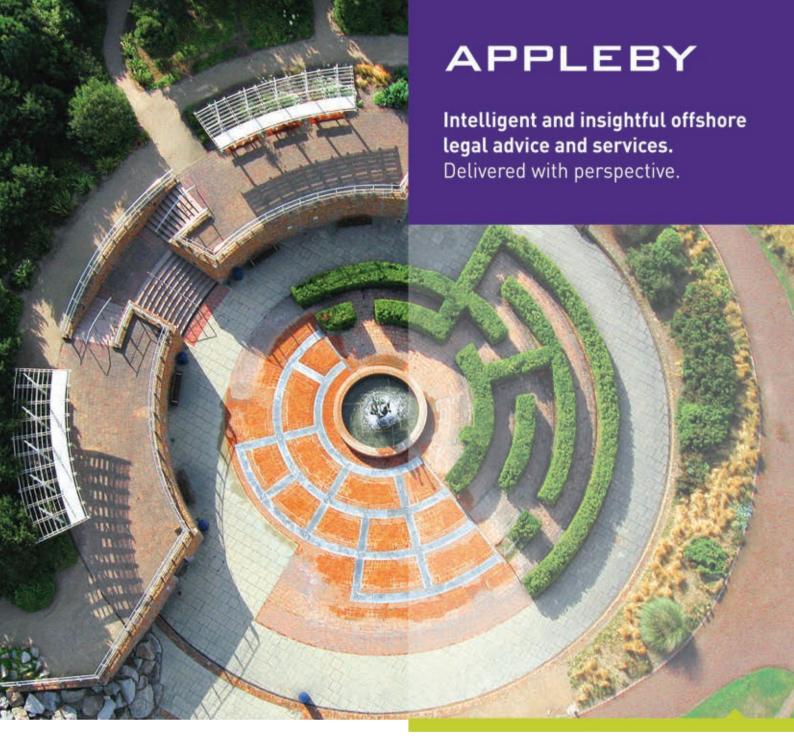
What is your next step?

In the New Year, I will be going on a six-month client secondment at a local bank and will be working with their in house legal team. This is quite a unique opportunity and I think that this experience will give me a fantastic learning opportunity. It also represents an integral part of my journey to becoming a fully rounded, experienced member of the legal profession. I also think this opportunity shows how highly the client thinks of the Appleby team and I'm honoured to have been selected to join them.

What advice would you give yourself as a graduate considering the experience you have now?

Find a firm that's a good fit for you, a job that you enjoy doing and a team that you want to be a part of. We all spend so much time at work and I think that when you are there it needs to be in a working environment that supports your development, that you are surrounded by people who bring out the best in you and that you are encouraged to reach your potential.

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INDIA BROWN

TRAINEE CORPORATE ACCOUNTANT

AT AZTEC GROUP





Age: 19
What did you want to be when you were 8? A singer
Favourite way to relax? Going to the beach
Favourite place to eat in Jersey? TGI Fridays
What's your favourite possession? My car

What made you choose the company you work for?

I first applied to the Aztec Group due to its recognised professionalism and rapid growth, but also its dynamic and vibrant atmosphere. I was also very keen to start my professional studies and I was aware of the structured career progression the Group promote.

What sort of professional training do you take?

I've started my Accountancy qualification (ACCA), having completed one exam so far and studying towards my second and third. Whilst commencing an accountancy qualification can be daunting, it's made much easier by the excellent training programme at the Group, which offers support throughout, whilst also providing invaluable on-the-job experience. We also have access to the Aztec Academy, where various internal and external training courses are provided.

What do you do on an average day?

On an average day I can be doing a range of tasks from bookkeeping for the variety of clients we look after in corporate services, to preparing and reconciling periodic accounts. Additionally, I can be involved in the administration side of things where I am involved in investor reporting and general company secretarial matters.

What is your next step?

I am looking to continue and complete my ACCA qualification as soon as possible, whilst also looking to other areas within the Group where I can gain different and more experience.

What advice would you give yourself as a graduate considering the experience you have now?

As an A-level student I was set on going to university and getting a degree, which I did initially only to discover this wasn't for me. Upon looking into it further, I realised this wasn't the end of the world and there were other options available. My advice now would be to start working and completing exams as soon as possible; the idea of getting qualified and moving up the career ladder three years earlier than initially planned seems much more appealing to me.

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PARALEGAL

AT **BEDELL CRISTIN** (LONDON)





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Anna Ormsby HR Officer +44 (0)1534 814295 anna.ormsby@bedellcristin.com Bedell Cristin, 26 New Street, St Helier Age: 25

Uni attended: University of Bristol Course undertaken: Law LLB

What did you want to be when you were 8?

Professional Footballer Favourite way to relax?

A full summer beach day followed by a cold beer

Favourite place to eat in Jersey? Pizza Express - St Brelades

What's your favourite possession? My GoPro

What made you choose the company you work for?

As a Bursary student at Bedell Cristin, I immediately found the people, culture and atmosphere distinctly different from other firms on the island I had experienced. What really stood out to me was the personal and professional interactions you have with lawyers at all levels within the firm. In particular, it was the team environment, together with the opportunity to work directly with partners, that attracted me to Bedell Cristin.

What sort of professional training do you take?

My work is extremely varied and the majority of professional training comes through new tasks involving transactions and associated documents I am unfamiliar with. One of the great things about Bedell Cristin is the level of responsibility you are given from the outset. Once a new deal structure is explained to me, I will often be responsible for drafting a suite of documents that I may not have had previous experience of. Although initially this can be daunting, I have found this to be very beneficial as you learn far more from having to work through issues and figure out solutions independently.

What do you do on an average day?

Upon arrival at the office, I will check my inbox to see if anything urgent has come in overnight that needs immediate action. A typical morning might involve providing a fee update to clients, researching a point of law or, more commonly, reviewing and drafting transactional documents. I will then liaise with the appropriate lawyer in our team to review my work before emailing responses to our onshore counsel. In the afternoon, I will continue with any outstanding work and usually be given shorter tasks to complete before the close of business that day.

What is your next step?

I am currently studying for the New York Bar Exam which I will sit in February next year. I am fortunate that Bedell Cristin have agreed to sponsor me through this process, with the intention being that upon qualifying as a New York Attorney, I will then begin practising as an associate within the firm. I am very grateful to Bedell Cristin for providing me with this slightly unorthodox route to qualification and the opportunity to begin my career as a qualified lawyer at the firm.

What advice would you give yourself as a graduate considering the experience you have now?

After leaving university, it was always my intention to travel and spend time working abroad in a non-legal industry. I delayed these plans for three years when I was unsure of my career path within law. I was extremely fortunate that Bedell Cristin allowed me to take a year off last July and the time I spent away was invaluable. Despite this, I would advise the 21 year old me that you don't need to know exactly what route you want to take immediately after graduating, there is no rush to decide and this was probably a better time to have gone away.

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Catherine Harzo, HR Officer - Channel Islands catherine.harzo@je.bnpparibas.com 815200 BNP Paribas S.A., Jersey Branch, IFC1, The Esplanade, St Helier

Age? 24

Uni attended? Highlands College

Course undertaken? City & Guilds Diploma in Culinary Arts What did you want to be when you were 8? Ever since I was tiny, cooking has been a huge passion of mine, so the natural career for me was to be a chef.

Favourite way to relax? There's nothing I love more than treating myself to a relaxing spa day.

Favourite place to eat in Jersey? Longueville Manor; it's perfect for dining on a winter's day, followed by petits fours served in the lounge by the crackling fire.

What's your favourite possession? I have to say that my passport is my favourite possession. Who doesn't love holidays?!

What made you choose the company you work for?

The position I applied for at BNP Paribas was in Banking Operations, which covers a vast range of banking tasks and provides a good foundation for progression into other areas of the business. I was keen to ensure that any position I applied for would be very varied, and that each day my tasks would be quite different. This has certainly been the case, but I have also learned just how important it is to have a good supportive team around you.

What sort of professional training do you take?

I'm currently being supported by BNP Paribas for my studies towards the CISI Level 4 Investment Advice Diploma (IAD). This diploma provides a sound grounding in UK financial services and consumer relationships, the economic environment, settlement, safe custody and brokerage, exchange traded futures and options and financial protection. The course is designed for those who advise and deal in securities, or advise on retail investment products and manage investments.

What do you do on an average day?

The team I'm part of supports two of the key departments within BNP Paribas, Wealth Management and Treasury. Therefore, there can be great variety in what I do from day to day. Primarily, I deal with incoming and outgoing payments, processing transactions over client accounts, managing queries, liaising with all areas of the business including the relationship managers and their assistants to ensure we meet deadlines and meet the needs of our clients.

What is your next step?

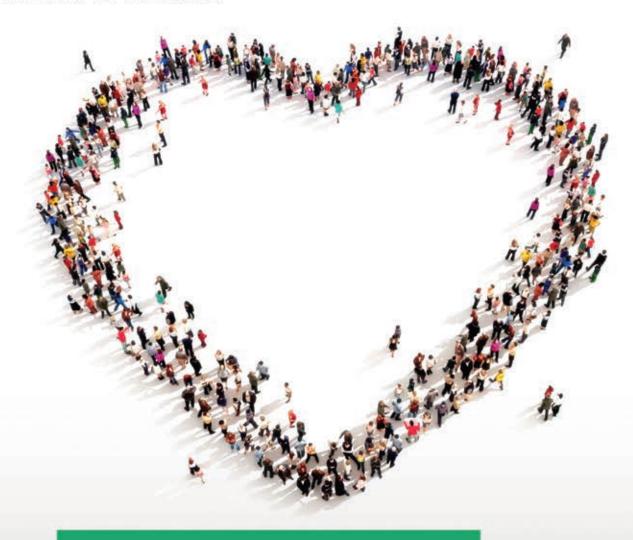
I will see how I progress with my Investment Advice Diploma studies, which I think will shape the future direction I take. Fortunately for me, BNP Paribas is a broad-based organisation which hopefully means there may be a number of different potential paths available which present further opportunities.

What advice would you give yourself as a graduate considering the experience you have now?

Although I took a more unusual route after my A Levels by studying Culinary Arts, making such a significant career change was not as difficult as I imagined. I soon realised there were quite a number of "transferable skills" learned in the professional kitchen that would be useful within an office environment, such as teamwork, working under pressure, meeting deadlines and paying attention to detail etc.

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ASSISTANT ASSOCIATE AT **DELOITTE**





Age: 18

What did you want to be when you were 8? Formula 1 driver Favourite way to relax? Listen to music/go on a drive Favourite place to eat in jersey? Cafe Restaurant Italia What's your favourite possession? My dog

What made you choose the company you work for?

Last year Deloitte came to my school to talk about the Brightstart scheme for school leavers. It ticked every box for me and from what I'd heard from current and past employees the working environment and culture seemed like one I could see myself thriving in, so after some careful thought, I went for it! Plus, of course, Deloitte is a multinational firm and the reputation and prestige that comes with working for such an organisation is something to be proud of. The business structure is one without a ceiling, and the opportunity to develop and move up through the firm is limitless.

What sort of professional training do you take?

I am studying towards my ACCA qualification, which is a four-year course for me as I am a school leaver.

What do you do on an average day?

My role is very client focused, and I often work from the client's office, which might mean travelling off-island to see them. The type of business I work on is very diverse and ranges from small local firms to multinational corporations that span across the world. To do my job I have to understand the stories behind the figures, really get to know my clients' businesses, and if I do my job well, I will be helping my clients to be successful. I also have to study, but I am with a group of other trainees - we have a lot of fun together and have already become firm friends.

What is your next step?

My five-year plan is to pass my exams and become a fully qualified accountant by 2021. By the time I have finished my exams some of my university friends will only just be starting their first job, whereas I will be pressing forward towards promotion. I plan to make the most of the phenomenal experiences I am gaining at such a young age; I have already worked in London on a client site which really boosted my confidence.

What advice would you give yourself as a graduate considering the experience you have now?

Firstly, for those who are worried that you need to be a maths whizz to work in finance, you don't; I wasn't in the top set at school and my studies are going brilliantly, thanks to the support of my tutors and work colleagues.

If you're likely to go into a finance-based job after university then do think about starting work straight away, where you can study and earn. Working in the professional industry opens so many doors for you and allows you to network with some of the top professionals in your field. Finally, take the challenge of professional working life by the horns and take every opportunity you get to develop yourself because you never know how far a little bit extra can go.

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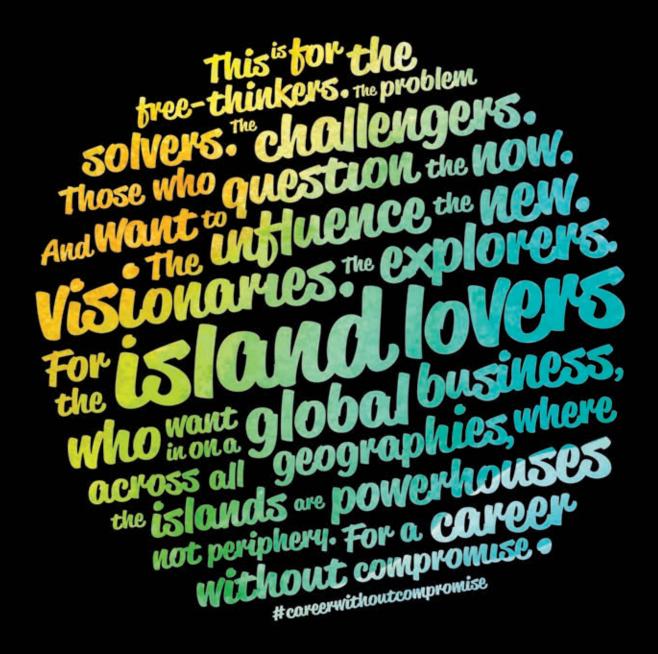
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Age: 23

School attended? The University of Edinburgh
Course undertaken? Business Management (1st Class MA Hons)
What did you want to be when you were 8?
A weather woman.

Favourite way to relax? Long walks with my two dogs, going out for brunch with friends, and going to watch the sunset down at St Ouens. I love running too, it helps me to relax.

Favourite place to eat? El Tico, Le Braye, Crab Shack, Banjos, Feast - too many yummy choices to decide on one.

What's your favourite possession? My tiffany necklace as it holds a lot of sentimental value. You'll rarely see me without it.

What made you choose the company you work for?

I applied for the EY internship whilst at university, giving me proper experience within audit and helping me realise assurance is something I'd enjoy. The EY values attracted me to the firm as there is a huge focus on people and teaming which fitted in with my personality. EY is a global big four firm with vast travel and secondment opportunities, which heavily influenced my decision.

What sort of professional training do you take?

I am currently studying to become a Chartered Accountant with the Institute of Chartered Accountants Scotland (ICAS) and I am hoping to be exam qualified by next November. We study in blocks of around 5 weeks and take our exams at the end of each block, which means I can focus all my attention on passing my exams.

My progression within EY is also invested in, with regular training, soft skills development and on the job learning.

What do you do on an average day?

My main role is to assist in providing reasonable assurance that the financial statements of our clients give a true and fair view. Every day is interesting and in Jersey we are involved in a variety of engagements in different jurisdictions including wealth and asset management, insurance, banking as well as non-financial services, allowing for opportunities to learn and be challenged. I spend most of my time working at client sites throughout the year and I am always learning and kept busy.

What is your next step?

My next step is to focus on qualifying and prepare myself for becoming a Senior next year. I'd like to take advantage of the mobility opportunities on offer at EY so after qualifying I'm hoping to travel with my job and work abroad, gaining exposure working in different countries and cultures.

What advice would you give yourself as a graduate considering the experience you have now?

I would encourage graduates to apply for internships that would interest them. It will help them understand the job role and determine whether it's a career path they'd like to pursue after graduating. I'd recommend the EY internship if graduates are interested in a career in Assurance or Tax as the firm offers great exposure to both, as well as soft skills training and social events, helping them to get a feel for the business' culture.

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CHARLOTTE MANBY

ADMINISTRATOR AT **INTERTRUST**





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Age: 21

School attended? Beaulieu Convent & Hautlieu School
Course undertaken? ICSA Certificate in International Finance
and Administration. Currently studying ICSA Diploma

What did you want to be when you were 8?

A fashion designer

Favourite way to relax? Going on holiday
Favourite place to eat in Jersey?

At home, nothing beats my mum's cooking

What's your favourite possession? My phone

What made you choose the company you work for?

To be completely honest, I wasn't entirely sure what career path I wanted to take when I left school. After completing my A-Levels, I found myself under a lot of pressure to find a good job and earn some money.

I had heard that Intertrust was a great place to work, with the social aspects and support for professional development being particularly appealing to younger people. I was offered a job within the Private Wealth department and I haven't looked back since, I absolutely love it.

What sort of professional training do you take?

I am currently undertaking the ICSA Diploma in Offshore Finance and Administration and hope to complete the qualification by 2019. Intertrust fully support their staff and often organise additional tuition sessions to assist us with our studies. We have an extensive amount of in-house training available to us for both our professional and personal development. Studying towards a professional qualification whilst working full time can be very difficult so I am extremely grateful for the level of support that is provided.

What do you do on an average day?

What I love about working within Private Wealth is that no day is ever the same. However, my day-to-day job focuses mainly on the management, planning and administration of multinational trust and company structures. This involves liaising regularly with clients and third parties such as investment firms, to ensure that client and company standards are being met

What is your next step?

Completing the ICSA Diploma is my first goal and then continuing my studies to achieve the ICSA CSQS qualification. I am currently in Hong Kong on a three month secondment as part of Intertrust's international mobility program, which allows employees to see the world, whilst working and gain lots of experience. I'm really enjoying my time here in Hong Kong; it's been an amazing opportunity. Intertrust are currently located in 28 different jurisdiction so if the chance arose to travel and work in another of our offices again I certainly wouldn't say no.

What advice would you give yourself considering the experience you have now?

I would tell myself that going to University isn't the be-all and end-all. I think a lot of people get caught up on needing a degree but being a school leaver has certainly not stopped me from progressing in my career. I do think that furthering your education does help you tremendously to develop which is why professional qualifications are very important. I would also advise everyone to work hard and focus on getting your studies complete early on.

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CAMERON O'NEILL

TRAINEE TRUST ADMINISTRATOR

AT MOORE STEPHENS





Age: 20

School attended? Jersey International Business School
Course undertaken? BSc in International Financial Services
What did you want to be when you were 8? Vet
Favourite way to relax? Exercise and travelling
Favourite place to eat? Banjos
What's your favourite possession? My watch

What made you choose the company you work for?

I decided to work at Moore Stephens because I have recently completed an undergraduate employee programme here as part of my degree with the Jersey International Business School. During the placement I was able to gain experience across all different areas of the finance industry whilst working for an internationally recognised company.

What sort of professional training do you take?

I have just finished my degree in International Financial Services but I am currently looking at studying either ICSA or STEP qualifications. In addition to this, there is a still a part of me thinking about undertaking a part time MSc course on the Island.

What do you do on an average day?

The average day can be quite varied, as we have an assortment of clients from around the world. The day to day tasks are diverse and give me access to a variety of areas in order to meet the needs of the individual client.

What is your next step?

To start some of my professional qualifications and hopefully gain some more experience working with clients.

What advice would you give yourself as a graduate considering the experience you have now?

Many people who are still considering which career path to take may perceive the finance sector as boring and monotonous. However, it is such a diverse sector, there are opportunities all around us, particularly in Jersey, so make sure you have researched all avenues before dismissing it.

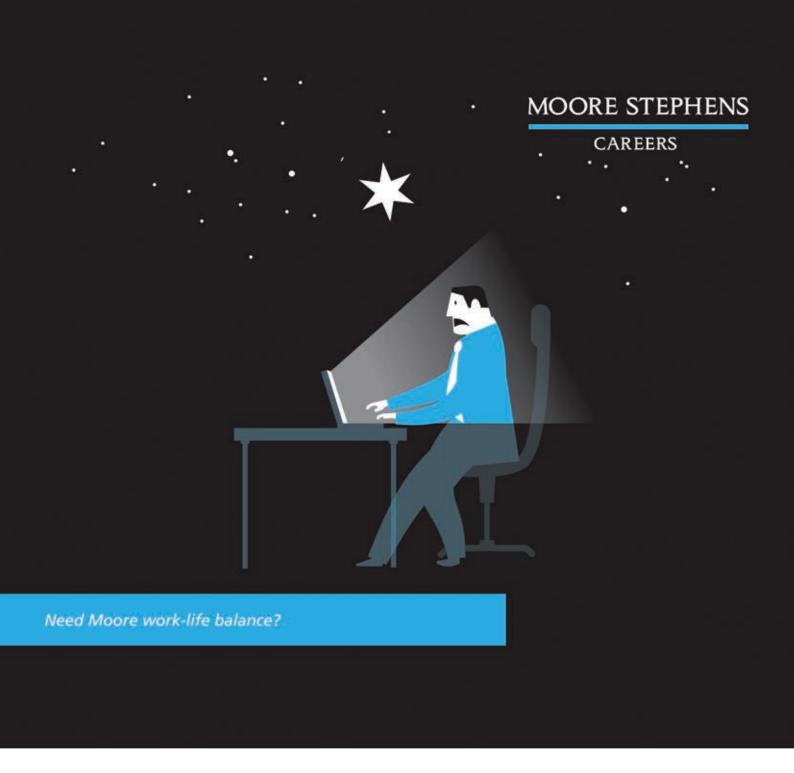
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programmes give you the opportunity to work with colleagues from across our jurisdictions; depending on the programme you choose you'll have exposure to customers in the Retail, Private and Corporate sectors giving you an insight into how banking supports every part of life.

France, said that's been his highlight so far;
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"Consider your future. As a graduate it's fine not to know what you want to do" commented Sophie Lee.

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supported throughout by a dedicated Graduate Coach. When you finish the programme you'll have the experience you need to take on a permanent position with us.

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Chloe Watson-Hill Associate

I completed my law degree and postgraduate diploma in Scotland, where I also trained with Maclay Murray & Spens LLP (now Dentons). I joined Ogier in October 2017 as a newly qualified lawyer in the corporate team.

My impression of the firm and, crucially, its people, has been excellent from day one. Combined with the impressive client base and quality of work, my decision to relocate to Jersey with my husband, Paul, has been reaffirmed. I am looking forward to getting involved in an increasingly diverse range of transactions and developing my skillset with the support and encouragement of my colleagues.

Having been keen road cyclists in Edinburgh, Paul and I have thoroughly enjoyed discovering stunning new routes in the island. Out of the saddle, we are slowly working our way along the beautiful coastline and ticking off some great restaurants and coffee shops.



Royan George Trainee Solicitor

I joined Ogier in September 2016 as a Trainee English Solicitor, coming to Ogier from London via the British Virgin Islands (BVI). Being an island boy, I jumped at the opportunity to leave the city skyscrapers behind to join Ogier in Jersey.

Ogier has an excellent reputation globally, a strong client base and a friendly and relaxed working environment. No two days at Ogier are the same as I am always being given the opportunity to learn. I have been able to work on a diverse range of transactions across teams. During my corporate seat, I assisted one of the partners, a managing associate and a senior associate with a historic billion-dollar London property transaction.

At Ogier there's always an opportunity for fun and to get active, whether at the in-office sports day or by joining one of Ogier's many sports and social teams. A very keen sportsman, I have joined the cricket and softball teams.

Ogier is an excellent firm to work for and Jersey is an excellent place to be!



Emily Cornelius Paralegal

Having graduated from my law LLB in July, I began the first step in my legal career by joining Ogier as a paralegal in the Banking and Finance team.

I was attracted to the firm's prestigious standing in offshore jurisdictions as well as the level of responsibility that I would receive in my paralegal position.

Consequently, my daily work is highly varied as I assist in a wide range of transactions from facility agreement renewals and legal research to listing debt on The International Stock Exchange. Ogier has provided opportunities to develop both professionally and personally, and bring me closer to my ultimate goal of qualifying as an English Law Solicitor.

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LIFE AFTER GRADUATION...

CELIA PEREIRA RECRUITMENT CONSULTANT AT **PARK**

So you did it! First of all congratulations, 3 years of hard work and the occasional hangover has paid off, certificate in hand, mortar board thrown in the air, so what's next?

Now I hate to break it to you but this next chapter may be just as confusing as cramming for your exams however I am on hand to help! I sit with graduates and school leavers on a daily basis and the same concerns are often recycled around, so I wanted to share with you some of the most common topics that I discuss with junior candidates to help you make informed choices.

"I don't want a job in finance"

Before discounting a career in finance it is important to understand the industry and all that it can offer. Naturally when we hear the word finance many of us assume it's all numbers, numbers, numbers but I can assure you this is not the case, I would refer to finance as an umbrella term which provides a number of opportunities across a variety of interesting sectors such as: HR, marketing, accounting, banking, IT, compliance, trust, funds and investments. With Jersey being a melting pot for so many opportunities, I often hear from overseas graduates wanting to move over to make the most of our finance industry.

'I want to go travelling'

Absolutely GO! We are extremely fortunate in Jersey as the job market is booming and if anything the number of graduate opportunities is rising, meaning fortunately you don't have to get started with your career as soon as the ink is dry on your final exam paper. Take some time out to see the world whether you're backpacking, volunteering or working in one place this will likely impress potential employers once you return home. Your skills and experience are important in a job application but seeing something unique on your CV is an easy conversation starter and these are the things that will make a hiring manager remember you. We have a range of longer term temporary positions which can offer you the best of both worlds- experience without long term commitment and cash for your next adventure!

"How about spending January - April in Hong Kong? That sounds good to me!"

Graduates often tell me that they want to be challenged, they want variety and most importantly they want scope for progression. Well, a graduate position in any of these sectors will offer all of that and more. For example, training as an accountant won't just involve number crunching; future employers want their graduate trainees to be able to build relationships with their clients, assist in business development activity and lead a team one day and they will support you every step of the way. A graduate could be reviewing a set of accounts one day and standing up in a boardroom presenting a proposal the next. The same applies for trainee opportunities within the fiduciary world, training as a fund administrator could have you flying to London with a director to meet a new and exciting private equity client, taking the lead on an internal project or processing multi-million pound transactions. These organisations also offer global mobility programmes so opportunities for secondment are real and they do happen. How about spending January - April in Hong Kong? That sounds good to me!



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We work hard to attract talent to our Jersey office, offering training contracts to school-leavers and graduates from all degree disciplines. We also offer summer holiday internships to undergraduates at any stage of their time at university.

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Age: 18

What did you want to be when you were 8?
Professional footballer
Favourite way to relax? Playing the guitar
Favourite place to eat? Pizza Express
What's your favourite possession?
My phone, couldn't live without it

What made you choose the company you work for?

I chose PwC mainly because of their reputation for training students. As I have joined straight from school, being part of an intake of 48 trainees across the Channel Islands, this enabled me to make new friends, study and socialise. Over the past few years I have accessed various training programmes with PwC, which definitely influenced my decision to join them. When I was 14 years old, I took part in the Project Trident scheme with PwC. I also completed some work experience on their Internship scheme this summer before joining permanently to train as an accountant. They have a strong local profile and I attended presentations at school by past pupils who returned to Victoria College, to share their experiences of working for a 'Big 4" Accounting Firm in the Financial Services industry.

What sort of professional training do you take?

I chose to do the ACCA qualification. The training is a mix of on the job training and formal lectures and study with BPP, a training agency. The learning is spread out over a three year period, which gives me time to apply and embed my learning. I will have already taken three out of a total of 14 exams to qualify, by Christmas 2017. It's hard work but very rewarding. There is also a requirement to demonstrate that I have completed three years of practical industry experience, by completing a CPD training log. I will also continue to receive regular updates and training on current industry topics, which have an impact on our clients, so it's very useful to have these insights when engaging with clients.

What do you do on an average day?

The great thing about working in the Assurance department at PwC is that every day brings new challenges and opportunities to develop. It could be solving problems presented by clients or learning about a new industry. An average day involves reviewing a company's financial statements and providing assurance on whether the information is presented fairly. This doesn't just happen in the office, I am often out at the client's location getting to know them. I'm lucky enough to work on a range of financial services clients who operate across different jurisdictions. I see from the teams that I work with, that often they will draw upon the power of the international PwC network to solve problems for clients.

What is your next step?

I am only beginning my career, so I have lots of exams still to take before any future career step. After I qualify, as PwC is a global organisation, I plan to undertake a secondment to another PwC office and experience different cultures. This is important to me as I haven't been to university. PwC also offer the opportunity for school leavers to take some 'gap' time out after qualifying to travel and see the world, which I am keen to do.

What career advice would you give to yourself considering the experience you have now?

Seriously consider the Higher Apprenticeship scheme for school-leavers as an alternative to university. The support, coaching and development is outstanding. The content of study is very similar to degrees at university and you are building experience on the job, whilst being paid and with no student debt. I would recommend that before making the commitment, try and gain some work experience to be sure that it's the right pathway for you.



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ALEX COOLES

TRAINEE AT **SANNE**





Age: 22
University attended? University College Jersey
Course undertaken? Business & Management
What did you want to be when you were 8?
Something unrealistic

Favourite way to relax? Spending time with Friends
Favourite place to eat? The Cabana
What's your favourite possession? My Dog Lola

What made you choose the company you work for?

I chose SANNE after taking part in University College Jersey's work placement programme. My aim was to broaden my knowledge in the finance industry. I undertook my placements in SANNE's Real Estate administration team and it was a fantastic insight into one of the largest Real Estate teams in the Channel Islands. My day-to-day administration tasks were varied which offered great exposure during my placement.

What sort of professional training do you take?

I am currently studying towards a professional qualification with ACCA and hope to be fully qualified by December 2019.

What do you do on an average day?

Following my initial placements, I felt my skill set was more suited to an accountancy role and, as a result, I joined the Real Estate Accounting department on a permanent basis following completion of my degree. My role is varied, from bookkeeping to preparing financial statements, as well as preparing and submitting VAT and CIS returns for a number of client structures.

What is your next step?

My next step is to finish ACCA and continue to develop in my current role.

What advice would you give yourself as a graduate considering the experience you have now?

The chance to work within the industry during my placements gave me a great insight into the finance industry and I would strongly recommended those that are considering full-time employment to seek work experience within financial services. Although I started my placements in the administration team, through this I learnt that I am more suited to accounts and I have now begun my career in this department, surrounded by well-respected individuals in the industry.

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interests. While each path has its benefits, the two-year BSc (Hons) International Financial Services degree at Jersey International Business School is very highly regarded, producing wellrounded graduates who have two years of paid industry employment under their belts and who have the skills to become future leaders.

In October, the business school celebrated the graduation of 20 students. They studied a broad syllabus, covering topics such as financial instruments, business ethics and risk management - with a number of guest lectures delivered by expert industry practitioners. The students' studies were supported by organisations including Barclays, Ashburton, UBS, Moore Stephens and Sanne, offering structured paid experience two days a week.

The graduates are now taking the next step in their career development journey, commencing positions at leading Island firms or undertaking the part-time MSc International Financial Services (by Research) programme.

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White Gold

WORDS Russ Atkinson

If you're a regular Gallery reader you may have read about the mythical 'zero miles' McLaren F1 internet sensation last month. The one that didn't actually have zero miles on the clock. That's Chinese whispers for you (or should that have read 'Japanese whispers'?), and this month I've got some ancient German whispers to dispel.

Whilst musing over suitable ideas to fit this month's wonder theme the thought of crazy limited editions crossed my mind (along the slightly tenuous lines of 'I wonder why they've bothered') and after a few seconds of considering the myriad final, absolutely last, very final super limited special edition versions of the Zonda that Pagani kept announcing before finally ending the production run the idea hit me. The Bugatti Veyron L'Or Blanc. The one that people flocked into Paris from

all across the world to witness in person when reports of it parked outside of a hotel circulated online. The one made out of porcelain. You know, that fragile stuff that you'd be scared to chip whilst attempting to enjoy a meal at a fancy dining establishment, let alone risk acquiring a stone chip in at 254.04mph at the wheel of a Bugatti Veyron. A porcelain car? You really can't help but wonder why, right? Well, dear readers, I have the answer for you.

The answer is, in fact, that you woudn't. And neither would Bugatti, because all of that news about the L'Or Blanc being porcelain is in fact fake news. Sort of. Because the bodywork of this \$2.3m, sixteen cylinder quad-turbo hypercar isn't actually made of porcelain as you might initially interpret whilst reading all about it, it's carbon fibre. Still, at least that's significantly lighter than porcelain as well as much more durable, so the L'Or Blanc doesn't need more than the 1,001 horsepower of the average Veyron to keep doing its thing on the autobahn.

So if the ultra high gloss bodywork is the result of five coats of clear lacquer rather than glazing and firing then where does the porcelain come in? For this one-off objet d'art, the craftspeople at Konigliche Porzellan-Manufaktur Berlin, or KPM (that's the Royal Porcelain Factory in Berlin, to us non-German speakers) took inspiration from Rembrandt Bugatti's famous elephant sculpture as well as the marque's founder, Ettore Bugatti's fascination with combining unusual materials in his work. The result? Twelve one-off, hand-crafted and highly detailed porcelain inlays and features largely revolving around white elephants. Items on the list of things that received the porcelain treatment include the badges, the wheel centre caps (which conjures up images of a high octane, high speed take on a Greek wedding when they inevitably part ways with the wheels and land shattered amongst a sea of warped hubcaps at the side of the road) and what can only be described as a dish in the centre console. I can only imagine that this is to be used to safely store your contribution to the spread at a dinner party when you're travelling at great speed to avoid running late.

If the proportions of porcelain are a little unsatisfying, thankfully the process behind the paintwork doesn't disappoint. Taking a number of weeks to complete, layer upon layer of masking tape was painstakingly applied by hand to delicately mimic the way in which natural reflections flowed across the bodywork and the result is undeniably striking. Bugatti state that the bodywork was then hand-painted, conjuring up images of moustachioed figures sporting berets poring over the hypercar with delicate brushes constructed using antique Japanese cedar and mink hair by a centurion from a long line of brushmakers, but the cynic in me (and I'm approximately 99.8% cynical) suspects that it was still sprayed, just not by the arm of a robot.

Is there an underlying humour in the choice of inspiration that's been drawn from to create this *automotive artwork* (Bugatti's words) then? A sly dig at the owner, hinting that this vehicle may in fact be a possession that is useless or troublesome, especially one that is expensive to maintain or difficult to dispose of, or in other words a *white elephant* itself? Given that it's said that imitation is the sincerest form of flattery I suspect possibly not, as an imitation has surfaced in a garage in China, albeit with far less elephant content and finished in red. The obvious choice for any self-respecting communist, of course.



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It's unlikely that the L'Or Blanc will change hands any time soon given that the current owner has demonstrated their willingness to actually drive it rather than just stash it away away from admiring glances, which is as nice to know as it is uncommon for such a unique, one of a kind creation.

Well, unless you consider the Bugatti Veyron Wei Long that they made just one year later, also featuring some porcelain details from KPM. Think less elephants, more dragons. And all of this a good three years before they produced their 1,200 horsepower Veyron 'LaFinale' too, well and truly taking on Pagani at their own one-off game.



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WATCHING A RALLY FROM THE ROADSIDE IS AN AMAZING EXPERIENCE AND HIGHLY RECOMMENDED! THE SPEED OF THE CARS, THE NOISE, THE CRAZY LOCATIONS THAT PEOPLE FIND TO GET A GOOD VIEWING SPOT – IT'S ALL PART OF THE RALLY EXPERIENCE.

Jersey is a great place to host a rally, for many reasons, not the least of which is that it has a rich Motorsport heritage and an amazing 500 miles of roads - 120 of those are stage miles! The 35th Jersey Roberts' Garages Rally, ran on closed roads and was probably more difficult than newcomers were expecting. The eight stages were as follows: 1. Maufant 2. Grouville 3. Trinity 4.St. Clement 5.Greve de Lecq 6. St. Ouen 7. Victoria Village 8. Longueville

Autumn leaves and unforgiving granite walls line the disarmingly narrow Green Lanes, that twist and turn under ancient oak trees. These quiet lanes, usually frequented by cars moving at a genteel pace of 20 mph and dignified horses, on a slow pace hack, burst into frenetic life every two years.

The event starts with daylight stages on Friday afternoon followed by night stages and Saturday day stages finishing around 17.00hrs. It all sounds so straightforward, unless you were on Mick Cotillard's organising committee...other than the key people, no one really understands just how much goes into the logistics of a major event,

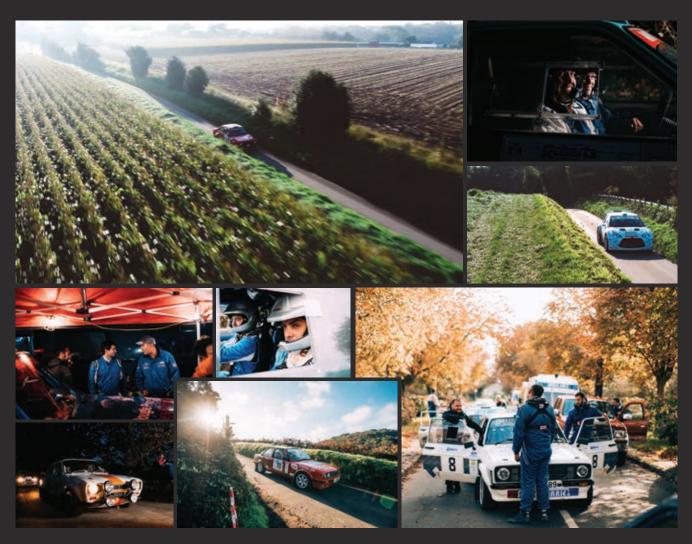
especially one where safety is paramount. I happened to pick up one of their public safety leaflets, with the following warnings - Motorsport can be dangerous! Leave the drone at home. Respect residents' privacy. Don't walk on the roads...Keep children and dogs close to you... Whether you were driving, marshalling or spectating, this was not a sport for the faint hearted! A lot could go wrong!

the smooth progress of the fabulously decorated rally cars, as they clipped each corner. Rally cars are purpose-built to be durable and capable, to withstand stresses that would rip most road cars to pieces. They are set up for intense forces under braking and cornering. This was no game - there are no 2nd and 3rd lives in this challenge - one false move on the wet and slippery roads and it was over!

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The eight stages were choc-a-bloc packed with challenges. By day, the drivers could at least see, more or less, where they were going. Narrow, hairpin bends, hemmed in by granite walls that have stood the test of time, pre-historic tree trunks and grassy banks bulging into the track all seemed to lure the seasoned drivers to the danger hotspots. Even the glare of the sun and dappled shadows seemed to be conspiring against

The night races were the most hair-raising and disorientating. The impenetrable, eerie darkness was pierced only by the shards of white light from the cars. However, the drama of the race was amplified by multicoloured floodlights washing the roads at key points. Spectators actually followed the light shows, some saying that it was better than fireworks!



The survivors were truly formidable! Tearing through the course, round sharp, right-angle turns, perilously close to walls then tearing off at breakneck speed, rotating, leaving only skid marks and belching, black smoke to mark their presence. The guttural change of gears, the superb hand-brake turns, spins and swerves left the spectators breathless with admiration.

Rally drivers are a breed of their own. They epitomise focus, patience and nerves of steel! No wonder, they are considered to be among the best drivers in the world. Yet there would be no hot-shot performances without highly skilled and organised codrivers, calling out directions in staccato voices at exactly the right time. These guys are so talented - a combination of instinct, knowledge that is part science, part maths and a whole lot courage.

The community spirit and camaraderie, showed the genuine care and and enormous pride amongst the rally drivers. Laughter rang out, catching a snippet of the drivers' good-humoured teasing and banter, whether they were at the pits, as the mechanics got the battered cars back on track with impressive speed and efficiency or as the cars line up for the mandatory scrutineering. There seemed to be a constant, entertaining hustle and bustle, which provided the media guys with perfect photographic moments.

The YESSS POWER Media team members, perched on the boughs of oak trees, tucked themselves into thick hedges, lurked at the pits, controlled drones and lights, while capturing this extraordinary event in all its drama and humour.

A rally without volunteers would simply never happen. This year's Rally needed 300 marshalls to cover all the stages across the island. There were a staggering 74 timekeepers, people manning technical, mechanical, medical and administrative posts, who didn't miss a beat. What a tribute to the Roberts' Garages Jersey Rally

team and to Jersey's community for their efficiency and reliability!

From the 73 entries, 31 were full Jersey teams and five teams were half Jersey, sitting alongside a driver or co-driver from Guernsey, Ireland or the UK. The remaining 37 entries were from outside Jersey. 37 cars cars completed all stages, 9 entries retired from the race and 27 competitors completed the trophy rally.

Stevie Leonard and Sion Humphreys won the Roberts' Garages Jersey Rally, 2017. It was their third victory together in this event. The top five teams were all from Jersey and all in Ford Escorts, a more than satisfying result after an extraordinary event!

Prizes awarded, Man of the Rally going to Stevie Leonard and Spirit of the Rally to Michel de Feu, accolades given - all felt like light touches of knighthoods. Fun had, memories banked, just waiting for the next road around the bend.











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GREEN MACHINES

We deliver a lot of magazines. More than a lot, tonnes. With Gallery, Places, Appetite and What's On it's a busy schedule. Add that our distro service which delivers leaflets and literature island wide and it's quite an operation. Last year we updated our hardware and invested in two new vans.

Although our trusty old transporter had done a grand job, we do sometimes need to be in two places at once. The decision making process was tricky. We're big VW van fans but if you look around you'll notice that a lot of fleet these days are swapping their big germans for little nimble japanese models, in the form of the Nissan NV200. We'd looked at going electric but were worried about range. However, if Jersey Post, Jersey Electricity and others are to go by, it seems the game has changed.

scheme. They rent vans both short-term and long-term as part of contracts and have a variety of vehicles, with the NV the new kid on the block. Whether a house move, a week of lugging things about or filling in if your van is off the road, they can help. The company was established recently due to extending the services of an established service, JSYvan.com. The firm's owner has long been involved in electric vehicles, having been involved in the original

New NVs have larger batteries and extended range and, having spent a day on deliveries testing one out this month, a pretty damn cool futuristic driving experience. We were lucky that the model that CI Hire had lent us had some nice extras that our

NV doesn't; Sat Nav, Air-con, heated seats, upgraded dash and a heated steering wheel. Yes, that's right, a heated steering wheel. Whilst the cabin feels even comfier than the car like driving experience of our NV, it's the turn of speed and feel of the electric drive that really sets it apart. I've driven a Tesla and a BMW i3, but the electric acceleration feeling coupled with hauling a cargo feels like a win win. Nippy, and cheap. The NV can charge from a standard 13 amp socket for a range of now just over 100 miles.

The one supplied by CI Hire that is available for rent is also part of the JEC's Evolve park and charge (fast charging)

The firm's owner has long been involved in electric vehicles, having been involved in the original electric vehicle experiment that Toyota conducted in LA, Tokyo and believe it or not, right here in Jersey.

electric vehicle experiment that Toyota conducted in LA, Tokyo and believe it or not, right here in Jersey. Now that electric vans are becoming a reality with larger distance ranges, the business decided that a low cost, fuel free van rental business now made sense. The electric NV is part of a full range of vehicles for hire from £29.50 a day and they can drop off and pick up if needed.

If you fall in love with your rental electric NV, no problem. CI Hire's sister company, jsyvan.com will help you with the sale of a new van all of your own too.

For more information see www.cihire.com, email bookings@cihire.com or call 01534 76 76 76

Clean, green and the business

Island businesses large and small are discovering the advantages of switching on to electric vehicles for their commercial activities. In one year to the end of September 2017 the number of pure all-electric vans registered with DVS had increased from 29 to 52. They are clean - greatly reducing air pollution – quiet and relaxing to drive and what's more, they make great business sense financially, reducing running and maintenance costs.

Jersey Post has continued the decarbonisation of its 110-vehicle fleet with the addition of a further 15 Nissan ENV200s following the success of last year's trial of its first 15 ENV200s which Jersey Electricity helped to facilitate. Each van's emissions are reduced by 95% compared with their diesel counterparts and, run on Jersey Electricity's Commercial Economy 7 Tariff, each vehicle costs around 2p a mile to run, or 92p a day, based on 46 miles (74km) a day, in use five and a half days a week.

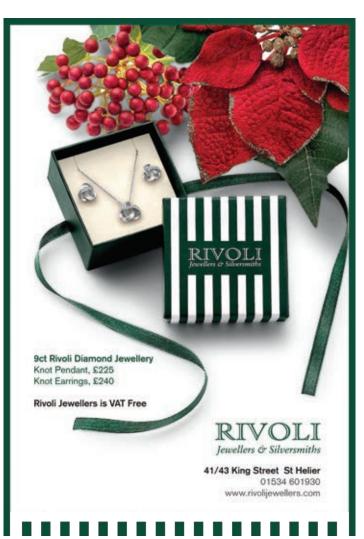
Jersey's electricity supply is already virtually de-carbonised. At 35g CO2e /kWh for 2016/27, it is more than 10 times cleaner than the UK's at 412g CO2e /kWh* and with a stable pricing policy – there has been no increase in electricity prices for almost four years – there is every reason to make the switch to electric as more and more businesses are discovering.

Both private and commercial EV drivers can charge up using the public charging points in all the multi-story car parks and at the Powerhouse if they join Jersey Electricity Evolve Club. A £10 a month membership gives you access to all the Island's public charging points with no charge for the electricity.

Further information on charging can be found at www.jec.co.uk or by calling Jersey Electricity Energy Solutions Team on 505460 for individual advice.









(JERSEY) Wonders..

WORDS Rebecca Evans

In case it had escaped your attention, Christmas is coming and it's time to start thinking about stuffing the stockings of our loved ones. If your office is anything like mine, Amazon and John Lewis deliveries will have started ramping up sometime around Halloween, and the postman started to wilt noticeably 3-5 working days after Black Friday.

While we all know that shopping online is convenient, there's something especially festive about taking a stroll down King Street on a nippy Thursday evening, lights twinkling overhead and all our favourite Christmas tunes drifting out from the shops as we pick up a few last minute gifts. This month I've pulled together a selection of quirky and fun gadgets that are all available to buy right here on the rock, so close your laptop, put down your phone and start pounding that pavement.



COLOUR CHANGING UMBRELLA

Brighten up the commute over the coming wet and dreary winter months with a colour changing umbrella from Waterstones. This sturdy telescopic brolly features a high quality mechanism and soft grip handle, and when the sun finally reappears folds down to fit in a handbag or briefcase easily. So far, so standard umbrella, but now for the fun bit. The black umbrella features a simple design of white raindrops, which just happen to be printed with colour changing ink. On contact with rainwater these drops will change colour, with each panel boasting it's own brilliant hue. The simple monochrome pattern transforms into a rainbow of colour in seconds, bringing some sunshine and smiles to an otherwise damp day. When the downpour dissipates, the drops will return to their original white, alerting the user that it's safe to come out from underneath.

The Colour Change Umbrella is £24.99 from Waterstones



SPHERO MINI

Not quite as cute as Boomer, but no less entertaining, the Sphero mini is a robot for all ages, with a mind-blowing range of capabilities from what is to all intents and purposes a small plastic ball. Small but perfectly formed, Sphero contains a gyroscope, accelerometer and colour changing LED lights, and when linked by Bluetooth to the accompanying app can be used for a range of games. Drive Sphero around an obstacle course, racetrack or into your opponents goal using just your face, turn the tables and employ the sensitive tech as a controller for on-screen games, or get your geek on and use Javascript to programme your out of the ordinary orb. If there's a downside to this smart sphere it's that an hours USB charge provides just 45 minutes play, but your face will probably appreciate the break.

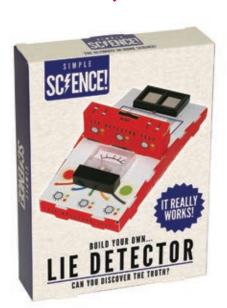
Sphero Mini is £44 from JT

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BUILD YOUR OWN LIE DETECTOR

Few would openly admit it, but we all know someone whose guilty pleasure is an episode of Jeremy Kyle. Bring all the fun of the freak show to them this year, with a build your own Lie Detector kit from Waterstones. Supplied with all the components required to construct a simple polygraph, and requiring a 9V battery, the fun really begins once it's up and running and you have boozy Uncle Derek or Straight-laced Granny Le Vesconte in the hot seat. After all, Christmas wouldn't be Christmas without a good family argument over the dinner table, would it?

The Build Your Own Lie Detector is £9.99 from Waterstones





SIMPLEHUMAN MINI TRAVEL MIRROR

Anyone who travels regularly will be able to attest how difficult it can be to apply make-up or get a clean shave in an inadequately lit hotel rooms. Soft lighting is all very well for getting a good nights sleep or setting the mood, but it's terrible for trying to blend in your bronzer. Solve this problem for the traveller in your life with the Simplehuman Mini Travel Mirror from De Gruchy. Offering two height options and 10x magnification, if folds down flat and comes complete with its own compact travel case. This handy mirror charges with a USB port and does not require plugging into the mains. The built in lights use a unique 'tru-lux' system which mimics natural light, and LED bulbs will never fade or burn out.

The Simplehuman Mini Travel Mirror is £96.25 at deGruchy

BOOMER THE DINO ROBOT

Lower maintenance than a puppy, but way more fun than a goldfish, treat your favourite Dinosaur enthusiast to their very own pet T-Rex this Christmas. Boomer the Dino Robot is one of the most advanced and engaging robotic toys on the market. Like a real pet, Boomer is sensitive, has a range of moods and will react to touch; he loves a pat on the nose, but pull his tail at your own risk!! Capable of learning a host of tricks, motion and optical sensors mean this little Tyrannosaurus is totally aware of his surroundings and will react to hand movements and gestures, as well as keeping himself safe by avoiding obstructions and steep drops. With a host of realistic sounds and movements he'll feel like part of the family in no time. Boomer himself charges via USB, but also supplied is a remote handset which requires 3 x AAA batteries, so stock up to avoid tears beneath the tinsel. Recommended from aged 5 and up.

Boomer the Dino Robot is £44.99 from the Entertainer



Please note that stock levels will vary, and some items may require pre-ordering for collection.

Prices correct at the time of going to press.

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The new Airtel-Vodafone store is pretty hard to miss. Stretching over the entire corner of Castle Street and kitted out by Vodafone's global team, the new flagship Jersey store is very obviously top notch.

Huge double doors open up to a tech-lovers paradise. On the left you can find a 'Tech Zone' where the Mobile Specialist Team will provide help & advice, assist with switching SIM cards, give your mobile a 60 second health check, and explain the ins and outs of the latest technology. At the back of the store is a self service counter where you can top-up, pay your bill and check out frequently asked questions. Follow the store around for an entire wall stacked full of accessories, including phone covers, screen protectors, headphones, battery chargers and selfie sticks. The very latest in Pay as you go and Pay monthly offers fill up the adjacent wall, then two Help & advice counters allow for somewhere comfy to take a seat and talk through Airtel-Vodafone's

latest releases. The centre of the store boasts a Top 10 table which houses the latest releases in mobile technology, and features flagships from Apple and Samsung.

From the spacious main store you can see the all-glass call centre, with staff chatting away to callers – and behind that a huge 'evolution of mobile' graffiti wall by local artist Midnight. If you're lucky enough to get the grand tour, the back of the office features another wall filled with graffiti – this time focusing on the power of 'Hello', a concentration point from the

recent brand refresh by Vodafone, Airtel-Vodafone's partner.

Head office and the customer facing store are just a few steps from each other, meaning that when resolving queries staff from any department can literally pop out and chat to a shopper – a revelation in customer service. It must also be a really nice dynamic for the team at Airtel-Vodafone, who were once split into two entirely separate buildings.

The store itself is a breath of fresh air to Jersey, bringing the best in design to our little Island. Top it off with Airtel -Vodafone's highly trained tech-savvy team and this brand is one to keep an eye on. It's no doubt, the future is red.

Airtel-Vodafone's new flagship technology store is based at No 1 Castle Street. Pop in to pick up the best deals on mobile technology, advice from the expert mobile specialists and check out the latest handsets.

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The Smartphone Crew

Whether you're looking to take advantage of Airtel-Vodafone's recommend a friend scheme (and gain yourself a free month or £20 voucher for M&S, Voisins or Iceland), upgrade your plan to include a shiny new handset or just get some advice in what is best in market, this is the team to talk to.



Iqbal Showroom Manager

Loves: Happy customers

Top tip: Check out your usage & add data to suit. It'll save you money rather than going out of bundle.



Megan Assistant Manager

Loves: Android products

Top tip: Our latest PAYG Top-10 Bolt-on means I can call family in Poland for 3p a minute. It saves me a fortune!



Isidro Team member

Loves: The new store!

Top tip: Refer friends to Airtel-Vodafone to earn rewards for you both.



Marco Team member

Loves: Showing people how to run the 60 second health check. It's super easy & works!

Top tip: Take the advice & keep your passwords varied... there is nothing worse than being hacked.





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PHONE HOME

Introducing the iPhone X

Jess Stanier, Airtel-Vodafone's Marketing Manager reviews the latest Apple release. The iPhone that recognises your face, boasts a super-large display, professional camera and personalised emojis.

Look at the screen and the phone is unlocked; when you're not looking at the screen, the phone is locked. Makes sense right? With no fingerprint scanner there's a new way to unlock the phone, apples 'Face ID' facial recognition system. Simply stare at your phone and there you go, it unlocks.

The display is perhaps the most obvious difference to its predecessor, a truly magnificent corner-to-corner screen that leaves no room for a home button. What! No home button?! Don't worry simply swipe up from bottom of the screen to go home, swipe and hold to flick between apps, and double tap the lock button to open Apple Pay.

An all new Portrait Lighting feature means that this intelligent camera creates facial landmarks, and enhances light effects on the face. Essentially meaning better-lit photos and way more flattering selfie game.

Finally, Amimoji. I mean it is a gimmick, but a great one. Apple have created a collection of 12 different animated emoji within iMessage that can track your facial movements, and which you can use to record short video messages. Think the cat emoji with your voice. Yes. I know. Epic.

The iPhone X is available in space grey and silver, 64GB or 256GB





Nokia 3 - A Great Offer this Christmas

The Nokia 3 is a great gift this Christmas. Stylish and packed full of features, it does everything you could want, apart from break the bank. In fact, if you top up your Pay-As-You-Go account with £25 before 27th December, you can get the Nokia 3 for just £99.

Built around a durable aluminium frame that supports the smooth lines of a strong polycarbonate body, the Nokia 3 has the looks of a premium phone but for a price that won't leave you struggling to justify them. Powered by Google's smart and intuitive Android 7.0 Nougat operating system, the Nokia 3 gives you access to Google's Play store as well as media and productivity apps that will keep you entertained and organised in all aspects of your life. Crucially, for a well-priced phone, the Nokia 3 comes with a superb 8MP auto-focus camera on both front and back, along with 16GB of storage that will ensure you can keep your precious memories for years to come.

Whether you're buying it for yourself or as a gift for a loved one, the Nokia 3 is a delight that stands apart in terms of both style and performance.

Visit the Sure Store for more information.

Airtel-Vodafone's top app for...

SHARING CHRISTMAS CHEER

ElfYourself is the bestselling seasonal app that turns everyone you know into cute little dancing Christmas Elves. And, who doesn't want that.

This classic app is just perfect for office lols, simply upload a headshot of your boss and colleagues (via camera roll, take a pic or facebook) and then click 'let's dance'. You can add up to five elves, and can choose the design and song that your elves dance to.

After you've created the masterpiece you can share your video via email or post on your social media, and spread the festive spirit! Ho Ho Ho.

Available from App Store and Google Play.



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SPORTSPEOPLE OF THE MONTH

Rosie Adamson met Steph Egre in 2015 at a Have-a-go-row event, hosted by the Jersey Rowing Club. Steph had already been coastal rowing for a year with Frankie Le Quelenec (as a ladies double) and Rosie had recently returned to the island, having graduated from university that summer. They rowed as part of the same squad for a mixed four for the 2016 season.

Neither were new to rowing, Rosie got into river rowing whilst at school and continued throughout her time at university. University was the start for Steph, who made the transition to coastal on returning to Jersey. Rowing was a sport that allowed them both to 'keep fit and make friends'. They've certainly progressed from there and were frequently the first ladies double to finish in local races throughout the season.

During the season, the pair train on the water three to four times a week with sessions lasting between 45 minutes to an hour and a half. They also do land based training, on the rowing machine and circuits to develop strength and endurance. During the winter months they shift their emphasis to running. Steph is running the London Marathon in April to raise funds for Ovacome. Rosie is running

a marathon in Connemara, Ireland. Rosie tells us that these challenges, added to cross-training through the winter, are set to improve their fitness, strength and 'mental toughness' to help them start the 2018 rowing season 'raring to go'.

The pair's experience and successes this year has given them the drive to 'train harder, smarter and compete more fiercely' next year. They are hoping to take part in two or three French races, the BROC and the WRCC, with the ultimate goal of equalling

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This past year has been incredible for the pair. Not only do these two best friends get a chance to spend hours at sea together but they also won the British Offshore Rowing Championships ("BROC") and then went on to come 14th in the World Rowing Coastal Championships ("WRCC"), which Rosie tells us is 'more than we could ever have expected'.

or surpassing their results in 2017. These races do come at a significant cost (with travel, accommodation, boat hire etc) and they're therefore looking for sponsors. If you'd like to support some grass roots sport and get your logos on the girls' training kit, get in touch. and will ensure our sponsor(s) are identifiable in any media coverage.

STEPHANIE EGRE

Age 25

Day job Community Children's Nurse, Family Nursing and Home Care

Favourite Possession Wimble and Womble, my guinea pigs

Favourite Place The Minquiers on a sunny day

Favourite colour Blue

Favourite animal Dolphins

Favourite smell The Soap Mill: lime, basil and mandarin candles

Favourite way to spend the weekend Sat at the Echrehous watching the sunset with good company and a Gin and Tonic in my hand

Favourite restaurant Bento, especially on a Friday night after a gym session with Rosie Favourite film The Holiday, especially as we go into the festive season

Favourite song All I want is you- Juno

Favourite thing to splurge on New sports kit

ROSIE ADAMSON

Age 23

Day job Business Analyst at Contrarius Investment Management Limited

Favourite possession My On Running trainers

Favourite place Grosnez

Favourite colour Blue

Favourite animal Dog

Favourite smell Freshly baked cookies

Favourite way to spend a weekend Rowing with Steph!

Favourite restaurant El Tico, watching the sun set.

Favourite film Forrest Gump or Mulan

Favourite song Hail Rain or Sunshine - The Script

Favourite things to splurge on Sports kit and sweets

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Brest, France

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21st May 2017

3eme manche championnat grand ouest
Carteret

2nd overall

29th July 2017

British Rowing Offshore Championship *Poole*

1st overall

13th/14th October 2017

World Rowing Coastal Championships 2017 Thonon-Les-Bains

14th overall

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WORDS Katherine Day

December is a month for necks to ache, taste buds to dance and eyes to go wide. It is a month filled with watching the skies, feet planted firmly on the floor, admiring the twinkling lights strung along the front of houses and threaded through the narrow town streets, and searching for the brightest star in the sky.

It is a month for testing all of the festive drinks and treats whose names grace the blackboards of pubs and coffee shops. In short, December is truly the month for wonder and awe and it is magical. Though we know it makes December special, we yearn for ways to make the rest of the year as exciting.

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But what if we are looking at the wrong view?

What if you could fly? Or rather, have the sensation of flying. To turn your head and a see a group of birds of prey circling beneath you, or a huge eagle flying alongside you. Sharing the sky with these magnificent creatures. To see the world in an entirely

new way, whether it be experiencing a Californian sunset while you are tracking like Iron Man, or watching landscapes stretch out endlessly. To see Jersey, the other Channel Islands, the Minquiers and the Écréhous in a single breath with a birdseye view. Is that not enough wonder to fill a year, if not a lifetime?

There are those who catch these moments whenever they can, cupping them between their palms and holding them close to their chests. Forever remembered in a collection of wondrous and amazing memories.

Five such Islanders have come together to create a Formation Skydiving Team,

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representing Jersey in competitions. Hedi Green, Claire Allen, Mike Stocks, Liam Hardman, and their trusty cameraman Luke Gale, all work and tread various paths across Jersey, but their love and passion for Skydiving is the thread which ties them all together. Formed in June 2017 they have been hard at work training, both on-island and off, practicing and preparing for Nationals which take place in August 2018.

This challenging sport entails a kind of teamwork that involves trust and precision. Jumping out of the plane in formation, the team begins a routine of various formations, hitting a series of poses in the sky as they freefall, before breaking off at 5000 feet so that they can all land safely. "Being aware of your teammates in the sky around you is incredibly important," says Claire. And this is particularly true for Luke, the team's cameraman, who has the incredibly important role of capturing the routine on film for the judges so that they can mark the team's performance. He needs to have a precise and clear understanding of what it is the team does, so that he can position himself to capture the moment perfectly yet stay far enough away to avoid collision whilst competing. He is, perhaps, the unsung hero of the group, with a bar of pressure resting on his shoulders.

Building camaraderie, this form of teamwork adds another level of focus to the sport of Skydiving. Each of the team members is pushing themselves further, constructing and excelling at a skill, building a necessary solid foundation that lends itself to competing and jumping in general. What's more, as team member Luke explains, "it is one of the few sports with no prejudice, where men and women can compete together. It is an incredible thing to be a part of."

In fact, one word that every tongue has uttered and that echoes in words both said and unsaid is "Diversity." One of the reasons why the team love skydiving, is the people they get to meet and have met, forming friendships you might not otherwise have because of the diversity within the groups. From brain surgeons to firemen, you often don't realise what career someone has until much later when you sit down and talk because your day jobs are left behind.

Creating a 48-hour high, you can imagine these experiences being amazing and exhilarating, but two other words the team use are rejuvenating and calming. Hedi admits that though her first jump (a tandem jump in the Netherlands) was terrifying, she now experiences a feeling of zen when she is skydiving. She explains:

"It is a huge skill, you are learning to fly your body. But this creates a different connection because you are moving your body in a different way with each little movement creating an impact. You experience a completely different connection with the people around you because safety is so paramount. Time takes on a new meaning and everything comes into perspective. You are entering a new world. It is truly the closest thing to being a bird."

Bred from a love and a passion, skydiving enables you to push your own boundaries. Not only does it provide an immense level of respect for the sky's power and your own limitations, skydiving can also provide a form of escapism and release.

Why try skydiving?

Perhaps it's a personal challenge, either to prove something to yourself, overcome a fear, or maybe to find a new hobby to focus on in an attempt to avoid a post-show/event dip. It could be a present for a big and special birthday. Or you might have watched a documentary and become fascinated and transfixed by the idea. Maybe you want to try it because you know others who have already had the experience. Possibly it is on your bucket list because life is too short, so why not live it to the fullest if you have the ability.

THERE ARE MANY REASONS TO GIVE THIS SPORT A CHANCE, BUT FEAR CAN OFTEN GET IN THE WAY. SO, HERE ARE SOME WORDS OF WISDOM AND ENCOURAGEMENT FROM ONE OF JERSEY'S NEWEST AND MOST DARING TEAMS ...

Hedi: "Even though my eyes were shut tight for the duration of my first jump, I knew as soon as my feet touched the ground that something had changed. It is life-changing."

Mike: "Just do it! It is a win-win situation because if you hate it, it is still something to be immensely proud of. You did a skydive. It is something you achieved. And if you love the experience, you may have found a new hobby with all the perks that come with it."

Luke: "We're not actually adrenaline junkies. If you are debating skydiving, try a tandem jump as it is a way to experience freefalling."

Liam: "Safety is a high priority. It is a lot safer than people think. If you are on a tandem jump, you are in the arms of experienced skydivers. Skydiving has changed my life. It has changed my way of thinking, and it put things into perspective."

Claire: "It is the best feeling in the world. The best part has to be the actual jump. When the doors open and you leave the plane, those first few seconds. I don't think people truly realise. And it does revitalise you."

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MEET THE TEAM...



MIKE STOCKS

Years skydiving? **3** Number of jumps? **480**

LIAM HARDMAN

Years skydiving? 14 Number of jumps? Approximately 650

INTERESTED IN SKYDIVING?

Why not try a tandem jump? Visit **skydivejersey.net** to find out more information. If you've already experienced the wonder of skydiving or are determined that you will love it, then the next step is to pass your AFF (Accelerated Free Fall) qualification which is a week-long course you can undertake in France, Spain, or America.

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Never enough Christmas Music.

It's the time of year when public places and offices with bad music policies start pumping out Christmas tunes like audio wallpaper. Pity the people working in those places all day.

If you serve the public, getting your customers in the mood five minutes at a time with a rendition of Slade's Merry Christmas Everyone is fine, but imagine that being your soundtrack all the way from nine to five, from November to the 25th of December. Urgh.

If you're heading out this month, you'll probably find yourself drunk singing along to Fairytale of New York at some point (The Bells are ringing out for Christmas Day, right?) but you'll probably be looking for some nightlife that's a little more hardcore than being stuck with Dave from accounts in the corner at the Christmas drinks party. Below we're picked a selection of December's diverse nightlife offerings. Whether you fancy classical, wonky or French and funny, there's something to fit.



If you like... bounce.

Christmas Bounce

The Jersey Bounce with special guest Michael Clews is billed as The Ultimate Christmas Party, Part 2! We missed part one, but we've got tickets this time to see Mark, Liz and the gang tear up the Opera House. The Bounce are Jersey's biggest and best show band for the non-stop festive fun with a few surprises along the way, with a guest appearance too! They are joined by the No. 1 National and International Michael Buble and Neil Diamond tribute artist, Michael Clews, whose sensational voice and mannerisms make him the most authentic tribute artist on the circuit.

The Jersey Bounce with special guest Michael Clews Jersey Opera House 16th December , 7.30pm. 01534 511115 Jerseyoperahouse.co.uk

If you like... classical



Bitter, sweet symphony.

If Christmas is more a time for classical in your mind, join the Jersey Symphony Orchestra for an evening of wonderful music. It's bitter outside, but sweet inside with music from composers such as Richard and Johann Strauss, von Suppe and Lehar. Their internationally renowned Conductor, and owner of a truly wonderful name, Wolfgang Heinz will lead the audience through the Blue Danube, Champagne Polka, Radetzky March and so much more. Stefan Dohr, the fantastic principal horn of the Berlin Philharmonic is guest soloist.

Jersey Symphony Orchestra Christmas in Vienna Sunday, 17 December 2017 Fort Regent O1534 879737 | fortregent.je



Four seasons in one night

Feel like something truly atmospheric? Britain's best-loved classical touring ensemble, the Locrian, present a musical tribute to the great Venetian composer, Antonio Vivaldi. Attired in lavish period costume, performing in front of a stunning classical set, these charismatic musicians perform Vivaldi's Four Seasons, a composition which depicts 17th century Italian rural life in a wonderfully inventive manner.

Locrian Ensemble: Vivaldi By Candlelight

Jersey Opera House Saturday 9th December, 8pm 01534 511115 | jerseyoperahouse.co.uk

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If you like... wonkiness



Walking in a Wonky Wonderland

If you went to Weekender this year or Jersey Live in 2016, you'll no doubt have made your way through the maze to the fabulous Wonky Factory. It's the most festivally part of the festival for those that find it. Well, now they're taking the party to Rojo for a wintery but festive bout of mayhem and carnage. The same crew that make their festival tent unique are on hand to create a brand new design and decor concept for the event and this time they'll be using all three floors including the roof terrace. Wonky under the moonlilght!

For the second floor nightclub the concept is 'disco ice palace meets game of thrones white walkers!' For the ground floor they're bringing us their own interpretation of the Crib! On the roof it's simply billed as a snowy winter wonderland! No matter which floor you end up on, we hope you get wonky!

Wonky Wonderland Saturday December 16th

Rojo. 9pm - 2am Tickets; £5 in advance, Eventbrite

If you like... being out on NYE

The Don of all New Years.

This New Year's Eve, Ormer will be opening the backstreet alleyway to the new upstairs bar disguised as a speakeasy. Taking inspiration from the secretive side of the prohibition era; this is the place to ring in the New Year whilst indulging in all of the hidden hobbies of the 1920's.

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New Years Eve at Ormer

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Andy C and Tonn Piper Watersplash Friday 15th December watersplashjersey.com



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Hooked 06; Skepsis Rojo Friday 22nd December



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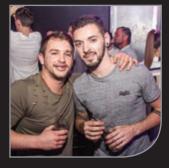
















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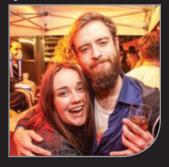






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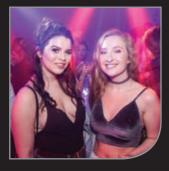
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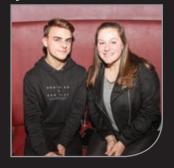






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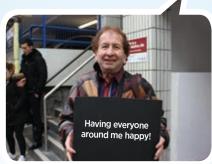
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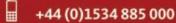
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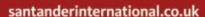
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