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nce a month isn't that often. If you had something to do once a month, no pressure. If I asked you to give me a call once a month it would seem like no big deal, right? Not in publishing. A month in publishing is like a week in the real world. Despite only having one Gallery edition a month, it always seems like the next deadline is upon us just minutes after the last one has passed. This cyclic process has accelerated at such a rate that this month we've managed to reach the 150th edition.

One hundred and fifty is a relatively big number. We've been producing Gallery once a month since 2004, almost as long as Facebook has been in existence. We don't even do it every month, in fact, as we have always opted to give January a miss. Just 11 little editions a year. A total of 150 editions with an average of 150 pages. That's 22,500 pages of content about you lot, the people of Jersey, produced so far. People at work, people at play. People that paint, people that act, people that cook, people that do well in business, people that model, people that sail, fly, jump, cycle. People that sing. People that party. People from age 0 in a baby fashion shoot to articles about people that are 100. People that need help, and the people that help then. A cross section of people; a mirror, a Gallery.

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It seems like yesterday that we produced the hundredth edition. So fast is the passage of time these days that this edition having '150' on the cover has come as a bit of a surprise so soon after. There's no pomp and ceremony accordingly, we're going to save that for our 15th birthday, which is just next year. If you told me those figures would enter our metrics when gallery started as something to do for three months, it would have blown me away. It still does. Staff old and new, contributors, clients, creatives and all our readers, thanks for being on the ride. Next stop; May. Pray for sunshine.

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#### What's On.

A rundown of key events from jersey.com this month (and beyond).

This selection of events is taken from 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.





**□14-APR > 15-APR □** *11:00, 15:00* 

#### La Fete du R'nouve

Join us at La Hougue Bie to welcome in the season of renewal. Get involved in our uplifting mini festival and celebrate the start of Spring with music, food, artists, creative activities and an unrivalled community atmosphere. Meet under a canopy of trees, bring a rug, hang out and look forward to warmer weather together. 🕖 La Hougue Bie, La Route de la Hougue Bie 🗐 13 £0 - £10

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**26-APR 1** 21:00 > 23:30

#### An Audience With The Rev Richard Coles

Join Strictly's latest dancing star as he recounts his experiences both on the dance floor and backstage with the stars. With judges verdicts ranging from 'a fantastic surprise', to 'full of heavenly delights' and 'The falling petals had more grace.

Ø Gloucester Street 🗐 na 🥯 £20 - £40

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**■05-MAY > 07-MAY ●** 9:00 > 18:00

#### **Barclays Jersey Boat Show 2018**

The Barclays Jersey Boat Show is the largest free-entry event in the Channel Islands and gets the boating season off to a great start. The 3-day show takes place in and around St Helier Marina and adjacent Weighbridge Place. It offers a variety of Jersey lifestyle features as well as activities both on and off the water, food and entertainment.

Ø St. Helier Marina, New North Quay ☐ na ☐ Free

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**□14-APR □** 10:00 > 16:00

#### Islands 'Genuine Jersey' Market

This regular artisans' market takes place in the pretty harbour village of St. Aubin in front of the parish hall. There will be local wares on display, including goods from producers and craft workers. All goods sold by Genuine Jersey Members will have been crafted, brewed, baked or processed by the stall holder.

Parish Hall, St. Aubin 

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**■28-APR ●** 11:00 > 15:00

#### **Elizabeth Castle Free Open Day**

Love Your Castle this Spring and join Jersey Heritage and Lloyds Community Bank for a free day out at Elizabeth Castle. Join in a series of exciting tours and explore the castle with our immersive living history. The event is completely free thanks to the sponsor Lloyds Community Bank. All funds raised will go to the Elizabeth Castle Restoration Fund.

Ø Elizabeth Castle, St Aubin's Bay ☐ na ☐ Free 01534 723971

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#### **Bouley Bay Hill Climb**

The first hill climb was held in 1920 when the road surface was concrete. Today the club organises a number of hillclimbs a year and has a membership in excess of 500. Demanding, technical and challenging are just a few of the descriptions used by the UK competitors who visit each year for the British National Hillclimb championship.

Ø Bouley Bay, Trinity ☐ 4 ☐ TBC

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**21-APR 1** 21:00 > 23:30

#### Hats Off to Led Zeppelin

Experience the power and the passion of a Led Zeppelin concert played by the official UK No.1 tribute to the gods of Rock and Roll, Hats Off to Led Zeppelin. Managed by Warren Grant - his father Peter was Led Zeppelin's manager and they have played with such greats as Queen, Ray Davies, Iron Maiden, Gerry & the

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**28-APR 21:00 > 23:30** 

#### The Cavern Beatles

On 9 February 1961, The Beatles made the first of their 292 appearances at the now legendary Cavern Club in Mathew Street, Liverpool. Fifty years on, The Cavern Beatles, a band fully endorsed and licensed by the same club, will now take you on a Magical History Tour through the works of the greatest pop music phenomenon.

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#### The Durrell Challenge 2018

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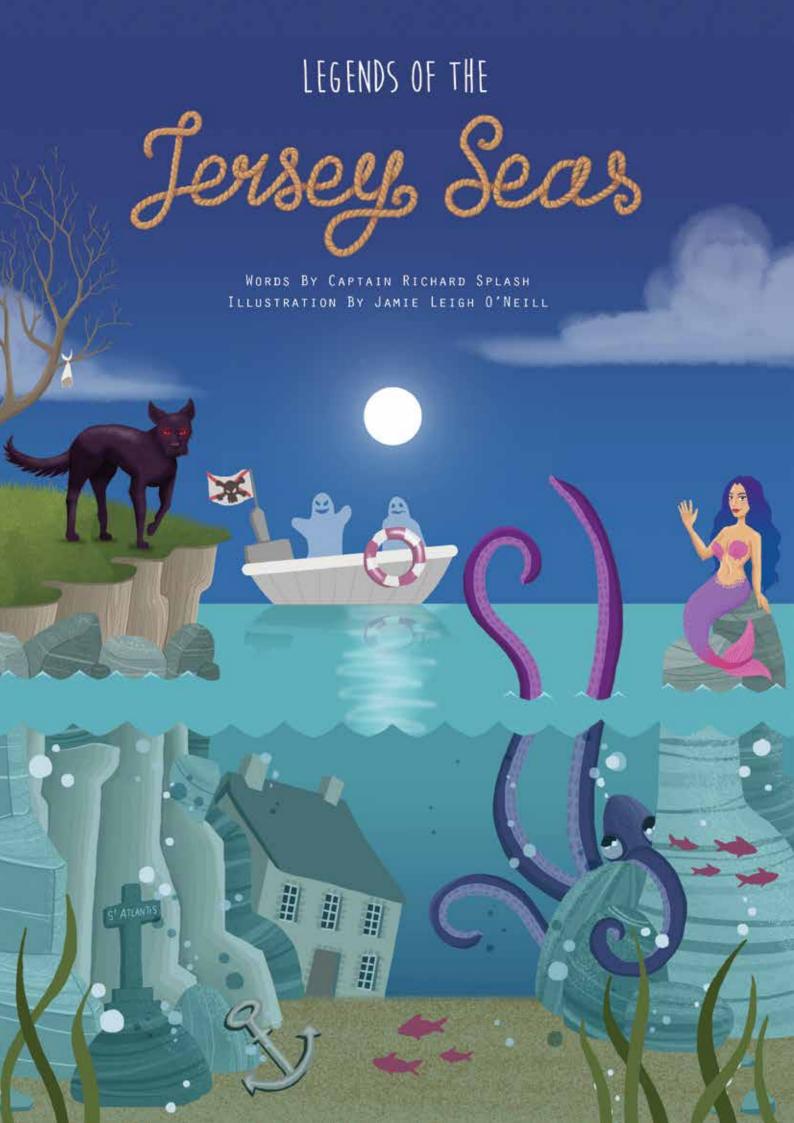
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Despite all that man has learned of our planet, the sea remains a thing of great power and mystery. It is the source of all life, feeding and nurturing our cultures across countless generations, yet in one moment it can drag us into its midnight depths, never to be seen again - like the Emeraude Ferry.

Aye, the spirit of the oceans has left its mark on those of us who live by it. Just to speak of its boundless wonders is to taste the tang of the damp air, to summon the spirits of those hoary, peg-legged mariners who have trod the salty boards in times before us, sailing far from port in search of adventure, gold and duty-free Prosecco. Many bad men, and a few good, have ended up in Davy Jones' locker or run through at the point of a sword. It saddens me to think of it, as sometimes it was my sword, but now I'm old and must tell my tales for the entertainment of landlubbing readers of Galley Magazine. Let's raise a glass to the sweet memory of my favourite cabin boy, whilst I tell you stormy legends bold and true. Like the storyteller at the Children's Library I will do requests, but by Nelson's Eye if you dare ask where I've buried my treasure I'll toss you overboard and drown you like a bilge rat.

The Black Dog of the Bay

The beaches of our Island, fair by day, are haunted by a dread beast that is said to travel under cover of darkness. They call it "the black dog", and it is seldom seen, except by those that quake in fear to remember the sight, for it is said that this dog runs so fast that in one night it can cover every beach in the Island, as well as the parks, woodlands and many areas of St Helier. Its phantom mark? Countless small plastic bags, hung from trees and filled with ghostly droppings, that each man swears must absolutely not belong to his pet. Some say that the black dog can even take human form, driving around in a van that produces multiple other dogs, all the better to lay steaming traps in any long grass owned by the National Trust. I hope never to gaze upon it with my sole remaining eye.

#### The Phantom Lifeboat

It is a sailor's greatest terror, to be alone and adrift in the cold ocean, but I swear by the gunner's daughter that I'd rather sink like a rusty cannonball than be rescued by the phantom lifeboat of the Jersey seas. They say that many years ago, there were two groups of brave mariners who came to blows over who would have the prestige of rescuing fair maidens in trouble, and whilst they were set to arguing, a third lifeboat set sail from St Helier one dark and stormy night. This dread lifeboat is not crewed by men, but by the accursed skeletons of those who took sides in the lifeboat battle

despite never having been to sea. They are doomed to spend their lives crossing the waves, making shrill arguments on social media and shaking a donation bucket that can never be full. By Neptune, I would saw off my one good leg before I'd accept a car sticker from this ghostly crew.

#### The Siren of St Mary

Crews throughout history have returned to port with fabulous tales of sweet ocean nymphs, beauties who have lured the unwary navigator to sail towards rocks and their doom. Oftentimes, these damsels are revealed as foul hags or half-fish beasts when seen up close - although believe you me, a seafarer can still be tempted when he's lonely and far from the arms of his sweetheart. The sailing men of St Mary have more excuse than many, due to the prevalence of female bearding and webbed feet within their parish, so it's no surprise that they tell stories of a "saucy mermaid" that swims to Greve de Lecq and summons

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them with its beautiful call. After taking a sailor in her arms and making sweet love to him, this mermaid is revealed as little more than a pile of rotten seaweed containing three Lucozade bottles and a discarded French shoe. Nonetheless, countless men from St Mary have failed to break the curse and tried to take the shoe as their legal bride. It makes me weep, like the memory of the scurvy gumrot that removed all my natural teeth.

#### The Noirmont Kraken

Nautical legend speaks of an ancient race of men, so fierce and strong that they fought the gods of the sea and made off with the treasure of Poseidon himself. In revenge the ocean god unleashed his dread minion, the mighty Kraken, which throughout history emerges from the salty fathoms to drag innocent sailors to a damp grave. Some say that even today it lurks about our Southern coast, eager to thwart the plans of men by

wielding magic to disrupt food deliveries and splash people on the cycle path. Although it's been a fair while since we lost a clipper with all hands, its evil presence is still felt. Nothing pleases Poseidon more than to ensure that, should you try and board the ferry with a monstrous hangover, you will be surrounded by a hundred noisy children on a day trip to St Malo. It is his watery curse, and I thank the stars that the worst I've suffered from this malign aquatic spirit is a terrible storm in which a falling yardarm sheared off all my fingers.

#### The Sunken Parish of Atlantis

Land-dwellers will sometimes gaze through a telescope and wonder why the distant, abominable rocks of the Minquiers and Ecréhous seem to bear signs of human habitation, yet Jersey society has defied its normal rules and so they are ruled by an eerie absence of coffee shops or glassfronted office buildings. Are they haunted by wraiths, inhabited by vicious flesh-eating

seabirds, or indeed the resting place of a dread pirate and his crew, who will relentlessly pursue any who attempt to make off with a single gemstone from his mighty treasure? All of these are true, but the real reason for their abandonment is that these offshore reefs bear witness to a time when our Island was much larger, for they are the remnants of the sunken "thirteenth Parish" - left as a warning that future generations will not be tempted to meddle with forces beyond their comprehension. This Parish was once thriving and

prosperous, with very reasonable foncier rates, but the Parish assembly grew bold and reckless and spawned some unknown disaster - perhaps letting the supermarket open on Sundays or moving dog licence applications online. The gods were furious, and the thirteenth parish was dragged beneath the pitiless waves with the loss of over 600 cows. It serves as a warning to us all, just as the spots where my hair and beard used to grow warn against leaning over a bucket of burning pitch with a mouthful of smuggled brandy.



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### NEWS IN NUMBERS



#### **MISC**



#### **FLIPPED FLIPPERS**

Likely a fairly common photograph stunt within synchronised swimming and possibly even freediving circles, we still thought this'd be worth sharing for the benefit of, well, everyone else. Plus it's bang on theme this month and also pretty nifty.

Using a fairy straightforward image flipping technique to complete the illusion, synchronised swimmer Lenka Tanner, who featured in a Kuoni ad that used this stunt, explains the slightly less straightforward technique employed on the swimming side of things in a YouTube video but we'll summarise it here for you.

The first notable point is holding your breath (a very important basic underwater survival technique) with lungs full of air, and then performing either a forward or backward roll to your taste. The choice is yours. Then, in an inverted standing position, exhale slightly until your feet are just skimming the surface and use your hands to maintain balance, then, well, pretend you're walking. It sounds so simple, right? So why not shake off your swimmers from last summer and practise this for yourself? After all, it's probably warmer in the sea at the moment than it is outside. Just don't forget a survival blanket and a Thermos for afterwards. Also, try not to forget to have somebody take your photograph whilst you're at it. This kind of thing probably doesn't translate well to selfie form.

\*At least two other video streaming websites are available, but they mostly cater for leaked USAF drone footage, Russian dashcam video montages and arty student films respectively.

#### **Quoted:**

Bill Murray

"Keep seeing the glass half-full and it will dawn upon you that it's probably your turn to buy"



#### FRIGHTFULLY FESTIVE

Welsh water enthusiasts were (trick or) treated to a supposedly festive surprise last December when staff at the Tredegar Sports Centre in Blaenau Gwent added a temporary dye (or should that be 'die'?) to their swimming pool's water in the name of family fun.

Following the success of a Halloween themed orange dye in their popular pool, staff decided that adding a red dye would be the perfect addition to get people in the mood for Christmas. Unsurprisingly, you have to admit, what actually happened was that the floodgates were opened up for a raft of comments on Facebook\* including; 'looks like someone has had a swim with Jaws', 'I love swimming in pools full of blood', 'it's like when they open the lifts in The Shining', and the concise but valid question; 'who died?'. The spokesperson from Aneurin Leisure, who run the leisure centre, didn't pass comment on the last question but I suspect that the answer was 'Noel'. Noel died. Poor Noel.

\*Other social networking sites are available, although primarily used solely by Google employees.



#### **Poor jokes:**

"How do you get two whales in a car? You begin in England, and drive west."



WORDS Ria Wolstenholme ILLUSTRATION Russ Atkinson

In true stereotypical British style, we've all started swapping our winter clothes and shows for summer ones. Now the freak snow day start to March has passed, and it's stopped getting dark at 4.30pm, we're ready and raring for sun, fun and making a splash. But this obsession with the sun leads us to obsessing about what we'll look like whilst in it.

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#### READY PLAYER ONE: HAS 80S NOSTALGIA GONE TOO FAR?

WORDS I erov Wallace

March 29th sees the release of Steven Spielberg's latest movie: Ready Player One. It marks the long-awaited return of the blockbuster master to science fiction cinema, but also the triumph of 80s and 90s nostalgia as an economic force within the entertainment industry.



If you aren't familiar with the book, Ready Player One takes the inclusion of pop culture reference points in media to a new extreme. Barely a paragraph slides by without multiple nods, winks and outright steals from other works of fiction, and it's clear that Spielberg took this idea and ran as far as the copyright lawyers would let him. However, whilst nostalgia and parody might work well on TV or in small doses, cinema tickets aren't cheap. The studio has taken a gamble that audiences are willing to shell out to see a movie that mainly works by reminding them of a slew of things they've paid to see before. Although I predict it will prove to be a safe bet, and the film will make massive piles of cash, I'd like to understand how we got to a point where something like this is considered a safe investment. Have we run out of new ideas? Is pop culture eating itself?

Outside the realm of comedy and kids' movies this is the first time that a megabudget has underwritten a film

that is openly constructed from bits sourced from other, arguably better, films - not to mention countless books, comics and video games. The trailers alone have crammed in a dizzving number of references, even to Spielberg's own films, which fits the central premise of the novel: unimaginable riches are hidden in a virtual world, a treasure only accessible to the person who can decode every last cultural reference included by the world's programmer. The plot is more than a love letter to pop culture, it's a way of imagining a world where it's a matter of life and death if you can name all of The Goonies and the damsel from Donkey Kong. The central idea

of a hero who is the only one to understand the rules of a secret parallel world is far from original - but to say it's unoriginal misses the point. The film's multimillion dollar pop quiz of cultural references is more than just something to divert adults watching Shrek, it's a legitimate story in itself, because for many people it's a strong part of their personal identity. We, the audience, are that hero. We get the references; we could save the world by knowing that Han shoots first and that Mogwai must never get wet.

#### The geeks will inherit the earth

The idea of intense pop culture literacy as a desirable personality trait is often associated with so-called geek or nerd culture, but if you look around you it's obvious that nerd culture has conquered mainstream entertainment, with the possible exception of sports. Where once classical education relied on a knowledge of latin and Greek mythology, the modern equivalent is being

able to pick up on allusions to Pokémon or Batman. Maybe it's because so many nerds ended up producing entertainment themselves, but we live in a culture shaped by The Simpsons and its many imitators, by ironic internet memes, by Marvel movies and video games. Ready Player One is the purest example of a phenomenon that sees new entertainments endlessly recycling bits from the past, like samples in rap music or the deathless reanimation of 80s fashion every ten years. It's as if we've come to accept that all the good stories have already been told. A key example is the pop culture juggernaut of the Star Wars franchise. After a weird detour via the critically-panned (albeit highly profitable) prequels, we are now at a stage where every second Star Wars film either makes reference to the destruction of the original Death Star, or just rehashes it in a new form. The cash returns from even rubbish films in the series would suggest that Disney could afford to take some risks, but aside from marginally more

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diverse casting it seems that audiences will only get to enjoy periodic updates of the original stories with shinier robots. Last year director Luc Besson released Valerian, a bonkers, hammy sci-fi spectacular that was consistently silly but also overflowing with great ideas. It should have been a natural fit for the same audiences that love Star Wars, but it bombed at the box office when cinemagoers decided they were less interested in Rihanna as a pole dancing space squid than the opportunity to view the Death Star explode from a slightly different angle. The popularity of reboots and rehashes does make me think it's become easier to generate a pleasurable reaction in your audience by bringing up memories of things they've experienced before, which seems to be a very limiting way to entertain ourselves. Whilst all art refers to things that came before it, there's a difference between a subtle tribute to another work and shameless pandering to our memories

without generating anything new. Will we reach the point where new generations have experienced so much nostalgia for 80s and 90s culture that it stunts their ability to tell stories without referring to the things they've already seen? We might be trapped forever like Pac-Man, in an endless maze of Death Star explosions and Spiderman reboots, as the profit numbers multiply upwards for the Disney corporation and the cinema chains.

#### A never ending story?

In all likelihood we've been here before. If there is hope it lies with the teens. Although we're currently dominated by the influence of 80s and 90s geek culture, this isn't unexpected and it can't last forever. Much like the influence of the 1960s generation over rock music and literature, the nostalgic influence of 80s and 90s culture is so strong because it's inseparable from a series of seismic changes to the media landscape, and from the tastes of the influential people who helped create those changes. The

cultural references driving our current world are embedded in a period when video games became a global phenomenon, when countless entertainment franchises established themselves, and when the internet first began to reshape human culture. When todays' creators were young and cool, the technology for reproducing media first became affordable, and they were able to share their culture with new communities around the world. Geeks in the 80s and 90s were at the forefront of a revolution, so it's no surprise that this party is still dancing to their record collections. However, I would argue that we'll soon reach saturation point, and the trend-setting geeks will

become tomorrow's embarrassing dads. There will come a time when young people feel the same about the references spilling out of Ready Player One as I started to feel about people in my parents' generation who never stopped banging on about Bob Dylan and The Beatles. I hope we can rely on these young people to come up with the weird ideas, with art that ignores the older generation, and to challenge us to develop interests in new things. Their ideas will upset the equilibrium, and will tell new stories that will shape the entertainment world for the next generations. Of course, within twenty or thirty years they'll be as commonplace as exploding Death Stars are today. The next generation can reload, reboot - and the cycle will begin again.

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BECAUSE QUALITY MATTERS gallery



How many of us take our ocean and water for granted, with that wonderful blue just fading into the background on your coastal drive to work. How often do we stop and take a moment in reflection, appreciating our beautiful scenery?

Thinking what our lives might be like if we couldn't take that quick dip, surf, paddle or simply stroll along the beach whenever we feel the urge. This luxury is something that not every Islander has the opportunity to experience and because of this, three local care workers who all share a passion for the water; Dominic Booth, Max Wiltshire and Seán Burke made it their mission to fix this.

"After taking a number of our service users out into the ocean and experiencing first hand the benefits it held for them, the brain wave that is now 'Healing Waves' was born." said Dom. "Individuals that struggled with anxiety, sensory implications and other conditions were suddenly relaxed, positive and engaged in the moment." Added Max. People with limited communication that previously struggled to make choice began requesting "surfing now" regularly, making it clear this was something that many truly enjoy. As Seán points out; "We couldn't

understand why something like this wasn't already in place for individuals with disabilities, conditions and mental health within Jersey. Water sports are at the heart of Jersey's culture and lifestyle, that many islanders live their lives around, so we knew this had to happen."

Healing Waves has been set up as a charity so that anyone can access free of charge, with sessions being run in volunteer's holidays and time off from full-time work. Unveiled in July 2017 HW received an overwhelming response, with first sessions running from September to October. Having teamed up with the Merton Hotel, they also utilise Flowrider sessions throughout December. "We didn't want families and athletes having to wait until May 2018 to come together again, so this was prefect in keeping our community alive. The Merton Hotel was fantastic and really showed what a strong community we have here in Jersey." says Seán. "It can be vital for parents to network and support each other, our sessions allow them this opportunity and much needed respite." added Dom.

While fundraising events have been taking place, Healing Waves have been reaching out to local sponsors and grants to assist them in their mission. This summer season is already looking exciting. With the help of Enable Jersey they have managed to secure the Channel Island's first wheelchair adaptive surfboard that is being delivered along with training in May by Surfability CIC, a surf therapy company from South Wales. They have also purchased a box trailer that will be converted into a disability changing facility, for those less physically able, or simply require extra privacy. The development is going to be a community project, with work being undertaken by La Moye Prison and input from the Occupational Therapy Department. Max explains their goals; "Our aim is to enable individuals, breaking down those unnecessary barriers providing each athlete with the opportunity for their own unique and valuable experience. We hope that in doing this individuals will leave feeling more empowered, relaxed and confident in their own abilities, transferring this into their everyday lives."

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It's clear that Healing Waves are not just on a mission to make our waters inclusive for all, but to equally raise awareness of the 'Blue Mind' message. "The evidence of Ocean Therapy and Blue Health is on the rise with more research backing its health benefits, services and values." says Max, "As Dr Wallace J Nichols - Author of Blue Mind states, "These can be cognitive, emotional, psychological and physiological. Ultimately the ocean holds something for us all."

"Likewise, a huge thanks to all the public, business' and professionals who continue to back this mission and donate to us with equipment, their talent and financial support alike."

The response is really measured by the satisfaction of the user. As one parent explains, "When he was in the water he had the hugest smile and I could see for the first time in a long time, my child outside

and athlete profiles are exchanged prior to sessions, so they can learn a little about each other, in turn lowering anxieties. All athletes are paired on at least a 1:1 basis to keep things safe, effective and person centred as possible. So the question is, Shouldn't we all be tapping into 'Blue Health' more often and each finding our own 'Blue Space' whether in, on, under or around the water?

Healing Waves aims to make Jersey an inclusive place, by reaching out to more islanders and tourists living with conditions, disabilities and mental health. Offering them new, meaningful, fun experiences that some might not be able to have otherwise. If you know of anyone who could benefit from this service, please urge them to get in touch via email. Equally, if you could be of any assistance whether you are looking to give your time, donate equipment or financial support please find the email below.

The Healing Waves team tell us they have have "ideas coming out their ears" with much more planned for the years ahead. Make sure to follow them on social media: @HealingWavesUK

## "Water sports are at the heart of Jersey's culture and lifestyle, that many islanders live their lives around, so we knew this had to happen."

Not alone in their mission to make Jersey's waters inclusive, a large number of members of the public have come forward offering time and experience to the cause, as Seán points out "We really have formed a little family and would simply not be able to run at the level we have without each and every one of them. We are beyond grateful and hope they know this." Dom agrees,

actually enjoying himself and having fun. It is hard to put into words how happy as a parent this made me feel."

Sessions are scheduled to return in May until late September Their service is not limited to the time Athletes spend in the water, but from the day they get in contact and they arrive at the beach. Volunteer

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#### **COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY IN JERSEY**

#### They don't like Cricket. They love it.

The immensely popular Cricket Courses, sponsored by Rathbones have been expanded to cover all schools on the Island, ensuring as many children as possible have the opportunity to take part. Running now for eleven years, this initiative has proven to be hugely successful and has encouraged into the sport many new players who wouldn't ordinarily have been attracted to cricket at this age at school. Lee Meloy, Jersey Cricket Development Manager, commented "It's fantastic to see the increasing numbers of children taking part every year. We're really grateful to Rathbones for helping to provide these youngsters with the first step on the pathway towards playing international cricket".





#### Equiom's 4th 'Relay for Life Jersey'

Equiom will sponsor 'Relay for Life Jersey' for the fourth year running in 2018. The annual event which raises funds for Cancer Research UK will take place on Saturday 7 and Sunday 8 July at the FB Fields, St Clement. Since joining forces with the charity in 2014, Equiom and Relay have raised over £170,000 and this year, they've set a record-breaking fundraising target of £65,000. The relay event invites teams of eight to 15 people to raise funds through sponsorship for Cancer Research UK by walking in relay continuously for 24 hours. Channel Island residents will benefit directly from Relay for Life Jersey, as fundraising efforts go straight to Cancer Research UK's Research Centre based at Southampton Hospital. As always, the Relay weekend will open with a Survivors' Lap of Honour involving local people who have beaten cancer. The Relay committee has set a target of 25 teams of approximately 10 people, with a goal to raise funds for Cancer Research UK.

To sign up, visit the Jersey Relay page on the Cancer Research UK website, or find 'JerseyRelayForLife' on Facebook.

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#### GIVE COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY IN JERSEY



#### AFM gives Les Amis residents an opportunity to work

AFM chose Les Amis as its charity of the year last year raising £3,053.40 to assist the charity. Their donations have helped purchase materials for the Les Amis Recycling and Maintenance team so Les Amis can offer more employment opportunities to residents. The donations have been used to purchase gardening gloves, high-visibility jackets, work clothing, gardening tools and other materials. This equipment allows the residents to help maintain the Les Amis gardens and clean windows in 29 of the charity's residential homes. Jason Loveless, Head of Support Services at Les Amis, said: "What may seem like very boring items to you and I are actually the tools which enable our residents to work. AFM's donation funded a small team of our residents to work for a substantial period of time. Working is invaluable for our residents as it fills them with pride and makes them feel like they are contributing to society". The Les Amis Recycling Team costs £460.00 a week to run so donations from external organisations help Les Amis create employment opportunities for residents. The Les Amis Recycling Team has the dual benefit of helping Jersey's environment and giving residents a sense of purpose.

#### **Human table football is BACK!**

Autism Jersey will be bringing babyfoot to life again this year with the second Human Table Football tournament. You get the picture - men on poles kicking a ball, right. Well, in this version, players are restricted in movement by putting their hands into some heavy-duty gloves which are fixed to a scaffolding pole. Last year's inaugural tournament at Weighbridge Place was deemed such a success that it is being repeated, this time on Saturday 28 April. Some adults who have autism, players from the Jersey Learning Disabilities Football Club and Youth Inclusion take part, as well as big strong guys from the construction industry and some corporate teams. Last year, the trophy, which is sponsored by Normans, was won by a team from Camerons. Both companies support the event with Normans supplying the materials and Camerons constructing the pitch. CPA Global also support, organising everything on the day, including the entertainment and refreshments. They've listened to feedback and are shortening the games to eight minutes this year; adding some netting to prevent the ball going out into the crowd, and have dropped the entry fee. Teams need six players to take part. The entry fee is £180, with a commitment to raise a further £150 in sponsorship.

To book a team, contact Caroline Moody as soon as possible by emailing c.moody@autismjersey.org



#### Optimus opt for BSK

Optimus Recruitment has donated £15,000 to the Beresford Street Kitchen (BSK) and committed to support the social enterprise for the next three years. The donation will go towards the apprenticeship scheme at the café, which provides workplace opportunities for people with widely ranging skills and life experiences, in particular, Islanders with learning disabilities and autism. In addition to the financial contribution, Optimus plan to host a programme of events at BSK, and have a hands-on approach to raise further funds. The new partnership was formed after staff at Optimus were asked to nominate local charitable causes close to their hearts. With one of the team having an autistic child, BSK was a natural choice. It was also felt that BSK's vision was naturally aligned to that of Optimus - providing everyone with the skills and opportunity to find rewarding employment.



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Arcadian Dreams
Exhibition Launch
CCASM MODERN AND
CONTEMPORARY ART
THURSDAY 15TH MARCH

Kindly sponsored by UBS Wealth Management CCasm welcomed delighted guests to view this incredible exhibition celebrating the sublime in abstraction and nature. Arcadian Dreams is an exhibition of natural beauty reimagined and distilled by some of the most compelling artists working today including Anish Kapoor,

Nissa Nishikawa, Boomoon, Gary Hume, Sue Arrowsmith and Damien Hirst. The exhibition will run until Friday 20th April and is available to view by appointment. Call the gallery on 859093 or visit ccasmart.com













Islands refurbished office opening

KINGSGATE HOUSE, THE ESPLANADE

THURSDAY 15 MARCH

Islands wanted to create offices that truly put customers at the heart of their business, so the local insurance broker used focus groups to find out how they could achieve that.

At the official opening, guests got to see the result of their feedback. The

redesigned offices include meeting podsfunctional and comfortable private spaces for staff and clients, breakout areas with deck chairs for team buzz meetings, and a modern, vibrant working area.

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## The Old Court House apartments, a gateway to Gorey Village and the Island's most sought-after place to call home.

Welcome to the Old Court house, a modern day development of eighteen sizeable apartments standing proudly beside Grouville Common each including parking for two cars.

The development sits as a gateway to Corey Village and presents an opportunity to live within a stone's throw of some of the Island's most treasured places; an array of charming shops and eateries, the prestigious Royal Jersey golf course and the many

stunning green lanes and rambles, perfect for walking or cycling.

Immerse yourself into contemporary apartment living within a traditional rural setting creating a blank canvas for you to put your own stamp on.

With just 3 x two bedroom apartments remaining and ready for occupancy, please call now to arrange a viewing of this truly stunning development.











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**Nicole Murray Design Studio Launch CASTLE QUAY** FRIDAY 9TH MARCH

This luxury interior design company, relaunched its flagship kitchen showroom with a VIP invitation-only reception. Guests of the expansive showroom and design studio were treated to demonstrations and food tastings from MasterChef The Professionals finalist, Sven-Hanson Britt.

The team pride themselves on producing exquisite interiors and kitchens for private clients and developers, with expertise for

high end properties. Creative Director Nicole Murray, has a diverse and multidisciplined array of knowledge and over a decade of experience and expertise to push boundaries in interior design and property development. She has developed a prestigious portfolio and fostered strong relationships with global suppliers.

For more information and previous works please visit: www.nicolemurraydesign.com













**Matthew Jukes Wine Tasting** THE TOWN HALL

THURSDAY 8TH MARCH

Following on the success of last year's sponsorship, Canaccord Genuity Wealth (International) once again supported the 100 Best Australian Wines Roadshow with wine expert Matthew Jukes. This is Gorey Wine Cellar's flagship event securing the services, for one night only, of Matthew's

world-renowned insight and unique delivery on his favourite producers compiled from his tasting over 40,000 wines annually. The tour takes in the UK, USA, China and Australia so this was a major coup to have him return and was much appreciated by the very large turnout.

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What's your morning routine? Lovely walk in the woods which is just down the road from our house, the dogs really love it as there are plenty of rabbits and squirrels to chase.

Describe your perfect weekend day together: On the beach on a sunny morning with Tillies favourite pink ball chasing it down the beach, if its high tide, she loves swimming in the sea after her ball. We will then head for the Gunsite sit and have a cup of tea while Tillie has a slice of bacon.

Meal for two, where are you heading and what are you eating? Our favourite place is Bernie's in the central market as they are dog friendly. They do lovely food, Tillie has some roast beef from the delicatessen opposite.

#### **Tracey**

Breed: Jersey Bean Age: Not 21 any more

**Likes:** The sunny warm weather **Hates:** Cruelty of any kind

If you were an animal, you would be: Anyone of my three dogs as they are loved so much and very much cared for too.

Wants: Nothing really as I have lovely family and friends around me so what more could you want.

Interesting facts: I have held a PSV licence for over 30 years, and I've passed my retain firefighters test too.

Most impressive thing you've ever done: Had two amazing sons Michael and Jack of whom I'm very proud.

#### Tillie

**Breed:** Rough coated Jack Russell

Age: 4 on the 28th March

**Likes:** Her pink ball on the beach swimming in the sea

Hates: Being left at home alone

If human I would be: Very smart pretty and very loving

Wants: Plenty of fuss and attention

Interesting facts: Jack Russells were developed in Devonshire, England and named after Parson John (Jack) Russell in the 1800s he used them for hunting out foxes.

Most impressive thing she's ever done: Had 10 gorgeous

puppies was an amazing mum to them all till they left at 10 weeks old to their loving homes.

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## WATER Worderful WORLD

Nothing says Summer Holidays quite like a day spent splashing about at a water park, and as easy as it is to feel as though you're on vacation on a hot day in Jersey, Millbrook Park paddling pool just doesn't offer quite the same excitement. For a real water park experience we have no choice but to leave the rock.

For this month's Splash issue I've been investigating the world's best water parks, as voted for by the well-travelled and discerning users of Tripadvisor.



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**SIAM PARK - TENERIFE** 

If you'd asked me a couple of years ago where the best Water Park in the world was, I'd probably have taken a guess at the over the top, no expense spared aquatic attractions of Orlando or Dubai. Imagine my surprise then to discover that the #1 rated park on earth, for 4 years in a row no less, is in humble Tenerife. I paid a visit, purely in the name of research, to see what all the fuss is about.

Siam Park is a Thai themed water kingdom stretched across a hillside just outside the popular resorts of Adeje and Playa de las Americas. Cleverly designed to make use of the steeply sloped terrain, most of the slides

are low level and nestle amongst the landscaped grounds, and the resulting scarcity of high-rise structures visible from outside the gates serves to add to the intrigue for first-time visitors.

Celebrating its 10th Birthday this year, Siam Park is relatively new on the scene, yet attracts over 1.2 million visitors per year to sample its watery wonders. Adrenaline junkies make straight for the Tower of Terror Power, dominating feature of the park, and the only one I swerved. Those braver than I queue up to plunge 28 metres before whizzing through a shark tank at up to 80 kilometres per hour.

For those who prefer a (very slightly) less heart-stopping experience, the dark and disorientating Volcano, scream-inducing Dragon or roller-coaster style Singha are just some of the options, whilst the less adventurous can float lazily along the Mai Thai river, or relax on the impressive white sand Siam Beach, lapped by artificial waves. Can't decide whether you belong in the shallows or the deep end? Naga Racer and Jungle Snake each offer a taste of excitement without the need for a change of swimwear.

Smaller members of the family don't miss out, with two dedicated areas designed to provide maximum fun for little ones. The Lost City boasts 15 slides, rope bridges and cascades, whilst Sawasdee offers scaled down versions of some of the park's star attractions that I was sadly a shade too tall to try out.

If all this wasn't enough, Siam Park also boasts what is reportedly the largest Dragon Statue in the world. If that's not worth a visit I really don't know what is.

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2nd in the world, but top in Latin America, is Beach Park Brazil. Sitting right beside the beach of Puerto das Dunas in the region of Fortaleza, almost a million visitors per year flock to the resort that this water wonderland is a part.

18 attractions over 35,000 square metres are designed to appeal primarily to families. Well designed, safe, and colourful areas such as Noah's Ark, Aqua Circus and Treasure Island provide shallow pools, slides, waterfalls, jets and bucket dumps of up to 1800 litres at a time. Aquabismo and Tchibum slides offer low-key exhilaration for slightly bigger kids.

Despite the family feel of this fun-packed park, thrill seekers are not completely forgotten. The monstrous Insano slide makes the Tower of Power look like a toddler slide, with a staggering 41 metre drop (that's equivalent to 14 storeys, or about the same as Sand Street Car Park) which at one time held the Guinness World Record for highest water slide. Riders accelerate to 105 kilometres per hour before plateauing towards the landing pool, where it's advisable to check that all major internal organs are still in place.

#### WATERBOM - BALI

Coming Third Worldwide and ranking #1 in Asia, Waterbom Bali is in the South Kuta area of the Island and, of the Top 3 parks, offers the most appeal to daredevils, with the majority of rides falling into the 'extreme' category.

In line with the more mature allure of this park, a number of the attractions seem to have been named in homage to low budget adult movies, with the rest giving a nod to the snakes which could (but probably don't) lurk in the tropical surrounds. Climax, Double Twist and Smashdown 2.0 each feature a jaw-dropping, or indeed floor-dropping, trapdoor system that whips out from under the feet of those brave/foolhardy to have a go, pitching them into freefall at up to 2.5 G force, whilst the Constrictor is the world's longest water slide, winding through the tree canopy for 250m. That's about the same length as the tunnel, but is presumably an infinitely more pleasant experience to slither through.

Fast & Fierce, Twin Racers and Green Vipers all allow riders to show off their competitive spirit, and each features two adjacent slides, with the latter twisting and tumbling around each other over a 20 metre descent. Meanwhile Boomerang (what goes up must come down) launches riders through a neon rainbow lit tunnel to build up speed for the near vertical quarter pipe.

It's not ALL white knuckle thrills at Waterbom however; more gentle exhilaration can be found on the Lazy River which meanders slowly through lush green Indonesian forest, or in the (ahem) Pleasure Pool where the swim-up bar offers cool cocktails, and bronzed sun lovers bask on the surrounding loungers.









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#### FLY BOY

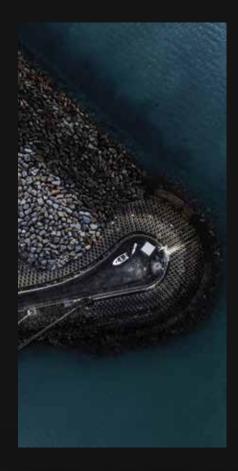
Cameron Aird is a local drone enthusiast who dropped us an email last month and told us about his passion for taking images from the sky. There are quite a few very skilled local pilots in Jersey now but with regulations in place and restrictions on their use, we've shied away from presenting some of the amazing shots we've seen and been sent before. We've even been to fly drones with the great bunch of local guys who shun a digital entertainment option in favour of using their crafts to capture images of our island and the world beyond.

Cameron is 17 Years old and currently studying Media at Highlands College. He's been a huge enthusiast for drone photography for a little over a year now and told us 'I think Aerial Photography helps see different perspectives on locations and special places around the island which you can't see from the ground'. It's this kind of pursuit and standpoint that made us want to feature his work this month. He went on to say; "It's most definitely the future of photography and I believe it can help with many other aspects of work, saving people's lives and creating true art". Cameron obviously isn't any kind of commercial operation, just a guy that likes to see from the sky, having "experienced such beauty

with the drone". Over his time shooting with DJI Phantom 3 Professional he tells us he's been astounded by the quality with its stunning 4K camera shooting stills at 12 mega pixels, the object of his photographic affection has given him a new perspective on photography. As his skills progress, no doubt he'll pursue this area, as he tells us "Your Imagination Is Your Limit".

#### Are you pretty fly?

We'd love to profile more professional and amatuer local pilots in future editions. If you're in control of an eye in the sky, send us your favourite shot and a description of why you love it to editorial@factory.je





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## Culture News



## MUSIC Hey Folks

A few years back folk were everywhere. I think I blame Mumford and Sons and then Ho Hey by the Lumineers. There wasn't a chance of watching live music without a waistcoat in sight somewhere. Whilst it's a specific image, it's the sort of sound you might initially hesitate to identify. Shortly after, you'll be tapping a foot. Then you'll be humming. It's a slippery slope. In a world of heavily synthesised electronic based music, the natural sound of instruments can't fail to move something inside.

Talisk are one of the fastest rising bands on the UK folk scene in recent years, having been nominated for the 2017 BBC Radio 2 Folk Awards' Horizon Award and been crowned winners of the 2015 Young Folk Award. Mohsen Amini (concertina), Hayley Keenan (fiddle) and Graeme Armstrong (guitar) create a captivating, energetic and dynamic sound that, in just a couple of years, has earned them multiple award wins, unwavering nationwide media praise, and standing ovations far and wide. Atop their collective titles, Amini was the 2016 BBC Radio Scotland Young Traditional Musician of the Year, adding to a trophy cabinet which far belies their years.

With appearances at world-leading festivals including the Cambridge Folk Festival, Denmark's Tønder, and Fairport's Cropredy Convention, as well as live sessions on both BBC Radio 2 and BBC Radio Scotland's flagship folk programmes, theirs is a star firmly, and rapidly, on the ascent. Catch them while you're on our fair isle this month.

Talisk play on the 11 April at Jersey Arts Centre. 8pm - 10pm



# DANCE Dance with Tavaziva

This is your chance to participate in a dynamic and energetic two hour dance workshop with renowned Zimbabwean choreographer and Artistic Director Bawren Tavaziva. Bawren will take you through a fast paced and exhilarating workshop, giving a masterclass in his trademark style of African contemporary dance. Challenge yourself both physically and mentally with Tavaziva's blend of contemporary dance technique and complex African rhythms. Expect to sweat in this exciting one off workshop! This workshop is recommended for intermediate/advanced to pro. 16 years +

Jersey Arts Centre 17 Apr 6-8pm £20 / Members: £17



#### MUSIC Get into the Cavern

On February 9th 1961, The Beatles made the first of their 292 appearances at the now legendary Cavern Club in Mathew Street, Liverpool. Fifty years on, The Cavern Beatles, a band fully endorsed and licensed by the same club, will now take you on a Magical History Tour through the works of the greatest pop music phenomenon. Replicating the excitement and energy of Beatlemania in a completely live show, these talented four will take you through the psychedelic era of Sgt. Pepper and the creative masterpieces of The White Album and Abbey Road. Four costume changes and lighting scenes complement the changes in musical complexity as the show develops to a climax.

Jersey Opera House 28 April. 8-10pm. £22

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## **EXHIBITION** Cumulus Cumuli

Graham Tovey will be opening his exhibition of recent oil paintings of, you guessed it, the sky later this month. We've been featuring Graham for many years in Gallery and it's great to see his new work. Graham is well known in the island for his atmospheric and compelling landscapes; abstract by nature but always based on the reality of landscape.

Graham is keen to point out that Constable produced over 600 studies of the sky and Turner over 300. It is the sky that is the focus of Graham's study in his latest exhibition at 10 Hill Street, 'Cumulus Cumuli'. The exhibition will be lit by the Jersey skyscape in the gallery's mezzanine gallery that boasts a roof made of glass. Rather like Victor Hugo's study at Hauteville House, St Peter Port, the glass roof offers uninterrupted access to the sky, without needing to sit in the rain. Graham will be giving a gallery talk and discussion at 1.00, Friday 20 April. Although it is advisable to book a place in advance, there is no charge for the talk and all are welcome.

'Clouds have been the object of fascination throughout history. Their fleeting magnificence and endless variability has interested scientists and artists alike. Clouds may have many individual shapes, but there are very few basic forms. When it comes to clouds and the weather, there is never a moment when nothing can be said to be happening.'

Graham Tovey

As well as inspiring a loyal following of collectors, Graham has been inspiring and mentoring artists for many years with a natural empathy and a gift for encouraging hidden talent. Graham will be holding a workshop in the mezzanine gallery on Thursday, 26 April 10.30 -4.00. The workshop is aimed at those with a basic understanding of painting and attendees can expect to take home original work, as well as a new insight in the sky as a stimulus for expression. Places on the course cost £35 and must be booked in advance at the gallery.

CCA Galleries International. Exhibition runs 20 April - 10 May

# LIBERATION International Music Festival

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#### Event highlights:

Wednesday 9th May 2.30pm Musical Walk 6pm Liberation Concert

After a musical walk from Corbiere Phare in St Ouen's, enjoy a concert in a war time bunker celebrating the liberation of the island with cellist Dora Kokas.





Saturday 12th May - 8:00pm Liberation Celebration: Alexander Sitkovetsky & Friends Opera House

A celebration of Jersey's Liberation features eight international soloists performing great music from Brahms and Mendelssohn.

#### Sunday 13th May 11:45 - 4:30pm Jazz at Hamptonne

Enjoy a family day out at the beautiful Jersey Heritage site Hamptonne, with multiple award winning Joanna L'Estrange and her jazz band performing popular jazz classics.





Thursday 17th May – 7pm Music and Talk & Screening The Artist – Opera House

Winner of 7 BAFTAS, and 5 Oscars including for Best Picture and Original Soundtrack this dramatic comedy is a "must see" on the big screen.

Saturday 19th May - 8:00pm Liberation Gala - 10th Anniversary Jersey Chamber Orchestra at Opera House

A stunning Gala concert to celebrate the 10th Anniversary of the festival with a major new commission by Errollyn Wallen MBE for global music stars Kosmos and the Jersey Chamber alongside classics by Mozart and Elgar.



For more information:

www.liberationjersey.com

Tickets: Jersey Opera House **511115** 

or **Eventbrite** 

## Culture News

#### **Local Artist Profile**

Name: Anita Eastwood

Born: Somalia In Jersey since: 1991

**Practice:** Watercolour painting









Anita's work focuses on developing colour whilst trying to represent true form. Her choice of subjects gravitate towards florals and landscapes. She is interested in creating sweeping washes, and usually paints with a wet into wet style. The artist uses brushes and spray bottle of water to continue adding colours and shapes. The composition develops with layers of washes, whilst the use of spray keeps the edges soft creating varied effects. She has worked on a number of private commissions and loves Jersey as a "fabulous canvas for ideas". You can find Anita's work on Facebook.



# HERITAGE Love your Castle!

Love Your Castle this Spring and join Jersey Heritage and Lloyds Community Bank for a free day out at Elizabeth Castle. We'll have a series of new tours for you to join so you can explore the castle, some exciting living history and other activities. The event is completely free thanks to sponsor Lloyds Community Bank. Walking times from 10am (Castle closes at 2pm). Castle Ferry will operate a restricted service for disabled access only.

Elizabeth Castle 28 April, 10am - 2pm



#### 10th Anniversary **Liberation International Music Festival!**

Running from 9th to 19th May 2018 the island will be filled with music making by internationally renowned stars as we celebrate the liberation of Jersey.

Audiences will be delighted to see the return of music soloist Alexander Sitkovetsky & friends in a Liberation Celebration including works by Brahms and Mendelssohn's Octet on Saturday 12th May, Jazz at Hamptonne headlined by jazz star Joanna L'Estrange, and innovation with acclaimed composer Errollyn Wallen MBE writing a major new commission to be premiered by global music group Kosmos. Then the wonderful Jersey Chamber Orchestra will close the festival on Saturday 19th May.

Throughout the Festival the award winning stars will be joined by Jersey artists performing at both formal and al fresco events across the Island including Hamptonne on Sunday 13th May, a musical walk around Corbiere with a concert in M19 Bunker and a screening of the classic film The Artist at the Opera House. A central theme running through this year's programme will be the joy of liberation through music and words as we enjoy music from countries around the world from Jersey to Germany, England, Russia, France and America.

For more information or to buy tickets please go to www. liberationjersey.com or call the Jersey Opera House on 511115. Tickets for Jazz at Hamptonne are available through Eventbrite.

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# Health & Wellbeing News



#### SPLASH OUT, WORK OUT, WIPE OUT AND CHILL OUT

Seymour hotels have invested £500,000 this winter in the newly refurbished Merton Leisure Club & Aquadome. Combining a superbly equipped gym, a fantastic Leisure Centre (including swimming pools, spas, sauna and steam room), a flowrider surf machine and a multisport ball court... the game is on!

There are a range of membership options designed to suit all ages and lifestyles, whether you are a family, couple or wish to join as an individual member. The Club Memberships start from only £42pm, this option includes full use of the gym, indoor and outdoor pools and all facilities within the Aquadome. The Premium Membership from £46.00pm includes all the above, plus unlimited fitness classes and a whole range of additional savings throughout the year. For full details of the new memberships visit their new and improved member's website www.mertonaquadome.com

They also run swimming lessons and can arrange children's birthday parties, as well as hiring out the flowrider for special events. For further information call 767 774.





#### **MEET THE YOGI**

We caught up with Jessica Myhill who runs a weekly fitness yoga class to find out more about the world of yoga.

#### What do you love about yoga?

During my own practise I love trying new poses and taking a moment to tune in to how I'm feeling that day. The concentration on breathing in yoga helps me to push myself further physically, a skill that helps with many aspects of everyday life! I love being able to share this experience with other people when I teach, giving my students undivided attention and really listening to what they need to progress individually.

What's the best thing about fitness yoga? Fitness yoga starts the class with high intensity yoga exercises, warming up the body properly, to prevent injury and support with flexibility and core strength.

#### Why should people try it out?

Students have said they love the feeling after the guided breath work at the end which helps with concentration and self-confidence. They always leave class feeling relaxed, more centred and safe in the knowledge they've had a good workout!

Who goes to your classes? I have a whole range of age groups and abilities, whether you're looking to improve strength, relax your mind or just touch your toes. Almost every move has a variation, so you can feel comfortable in your own body and make sure you get the best work-out that's tailored to you!

#### Class info:

12.10 – 12.55 (45 mins) | £8 if paid in bulk. Saving you £14. Or it is £10 for a drop in | Every Thursday 12th April – 24th May at Nikki's Studio located on Snowhill.

For more info contact: springfitnessyoga@gmail.com

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# SPRING BREAK

We've rounded up some holiday essentials, or they could make lovely treats for a staycation, which will keep you looking glam all day at the beach bar.



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#### Sisley

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# FASHION



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# SPRING 2018

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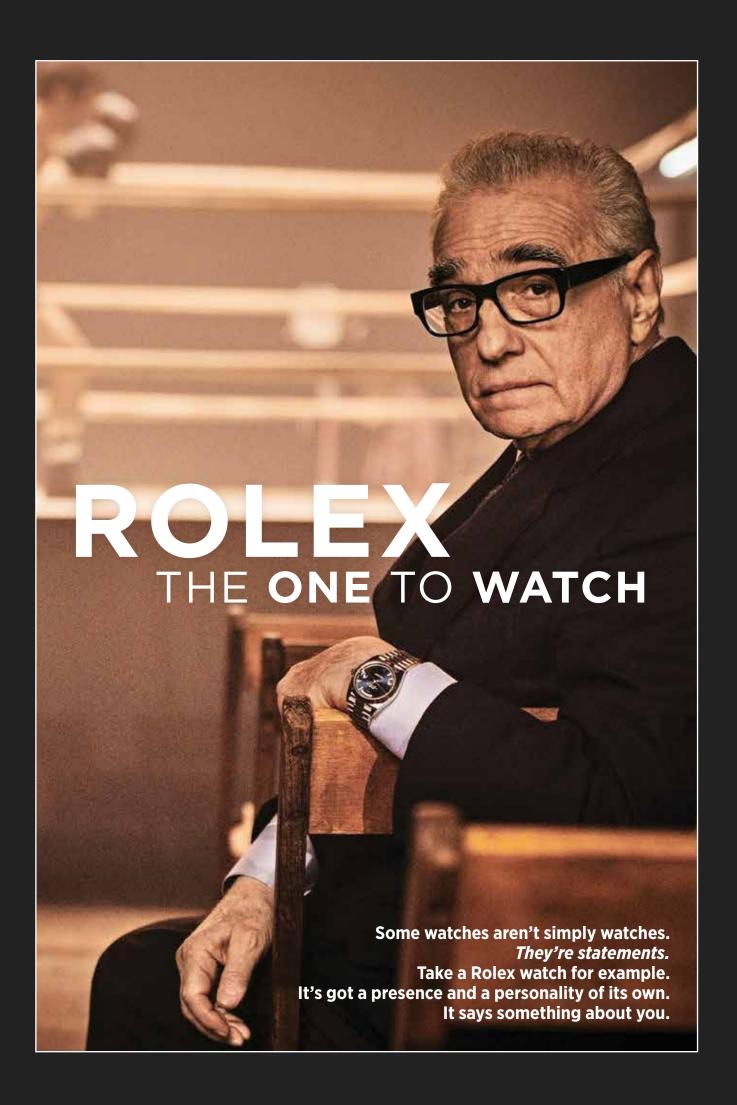
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#### Alejandro G. Iñárritu

"Our life is multidimensional, but time is linear – we cannot escape that. Cinema is a two-dimensional reality within a frame, but time and space are fragmented which is why it's so liberating and addictive."

Alejandro G. Iñárritu wears the **Oyster Perpetual Sky-Dweller.** 

Martin Scorsese (pictured page left) With a 50-year career including what are considered some of the greatest films ever made, details play a crucial role for Martin Scorsese. Look out for Rolex watches in many of his most iconic films - particularly his favourite Oyster Perpetual Day-Date.

**Martin Scorsese wears the Oyster** Perpetual Day-Date 40.

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#### **James Cameron**

As director, writer, producer and explorer, James Cameron is responsible for some of the most memorable films of the past three decades, from Terminator, Aliens and Titanic to Avatar. His watch? A Rolex. "Great movies are made in details, and not just a few details - every detail. Every character, every prop and every sequence. A Rolex is not only a beautiful watch and a masterpiece of engineering, it's very tough. It's a watch that you can take into any environment and which can stand up to the pressure. So, what you're saying subliminally to the audience is: that character can take the pressure, too; he or she has what it takes."

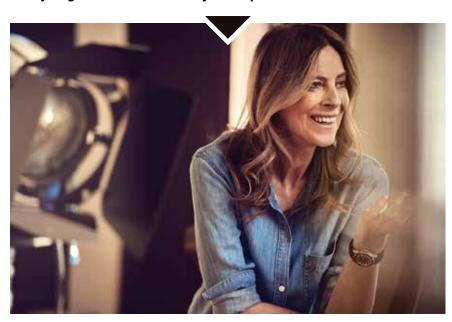
**James Cameron wears the Oyster** Perpetual Rolex Deepsea.



#### **Kathryn Bigelow**

The first and only woman to win an Academy Award for Best Director, Kathryn Bigelow is renowned for films like The Loveless (1981), Blue Steel (1989), Point Break (1991) Strange Days (1995), The Hurt Locker (2008) and Zero Dark Thirty (2012). "If the purpose of art is to agitate for change then film should expose us to something we don't already know."

Kathryn Bigelow wears the Rolex Oyster Perpetual Yacht-Master 40.



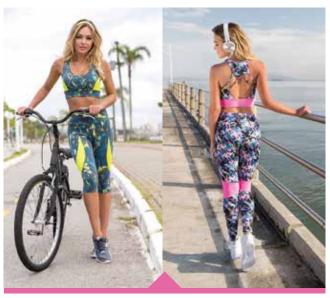
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# Trend News



Spanish brand Designers Society will be hitting the shelves at Pebble this spring. The clothes are created through collaboration between designers from all over the world. They believe that by bringing different creative minds together you get something inspiring. From graphic designers to product designers, bloggers to photographers this incredible company draws on the talents of many to produce a stunning collection of easy to wear summery pieces which are sure to become much loved favourites.

Designers Society is available from Pebble



#### **Toned Totty**

Jersey owned luxury fitness brand Toned Totty is now available in deGruchy. Created by fitness instructor Lyndsey Stirling-Stewart, Toned Totty has only previously been available to clients through private sales.

Now their colourful leggings, tops, and sports bras are available in store and online. The fantastic fabrics are moisture wicking, breathable, hold their shape, dry faster than cotton and retain their colour wash after wash. Functional and fashionable activewear at its best.

Visit www.tonedtotty.com to see the whole collection.

#### The very Best

Vikki Freeman, designer and daughter of local jewellery designer Catherine Best, has been awarded Gold in the prestigious Goldsmiths' Craft & Design Council Awards.

This award identifies and rewards excellent design that can be successfully manufactured using production techniques. Vikki's design included a set of jewellery which was drawn using CAD (Computer Aided Design) and then 3D printed and cast in a variety of precious metals. The innovative idea behind the design allows for it to be double-sided and completely customisable. While one side could be set with diamonds, the other could be set with a variety of mixed colour stones, allowing for two different looks in one design.

Having been awarded multiple accolades since joining Catherine Best as a designer, Vikki is fast following in her mother's footsteps. The two-generation family business is going strength to strength and now has premises located in Guernsey, Jersey and Mayfair.







#### Charmed

With summer finally on the horizon why not indulge in the fab trend for gold jewellery which will look all the better set against your newly tanned limbs.

Pictured are the PANDORA Shine Moments bracelets with their Rays of Sunshine charms, made of 18ct gold-plated sterling silver and transparent golden enamel, these vintage-inspired charms pay tribute to the energy of the sun (hopefully encouraging it to shine down!) and the Golden Mix Pavé ball Charm, set with a multitude of glittering stones is luxurious yet relaxed enough to be worn and loved everyday. Pictured bracelets and charms

are all available from PANDORA.

## Nineby5 Fashion

What a bumper blogger month its been! I had the fantastic opportunity of starring in my first ever photoshoot as a fashion blogger, thanks to a collaboration with Mark Stephenson Photography and The Club Hotel. The backdrop of their classic suites provided the perfect chance to show off some of my new season's favourites and explore upcoming trends.

Top of my list had to be this stand out statement dress by Baum und Pfergarten, in stock at Manna Boutique. I fell for this dress the moment I saw it as it ticks so many style boxes; bold print, metallic hue and full and voluminous structure. It's the perfect mixture of girliness with a edgy vibe.

While metallics had been big for the whole of last year, they're having even more of a moment in this year's Spring/Summer collections. Be brave and go head to toe in gold or silver, or for a more subtle approach choose one bold garment like ankle boots or a tote bag. For the transitioning weather I picked up this vibrant silver anorak from Eclectic and a pair of gunmetal flatforms from Marks and Spencer, ensuring my style still shines bright on any dull day.







If there's one trend that everyone can get on board with this season, it's the celebration of the t-shirt. Find them with slogans, fringing, sequins or bold imagery. Pretty much anything goes! More than just lounge wear this summer, the humble t-shirt is to be worn under suits and blazers, or teamed with pencil skirts and paperboy trousers for a relaxed but elegant look. Head down to Pebble Boutique to grab this embroidered floral offering.

For when the sun does decide to stick around grab this Three Floor dress from Voisins for a fresh summery look. It is the ultimate romantic dress with lace overlay and peekaboo shoulders. Nothing makes you look refreshed quite like bright white, with a punch of colour and black shoulder ties keeping the look modern and unique.



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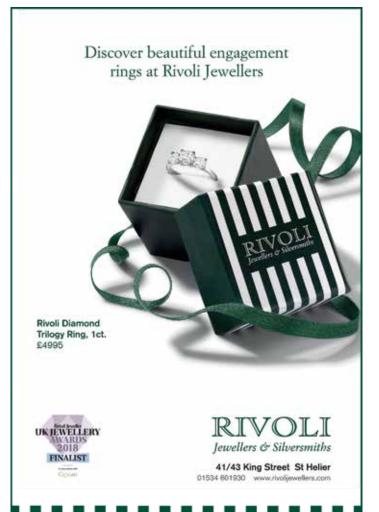
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"Pole dancing is the only fitness class I've ever stuck to!" Kirso

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the corner it's time to begin brightening up your wardrobe, to make way for those weekends on the beach or just spending more time outside! Wearing finer materials, pastel shades and floral prints are making a statement on the fashion scene. Pastel colours such as vellow and blue are hot right now, matched with violet or darker shades of purple"

"With Summer just around









The latest spring fashion from deGruchy

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Make Up: Jennifer Carr Model: Charlotte

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Jacket by L.K.Bennett **£247**, Top by Toned Totty **£37.80**, Pants by Toned Totty **£78.30** All available from deGruchy



# Style**Stalker**

STALKED BY Jessica Myhill





Aneta is dressed for the office in her Accessorize pastel yellow scarf, complementing the light grey shades in her matching pencil skirt and trench boots.



Lynn

Lynn was heating up the not so sunny streets of St. Helier. Literally glowing in her warm burnt orange rain coat from Jacks, keeping warm and adding that much needed colour to her outfit!



Ellie

Looking cool and corporate, Ellie's classic look is finished off flawlessly with her sharp specs, high-waisted pencil skirt and beautiful ballerina casual hair bun.



Julie

Julie is working boho chic, her abstract earrings and necklace match perfectly and her purple patterned vintage scarf is one of the colours of the season.

Looking warm and wonderful in a casual manner.



John

Bringing John Lennon style sunglasses back to the fashion scene, this outfit screams rock star, especially paired with the camel coloured coat and man necklaces. John is also bang on trend, with glimpses of the purple shirt worn underneath his jacket.



TJ

TJ is working his own unique grunge chic look in this statement motorcycle shop T-Shirt, under his red checked shirt and leather jacket. The black scarf and man necklaces are the perfect finishing touches.



Greg

Greg's amazon purchase looks cosy yet bang on trend. We are definitely admiring his army green coat with contrasting orange lining and faux fur hood with matching trainers.



Daisy

Fresh from Primark, this army print coat and shoes contrast with Daisy's glamorous gold earrings from NEXT. Adding feminine allure to her strong and bold style.

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# THE Restaurant Review

# You can't just eat good food. You've got to talk about it too.

Kurt Vonnegut

**WORDS & PHOTOS** Ollie Watts

A visit to St Aubin is always a pleasure. Every time I'm there I'm can almost guarantee to please 3 or 4 out of my 5 senses. Whether it's just enjoying the gentle rocking and chiming of sailboats in the breeze or smelling the delights of each restaurant and pub as you walk from the bus stop to the pier. Yes, St Aubin has it all... Well, at least it did.

In 2013 Shapla Indian restaurant closed its doors and was re-opened not long after as 'The Spice House'. The boat house group had taken over the Indian food hotspot that was so popular with locals and tourists alike. 'The Spice House' opened to some popularity, unfortunately, it never sparked the same pleasurable dining experience, at least, not for me.

There seems to be some affinity with St Aubin's and Indian cuisine. At least one Indian restaurant must exist within this mini-parish, otherwise there would be outrage in the cobbled street. Luckily, now that 'The Spice House' has met its demise, another purveyor of the curry has flung open its doors to the starving masses. Noya Shapla is the brain child of Mr Joe Miah, a man that learned from his father's once successful business that Jersey needs a traditional Asian restaurant outside of town that isn't just food served in sugar sauce.

I think its accepted that in today's modern culture, family-run and owned businesses are somehow worthier of your money than chain restaurants, corporate creations and franchised shop fronts; and Noya Shapla is proof that this is true. The restaurant isn't littered with merchandise, logos or any other tat that can be found in some other Island establishments. From the moment you walk into this refurbished NatWest Bank you feel that you are discovering something that is both new and exciting. The bright and modern interior has been honestly thought through and works to create a dining environment that is comfortable yet feels exclusive.

I arrived at Noya Shapla on a Wednesday evening. I had not booked. I was under the impression that 'Who would need a booking at 7:30pm on a Wednesday evening?' Well, I was wrong. We were lucky to get a table, and that's only because I pleaded with the staff to find me something for 2 and that we would be in-and-out. We were dutifully lead to our table, a table that was, for me, uncomfortably close to the toilets. But what's that old phrase about beggars and choosers? Oh yes, 'You'll get what you're given'. I was in no position to argue, after all they were accommodating me due to my own bad planning, and they were kind enough to do so.

Although our previously mentioned table position did put us in the path of many clients that might have had one too many Cobra-beers, we were also in the path of food leaving the kitchen. This was fine by me

The way that food arrives at tables in Noya Shapla is something I found extremely novel. A silver trolley is pushed through a 2-way swinging door, laden with spicy smelling dishes and sizzling pans. This gave me a wonderful opportunity to eye up and smell everyone else's dinners as they passed me by.

To call this restaurant a 'curry house' is to do it a disservice, as it is so much more. Although, you will find regular Indian & Bangladeshi favourites such as the Madras, the menu offers a varied approach to this style of cuisine.

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cooked with lamb mince, onion, naga chilli, peppers, fresh tomatoes and just a touch of cream. As previously mentioned, I think it is important that the staple dishes are tasted, and clearly this is a chef that can make the (almond) nuts off of a Korma. It was creamy, nutty and the meat was just excellent. As for my Jall Jall Naga, once again I was stumped. I had never really tried anything like this. The sauce was made up of soft lamb mince, similar to that of a ragu, it coated the spiced chicken and had the most amazing texture paired with a pleasant zing. There was a small amount of spice which I assume was dulled by the tomatoes and cream, but - what a flavour!

I will be going back to Noya Shapla. Who knows, I might even be there now, whilst you're reading this, just sat in a corner with a big beer in one hand and a snapped poppadum in the other! This is because, unlike most of my trips to St Aubin, all 5 of my senses were working at Noya Shapla, and all 5 were delighted.

For starters, we opted to try three dishes. The Onion Bahji, I think it would be stupid to try out a new Indian restaurant without seeing how they serve the staple dishes. The mixed kebab, consisting of Chicken Tikka, Spiced Lamb & Lamb Kofta and then the Special Samosa, which was filled with chicken, lamb, cheese and potato. All three were spectacular. The Bahji, humble though it may be, can often suffer from being either stodgy or too crispy, but this one... was a perfect medium and spiced as you would hope. The mixed grill, which was brought out to the table on a sizzling dish and then served to my plate by a waiter, was moist, flavourful and left me just wishing I had just ordered 4 portions of that to myself. The special samosa lived up to its namesake. Now, I'm a fan of samosas, I'll always add one to an order when getting a takeaway, but this one was different. It contained flavours that I'm quite sure I've never tasted before despite clearly having eaten the ingredients, this spice work was one of love and talent.

Whisked away were the starter plates, whilst I sat and enjoyed a comically large beer\* as I often do in Asian restaurants.

For the main course, my adventurous dining partner opted for the Chicken Korma, whilst I ordered the Jall Jall Naga – Noya Special. This consisted of marinated chicken breast

 $^*$ English restaurants, you could learn something here. Make big beers more readily available for the discerning diner.

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# Appetite News







#### Longueville's New Wine Cellar

Last month saw a magnificent Michelin showcase for the launch of the spectacular new Longueville wine cellar. Renowned Relais & Châteaux chef Michael Caines cooked up a gourmet storm for delighted guests at Longueville Manor to launch the hotel's 2018 Guest Chef Series. The Michelin-starred chef created a collaborative tasting menu with Longueville Manor's Executive Head Chef Andrew Baird. Speaking about the series, Longueville Manor owner Malcolm Lewis told us:

'At Longueville we are passionate about food, sustainability and sharing ideas and we were therefore delighted to welcome this amazing chef. As well as delicious dishes, our series will demonstrate Relais & Châteaux's commitment to local cuisine.'

Guests were also treated to a preview of the Manor's new wine cellar which boasts over 4000 bottles, including a number of extremely rare varieties. The stunning cellar provides optimum storage conditions to perfectly care for the wine, inclusive of insulation, lighting and temperature control systems. Their exceptional wine collection now offers huge temptation to oenophiles. Of special mention is a collection of Le Montrachet and Bienvenues-Batard-Montrachet from Domaine Ramonet, including vintages from 1986 to 2010. The Magnums and bottles of Musigny Grand Cru from the famous Comte Georges De Vogue 2001 are also much sought after. Alongside, guests will see an array of Jeroboams and Double Magnums including a Jeroboam of 1988 Bollinger R.D Champagne and a Double Magnum of 1953 Chateau Gruaud-Larose.

#### To find out about the next exciting guest chefs sign up for the newsletter at www.longuevillemanor.com



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#### Go nuts for Doughnuts.

Working next to a bakery has both its benefits and disadvantages. Occasionally it looks like Pablo Escobar has been having a party outside our building after a flour delivery which makes our little Minden Street look even more salubreous than when it's rammed with cars from The Fast and the Furious, but smells of baking bread and readily available and delicious sourdough more than make up for it. We're spoilt now with The Salvation Army's bakery to the left and our neighbours, Nouveau Jersey Bakery, to the right on the corner of Minden Street and Bath Street, they've been a solid choice for bread for some time and are supplying all sorts of Jersey businesses, including the Co-op with quality baked products. Recently the display in the window has been sweetened with the addition of some good looking doughnuts. Purely in the interest of research for you, our readers, we grabbed a couple on deadline this month and... the reports are good. Add to a pretty decent quality jam donut a tipple of Avocaat doughnut and a new Tiramasu option and we think it's worth checking out.

#### Nouveau Bakery. 20 Bath Street.







### **Seeing Double**

Wine pairing meals are a great way to add a different flavour to an evening. The flavour of each dish considered in combination with a particular drink makes perfect sense. But why stop at wine? The trend for pairings with other drink genres has grown in popularity of late and whether wine, beer or spirit it seems there are appropriate venues to experiment with food and drink, all in the name of research.

Last month Suma's and LoveWine together welcomed Joyce and Raissa de Haas, otherwise known as the Double Dutch twins, for a double pairing of both their unique mixers to gin and those G&Ts to creations from the Suma's chefs.

It's quite amazing that while the small batch brewing of vodka and gin has exploded in the last decade, the mixer market was static for so long. Schweppes really dropped the ball and now Fentimans, Fever Tree as well as the amazing flavours of Double Dutch are almost as much the definer of the drink as the gin they pair with. The brand was started as a project for their dissertations as part of an MSc in Entrepreneurship at UCL. Richard Branson then awarded the twins a Foodpreneur award, recognising the potential of their innovative Food and Beverage brand. Since then their product range of flavours such as Pomegranate and Basil or Cucumber and Watermelon has exploded in popularity and they're set to sell five million bottles this year.

Thankfully, there's always room for a spot of research and touring to tell their story. Clearly the island's penchant for a Gin and Tonic or two allowed Lovewine to convince the girls to come and host the evening. Guests seemed more than satisfied as

"Schweppes really dropped the ball and now Fentimans, Fever Tree and now the amazing flavours of Double Dutch are almost as much the definer of the drink as the gin they pair with."

Suma's served up an incredible menu to compliment the various flavoured G&Ts on offer. The evening sold out as soon as it was announced and we hear Sumas and Lovewine will be working together on other events like it in future so keep your eyes open.

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THE ISLAND OF JERSEY HAS BEEN INVADED ONCE MORE AND THERE IS A WAR ON. BATTLE LINES ARE DRAWN AND THE SITUATION IS GETTING HEATED. EVERY OUTPOST IS CLAIMING THEIR OWN VICTORY BUT THE RULES OF ENGAGEMENT AREN'T CLEAR, THE ONLY THING THAT IS CLEAR... IS THE GIN.

After recent discussions about various establishments purporting to have the best Gin selections, we had to look deeper. Some claim to have the biggest, the most consistent, the best served, the best-understood Gin experiences.

We had to go on a reconnaissance mission to help us better understand what we were dealing with.

Who's got their fingers on the Juniper button?

#### FIFI'S GIN ROOM AT CE-SOIR

Fifi's bar is a wonder to walk into. It can only hold up to about twenty people which makes it feel as if you've taken a step back into Prohibition-era gin houses - a genuine speakeasy. The walls are covered in original old copies of the JEP for the local touch but one of the most striking details is the bar made from an old bathtub. Denise the barkeep tells us that "people love the bathtub and often try to get in it." The bathtub is a reminder of the days when people used to brew Gin in bathtubs with all sorts of ingredients including "turpentine". Fortunately, the 35 strong Gin collection that Fifi's has to offer is a lot more palatable. For a real traditional feel, may we recommend the tea set full of Hendrick's Gin?

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#### **ATLANTIC HOTEL**

When the island was previously occupied by invading forces, Jersey was said to be a key part in the "Atlantic defence" and currently sitting atop a hill above La Pulente and keeping a watchful eye over the whole of St Ouen's Bay is a tranquil Gin outpost. With 25 premium Gins to choose from, Karl Sanders' mission is to prove the "best service of Gins" and this achieved by what he calls "signature serves." No standard bits of cucumber or lemon here. We are reminded that when you come here, it's about "personal garnishes". The "Ki-No-Bi" gin is a must. It has six different distillations which are then blended into one. How you finish it is up to you.

#### WILDFIRE BARS, GRILL & TAPAS

Hunkered down in one of the most embattled parts of town sits 'Wildfire.' Weekend after weekend the battle rages on. Here we have a medley of 57 gins served across three bars and it is considered that they have a "unique gin selection." For a while, they had a proclamation on the side of their barracks claiming the biggest gin collection on the island but it seems they may have conceded slightly due to changes in the war room. Either way, they are training their troops in their "ginstitution."





#### **CHEFFIN'S AT THE BEAUMONT INN**

Sitting a short march away from an Eighteenth Century Martello tower fortification is the oldest licensed establishment in Jersey. In fact, they built the tower to defend the pub (not quite true but never mind eh). Weighing in with an impressive 95 gins, the crew here are locked and loaded to serve. It is claimed that they have the "largest, most consistent supply of gin" on the island. They insist that whatever gin they have, it won't run out due to the fact they go to great pains to make sure there is a permanent supply chain. If they don't have a gin in stock, they'll find it & stock it. I can't give you a history lesson but Mike the bar manager and gin connoisseur certainly can. He can also offer you a "gin masterclass" and he can do this because he actually has a bachelors degree in gin. They have a cannon on their logo and it's because they command their realm.

#### **ROBERTO'S JAZZ BAR AT THE SAVOY**

In war, does size really matter? well, yes.. it probably does. The Savoy has an arsenal of 120 gins collected from around the globe. Some are collected from their own reconnaissance missions where they have infiltrated enemy lines to amass quite a collection. The Savoy, with its name alone, has a legendary title to use in its garrison but does that mean they can win the war? Where others have tactics, they have power. With headquarters in St. Helier, they are well placed to oversee any future attacks but will they be able to hold their ground? History is written by the victors.

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#### **Kathy Rondel**

#### Artist

Throughout my painting career I have used most mediums but watercolours and oils are my greatest loves. Watercolours for its quiet, introverted process and simple almost ethereal quality. This medium possesses a life of its own and it won't be pushed around, the outcome of any watercolour painting always has a little surprise as it dries, a little unexpected magic.

Oils, on the other hand are louder, brighter, bossier and need a firmer hand!

Although I always have ideas queued up and buzzing in my head they are always threatening to be pushed aside by the next one before they even reach the canvas. Staying focused is a constant issue. I also couldn't live without my sketch books, often messy as they are.

I work by combining photos I have taken, "treasures" foraged from land and shore and from the life that surrounds me every day. Looking at other artists and designers work is always an inspiration and something I grab every opportunity to indulge in.

For many years I was bothered and a little self conscious by being self taught, but I have learnt that there are many paths to reaching one's goal.

One of my favourite quotes is "Normality is a paved road. It is comfortable to walk, but no flowers grow on it"

Kathy's studio is located in a chalet above her home with views over Mont Orgeuil Castle. Her wonderful work is displayed in her own studio at The Harbour Gallery and her pictures of Jersey Cows are available at Rondel's Farm Shop.

#### Victoria Hudson

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I became a member of Genuine Jersey in January 2010 and since then I have quite a few thousand sales under my belt.

I can still be found at the major events in Jersey but I also spend a lot of time doing what I love best and creating wonderful, bespoke and individual cupcakes and cakes to suit my client's needs.

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# places



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The fabulous Chateau Royale was developed in 2001 by Dandara and is most definitely the jewel in their crown. The prestigious development is well known thanks to its close proximity to the Royal Jersey Golf Club house and course in Grouville.

**WORDS** Sara Felton

The fantastic bars and restaurants at Gorey are only a brisk walk away and St Helier is just a quick 15 minute drive away or of course you are on one of the best bus routes on the island. Grouville food hall with its handy Wine Warehouse and the new Co-op Locale are also all close by.

The ground floor two bedroom apartment has been beautifully cared for and is presented in walk in condition. Whilst it clearly is, it really doesn't feel like an apartment thanks to its large rooms. The whole apartment is incredibly light and spacious and has great ceiling height too. Having lived in this development myself I can say with confidence how well they've been built and what a pleasure they are to live in. The fixtures and fittings were all of an incredibly high standard and have stood the test of time. From the handbuilt Paul Haslam kitchen with its Miele appliances and granite worktops

through to the beautiful fitted wardrobes, no expense was spared.

As you enter through the solid wooden door you are greeted by a wide and spacious entrance hall. There are two large storage cupboards built in and also the added bonus of a large storage room which would also serve as a useful home office or study, should you wish. The large and light sitting room, to the right, is an impressive 29 ft and has doors out onto the patio balcony. This fantastic outside space which runs the length of the apartment has panoramic views over 'the green' at The Royal Jersey Golf Club, across to the sea and to the majestic Mont Orgueil beyond. This will be the perfect place to sit back and enjoy the summer days whilst enjoying the peace and quiet of your surroundings over a glass of something chilled.

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The 22ft kitchen with garden views has plenty of space for a dining table and in addition there is a large separate utility room, perfect for apartment living. As I've mentioned it's fully equipped with Miele appliances, a large double American style fridge freezer and has plenty of cupboard and worktop space too.

The master suite has a large full sized bathroom and built in wardrobes, you can also access the patioed balcony from doors in here. The second bedroom is another great sized double and again has plenty of built in storage. There is both a small cloakroom and a house bathroom, all of which have high quality finishes throughout.

The apartment also benefits from further storage space thanks to a separate private store in the garage area and the two secure parking spaces are situated side by side making exiting a simple and stress free process, no Jack and Jill juggling needed! The apartment is accessed either by stairs or lift which you can directly access from your car parking space. There is also plenty of visitor parking on site and a handy space where you can wash

# "This will be the perfect place to sit back and enjoy the summer days whilst enjoying the peace and quiet of your surroundings over a glass of something chilled"

your car too. Chateau Royal also has an absolutely stunning Koi pond and immaculately presented and manicured gardens surround the development, a great alternative to your patio should you wish to wander.

For those lucky enough to have a membership to the Royal this is the perfect apartment as you can be on the first tee in a matter of moments and the clubhouse is within putting distance! If you like to travel then this is the perfect lock up and leave option too as you'll be safe in the knowledge there is a caretaker available should you need someone to collect your mail. It really is a lovely apartment and definitely worth a viewing.



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# A GENTLEMAN OF STYLE

Welsh born Phil Clatworthy, has grown up surrounded by windows. From his first job door-to-door canvassing to fitting them, working on site and finally in his role as Sale Manager, for Style Windows. He explained to me why after all these years the world of windows is still dazzling him.

#### So Phil, what is it about windows?

During school I became friendly with a chap whose father owned a window company and saw what the window industry could potentially offer me. It's not the most glamorous job, but I knew that if I worked hard and showed willingness, there would be a pathway to better things for me. Windows have treated me very well so far, allowing me to travel all over the UK and eventually landing me in Jersey.

# How did you become a Sales Manager at Style?

I've been involved with Style for 14 years now since starting out as a sub-contractor, but I have worked in my current sales role for three years. I initially started out as an installer but after showing an interest in sales, they gave me a trial period which has led to my current role. Style are always keen to promote from within and have rewarded my hard work in the time I've been with them.

# What's next for you and Style Windows?

I'm very settled in Jersey and keen to further my career with Style. Company wise, we are still enjoying our new showroom in St Peter that showcases our extensive range of products.

#### What's hot in windows right now?

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It is likely that fixed rates will start to move up in anticipation of a rate increase, although any increases will be modest.

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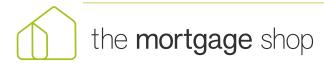
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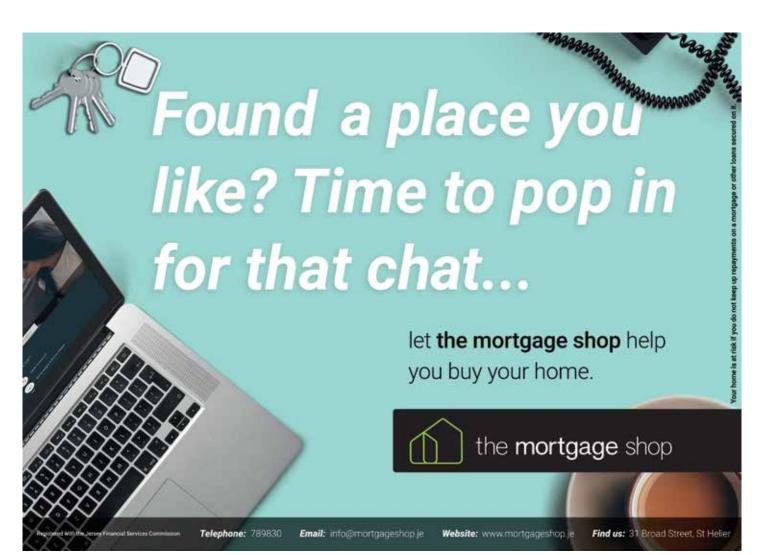
Activity has picked up again since the half term break, although the Easter holidays are likely to divert the attention of many possible purchasers for a week on either side. This window offers a great opportunity for buyers to browse the market with less chance of being out-bid or gazumped.

Everybody tells us that there is very little choice of available property, from one and two bedroom flats, up to two and three bedroom houses – a situation which is likely to continue until more property is placed on the market by existing owners.

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### Interior News

















#### **1.** OVO DAWN ArmChair - MAB DesignerSofaInteriors - prices vary

This armchair is upholstered in the colour of the season, indigo blue is the interior colour of 2018. If you're looking to add a splash of colour to your living space this season, be sure to include this hue or your favourite shade of blue.

# **2.** DAR Osaka Floor Lamp & Frederick *Emess Lighting*

#### £34 (Osaka) & £93.45 (Frederick)

Looking to add some charm to your desk or living space, then consider DAR's new lighting range in complete polished chrome. These handsome pieces are destined to make a statement to any interior.

## **3.** Copper Wall Clock *NEXT* - **£20**

Complimenting the blue colours of the season, copper ornaments are currently in vogue. This colour also goes extremely well with greys, black and marble decor.

# **4.** FIRSTLIGHT Stella Copper Pendant *Romerils -* **£182.99**

An aesthetically gorgeous centrepiece, this pendant light is also available in chrome. The unusual design of intertwined metalwork really looks like a 'piece of art', idyllic decorative lighting.

#### **5.** Spyder Table - Cattelanitalia DesignerSofaInteriors - prices vary

This stunning contemporary Spyder Wood table with a 'X' shaped distinctive base, surely has the X-factor and is designed by Phillip Jackson. The table comes with base in matt white, matt black, matt graphite, brass weathered varnished steel or stainless steel.

# **6.** Hülsta now time David Hick - approx. £3,000

The gorgeous silky grey finish on this ravishing Oak unit, in 'subtle grey meets elegant glass', is very popular at the moment. Prices vary depending on your choice of finishes and lighting.

# 7. Hülsta TETRIM Wohnen David Hick - approx. £9,167

A simplistic design for people with a clear vision, this unique piece is definitely for people who love the unusual. With lit compartments and ceramic tips, this piece is sure to make a statement.

# **8.** Nelson - Cattelanitalia DesignerSofaInteriors - prices vary

Striking and graceful, Cattelan Italia's bed with canaletto walnut or burned oak frame and headboard that can be covered in synthetic nubuck, micro nubuck, synthetic leather or soft leather.

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# Places FEATURED Here are some of the latest instructions from these great agents...



#### Late Victorian town house

£330,000

Believed to have been built in the late 19th century, its highly ornamented frontage, chequerboard pattern tile pathway and low horizontal railings and gate, has been retained over the years together with some original features within. Traditionally arranged over three floors, the entrance hall features stripped and polished floorboards, wood stairs and the original mahogany balustrade whilst the cosy living room features the original bay window with sash windows, floorboards and an ornate fireplace with wood surround. The pretty kitchen is an 'eat-in', with ample fitted units, tiled flooring and with easy access into the enclosed decked courtyard garden, a lovely oasis in which to relax at 'wine o'clock', and safe too for little children and pets.

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#### The gateway to Gorey Village

from £585,000

Apartments for sale in Old Court House, Gorey Village, Jersey The Old Court House is a contemporary development of eighteen sizeable apartments and seven fantastic houses, standing proudly beside Grouville Common. This development includes homes with impressive facades and exquisite linear design, including two gable fronted apartments with floor to ceiling glass. All of the two bedroom apartments feature balconies or terraces. The Old Court House sits as a gateway to Gorey Village and presents an opportunity to live within a stone's throw of some of the Island's most treasured places; scalloped bays with their blend of golden sands and rugged reefs, an array of charming shops and eateries, the prestigious Royal Jersey golf course and the many stunning green lanes and rambles, perfect for walking or cycling.

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#### Elevated sea views

£1,450,000

Situated on the north east coast in St. Martin, the property has stunning elevated sea views across Flicquet Bay and is surrounded by an area of natural beauty which offers extensive walking and riding. You'll find some of the finest walks in Jersey along the north coast. The scenery is wild, the terrain ruggedly beautiful with steep heather and bracken-clad cliffs that soar high above perfect little bays. Villa Moncontour is located just moments from the highly desirable picturesque east coast beaches at Archirondel and St Catherine's Bay The area is well served for schools. It is approached over a long tree lined drive which leads to courtyard parking for several cars. The house is set in large gardens. It's an environment that's perfect for leisure as well as entertaining. Al fresco dining and parties can be enjoyed on the upper terrace or below on the garden patio.



A very high quality, manageable seaside home £3,450,000

Located directly across from the beach/ promenade near Gorey harbour and set within an exclusive gated development of just 4 prestige homes, this cutting-edge property offers a splendid range of dynamically designed luxury accommodation with wide sea views and sun decks at upper floor level. The development is within a short walking distance of the harbour, with its numerous restaurants and to the nearby village shops.

Completed in 2014, the entire house is offered in virtually 'as new` condition. Accommodation includes a stunning very large living room complex with direct access to sun deck, a splendid family eat-in luxury kitchen, a very spacious media room, 3 double bedroom suites, fully equipped laundry/ utility room and integral double garage. Manageable lawned garden and good parking facilities.

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#### Two promoted at Baker & Partners

Baker & Partners has promoted two members of its legal team to Associates of the firm following their successful completion of the Jersey Law Exams. Kate Ferbrache and Phillip Brown were promoted after being formally sworn in by the Royal Court of Jersey as 'Écrivain', or Jersey Solicitors, in November 2017 and January 2018, respectively. Kate joined Baker & Partners in 2011 and graduated from the University of London with a Bachelor of Laws in 2013. As a member of Baker & Partners' legal team, Kate provides assistance to advocates working on both criminal prosecution and defence cases. She also works with clients on a variety of regulatory matters. Phillip joined the firm in 2012 and undertook his Legal Practice Course at BPP University Law School in 2015. He is primarily focused on civil and commercial litigation and is currently involved in complex asset recovery proceedings from multi-jurisdictional fraud.

#### Say Cheesley

Peter Cheesley who will join its senior team as Client Director, Peter, an experienced business development professional will play a significant role within ZEDRA's 130-strong Jersey based team, focusing on developing key business relationships as well as strengthening the corporate services offering and supporting international clients. Although Peter will be based in the offshore finance centre of Jersey, he will collaborate closely with many of ZEDRA's other key offices, including London. Peter's brief will also include developing the fund administration business. Peter has nearly 25 years' of experience in the banking, legal and fiduciary sectors, gained in London and Jersey, including, Bank of Scotland, Clifford Chance and Pinsent Masons. He has continued to build his expertise at other leading firms, including Ogier, as Head of Business Development.



ZEDRA's Managing Director in Jersey, Ashley Cox said: "Peter's rich experience and business acumen combined with strong client focus stand him in good stead to drive our firm's growth ambition including expanding our corporate services offering to new audiences."



#### Barclay leads at Standard Bank

Standard Bank Wealth International (WIN) has appointed Greg Barclay to the new role of Head of International Wealth and Investment, Personal and Corporate Banking. Greg's appointment consolidates Standard Bank Wealth International's client activities - high-net-worth, corporate and business banking, and international personal banking - under his leadership. He will report directly to WIN Chief Executive Officer Will Thorp. Greg joined Standard Bank in 1992 and has spent the majority of his career working for the Group in his native South Africa. He has also worked for Citi and Barclays and had a three-year secondment to Uganda, where he led business banking for Stanbic Uganda. He was previously WIN's Head of International Personal Banking, based in Standard Bank Group's Johannesburg headquarters. In his new role, Greg will be based in WIN's Jersey office. Greg is married to Vicky and the couple have two children, James (10) and Addison (7). He enjoys mountain biking, hiking and travel in his spare time.



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#### **Strong Associations in Guernsey**

Bedell Cristin has enhanced its management structure and appointed two Senior Associates, Guy Westmacott in Jersey and Lee Osborne in Guernsey, to a newly created role of Managing Associate. Guy Westmacott has been with the firm in its Jersey office since May 2016. He specialises in corporate and commercial matters with a focus on mergers and acquisitions and has advised on a wide range of domestic and international transactions since joining the firm. Prior to joining Bedell Cristin, Guy spent time working in roles in London and the Middle East. Lee Osborne started with Bedell Cristin in Guernsey in July 2017 and is an experienced corporate, banking and investment funds lawyer, having spent almost a decade practising in the offshore market in both the BVI and Singapore. He advises on a broad range of corporate, banking and investment funds matters, including private equity, mergers and acquisitions, joint ventures, cross border transactions and complex corporate restructuring.





#### Pamela Doherty sworn in as a Jersey Advocate

Pamela, a partner at Collas Crill has been admitted as a Advocate to the Royal Court of Jersey. Following the successful completion of her exams, Pam was sworn in last month. Pam joined Collas Crill last year and is based in the firm's property team. She specialises in commercial property, with significant expertise in property development, investment acquisitions and sales, leasing and lease management, corporate support, insolvency, banking and development finance. Pamela is ranked by legal directories such as Chambers & Partners and Legal 500 as offering "pragmatic and proactive advice, and is quick to respond".



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#### **Nedgroup Trust goes Platinum**

Nedgroup Trust in Jersey has achieved reaccreditation as a STEP Platinum Employer Partner. Achieving platinum accreditation, the highest level awarded, is testament to the strength of the learning and development opportunities and practices that Nedgroup Trust has in place to support its growing trust business. Katie Penny, Director at Nedgroup Trust, said: "I am really pleased our business has achieved this award; it is a true reflection of the hard work and commitment of our people and one we are really proud to receive. It reflects our view that training and development is key to creating a technically minded, successful and happy team, which in turn enhances our client experience." To achieve platinum accreditation, an organisation must show that the importance of learning and development is championed throughout the business, as well as demonstrating a positive work and learning environment.



#### **Brooks Just Wanna Have FUM**

Brooks Macdonald International (BMI), the Channel Islands subsidiary of independent investment manager Brooks Macdonald has reported an increase in net new business and is making a good contribution to the Group's overall performance, according to the firm's financial report. The report, published last month confirms that the value of funds under management (FUM) in the Channel Islands grew by 9.1% over the second half of 2017, whilst also highlighting that revenue generated by the firm's Guernsey and Jersey offices grew 3% year-on-year to represent around 14% of the Group's total revenues over the period. Across the Group, Brooks Macdonald saw a 25.8% year-on-year increase in total discretionary FUM, reaching £11.7bn at 31 December, and a 10.9% increase in revenue, driven by growth across its UK investment and funds businesses as well as its International division.



#### Crestbridge catches a Kingfisher

Crestbridge has acquired leading Londonbased real estate funds and financing firm Kingfisher Property. Kingfisher has with immediate effect become part of the Crestbridge Group, which has had a London operation since 2015 providing a range of real estate accounting and reporting services. Kingfisher is a specialist firm with decades of senior level real estate experience, providing a unique blend of finance advisory and administration services for both commercial and residential property. As a FCA-regulated fund operator, trustee and depositary it provides services to more than 100 UK real estate funds with assets under management of around £15bn. These capabilities are complemented by finance arranging services for both debt and equity. A full rebranding of Kingfisher Property is planned for later in 2018 to bring the business fully under the Crestbridge brand, when the team will also relocate to Crestbridge's existing London office.

#### Funds, funds funds in the sun, sun sun

The value of regulated funds being administered in Jersey rose to a record level of almost £300 billion at the end of 2017 driven primarily by a rise in private equity business, according to the latest figures to be collated by the JFSC and published by Jersey Finance. In the final quarter of 2017, the total net asset value of regulated funds being serviced through Jersey rose by 10% over the quarter and by 12% year-on-year to stand at £291.1 billion, the highest value ever recorded. This growth was driven by the alternative asset classes, which increased annually by 13% to represent more than three quarters (77%) of Jersey's total funds activity. Within the alternative asset classes, private equity fund values performed particularly strongly, rising by almost a third year-on-year (30%) to stand at £82.7 billion - the second consecutive year private equity has risen by that level. Hedge fund values increased by 6% to £50.7 billion, real estate rose 2% to £37.5 billion, and the combined total of infrastructure, credit and debt funds rose by 7% to stand at £50.6 billion. Mike Byrne, Chairman of the Jersey Funds Association told us: "Over the past 12 months, Jersey has continued to work closely with the alternative fund management community, and these figures are a reflection of that hard work. Some of the largest private equity funds brought to market last year were structured through Jersey and we continue to see managers selecting Jersey to access both EU capital through private placement and the key UK investor market'. More than 100 Jersey Private Fund structures have been established in less than a year since launch and their value is not captured in these regulated fund figures, so it's clear there is real momentum in Jersey's funds industry. #jerseyfunds - yes, Jersey Finance has a hashtag for it.



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Four years can be a long time, particularly in technology terms. It's not even four years since the Amazon Echo/Alexa device was launched, and they're now in tens of millions of homes. I bet you've swapped your mobile phone for an updated model at least once too in the last four years; and, believe it or not, the ubiquitous iPad only came out eight years ago.

More importantly, technology is revolutionising our workforce and altering the way we do our jobs. We can't ignore technology's advancement, whether that's artificial intelligence automating mundane roles, or simply how we are receiving and consuming information and media. In the last four years there's been a massive proliferation of job ads for digital marketeers, cyber security specialists and Data analysts. It's therefore essential that digital is on the agenda of those who will be representing us as decision makers.

#### What's a Digital Manifesto?

That wonderful online bastion of knowledge, Wikipedia, says 'A manifesto is a published verbal declaration of the intentions, motives, or views of the issuer.' That's exactly what our digital manifesto is. Digital Jersey works to promote and build the digital industry in the island. Our aim is to secure Jersey's digital future with the creation of a vibrant technology industry and a highly skilled workforce.

Our manifesto is our attempt to get across the key things we need to do, as an island, to achieve this aim. We hope candidates and electorate alike, will read it and realise how this will help every one of us by diversifying the economy, increasing productivity, improving skills and ensuring an inclusive society.

#### So, what exactly would we like our election candidates to consider? Strategy & Leadership

Whatever direction we travel in, it's essential we have a clear strategy and strong leadership. This means the digital sector should have a champion in the senior political leadership. We need that leader to be bold and ambitious, to transform the public sector, and to update legislation and policy when it's needed. We'd like to see cooperation between public and private sector leaders, working together with Digital Jersey as the connecting glue.

#### Investment in Local Innovation

Innovation is critical for Jersey and for digital businesses and it's also critical that we have the right conditions for entrepreneurs to start and to grow. We need to incentivise and we need to be able to help small businesses access early stage investment.

#### Technology Education & Skills

Going hand in hand with supporting local innovation, is technology skills and education. Without a skilled workforce, entrepreneurs will struggle to grow their businesses. There has to be a public/ private partnership to build digital skills and support workplace apprenticeships. We need to prioritise immigration policies that will attract the brightest and the best and, we need to start at the grass-roots and focus on the recruitment and retainment of IT teachers within all schools.

#### An Inclusive Digital Society

None of this would work without the final pillar of our manifesto, an all-inclusive digital society. We have to invest in retraining staff, we have to ensure no one gets left behind through digital inclusion and knowledge sharing; and we also have to protect islanders and businesses with robust data protection and cyber security policies.

#### Why should I care?

You can't moan about the decision our politicians make if you haven't voted and taken an interest in what they're doing. It's only 100 years since the Suffragettes won the fight to get votes for women. Only we can challenge the election candidates on the issues which are important to us.

Our hope is that electors will challenge candidates on these issues and ensure we get the digital agenda on the election hustings' platform. There are many issues to consider, but digital is at the heart of our workplaces, our homes and it needs to be at the heart of our education system. It is essential for us all - including our politicians - that we look forward and grasp the opportunities digital has to offer, while protecting and enhancing our existing industries and society.

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# LEGAL EAGLE

#### Iselin Jones has packed a lot in. Raised in Norway, she worked as a journalist in Moscow, spent time in PR, been a TV and weather reporter for Channel Television, had two children and has now begun a career in law.

Along the way she's picked up a degree in Multi-media Journalism from Bournemouth University, an MA in International Relations from King's College, London and now an LLB at the Institute of Law in Jersey, graduating from the University of London with a 2:1. Oh, and had two children. All by the age of 34.

Last month her took up the position of Paralegal and family law firm, Corbett Le Quesne. She was chosen by the Institute team to give the LL.B graduation speech and shared it on Linkedin. It's an inspiration, so we thought we'd share it too;

Mr Bailiff, members of the Court, Ladies and Gentlemen,

When I thought about saying a few words today, I began by thinking about whom I would have in front of me. Then I realised that the answer to that question pretty much sums up why THIS graduation is so special.

The last time I did a graduation speech was when I finished my international baccalaureate in Norway. I was 19. I had worked hard. I had pushed myself. I had achieved results.

At my first university graduation I was 22. Again I had worked hard. I had pushed myself. And I had achieved good results. My Masters graduation a couple of years later I didn't go to.

But there was no way I was going to miss this one.

This time I'm 34. I worked harder than I have ever worked. I pushed myself harder than I have ever pushed myself and I am ten times prouder of the result I achieved than I was at any of those other milestones.

And the reason for that is that this time the achievement of obtaining this degree wasn't just mine. Today I am here with my mum, my husband, my mother in law, my two children and one of my two bonus sons. The point is, this time my time wasn't just mine. It was also my husband's, and my children's time. Without their support and dedication this would not have been possible. And that I suppose is one of the key things about being a mature student.

Whether it is family or work commitments you are juggling alongside being a student- the pressures of studying at this point in life are significantly greater than they were at any time previous- and the sense of achievement just as much greater too.

Now you may wonder why, with mention of those previous graduations I bothered to do this at all? Well, I was a journalist. I started my career as a broadcast journalist in Moscow, before doing a Masters in International Relations, with the ambition of becoming an international correspondent. But circumstance took me to Jersey and to cut a long story short I spent five years on and off at Channel Television and getting tied down by a Jersey-man.

It soon became clear that my professional future would potentially end up looking very different to the one I'd imagined. Local journalism was never part of my plan, but life took me to a place where that was really the only option. As much as I actually enjoyed it for the time being, there just wasn't anywhere to go.

Law offered me a different route, but one that still maintained many of the things I loved so much about journalism- the human story- and the story telling if you like- the main difference being of course, that in law you're allowed to take sides.

What the institute did was enable me to attempt a huge life change right here instead of having to go away to do it, an alternative which wouldn't have been an option for me when this all began- I had an 11-month-old and a 2-year-old- and not to forget a husband who also needed occasional attention....

But the institute is much more than just enabling. The quality of the teaching, combined with small class sizes offered me, as a mature student an unrivaled learning experience, which I knew to appreciate because I had experienced being one student amongst hundreds in the past.

Every weekend over the last three years my family made a huge sacrifice, but every Saturday and Sunday I came home buzzing from the morning's lectures. I really did love it.

Having said all that I was lucky of course that I was able to take the time, and that my family was able to make the financial commitment it took for me to see it through.

At the moment there is very little room in the system for mothers to retrain. I was quite surprised when I was contacted by social security, for instance, and told that the student exemption wouldn't cover me as I was only studying part time- and this was clearly something I could do in my spare time.

Over the last three years I've been told many times 'I don't know how you do it'. But there are a few things I've always had in the back of my mind.

gallery JERSEY'S STYLE MAGAZINE Firstly, thanks to my mum I have always believed that I can achieve what I set my mind to. You've got to believe you can do it, to do it.

Secondly, before having my daughter, Florence, my mother in law said to me about childbirth, and she's got five kids so she should know-think of it as 'mind over matter'. I found this applied equally to studying- and to be honest the last three years have felt a bit like a long, protracted labour...

But it is in many ways mind over matter that enables you to keep your head in the books for hours and hours on end- because as we all know, in law there are no shortcuts-you've got to do the work to get the results.

Thirdly, and I admit this was a huge source of inspiration to me, I am raising a daughter in an environment that is still very male dominated. As a Norwegian I am used to a social system that is much more supportive of working mothers and so showing my daughter that you can achieve even after you have had children, was important to me. You don't have to be just a mother to be a good mother. There is space for you to be you too.

Not everyone agrees of course. I recall one dinner party conversation with a Partner in one Jersey law firm a couple of years back, which put a fairly big dent in my confidence in managing to build a successful future career in law.

How's the 'law thing' going he wanted to know. And what was I planning to DO with my degree. Well work, obviously, was my response. Oh right, but why did I think anyone would employ me, over a freshly-out-of-uni 21-year old who'd live to work for no money at all.

It got worse when he realised I was hoping to start out on a part-time basis.

"People will think you're doing it as a hobby!"

As we left he said: "Try not to be too disheartened by what I've said."

"Do you know what it was meant to be", he threw in at the end, "a reality check!"

So, I've have spent a couple of years now wondering whether that is actually the reality, whether there is any point in even TRYING to get a job in law. But in the second half of last year I approached a number of people, people I thought I'd want to work for and the feeling I came away with was that the attitude I experienced that evening was actually NOT the dominant one. That there would be a place for me, and that even in law the tide is changing when it comes to employing and allowing for working mothers.

So I felt brave enough to go out and say with my head held high WHAT I was looking for. The fact I needed to work part time right now, was not because I approached my work like a hobby but because I have young children.

And if there's one thing I've learnt in the last three years, it's that I CAN get my work done in the hours that I've got available- possibly even better than the me that left uni at 22- without ever having had to juggle anything other than my own life.

This course offered me an opportunity to reinvent myself, to give myself a whole new world of possibility and opportunity here in Jersey.

And its exciting because I now feel a bit like that 22- yearold at the beginning of the rest of my life again, but with an amazing little family alongside me who are equally as committed to this as I am.

So, thank you to them for being awesome- to the institute for its existence, to the lecturers that have filled me with so much enthusiasm for the law and those employers out there who've restored my faith in mankind too- quite literally.

And yesterday, one of them gave me a job as well!

Thank you.

An inspiring speech that proves you need to be tenacious and follow your dreams. Barbara Corbett, Senior Partner at Iselin's new firm is pleased to have Iselin on board; "We are very pleased to welcome Iselin to our growing team. Having studied law while also bringing up her young children, she has all the qualities needed to ensure that our clients receive the best care, advice and support when they need it most.". Iselin is pleased too; "I am thrilled to be joining Corbett le Quesne as a paralegal. It marks the beginning of an exciting career change for me and I'm looking forward to being of assistance to families in Jersey who are going through a tough time." We wish Iselin all the best for her new career!





The local insurance broker's refurbished offices, which have just been officially opened, have been designed with customers at their heart. And it's not just their office space; Islands have undergone a complete transformation to refocus and improve their customer service.

Islands has been part of the Channel
Islands insurance marketplace for 40 years
this year and, among its product range,
provides access to motor, home and travel
insurance to Jersey residents as well as a
range of commercial products to support
local businesses with their insurance needs.

The main aim of the makeover was to create user-friendly offices that truly and physically put the customer at the heart of the business. With that in mind, before they began the redesign, Islands conducted a survey to find out what customers would change and improve about the offices, and focus groups were used during it to ensure that customer service was always borne in mind during the development. From the new reception desk to the designer fixtures and fittings, every small detail has been carefully considered from the point of view of the customer and staff member.

#### So what does the new office look like?

The reception has moved to the ground floor so that the very first thing a new potential client or existing customer sees is a friendly face. Close by, special meeting pods and rooms have been designed to create functional and comfortable private spaces where staff and clients can meet and talk.

The aim is to provide an environment where customers are able to discuss their needs. No matter whether they are a new customer looking for one-off travel insurance for a skiing trip or holiday in the sun, or a returning client wanting to find the most suitable renewal for

the most suitable renewal for their car and home, marine and business insurance, each person who comes through the door will get the same excellent service.

Further refurbishments to the upper floor have created a dedicated training room, colourful, fun breakout areas with corporate deck chairs for team buzz meetings, and a modern, vibrant working area for the personal lines and commercial brokers. Islands sales and marketing director,
Jim Purkiss said: "For Islands, the office
transformation is only the beginning as we
seek to make all customers feel supported
and cared for. We recognize that customers
have busy lives and are often working
full-time. With that in mind, a fully flexible
website where customers can obtain a quote
and go on cover or self-service their own
policies is part of the smart future of Islands
and will be rolled out by the end of the
year. Those who want or need face-to-face
contact will always be able to have personal
contact, and pop into our office to see our
friendly brokers or claims team.

"The company is adapting for the future because, in every respect, Islands is taking care of tomorrow."

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# Welcome to our careers special...



























# JESSICA NOON

FUND ADMINISTRATOR AT **BNP PARIBAS** 





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#### INTERESTED?

Contact Catherine Harzo, HR Officer - Channel Islands catherine.harzo@je.bnpparibas.com T:815200 BNP Paribas S.A., IFC1, The Esplanade, St Helier, Jersey, JE1 5BP Age: 21 Uni attended? N/A Course undertaken? N/A

What did you want to be when you were 8? Magician Favourite way to relax? An overnight stay in a hotel, I love

using spas and chilling out in the hotel room

Favourite place to eat in Jersey? SOY

What's your favourite possession? My Polaroid camera because I have captured great memories with it.

#### What made you choose the company you work for?

After my first few years in finance I decided I needed a new challenge and BNP Paribas seemed to fit perfectly. As an employer they offered great potential for professional development as I would be working for a client with a reputation for expecting the highest standard of work and client service. The potential for worldwide exposure was another reason I chose BNP Paribas, with offices in 80 countries, opportunities to work further afield are also possible.

#### What sort of professional training do you take?

I have recently completed my ICSA Level 4 in International Finance and Administration (IFA) and currently completing Level 5 IFA. This qualification covers many topics for example; business management, acceptance of new business and regulations/laws, financial reporting, fund administration and fund accounting. It is both interesting and relevant to my role in the finance sector and requires a lot of hours of study!

#### What do you do on an average day?

I currently work in Private Equity therefore my average day usually involves an investment of some sort which requires payment, preparation and filing of trade documentation. Should foreign exchange hedging be necessary, I will prepare foreign exchange trade templates, as well as communicating with the counterparty bank and investment manager, to reconcile the figures and rates. I also get involved with capital drawdowns and distributions for our investors.

#### What is your next step?

My focus will be to study really hard over the next few months to complete Level 5 IFA and become fully qualified by the end of 2018. Fingers crossed!

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

My advice would be to gain as much experience in different client areas as possible. The more experience, the wider the skill set you will have under your belt, enabling you to apply the fundamentals of fund administration to different situations. It will also help you decide which area you would most like to work in and go on to develop your career further in a particular area.

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# EMMA GRANGE ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR AT ESTERA





Age: 22
Uni attended? University of Lincoln
Course undertaken? BSc (Hons) Psychology
What did you want to be when you were 8? Zoo Keeper
Favourite way to relax? Meditation or having an early night
Favourite place to eat in Jersey? El Tico
What's your favourite possession? Maisie the Cocker Spaniel

#### What made you choose the company you work for?

Whilst undertaking my initial job application research, I was impressed with Estera's focus on providing the best service possible and maintaining its established reputation, whilst the business was also in the process of attaining new acquisitions and growing rapidly.

#### What sort of professional training do you take?

I have recently started ICSA IFA Level 4 and I will take my first exam in June. At first I felt overwhelmed by the concept of starting a finance course, having not studied it at University, however my role at Estera has offered invaluable insight into the foundations of the course.

#### What do you do on an average day?

I am part of a global team which reviews and enhances data for our clients across all jurisdictions and I have the opportunity to liaise with my colleagues worldwide on a regular basis. I also lead a small team in Jersey ensuring all data reviews are completed accurately and within the relevant regulation of the jurisdiction. During an average day I carry out data checks, distribute work to my team and carry out training.

#### What is your next step?

I am looking to continue my ICSA qualifications to gain my Chartered Company Secretary qualification and improve my financial services knowledge. I am also hoping to attend management courses in the future in order to gain more experience and learn the best techniques for managing a team.

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

In hindsight I have found it is important to have an open mind and consider a variety of job roles and opportunities which may have been different to any initial plan. I did not envisage myself working in the trust industry, but I believe that I am suited to the role, I thoroughly enjoy what I do and I look forward to seeing how my career will develop in the future.

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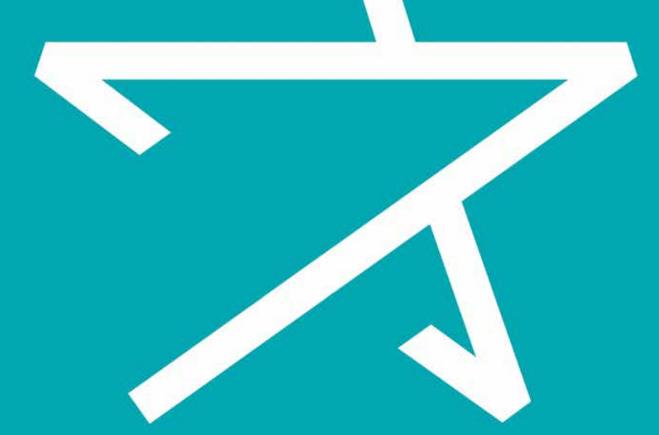
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# CAREERS AT EY





#### **CHERISSE MULDOON**

ASSURANCE ASSOCIATE - EY

Age: 24
Uni attended? Edinburgh Napier University
Course undertaken? BA Accounting with Entrepreneurship.
What did you want to be when you were 8? A surgeon;
however I realised I hated the sight of blood.
Favourite way to relax? Taking myself to a quiet or new place where I can sit for hours on end doing absolutely nothing except reading a book or taking in the atmosphere.

Favourite place to eat in Jersey? I haven't been in Jersey too long so haven't experienced too many restaurants. So i'll have to find a good seafood one soon.

What's your favourite possession? My memory box which holds my travel memories, photographs, sentimental gifts and cards I have received.

#### What sort of professional training do you take?

I opted to study towards attaining membership with the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA). At EY we are always under taking professional training to ensure our knowledge is up kept, this varies from online courses to training courses.

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

Take up the opportunity of the internships prior to graduation. It is easy to get stuck into University work and not think about post-graduation but take the time to research the summer internships available. I would also recommend the school leaver programme; if I had more information around the EY opportunities when I was at school I would have 100% applied earlier.

#### **ALEX TYLER**

ASSURANCE ASSOCIATE - EY

*Age:* 19

Uni attended? N/A Course undertaken?

I chose to join EY as a school leaver after my A Levels What did you want to be when you were 8? A Nurse. Favourite way to relax? Spending time with my friends, shopping and going to the beach.

Favourite place to eat in Jersey? Wildfire.

What's your favourite possession? My iphone, as it holds all my photos of previous holidays and good times with my friends and family.

#### What made you choose EY?

I participated in the EY Skills Academy during my A Levels to give me experience and understanding of what working in financial services would be like. I enjoyed my experience due to the inspiring and friendly people I worked with and decided to pursue it as a career. I was attracted to EY because it is a global firm with an excellent reputation of offering travel and secondment opportunities, which I hope to embrace once I am qualified.

#### What do you do on an average day?

My role is to work as part of a team, assisting in providing assurance that our client's financial statements give a true and fair view of company affairs and are free from material misstatements. I spend the majority of my time working at the client site and I am continuously being given opportunities to learn through coaching. Throughout my time at EY I have already worked on a range of engagement sectors such as Real Estate and Banking.

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#### **SINEAD** CRAIG

ASSURANCE ASSOCIATE - EY

#### **Age:** 21

Uni attended? University of Liverpool.

Course undertaken? BSc (Hons) Physiology.

What did you want to be when you were 8? Air hostess.

Favourite way to relax? Cooking (and eating!) with friends and family.

Favourite place to eat in Jersey? Crab Shack Gorey.

What's your favourite possession? Lipbalm – especially at this time of year!

#### What made you choose EY?

I interned with EY in summer 2017 whilst I was at university which gave me a really good insight into the firm and the people working there. I then decided to apply for the graduate scheme. The internship gave me the opportunity to understand the different departments within the firm, which definitely helped me decide which path to take once I understood the aspects of the work behind the job role.

#### What is your next step?

My immediate goal is to focus on passing my ICAS exams and starting to shape my career over the next few years. In the long run I'd love to work abroad with EY which they make possible due to our global mobility program.

#### **ALISTAIR DUNNE**

ASSURANCE ASSOCIATE - EY

#### **Age:** 23

Uni attended? Edinburgh Napier.
Course undertaken? Accounting with Corporate Finance.
What did you want to be when you were 8? A chef.
Favourite way to relax? I like to go for a drive when the weather is nice.

Favourite place to eat in Jersey? Anyone who knows me will know this is an impossible question for me. Banjos is the first which comes to mind.

What's your favourite possession? A watch I bought for myself as a present to celebrate moving to Jersey, joining EY, and generally starting a new point in my life.

#### What is your next step?

The main reason I got into audit is because it allows me to gain a broad exposure in various different areas of business and the types of clients EY has. My short term vision is to finish my ICAS exams and become a qualified CA. My goal after that would be to reach an Assistant Manager level, and then assess where I want to take my career.

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

I think it is really important to jump into an accounting qualification with both feet first. It isn't a walk in the park, but it is definitely incredibly rewarding. Whether it be the qualification itself, or the opportunity to meet people of varying experience levels along the way.

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# TORIN MITCHELL TECHNICAL GRADUATE AT JT GLOBAL





Age: 24
Uni Attended? The University of Manchester (MBS)
Course Taken? IT Management for Business (BSc)
What did you want to be when you were 8? A Dinosaur
Favourite way to relax? Listen to a record and read a book
Favourite place to eat in Jersey? The Salty Dog.
What's your favourite possession?
My vinyl copy of Immunity by Jon Hopkins.

#### What made you choose the company you work for?

When I was considering graduate opportunities in Jersey, I found JT to be one of the most interesting and unique companies in the Channel Islands. This is due to their wide international reach in some innovative fields, as well as the long standing on island reputation as the trusted Telco. I liked the idea of being able to dictate which projects I get involved with, and feel relatively boundless in the variety of activities I can get involved in.

#### What sort of professional training do you take?

I have taken some telecoms exams (of which I was able to choose from a selection) and am also going to take project management qualifications in May. Previous Tech Grads have taken a wide range of qualifications, including masters degrees – Which may be something I will look into!

#### What do you do on an average day?

In honesty – there isn't an average day in what I do! I am responsible for the delivery and orchestration of at least 8 activities at any one time. These range from business critical projects to general system maintenance. A sizable portion of what I do is engaging people and aligning on how we can move forward as a company.

#### What is your next step?

I would like to continue moving into the project management space, whilst developing my technical skillset. I have over a year left on my graduate scheme, and so would like to continue to get stuck in to as many different projects as I can!

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

Don't worry - keep having fun. You'll be fine in the end.

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# GUUS KUIJPERS TRAINEE AUDITOR AT MOORE STEPHENS





Age: 22
What did you want to be when you were 8?
Professional Footballer
Favourite way to relax? Going for walks outside
Favourite place to eat in Jersey?
Anywhere which serves Mexican food! (Refuel)
What's your favourite possession? My car

#### What made you choose the company you work for?

I was introduced to Moore Stephens by a former employee who felt that the audit department would really suit me. I was looking for somewhere where I could be an integral part of a team and gain lots of experience in order to develop my accounting knowledge.

#### What sort of professional training do you take?

I am currently working towards an ACCA qualification. I have passed several exams already and aim to finish and get fully qualified in the next few years.

#### What do you do on an average day?

I don't really have an average day due to audit work being so varied. I'm either in the office or working out at client or administrator's premises. I certainly look forward to the days out of the office as they offer the opportunity to work with different people on a variety of projects meaning every day presents a different challenge.

#### What is your next step?

I aim to continue to study for my professional qualification and gain more experience working with clients and the various industries in which they operate.

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Here, three of our team give an insight into their experience

of our commitment to training and creating an environment in which everyone is encouraged and supported to reach their full potential:



# SOPHIE REGUENGO

trainee lawyers.

My role at Ogier, as Counsel in the Investment Funds team in Jersey, is to provide senior legal support to service our existing and growing client base. We have a fantastic team with lawyers at all levels, so on any one day I can be working with six or seven associates or

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### TIFFANY AGER ASSOCIATE

After completing my law degree and LPC in Birmingham, I undertook my training contract and qualified as an English law solicitor specialising in corporate law. I joined Ogier in April 2017 as an Associate in the corporate team.

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**DANIEL**WHALEN

I joined Ogier in February 2016 as a paralegal and recently qualified into the Investment Funds team, following the completion of my training contract.

I enjoy working for prestigious clients and being engaged on the kind of high-quality of work that I am exposed to at Ogier. I feel lucky to work in an environment where I am given opportunities to learn, in the company of technically advanced lawyers who are supportive and easy to work alongside.

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It's that time of year again, the point at which if there's no snow about it's hard not to turn your attention to Geneva airport as more than just a conduit to the mountains, because the automotive world is in town. That's right, this year sees the 88th running of the Auto Salon de Genève at the Palexpo centre just a very, very short stroll from the arrivals lounge.

Get yourself an insanely overpriced coffee, pick up your laminate, prepare to be blinded by the light reflected from each and every highly polished contour of the latest cars from an extensive range of manufacturers and aftermarket tuners and take a journey into the floodlit heat of the exhibition halls.

Really, I should be trying to write a balanced overview of the entire show from the comfort of my desk here in Jersey but in reality what's about to happen in the first instance involves gushing about one car that's very similar to a car that I've gushed about before (in Gallery issue 139). It's also one from the same, very exclusive, manufacturer that had a car on their stand that completely blew me away the last time I visited the show in actual, real life.

Don't get me wrong, it's a phenomenally well engineered and capable vehicle, but when you break it down (figuratively) it's also a case of function following form and you'd think that's a bad thing. It's a tough balance to strike, but as a petrolhead poring over a car like Ruf's latest SCR that took centre stage in Geneva (the 4-litre green one, not to be confused with last year's 4.2 litre red one with the duckbill moulded into the bootlid, which is technically the bonnet, of course) I'm expecting out-and-out track prowess judging by what's underneath. But then they built an aerodynamically inferior, by today's standards at least, 964 silhouette

on top of it all. When you physically break it down though, it's a bang up to date concotion of composites and clever components; a carbon firbre monocoque tub, push-rod inboard suspension and a screaming six-cylinder boxer engine (what else?!) with an 8,270 RPM redline. So despite that trendy looking modern-retroesque shell, which is also carbon fibre and at least saves the hassle of the de-guttering process that they went to with the original Yellowbird for aerodynamic reasons, it'll still crack 199mph. Impressive, although I hasten to add that the original Yellowbird could muster 210mph with around the same horsepower. That isn't to say that the SCR doesn't get there a lot quicker though, and I've no doubt that it's an all round superior handling vehicle, of course. As in, lightyears ahead.

So, for all of the aerodynamic inefficiencies that come hand in had with looking like it's an eighties classic it's still an absolute weapon with a squillion foot-pounds of torque at about half way to the redline, not to mention it's a member of the 500-plus club. You don't need the figures, I don't need the figures, and it isn't laziness on my part as they're readily available (although Alois Ruf did once famously state that the have 'very big horses in Pfaffenhausen' after the world realised that they had a habit of being extremely conservative when it comes to horsepower figures) - it's just a fact that this machine is going to impress anybody fortunate enough to actually get a









**WORDS** Russ Atkinson

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go behind the wheel. Because it isn't going to be cheap. I'm guessing at around half a million or so Sterling. Like I said, you don't need to know the details.

What you do need to know, however, is a detail that I'd originally overlooked, due to

In summary, there was a green Porscheshaped non-Porsche at the Geneva motor show and it looked almost beyond incredible. There were, however, a whole host of other vehicles there from manufacturers big and small, and I'm about to provide a summary of those too.

"What you do need to know, however, is a detail that I'd originally overlooked, due to being blinded by its overall glory, until a good friend of mine pointed it out. In his words; 'it looks as if somebody's chucked an alcantara grenade inside it'. Yep, there is that."

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Alcantara. That mythical material, as expensive as mink and oozing contemporary class, used wherever a performance oriented vehicle needs a bit of luxury. However, the reality is that despite its relatively high cost as a basic material it isn't made by skinning tiny rare animals, it's basically polyester, and covering almost every conceivable area inside a car with it does not ooze class. Or even utilitarianism. It just looks, well, odd. Those houndstooth clad bucket seats though, aren't they pretty? I'll forgive you Ruf, I'll forgive you the excess alcantara for those seats alone.

### AN OVERVIEW OF THE REST (as seen above)

On the top row, Audi debuted a new version of their A6 (1) and to me it looks like a case of meet the new A6, same as the old A6 (to loosely quote Pete Townshend). Aston Martin unveiled the latest incarnation of their Vantage (2), which looks suspiciously like a Mazda MX-5 to me, and their sister company showed another concept that probably won't come to fruition under the Lagonda brand (3) which was supposedly reserved for any Aston Martins with more than two doors before they brought the Rapide to market and pretended they'd never said that. It does look very, very cool though - in a kind of original Lancia Stratos concept kind of way. Plus it's electric. The future from the seventies is here at last!

Speaking of electric, on the second row we have an electric version of Bentley's Bentayga (4), that hideously ugly beast that has proved immensely popular with people who have far more money than taste (footballers and farmers with complex offshore tax structures, to make a sweeping generalisation) and I bet it'll sell like glutenfree hot cakes. Next up is BMW's new Z4 offering (5), which in my opinion looks suspiciously like a Mazda MX-5, and unless my eyes deceive me that's a two-door Range Rover (6), a sight not seen since circa 1981 and it looks splendid, if I may say so.

On the bottom row there's the Rimac Concept 2 electric hypercar (7), cleverly positioned on a slightly elevated stand with a low glass barrier (presumably to keep Richard Hammond from destroying any more of their ultra-low volume production vehicles) which looks like the front of a Hennessey Venom F5 and the back of a Pagani Zonda, with Lamborghini doors. Next to that is a new Toyota Supra (8) that's been developed in conjunction with BMW and looks suspiciously like a Mazda MX-5 (have you noticed a pattern developing here?) and the final shot is, of course, that beautiful Ruf SCR 4.0 (9). I was going to include an image of the new Citroen C4 Cactus purely because they've removed the wobbly bits on the side that make it look like a Bodum coffee cup but couldn't bring myself to do it. You'll just have to trust me on that. So, until next year...

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# Splash out...

### **WORDS** Rebecca Evans

Summer is around the corner, the sea temperature is slowly rising, and it will soon be time for us to start taking full advantage of our Island home and getting wet and wild in the water that surrounds us. For the Splash issue I've tirelessly researched the most fun and functional waterproof gadgets on the market.

### THE SAMSUNG GALAXY S8

Anyone who has ever dropped their mobile phone into a glass of water, the sink, or worse, the loo, will have dreamed of the day that 'phone manufacturers made water resistance as much of a priority as screen resolution. Well that day has arrived, and the Samsung Galaxy S8 boasts an IP68 dust and water resistance rating, or in layman's terms, 30 minutes water resistance in a depth of up to 1.5 metres, making it one of the most waterproof handsets on the market right now and a weight off the mind of butter-fingers everywhere.

The peace of mind alone might be worth the asking price, but of course the S8 comes with all the bells and whistles you would expect from a modern smartphone. The 5.8 inch screen offers edge-to-edge HD+ display, and the 64GB standard storage can be boosted up to 256GB via MicroSD. A full battery apparently lasts for up to 20 hours of Talktime, but probably more relevant these days is 12 hours of 4G internet use, or 44 hours of MP3 playback.

Proof if more were required that Samsung have moved with the times, the 12MP rear facing camera comes complete with 'food mode' and the 8MP front facing version has a 'wide selfie' option, whatever that is. Fast charging and face recognition security complete the round up of broadly appealing functions on the S8.

Of course there is still no Facetime on the Android operating system, but now there is a 'phone that can safely be used whilst bathing or performing other ablutions, I'm not sure that's such a bad thing.

The Samsung Galaxy S8 is £549 from Sure Jersey. Monthly Plans available.



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### **MAHINA MERMAID MERFIN**

Not strictly a gadget, but I couldn't resist sneaking the Mahina Merfin in, entirely on the basis of the attention it will grab down 'Brelades on a Summer's Day. Made with recycled rubber, Mahina fins are eco-friendly, soft, flexible and will give any swimmer the speed and agility of a fish, or indeed a mermaid. Once all your Ariel fantasies have been achieved, the quick release ankle strap transforms you back into a landlubber. If only she had it so easy.

#### The Mahina MerFin is £69.99 from www.amazon.co.uk



### YAMAHA RDS200 SEASCOOTER

Love snorkelling but find that those magical peaceful underwater scenes just drift past too slowly? What you need is the Yamaha RDS200 Seascooter, which will have you whipping past those fish at a heady 2mph. Designed for recreational divers and enthusiastic snorkellers, the Seascooter can provide up to an hour of propulsion per battery charge. Weighing a little under 6kg, divers will appreciate the removable buoyancy control chamber, and the capability to operate down to 65 metres below the surface.

The Seascooter is powered by a sealed lead acid battery, which will require some occasional maintenance, but surely that's a small price to pay for such subaquatic swiftness? Assuming that you've also bought the Kit HD action camera based on my recommendation to the right, you'll find a mount included on the Seascooter, so you can capture every moment of your hasty journey through the H20.

The Yamaha SeaScooter is £399.99 from www.seascooteruk.com





### **KIT ESCAPE HD5 WATERPROOF ACTION CAMERA**

If the 'Water Wonderful World' feature on page 34 has inspired you to whisk the family off to a water park this summer, you're going to want to capture the moments of joy and jeopardy as they happen. The Kit Escape HD5 is a petite and practical waterproof action camera, than the better known Go-Pro brand, for a significantly lower price point, making it ideal to grab holiday memories without having to splash out.

Waterproof up to 30m, this little camera at 1.3MP. Unlike the majority of action cams, the Kit Escape features a 1.5 inch colour LCD screen, allowing the user to frame the perfect shot, before reviewing SD card. A wide range of accessories circumstances and sports, and several are included to get you up and running (or swimming, or diving, or sliding).

The Kit Escape HD5 Waterproof Action Camera is £39.99 from the Powerhouse.

"Love snorkelling but find that those magical peaceful underwater scenes just drift past too slowly? What you need is the Yamaha RDS200 Seascooter, which will have you whipping past those fish at a heady 2mph."

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### FINIS DUO UNDERWATER MP3 PLAYER

Whether you're smashing out lengths at Les Quennevais pool, drifting around a pool atop an inflatable unicorn or powering across the water on a paddleboard or kayak, sometimes a little music is required.

The Finis Duo Underwater MP3 Player offers the ideal solution. Waterproof to 3 metres and providing up to 7 hours of playback, 4GB of storage provides space for up 1000 songs, whilst iTunes compatability offers all of the music, podcasts or audiobooks that you could wish for. Bop to the Beach Boys as you backstroke, or listen to Water For Elephants whilst you wakeboard.

The sleek two piece design employs bone conduction technology to provide crystal-clear sound, in or out of the water, without the requirement for ear buds. This allows those in the water to use earplugs if required, and those above the waves to hear what's going on around them. A simple 4 button interface makes switching track or function simple to navigate, and the MP3 Player is supplied with a magnetic USB connection for easy charging and transfer of files.

The Finis Duo is £70.82 from www.wiggle.com, with free delivery to Jersey



"Whether you're smashing out lengths at Les Quennevais pool, drifting around a pool atop an inflatable unicorn or powering across the water on a paddleboard or kayak, sometimes a little music is required."



Former Gallery Features Writer and Jersey Bean living overseas Alex Farnham said in his last article with us that he wanted to take some time to pursue further creative options. We thought that was just a rubbish excuse to not write any more, but by gosh that's exactly what he's done...

Over the past few years, tabletop gaming has come back in a big way. Whether it's a family game of scrabble or a group of friends getting together to discover the depths of a brand new tactical board game, there's a lot to be said for the enriching social interaction of sitting round a table and engaging in some genuine fun and games - the sort of 'face time' you don't get from looking into a screen. That's why Alex has created and developed his own tabletop party game, which is very close to its official launch! CastQuest is a description based party game that harnesses the player's imagination in more depth and detail than your average party game - the basic idea being that you have to collect a sequence of cards by describing certain scenarios, and hoping another player can guess it correctly!

On top of this, each player carries a hand of cards that contain spells and curses; with these they can either help themselves progress through the game, or cause their opponents to fall behind - it might be a spell that gives extra rewards or a curse that makes another player's description round more difficult. Your aim is to complete a quest by collecting all its components whilst overcoming the challenges of your enemies... ok, not really 'enemies', but I guess it depends on how competitive you are!

When asked about his motivation for CastQuest, Alex said "a lot of party games don't have that much of a narrative or structure other than just playing until you get to a certain number of points or until someone gets bored - with CastQuest I wanted to bring something that had more of a thematic narrative to the world of casual gaming - you have to progress through different stages of the game and at any time you could be set back by your opponents. Overall it's just a more immersive party game that hopefully appeals to more seasoned board gamers as well as those who want to just pick it up and play."

In order to get the funding needed to launch CastQuest, Alex is starting a Kickstarter campaign with a goal to raising enough for the first print run. If you're unaware of Kickstarter, it is a crowdfunding platform that lets you pledge at different financial levels in order to support something you want to see happen, in exchange for pledge rewards.

If you'd like to learn more about CastQuest and want to help them achieve their funding goal, you can Like their page on Facebook (www.facebook.com/castquestgame).

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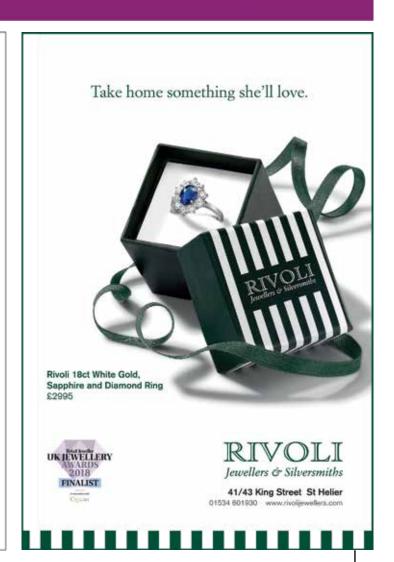
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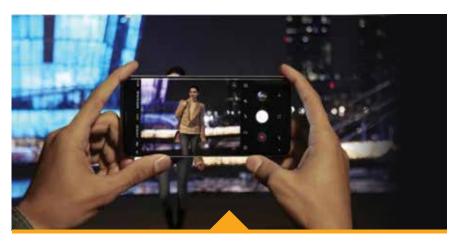
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Talking of which, the edge-to-edge screen on the S9 offers a brilliant display for all the HD slo-mo videos that you take but if that's not enough, you can easily share it directly with other Samsung devices, letting your friends peek into your world in real time!

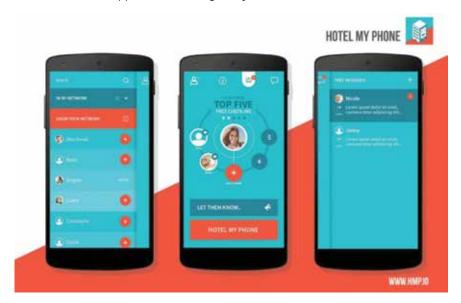
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Fox to learn about Jersey's first pro skater and his take on the local scene.

JERSEY HAS PRODUCED SOME INSPIRING HOME GROWN SKATEBOARDING TALENT OVER THE DECADES AND YOUNG SKATEBOARDER AND ARTIST GLEN FOX IS CERTAINLY ONE TO WATCH. HE HAS WELL AND TRULY MADE HIS MARK ON THE INTERNATIONAL SKATE SCENE WITH HIS ENERGETIC, SUPER QUICK AND CREATIVE STYLE. HIS SPEED HAS CAUSED QUITE A STIR AMONGST THE ONLINE SKATE COMMUNITY, WITH MANY CONVINCED THAT FOOTAGE OF HIM SKATING IS SPED UP... BUT IT 100% ISN'T, HE'S JUST THAT FAST!

### So Glen, we heard you have had some really good news recently, care to share?

Ello! Yeah of course! It was recently announced that I would be pro for a French skateboarding company called Magenta skateboards. I met them in Bordeaux around 6 years ago and I have officially been skating with them since 2015, turning pro a couple of weeks ago.

### Amazing! How has turning pro changed your life?

That's a good question, I don't feel any different, whether you're getting paid or not its all about having fun! I get to travel a lot more now though, skating with the Magenta team has taken me all over Europe and my last trip was out to Miami. We skate, film

and have the best time! There will be a lot more opportunities to travel and meet new people now. As well as skating for Magenta, I now also design a new skateboard graphic every month. I am all about skating and painting, they blend really well for me creatively and culturally.

### So when did it all begin, how did you get into skateboarding?

It all began when I was 11 years old, I decided to be the typical little brother and copy what my older brothers were doing at the time, which was skateboarding and haven't stopped since!

### How do you think skateboarding has influenced you throughout your life?

I feel that skateboarding has made me a

very passionate and determined person and very appreciative. I believe that a skateboard is a communication tool that can help develop confidence. It has pushed me to continue with my other passions. I was really into drawing and painting before I got into skateboarding and still am.

### What is it about skateboarding that keeps you going back for more?

It's the energy and feeling you gain from it everyday, it's the people you meet skateboarding, the cities you travel to and the over all feeling of progression. It's an infinite culture and very addictive!

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### What are your favourite skateboarding moments/ memories?

I have so many favourite memories, but my favourite times here in Jersey would be when we used to go to glass lift at the Waterfront. There would be skateboarders of all ages and abilities skating and we would easily spend the whole day skating around the area. To many other skateboarders this would not have seemed like a great spot to skate in, but for the Jersey gang it was much more then a skate spot...it was legendary!

### Which skateboarders have inspired you the most?

Local skateboarders for sure! As we live in an island, sometimes it can feel isolated from the rest of the skate world. We have always had a very strong community in the Jersey skate scene - growing up around this has had a huge influence on me.

### With the skate spots available in Jersey, could you have reached professional level if you had stayed here?

Maybe, it is getting harder and harder to find good places to skate in Jersey, so I guess leaving Jersey was necessary to get there. Going off island inspires and motivates me, but we really need a decent facility in Jersey.

### What would you like to see happen with the local skateboarding scene in the future?

I would like to see the energy rising amongst the youth, keeping generation after generation growing! I'd also really like to see the public view on skateboarding change as many people don't understand us. We are just one big family of all ages doing what we enjoy!

If Jersey had a quality skateboarding facility it could really help motivate to and influence many young people here on the island. I really believe it could open lots of opportunities for young people and get them outside and more active.

Glen Fox is Jersey's first professional skateboarder. Check out his dynamic skating skills and amazing artwork at magenta skateboards and Pillo Wheels on Facebook and @magentaskateboards and @gfox\_painting on Instagram.

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### A SKATEPARK COMMENT



**WORDS** Daco Fernandes

In case you weren't aware, the skatepark that was bizarrely situated on the New North Quay closed earlier this year due to some idiots ruining it for everybody else. These idiots were not skate boarders though, just straight up, bona fide, bored muppets.

There was an expected amount of uproar within the skate community but it just seemed like another loss for the people of Jersey and that was all we could do about it... Get a bit upset... Boo-bloodyhoo. Steve Harben, Longtime skater and owner of Warriors Skateboards gets a slot on BBC radio and he gets his voice heard. He is quite rightly miffed at the closure. Some politicians take note and some discussions are had. A meeting is decided for the public to air their views on the matter. Things are happening. Then it seems that Steve Pallett, Constable of St Brelade, drops the ball by appointing an outside consultant to come in to deal with things. Typical... More money wasted before we've even started. But... Did he really drop the ball though?

not homeless you're doing this for your own self interest" - that would be insane. Empathy is something seriously lacking in this world, and if there is ever a chance to let it show, then let it show.

The users of the skatepark need the public behind them, they need supporters from all walks of life to get behind them and show some solidarity. The future riders of the park will be future voters. Wouldn't it be great to show them that the system can work in their favour if they try hard enough? If everyone supported each other when times got tough, if everyone of us stood united for a common cause; what sort of message could this send out to everyone watching? There is such a high level of apathy within our local

Considering that he contacted the local skate community after speaking to the "Ports of Jersey" (who wanted the park shut down for various reasons) he then set up a public meeting and by the

time the meeting had even been held, Mr Pallett had also been in discussion with several consultants about how to move forward with the situation. I'm not so sure he dropped the ball at all, in fact, it seems he may well have been the only one quick enough to catch the thing. Whilst everyone else was wondering which carpark to abscond to, this geezer is talking to all sorts of locals and non-locals to get things moving in a positive direction. People always accuse politicians of jumping on bandwagons (I certainly do) when there are elections coming up - "how can this guy, who's never skated, possibly understand what the skateboarders need?" Exactly - he can't. Most of the people that we need to help get us an appropriate site and funding will most likely have no idea of what skateboarding means to millions of people around the world, so what? I have no idea what it is to be a homeless person but there are certainly things within my power that I can do to help. No-one should be shouting at me saying "back off, you're

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community, isn't it now time to teach the 'youth' that amazing things can be achieved with a coordinated effort? I don't want my own children to waste their time believing that 'nothing can be done', thinking 'what's the point? They never listen to us'. I have spent over a quarter of a century following this rhetoric and I don't want my kids or anyone else's to waste their time on such negative views. One day, these young people will be of an age where their votes will make a huge difference. In all likelihood, they will remember the time that the public stood with them in creating a life changing facility that helped to shape them into the sort of human beings every society wants. They will then stand up against the injustices of the day and support whatever movement needs their support because they might not be the bitter disenfranchised public that we are today.

The Jersey Skateparks Association is currently being formed - be part of it, make your voice heard.









Dancer Nikki Zachariou is credited with bringing mainstream pole dancing to Jersey as a fun way for women to keep fit and increase their confidence. Having taught classes through her dance company, UberEdge, for nearly ten years now she's learnt a thing or two about what it means to be a leading lady in her industry.

### So Nikki, what was it that attracted you to the pole?

I've been dancing for years and when I was studying to become a dance and fitness instructor, the pamphlet for pole dancing literally fell out onto my lap! I thought yeah, what a great way to mix up fitness and dancing and bring something new to the Island.

#### Is it as hard to do as it looks?

I can't lie, when I first bought a pole after signing up for my training I was terrified to discover I couldn't actually pole dance. It does require a lot of strength to do the more advanced moves, but I think most would be surprised how fast this builds up. By practising just 20 minutes a day I was able to achieve the basic tricks and spins quickly. There's no requirement to be able to lift your own weight though, its something anyone can do.

### Why do you think it's become so popular?

It's showcased a lot through Instagram and social media, and I think this gets people inspired to give it a go or to further their skills. It's a fantastic way to increase your self-confidence. We work hard to ensure our classes are completely judgement free so that you can relax and feel safe to explore your capabilities.

### Can anyone do it?

Absolutely, but I currently only teach classes to women. I wanted to create a safe environment where my students can be as expressive as they like without feeling self-conscious and that's difficult to achieve in a mixed class. I'd be open to teaching a male class if they were serious about learning the skill. We teach people of every shape and size though, it's not an exercise reserved only for slim girls as most people think. We cater for all levels and our classes include women aged 18-50, we even have our own pole dancing female priest! It builds your core and upper body strength whilst being gentle on your body if you have lower body joint aliments. It's always a great work out!

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### So would I need to take my clothes off?

No, whilst the class is a balance between sensuality and physical fitness, it isn't training you to become a stripper! The students enjoy the more erotic moves on the pole as much as the physically demanding ones, but I think that's more to do with embracing the many levels of what it means to be a woman. We also teach hen parties which can get a little more raucous, but it's all just good clean fun.

### What has pole dancing taught you?

Self-belief and acceptance and this is what I aim to pass on in my teachings. To assure women that there's nothing scary about pole dancing and that they would never be made to do anything they didn't feel comfortable with. Women are such multi-faceted creatures, we can be strong, vulnerable, disciplined or fragile. Pole dancing lets you embrace all this as well as being a bonding experience that provides you with friends for life.

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